

IT'S ABOUT TIME !

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors Chapter 50 Puget Sound



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Chapter 50, July Meeting

The July meeting of NAWCC Chapter 50 was held at the Edmonds Senior Center, on July 15th. 33 members and friends chose to spend their early Sunday afternoon with us.

Dick Krueger gave a brief report of his impressions of the 2012 NAWCC National, held in Pasadena, June 13th-16th. The Keynote presentation by Ed Beacham of Sisters, Or, on the Prauge Astronomical Clock project was great. The Mart was probably as large as recent Nationals, but the attendance may have been down a bit.

It is nearing time for the Annual Puyallup Fair and the NAWCC booth in the Hobby Hall. A sign-up sheet was circulated for folks to sign-up to staff the booth during the run of the Fair, from September 6th to 23rd. If you missed your chance to sign up, contact Julia Mueller.

NorWest VocTech watch & clock school will be having their 2nd Annual Open House on August 26th from 1 - 4 PM. The School has added a number of hi-tech items and upgrades during the year to improve the quality of instruction. You'll want to attend the open house to check them out.

NWVT also announced a special summer class to be held on Sunday, 8/19, on the Introduction to Atmos Clock repair. Space is limited, so see details later in the newsletter to get signed up.

Sunshine Report - Jan Jaussaud reported that Brian Gardner is having medical problems, and is currently in a care center. She also told us of the passing of long time Chapter 50 member Amby Ambjor.

Our 50:50 drawing was again very popular, and the lucky winner of this month's \$63 prize was Karla Schweinfurth. Congratulations, Karla!

We were fortunate to have our program in two sections. Bob Selene gave us some background on the Omega watch brand, and their recent change in marketing structure. The Omega watch will soon only be available in Omega company stores. There are only 6 places in the world, 4 of them in the US, and ONE in Seattle.

Mark Smith gave a presentation on "The Enamel Dial - Art & Technology", which covered Mark's research and efforts to perfect the making of enamel dials. It's a fairly complex procedure which requires a temperature of around 1350 degrees F. to fuse the enamel to the dial blank. It was a very interesting program.

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COMING EVENTS

August 5th — BC Chapter 121 BBQ, Williams Park, Langley, BC, Canada
Time is Short! If you have not made plans yet, the time is NOW! See the flyer on Page 3 for time and other information. Contact Malcolm Wilson for tickets as shown on flyer.

August 19th — NorWest VoTech Atmos Clock Class.

August 26th — NorWest VoTech 2nd Annual Open House

September 23rd — Multi-Chapter Meeting, Hosted by BC Chapter 121
Town & Country Inn, Delta, BC

October 14th — Regular Chapter 50 meeting, Edmonds Senior Center
Chapter Auction

November 11th — Regular Chapter 50 meeting, Edmonds Senior Center
Election of Officers.

Plan to attend the NAWCC

BC Chapter 121 Steak BBQ

Lots of good food to enjoy!
Sunday, August 5th, 2012

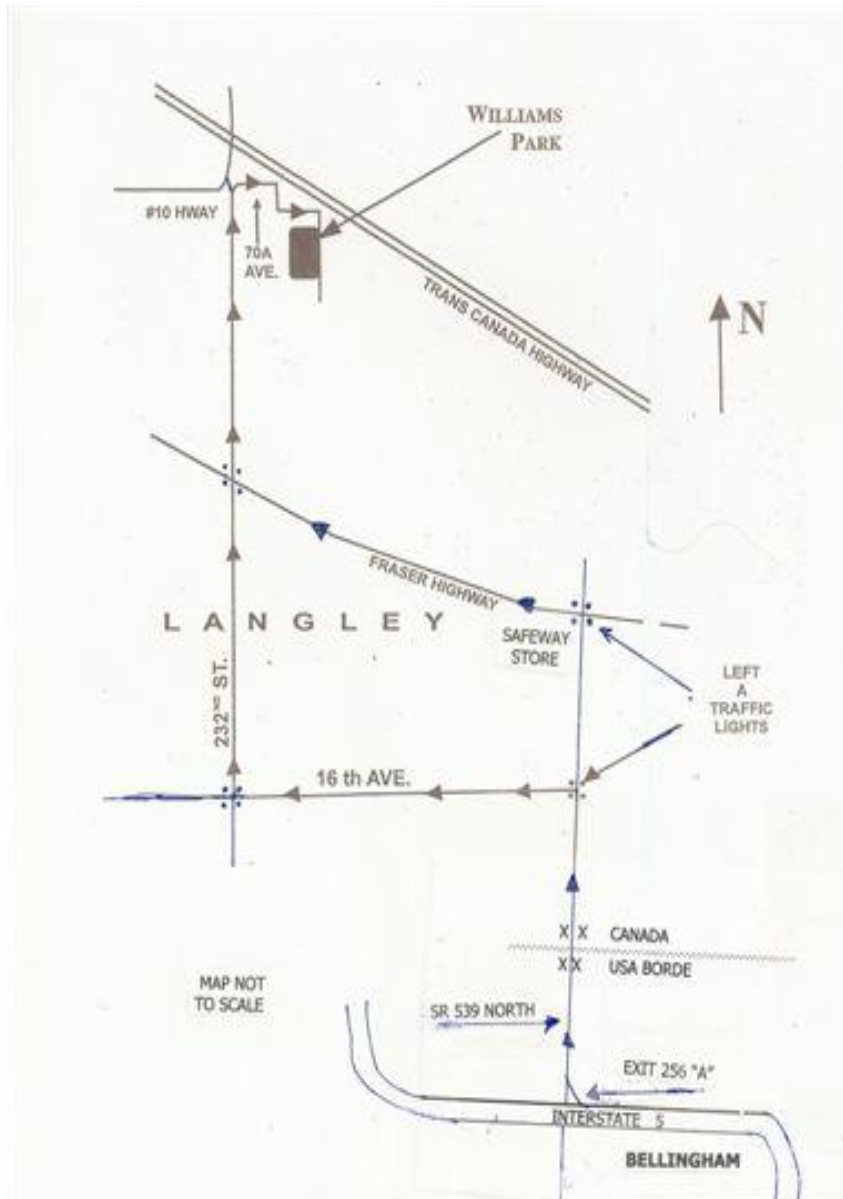
11 AM to 4 PM (\$15.00)
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Norwest - VocTech Watch & Clock Repair School

