

TIMEOUT NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2006

PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

Happy 2006!

I look forward to an exciting year for Chapter 31. I trust you all had a Merry Christmas and safe New Year celebration.

Thank you again for the dedicated members of Chapter 31 that promise to keep our club active in 2006. Many volunteer hours are on record with the various programs that we participated in.

I continue to encourage you to help build our membership this year. I'm sure most of you know someone that has an interest in horology and would be an asset to our organization.

Guest speaker programs are important and I look forward to many new and exciting programs. If you have an interest in learning more about a certain clock, clock maker or other horology history please let Dick Vigal know.

Continue to let Mary Gonzalez know if you wish to run an ad in our newsletter to advertise or have an item for sale, or if you are looking for an item.

At the January meeting the Show and Tell subject will be a perpetual calendar clock which is also the subject of our program.

HAROLD BAESLER

WANTED:

A willing person to volunteer for the membership chair position for Chapter 31

-also-

A willing person to handle the raffles for Chapter 31.

Contact Terry White or Harold Baesler

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FROM THE PROGRAM CHAIR

Pick my left
pocket of its
silver dime,
but spare the
right - it holds
my golden
time!

**Oliver
Wendell
Holmes**

The programs situation is squared away and the following programs are scheduled:

January, 2006 " Perpetual Calendar Watches " - This very interesting program will be given by our own member, David Jacobs who is a watchmaker at Carl Greve Jewelers in Portland. To my knowledge we have never had such a program and it should be most interesting to both watch and clock lovers.

February, 2006 " Novelty Clocks " - Dick Vigal. I will have some examples from my collection and would sask that anyone who has a particular novelty clock to bring it in to show.

March, 2005 - " Canadian Clocks " - John Meisner will provide this provocative program and it is one that should not be missed.

April, 2006 - " Antique Horological Tools " - Tom Hammond. Tom is a collector of ancient tools associated with watch and clock making. Should be a great program.

If anyone would like a particular type of program please let me know so that I can make it happen,

Dick Vigal

FOR SALE & WANTED ITEMS- - -

Levin jewelers lathe 8 mm with electric motor and control, one collet, fixed tool rest, and tailstock with sliding runner. \$375

Derbyshire jewelers lathe 8 mm with electric motor and control, one collet, tip-over tool rest, and tailstock with sliding runner. \$375

W-W Collets: sizes 2, 3, 12, and 28 **free** to the person who purchases the first of either of the two above lathes.

Terry White 503-263-8357

2 Jewelers Benches for sale. \$250.00 each. Excellent condition. Can deliver in the Portland /Salem area. Can send pictures to any one interested, who has E-mail. Contact Pat Cavanaugh clockdok@verizon.net

WANTED TO BUY OR TRADE: 10 mm collets. If anyone has any they aren't using, I need Levin "D" or Derbyshire "M/E" 10 mm collets in most sizes, also centers, wheel chucks, etc. to equip a Lorch LLK lathe I have recently acquired. Thanks, Tom Hammond 503-359-1134 or thamm10502@aol.com

The United States Patent and Trademark Office has a wonderful web site, especially if you have a need or want to research patents. <http://www.uspto.gov/index.html> It is not my intention to explain how the patent process works, for there are others that are far more knowledgeable about the topic than I. But, with a little foundation, you too can look up patent information, then; print the information you have located.

The older patents are presented as image files, and being such, you need a special image viewer. The Patent Office files are in the TIFF format, a special format different from the more common one found on you computer. The web site leads you through all the steps to down load the special TIFF reader that is free.

For what I am interested in, there are patents that cover inventions and also designs. An example of an invention would be like a new type of escapement. And a design would be like a patten on silverware or for a clock pendulum as the one illustrated here; design patent number 15547.



UNITED STATES PATENT OFFICE.

SOLOMON C. SPRING, OF BRISTOL, ASSIGNOR TO THE E. N. WELCH MANUFACTURING COMPANY, OF FORESTVILLE, CONNECTICUT.

DESIGN FOR A PENDULUM.

SPECIFICATION forming part of Design No. 15,547, dated November 11, 1884.

Application filed August 21, 1884. Term of patent 14 years.

To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, SOLOMON C. SPRING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Bristol, in the county of Hartford and State of Connecticut, have invented and produced a new and original Design for a Pendulum, of which the following is a specification, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming part thereof.

Figure 1 is a front view of my newly-designed pendulum; and Fig. 2 is a front elevation of a portion thereof, with the panel differently ornamented.

a designates a plain circular band, the space inclosed by which is filled by a suitable ornamental rosette, *A*, which may be changed from time to time, as the essential features of my design relate to the parts which surround the central rosette, *A*, rather than to the rosette itself. Just outside of the band *a* is a ring-shaped panel, *b*, the surface of which is ornamented by a series of radial depressions, as shown. This circular panel is inclosed by a band or frame, *c*, the contour of which consists, mainly, of circular lines, which form a scalloped or indented edge, and upon the sur-

face of this band there is a series of circular depressions, as shown. Projecting from the edge of some of the scallops on the edge of the band *c* there are disk-shaped projections. Above and below the band *c*, and connected thereto by short bars, are segmental bands *B* and *C*, having a bordered panel on their front, with ornamental work in relief. In Fig. 1 the upper panel on the segmental band *B* is shown as ornamented by the word "Eclipse;" but in some cases I propose to omit said word, or letters of any kind, and substitute ornamental work, as shown in Fig. 2. At the ends of the segmental bands *B* and *C* are trefoils, as shown, and also small circular projections in harmony with those upon the edge of the band *c*. The design also has central ornaments at the upper and lower edges of the segmental bands *B* and *C*, as shown.

I claim—

The design for a pendulum, substantially as herein shown and described.

SOLOMON C. SPRING.

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CHAPTER 31-
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FELLOWSHIP

DATES TO REMEMBER.....

- January 15- Regular Meeting Ch. 31
- February 19-Regular Meeting Ch. 31
- March 18 & 19—Connell, Wa. Multi-chapter meeting
- March 19- Regular Meeting Ch. 31
- April 16- Regular Meeting Ch. 31

MART=2:00 PM MEETING 2:30 PM
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MEETING TIME AND PLACE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.
Check the monthly newsletter or website for possible future changes.

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Raffle/Door Prizes— open * **Bulletin Coord.**-Tom Hammond

Outside Events— Leo & Kris Freiermuth