CHAPTER CANADA

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London Times

April Meeting

Doors will open at 9 a.m. as usual. Hopefully the weather will cooperate and we'll have a good turn-out. Cathy will be presenting a talk on "Protecting and Disposing of a Clock Collection". This talk was originally presented by Doug Cowan at the Southern Ohio Regional. Doug has graciously given permission to use his material. The display will be "Odd Clocks". Bring in your strangest clock! There will be our usual Silent Auction and the Executive is reminded that there will be a luncheon meeting following the Chapter Meeting.

February Meeting

The February Meeting followed the usual routine with members arriving between (:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. for socializing and viewing the Silent Auction offerings. The scheduled programme was postponed until April because the speaker (me) had a fall and wasn't feeling up to the task! Instead, the group saw an excellent DVD about the Greater Los Angeles Regional. Bruce McLean chaired the meeting. Ron Metcalfe explained about the upcoming watch workshops and the meeting was adjourned at 11:30. The Executive Meeting also had to be postponed as there wasn't a quorum. Illness and Florida were the culprits!

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Upcoming Meetings

Chapter 92 Meeting
Dates 2010/11
Lambeth Legion

April 3, 2011 June 5, 2011

Toronto Meeting Dates 2010/11

May 1.

To place items in the newsletter, please contact Cathy Koolen by email at ckoolen@htl.net or by regular mail.

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Interesting Facts About Time And clocks

Who is the longest continuing clockmaker in the USA?

Seth Thomas Clocks is America's Oldest Continuous Clockmaker, having continuously manufactured clocks in the USA since 1813. Seth Thomas was founded in Thomaston, Connecticut, which at the time of its founding was known as Plymouth Hollow. Plymouth Hollow renamed the town Thomaston in honour of Seth Thomas the individual and the Seth Thomas Clock Company. In the Company's earlier years Seth Thomas Clocks was a fairly sizeable maker of grandfather clocks and grandmother clocks, which as this is written, are no longer part of their product line.

How high does TIME rank in noun popularity in English?

In June of 2006, the Oxford Dictionary cited the word "Time" as the most often used noun in the English language. Here is the story: LONDON (June 21, 2006) - For those who think the world is obsessed with "time," an Oxford dictionary added support to the theory Thursday in announcing that the word is the most often used noun in the English language. "The" is the most commonly used word overall, followed by "be," "to," "of," and, "a," "in," "that," "have," and "I," according to the "Concise Oxford English Dictionary." On the list of top 25 nouns, time is followed by other movement indicators with "year" in third place, "day" in fifth and "week" at No. 17. The dictionary used the Oxford English Corpus -- a research project into English in the 21st century -- to come up with the lists. Among nouns, "person" is ranked at No. 2, with "man" at No. 7 and "woman" at No. 14. "Child" appears at No. 12. "Government" appears at No. 20 while "war," at No. 49, trumps "peace," which did not make the top 100. The list of top 25 nouns: time, person, year, way, day, thing, man, world, life, hand, part, child, eye, woman, place, work, week, case, point, government, company, number, group, problem, fact. Big Ben keeps track of -- what else? -- time in London.

In the Arabic language, the word for clock is the same as the word for "hour". This is true whether you are talking about a wristwatch or a wall clock, an hour of time, or "o'clock". They are all the same word.

The reason some clocks utilize quartz is because quartz pulsates in 1 second increments thus enabling the second hand to maintain accuracy.

The first alarm clock was invented in Concord New Hampshire by Levi Hutchins in 1787. It was never patented as the inventor didn't care about money, he just didn't want to oversleep anymore.

Information taken from: http://pebblez.com/blog/interesting-facts-about-clocks/ http://www.1-800-4clocks.com/interesting-facts-about-time-and-clocks.html

Up-Coming Events!!

Reminder about the JUNE AUCTION

We still need more clocks consigned to the June Auction. Please think about bringing one clock to this auction to 'upgrade' your collection. You can sell it and use the proceeds to buy a treasure that someone else has brought in! Remember, we need buyers and sellers to make a good auction.

Reminder about the Toronto Invitational

Just a reminder that the Toronto May Invitational is coming up. Registration Forms and information is attached to this newsletter. If you are planning on arriving at the hotel the night before, there will be a dinner in the hotel. Prices are around \$30.00. Please indicate on the registration form if you plan to attend.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WATCH AND CLOCK COLLECTORS CHAPTER #33, TORONTO

TORONTO INVITATIONAL CHAPTERS 33, 92, 111, 132, 192

MAY 1st, 2011

PROGRAM

ATTENDEES All NAWCC members, their spouses and guests are welcome.

You will be requested to show your NAWCC membership card. Admission is \$ 10.00 per person pre-registered, \$ 12.00 at the door.

LOCATION TRAVELODGE AIRPORT HOTEL, 925 Dixon Rd., Etobicoke, ON

416-674-2222

The hotel has given us a special room rate of \$79 for those attending the

invitational; as well there is free parking. 1-888-483-5887

(this rate is available at any time, just mention clock club meetings)

Be sure to mention that you are attending the event.

Email reservations@travelodgedixon.com

SEMINARS Seminar room (basement level) --- 10.30 AM to 12.00 noon

Nick Turnbull – Master of Ceremonies.

Our speaker is Joel Warren from chapter 55 Syracuse NY.

His subject is WOOD CARVING,

His Powerpoint and physical "show and tell" presentation will show us the

steps and principles of carving as related to clock case production.

To learn more of this project go to our website, www.torontochapter33.ca

DISPLAY Do you have any clock cases that demonstrate outstanding wood carving

MART Main meeting room (off rear entrance)

Dealer set-up

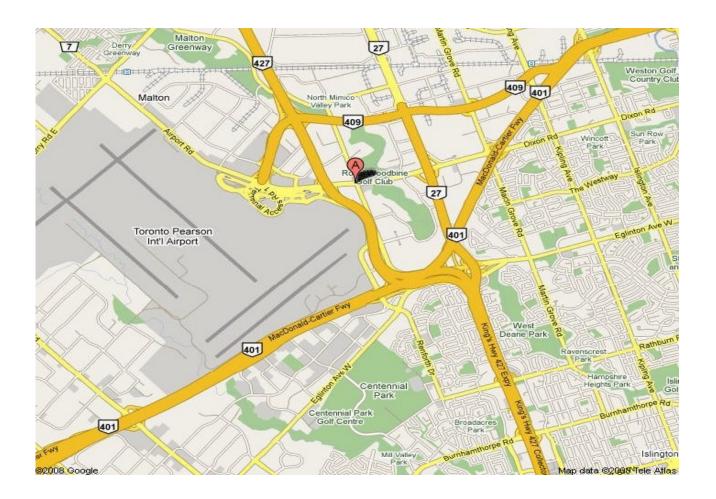
(Dealers please no dealing before Mart opens)

Mart opens

MINI MART There will be a mini mart, maximum 3 items, \$3 each registration

MART TABLES Available to NAWCC members only. Only horological items.

50 tables available – limit of 3 tables per vendor. Cost \$15.00 per table – BOOK EARLY !!!!!



RESERVATION FORM MAIL TO Make cheques payable to NAWCC chap #33 Ben Orszulak 88 Dorchester Dr., Save \$ 2.00 on admission, pre-register Grimsby, ON L3M 1A8 (\$10.00 pre-reg. \$12.00 at the door) 905-309-3255 NUMBER **TOTAL GENERAL ADMISSION** Pre-registration \$10.00 (members, spouses, guests) Mart tables at \$ 15.00 Total enclosed PHONE # YOUR NAME NAWCC #_____ SPOUSE AND GUESTS_____