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A Tribute to Johnnie Belle Robinson

1930-2006

We collectively have lost a true and devoted member of Chapter 31 and while my feeble words will do little to salve the loss I do feel it imperative to say some words about this friend and fellow member. Johnnie and Mike were among the first to greet me to Chapter 31. That was 13 years ago. Johnnie was a real supporter of the chapter and when we were in need of a secretary she stepped forward and agreed to fill that awesome task and did so with great ability for four years during which time she was suffering silently with the pain of Crohns disease and letting on to no one. Mike was the only one who knew and he wasn't saying much probably because Johnnie would have crowned him if he had, sorry Mike but I suspect true. Johnnie and Mike were among the driving forces behind our regionals and oh yes our National Convention too. It was such a pleasure to see the Chapter send them back to Atlanta to see what a National was all about. They helped make it happen by doing the Registration task. No small feat but they did it with their usual professional touch and the National Convention was a huge success. They have been such supporters of all the Chapter activities that things just won't be the same without Johnnie. We will miss her smiling face and good attitude. We know that she will always be here in spirit and our hearts go out to Mike during this difficult time.

Respectfully,
Dick Vigal

For Sale and Wanted Items

For Sale:- Levin jewelers lathe 8 mm with reversible electric motor and control, one collet, fixed tool rest, and tailstock with sliding runner. Mounted on a base plate. \$375
Terry White 503-263-8357

For Sale: Small parts cabinet, about 20 or so drawers, wood, dimensions, 45" high, 33" wide, and 24" deep. Vintage about 1880 - \$50 or offer or trade.

L. Freiermuth = 503-255-7685

Wanted – replacement mainsprings for ST #10 movement - 108 " x 5/8 ", 0.016 thick
L. Freiermuth 503-255-7685

Wanted– 10 MM collets. Call John Rudi—503-655-2462

Presidential Message

We are saddened by the death of a longtime member Johnnie Robinson. For those of you that did not know her, Johnnie was very active in the Regional Committee for years. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her husband, Mike Robinson and family.

I was informed by NAWCC that the following members in our geographical area sponsored numerous new members and were awarded Bronze Awards. The extraordinary efforts of these people help keep the association vital: John Pohlpetter, Al Pohlpetter, George Poole, Wm. H. Anderson, Charles W. Christensen and C.E. Beacham, III.

Retaining and recruiting members will allow our association to be strong and thrive. Good job!

National announced that the School of Horology launched an Employment Web Site. It is accessible through www.nawcc.org; users click the School link and then click Employment Opportunities.

I encourage all those that can join us at the joint meeting in Connell, Washington March 18th and 19th.

Unless I hear comments to the contrary, there will be no local Chapter 31 meeting in March.

There will be a 15 minute Council Meeting at our February 19th meeting. Council members, please be there by 1:45.

See you at the Feb. 19th meeting at the Beaverton Library. Bring your favorite Novelty Clock.

Harold

January Meeting Highlights

The meeting was held January 15 at the Beaverton Library and started with a nice mart table. Harold B. brought the meeting to order. 26 members were present. Reports were as follows:

Treasurer Report-by Betty Chisum

Secretaries Report-by Mary Gonzalez who thanks everyone for their prayers and cards of encouragement during her surgical recovery and rehab.

VP-Terry White reported on membership and stated to date 66 members have paid dues.

Program Comm.- Dick reported that the P.N.W. Regional will be held May 19-21, 2006.

New Business- Our March meeting is in conflict with the Multi-chapter meeting in Connell, Washington. There was discussion about having the Chapter 31 meeting in conjunction with the Multi-chapter meeting.

This month David Jacob presented a wonderful, and very informative Powerpoint presentation on Perpetual Calendar Watches. With the prices that he quotes on some of these watches I think that if I sold our home and all of the contents I could buy a very nice pert. Calendar watch. What do you think? Wow!

