

IT'S ABOUT
TIME!



50th Anniversary



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Important Notice:

October Meeting — Date Change — NOW OCTOBER 12th

50th Anniversary Meeting

On Sunday, September 14, 2014, about 30 of our Chapter 50 members and friends gathered at the Edmonds Senior Center to recognize and celebrate 50 years of Chapter 50 history.

After an active Mart and hospitality time, we moved on to a short business meeting. We welcomed return visitor Ann McMahon and former Ch. 50 member Andy Anderson.

A highlight of the business meeting was Ron Kowalski's report that we have received a letter from the IRS approving our Ch. 50 - 501c7 non-profit status. We're hoping that this is the final decision on this, and that we can recover the \$400 fine that we had to pay to get this matter reconsidered.

Tom Payne reported that the NorWest School of Horology is doing well. Fall quarter classes are about to start, and there is a full roster for the starting class.

Stan Mueller reported that the clock & watch booth at the Puyallup Fair is going well. Julia has finally been able to



Careful examination of the items offered at the Mart

get all of the "slots" filled for people to man the booth during Fair hours.

After the business meeting, we were treated to a program dedicated to the recognition of Chapter 50's fifty year history. Dick Krueger presented a Power-Point program based on the research he and John Runciman had gathered.

It was interesting to note that the Pacific Northwest Chapter 31 in Portland had been formed (in 1960) when there were only 25 NAWCC members in Oregon and Washington. Chapter 31 was in-

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strumental in the formation of both Chapter 50 (in 1964) and Chapter 53 (1st meeting in 1965). Several Charter Members of Chapter 50 had also been members of Chapter 31.

After the PowerPoint presentation, we were treated to the recollections of several members who had been involved in the early days of Chapter 50. Great memories!

We closed the meeting with the cutting (and consuming) of the ceremonial 50th anniversary cake.



Paul Middents showing parts from the original King St. Station tower clock



President Mark Smith cutting the ceremonial 50th Anniversary cake.



Bob Selene telling of memories of early Chapter 50.

Chapter 50 -- Upcoming Meetings

Note: New Date for October meeting --- October 12th!

October 12th — Regular meeting — Edmonds Senior Center. This is the annual AUC TION meeting, so be planning on what you will bring to sell.

November 9th — Regular meeting — Edmonds Senior Center. The program will be by Rubens Siegleman — “Everything you wanted to know about Tun ing Fork Watches”.

December 7th — Joint Ch. 50 & 135 Christmas Party. Best Western Executive Inn, Seattle. Hosted by Chapter 50.

Puyallup Fair - 2014

Once again, the Clock & Watch Booth at the Puyallup Fair has proven to be a crowd favorite!



The wonderful clock display, arranged by Ernie Lopez

chance to participate this year, look forward to getting involved next year.

See the report by Julia later in this newsletter.

Our sincere thanks to Stan and Julia Mueller for all the effort they put into making sure that the Fair Booth runs smoothly!!

IT'S ABOUT TIME

Visitors to the Fair often bring watches that they would like to know more about, or look at the display of watches and clocks and tell us about the ones that they have. One of the most common questions is: “Does anyone still repair ones like this?” Fortunately, we have a booklet listing all of the members who do repairs, organized by geographical location. The Fairgoers are very grateful to get this information.

If you were one of the many who helped staff the booth during the Fair, I sincerely hope that you enjoyed it as much as I did. If you did not get a



Archie Bacon (L), and Bob Selene on duty at the amazing watch display case.

Puyallup (Washington State Fair) Booth Report 2014

The 2014 Washington State Fair (Puyallup Fair) is over and the Clock and Watch Booth has been “put away” for another year. We want to thank the members of Chapter #50 and #135 for the support given for this outreach project. Again this year, we had a good display of clocks, watches and tools representing a variety of horological areas. Those who loaned various display items and helped set up the booth were: Bob Selene and Siri Childs, Ellen and Phil Wirth, Chet Ekstrand and Ernie Lopez. Special thanks to Ernie who loaned many of the items and then arranged the display in the big display cabinet. It was great. Thanks to Jim and Norma King, who store all the other items needed for the booth. And, thank you to Andy Baudino for storing the display case each year.