Learn Watch and Clock Repair in Seattle

Announcing NEW Summer Class Opportunity

Introduction to Atmos Clock Repair – 1 Day Class, Sunday, August 19th, 10AM – 6 PM.

After careful consideration of additional classwork requests submitted over the past few months, NorWest VocTech is pleased to announce a late addition to its summer curriculum. A one day introduction to the Atmos clock.

Each student will learn how to remove, inspect and reassemble each section of the clock. This will be a “hands on” experience to give the student an understanding of the clock, and how to recognize most problems and correct them.

Atmos parts for each section of the clock will be provided for students to disassemble and reassemble:

MOTOR, WINDING/MAINSRING, MOVEMENT/ESCAPEMENT, DIAL/HANDS, SUSPENSION/PENDELUM, CASE.

Introduction to Atmos Clock Repair

When: One (1) day - August 19th

Time: Sunday 10AM - 6PM with breaks

Tuition: \$125.00

Space: Limited to 4 to 8 students.

Prerequisite: The advanced student with demonstrated skill repairing either clocks or watches

Please respond to either Mark Smith (mark@seattlewatchrepair.com) , or Tom Payne (donantom@tmpco.com) to register for this class.

Thanks!

Announcing NorWest VocTech 2nd Annual Open House

Sunday, August 26, 2012

Greeting students and supporters of NorWest VocTech LLC. Our school will be hosting its second annual open house August 25th, 2012. Please spread the word as this event goes a long way in keeping the local community apprised of our activities and growth.

NWVT was started a few years ago to continue the rich tradition of training the serious hobbyist and craftsman in the art and science of watch and clock restoration. The school's work is recognized regionally as the only remaining learning center that caters to training the independent watch and clock hobbyist.

The school's facilities and learning programs provide an opportunity for both neophytes, the advanced hobbyist, and collectors to learn more about this craft. Be sure to drop by for some refreshment and engaging conversation, and demonstrations of both antique and vintage watch and clock technologies.

What: NorWest VocTech LLC Classroom Open House

When: Sunday August 26th

Time: Noon to 4PM, refreshments will be provided

Where: Shoreline Conference Center, 18560 1st Ave NE, Shoreline, WA 98155

Additional school information: <http://www.norwest-voctech.com/>

Come to see our updated teaching facilities which now include realtime video viewing of workspace, an industrial inspection microscope, our digital library, and an expanded micro-machining program.

For map & driving directions, go to the school website above.

In Memory of
Sverre H. (Amby) Ambjor

Longtime Member of NAWCC Chapter 50

Born in Watford City, North Dakota, on May 16, 1915, to Inger Norstog Ambjor and Haakon Ambjor. Passed away on June 12, 2012. Graduated from Dunwoody College of Technology in Minneapolis, Minnesota. His work at IBM for 38 years was challenging, and he loved solving the problems in the Field Engineering Division. In retirement he carried that interest on into his hobby of clock collection and repair, in which he felt great satisfaction. Survivors include his loving wife Miriam, many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends. Private family memorial interment services have been held at Evergreen Washelli Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Medic 1, Salvation Army, or Union Gospel Mission.

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NAWCC Pacific Northwest Multi-Chapter Meeting

Sunday, Sept. 23rd, 2012, at the Town & Country Inn, Delta, B. C.
(See direction map on back.)

Sunday Morning Set Up at 8 AM, Mart Opens at 9:00 AM.

Buffet Lunch at 11:30AM

The Theme Will Be 'Canadian Timepieces'

We'll have a "Free Table" for your give away items. Bring anything horologically related that you would like to set free. Someone else will love to take it home! This is always a lot of fun, so be sure to bring lots.

A fine **Buffet Lunch** is included in the registration fee of \$40.00 for members, \$30.00 for spouse. Mart tables are \$10.00 for a 1/2 table and will be on a first come basis. There are lots of door prizes, table prizes, a raffle, and of course competition prizes.

Reservations and Advance Payment for the meeting must be RECEIVED by Sept. 10th, 2012.

Multi-Chapter Meeting Registration Form.

Name _____ NAWCC # _____

Guest name _____ NAWCC # _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Mart tables needed: _____ tables @ \$10.00 per 1/2 table = \$ _____

Registration: _____ @ \$40.00 _____ @ \$30.00 = \$ _____

Make checks payable to NAWCC Chapter #121 and mail to:
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