Show N' Tell- Though no one had a pert. Calendar watch to bring, members Dick Vigal and Terry White brought perpetual calendar clocks. Dick's had a very nice 1885 patent Welch-Gail pert. Calendar clock as well as Terry who brought one manuf. By Welch, Spring & Co., named B.W. Audran and had the B.B. Lewis perpetual calendar movement. The clock I brought was manufactured by The clock works was manufactured by E.N. Welch Mfg. Co., and Welch, Spring & Co. made the case and assembled it into a working calendar clock. Benjamin B. Lewis had his first calendar clock patent issued in 1862. This model was assembled about the time Welch, Spring & Co. ceased operation. Some suggest that it was actually assembled after they closed and that E.N. Welch Mfg. Co. actually assembled it, using up the existing parts. This model is a pretty scarce clock.

Thanks to Charlie Schubert for the wonderful refreshments!

Respectfully submitted by, Mary Gonzalez

Until you
value
yourself,
you won't
value your
time.

Until you
value your
time, you
will not do
anything
with it.

**M. Scott
Peck**

2006 NAWCC Pacific Northwest Multi-Chapter Meeting

March 18 & 19

Connell Community Center, 211 E Elm St, Connell WA

Saturday, March 18, Dinner at 6:00 pm—Registration opens at 5:00 pm

After the home-cooked spaghetti dinner, we will play Tic-Toc Trivia! Bring your thinking caps and be prepared to help your team answer questions about clocks, watches, and the NAWCC. There's no pressure—just lots of fun!

Sunday, March 19—Set-up & Mart opens at 9:30 am, Buffet at 12:00 noon

We'll have the "Free Table" today. 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.

Motels in the Area

M & M Motel	S Columbia, Connell	509-234-8811, 800-353-9981
Tumbleweed Motel	433 S Columbia, Connell	509-234-2081
Connell Park Estates	200 W Hawthorne, Connell	509-234-1332 — RV parking with hookups.

Motels are also available in Pasco, Kennewick, Richland.

We don't charge for the mart tables, however, if you claim a mart table, you will be expected to pay for a lunch. Also, you may be asked to share a table if demand necessitates.

Reservations and advance payment for Saturday and Sunday must be RECEIVED by **Monday, March 13**. Make checks payable to **NAWCC Chapter #53** and mail to Larry Pearson, 2292 Granite Dr, Walla Walla WA 99362. If you have questions or if you can help in set-up, cooking, or cleanup on Saturday, please contact Larry & Betty Pearson 509-529-8869 or rainbow@bmi.net.

Name _____ NAWCC # _____

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Address _____

Phone _____ e-mail _____

Saturday Meal # _____ @ \$8.50 = \$ _____

Sunday mart tables needed:

Sunday Meal # _____ @ \$16.50 = \$ _____

1/2 table _____

Total \$ _____

1 table _____

Some notes about the Multi Chapter Meeting at Connell Washington March 18 - 19th

Chapter 53 members have for 30 years, maybe more, have been at the top sponsoring. the best meeting east of the Cascades! The Meeting is held at the Connell Community Center. The facility has plenty of parking, easy access for mart unloading, good light and is warm.

Saturday evening starts with a spaghetti dinner. The chefs are 53 members. They serve a complete meal for \$8.50, which includes salad, entrees and all the fixings including New York cheesecake topped with fresh strawberries. This is followed by a fun game, that involves everyone called Tick Tock Trivia. This game gets everyone warmed up and acquainted with other members.

Sunday starts early 9:30am, with coffee and pastries and the mart. The mart is always outstanding, lots of variety, numerous tables. And the table rent is Free. They only ask table holders purchase a noon meal. This is a great deal. An opportunity to sell, buy, or pass a treasure on. At noon we have a catered meal, which includes several entrées, salad, complete with dessert & beverage cost \$16.50.

Our theme letter this month is "W", great letter for show and tell, and display of horological W's. Between events there is a free mart table, when the cover comes off, its a free for all to find a treasure. Please bring horological items for the table.

So plan to come to Connell the first Spring meet of the year. There are two Motels in Connell, the Tumbell Weed and the M & M. Reserve early to in sure accommodations. So to close the sale, sign up now, your secretary should have information now.

See you there



Charles Schubert

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Future Programs

The **February** program will be on **Novelty Clocks** and I will be bringing some and discussing these collectibles.

March there will be **no program** due to the **Connell Multi-chapter meet**.

The **April** program will be by Tom Hammond and will be on **Antique Horological Tools**. Should be very interesting.

There is **no May Program** due to the **Regional** in Seattle.
I am presently working on the **June Program**.

DICK VIGAL