A big thank you to all of you who volunteered time to help cover the booth. The Fair runs for 17 days, with 2 shifts per day and usually 2 people per shift. This totals at least 68 “slots” to be filled. This year we had 40 plus people who filled the slots. Those whom we want to thank are: Ron Babb, Bill Brengman, Jerry Cooper, Pat Costello, David and Joyce Danielson, Ceci Dunn, Will Wade, Chet and Kathy Ekstrand, Jack and Elinor Goldberg, Larry and Su Harnden, Clint Harris, David Hayward, Leon Jaussaud, Pat and Teresa Kelsey, Dick Krueger, Bill Lazarus, Ernie Lopez, Paul Middents, Bob and Nancy Murray, David and Marla Rosenbaum, Mark and Beth Smith, Bob Selene and Siri Childs, John Stewart, Ward and Tawnya Tingley, Bob and Karen Truesdell, Phil and Ellen Wirth and last, but not least, Archie Bacon.

The attendance this year was very “erratic” as to numbers. Still the Fair truly appreciates our participation in the Hobby Hall, as we have many people who come in to get answers to questions regarding the age or value of horological items they have. This year, the Fair gave us enough admission tickets and 30 parking tickets (worth \$300). Chapter #50 and #135 paid for the other 25 parking tickets needed.

We hope that “first timers”, David Hayward, Bill Lazarus (who drove down from Port Ludlow), and John Stewart had good experiences and enjoyed answering the questions from the public.

Thank you to Dick Krueger for the nice coverage and support from Chapter #50. And, a BIG thank you to Chet Ekstrand for all the information in Chapter #135 Bulletin, for keeping a good supply of “handouts” covering information about NAWCC, various chapters, and clock/watch classes, for helping at set-up and take-down, and for help and guidance in solving any problems that arose.

I am certain that the Fair will want us to participate in 2015.

Stan and Julia Mueller

NAWCC Chapter 50 Annual Fall Auction

October 12, 2014

*Edmonds Senior Center
220 Railroad Ave,
Edmonds, Washington*



You're invited! Come join us for the Chapter 50 Annual Auction, to be held on Sunday, October 12th, at the Edmonds Senior Center, 220 Railroad Ave., Edmonds, WA. Hospitality time will start at 12:30PM, followed by a short business meeting and THE AUCTION.

Our Chapter 50 October meeting program will be a live auction of clocks, watches, tools, ephemera, or what have you, as long as its horiological.

Members of other chapters are welcome to participate by placing items in the auction and bidding. Items will be registered upon arrival and placed on display for members to examine prior to the start of the meeting. Members wishing to bid will also register prior to the meeting and pay \$2.00 for a numbered bidding paddle.

The Auction Rules follow. Please read them carefully as they will be followed to the 'T' during the auction. There is a \$1 fee to enter an item or group into the auction. Items should be batched wherever possible. There will be no limit on the number of articles you may bring for sale, but if too many come forward it may be necessary to establish a cutoff point.

It is also requested that you look over all items thoroughly before the sale, especially those you may have an interest in bidding on. This may avoid disappointment if you purchase an item and later decide you're not satisfied with it. The purchase of any item is strictly between the buyer and the seller with no Chapter 50 involvement. Bring lots of money, bid often, and above all, have fun.

AUCTION RULES

1. Absolutely NO pre-auction sales on the premises.
2. All items must be registered as soon as possible. Items should be batched wherever possible. The listing fee will be \$1 per item or batch. Only horological related items will be accepted. Registration will start at 12:30PM and end at 1:30PM. Auction will start after opening remarks and chapter business.
3. A \$2.00 registration fee will be required to obtain a bidding paddle. All sellers must have a paddle to protect the price wanted for their item (s).
4. During the auction a member may bid up their own items until the required reserve is met. Please bid your reserve early to save time.
5. Chapter 50 auction terms of sale are as follows:
 - A) All sales are final.
 - B) No warranties or guarantees are expressed or implied
 - C) All items are sold 'as is' and 'where is'.
 - D) Full payment must be made on sale day (or as otherwise arranged by buyer and seller in advance). All monies being paid for auction transactions shall be strictly between the buyer and seller.
 - E) Chapter 50 assumes no responsibilities for lost, misplaced or stolen items.
 - F) Absolutely no pre auction sales on the premises.

COME JOIN US !