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MAY 2017

NEXT MEETING - MAY 7

Jack Heisler -"Chronometers and Where the Hell Are We?" Show and Tell—Bring a chronometer!

Menomonee Valley Chapter 47

January 8, 2017 March 12, 2017 May 7, 2017 September 24, 2017 November 12, 2017

Madison Chapter 171

First Wednesday of even number months

Chicagoland Chapter 3

February 5, 2017 April 9, 2017 September 10, 2017 November 12, 2017 December 3, 2017

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President's Message

I write this with the beginning of spring in the air. I have spent most of the last few months in a warmer climate. I can almost guarantee that there will be no snow for the May meeting, but this is Wisconsin.

Thank you to John Flahive for his talk at our March meeting. His talk was on the South Bend Watch Company. He covered the

history of the company from start to closing. He also showed some of their advertising.

This month's educational speaker will be Jack Heisler. He is a Past President of Chapter 47 and also held most of the officer positions. He has been an instructor at Waukesha Technical College, as well as a Field Suitcase instructor for the NAWCC. The title of his talk is: Chronometers. and where the hell are we. This is sure to be a very informative talk.

Bring your chronometers to show the group and hear what Jack has to say about them. Or stand up and tell us what you know about this timekeeper.

Robert Olney is going to do a presentation at the September 24 meeting on collecting American Military Clocks of WW2.

Brad Smith is going to do a presentation at the November 12 meeting on the Rolling Ball Clock he built.

Norway House is in the process of selling the facility and has suggested we find a new venue for our meetings starting with the September meeting. If anyone has any suggestions, let me know before or at the May 7 meeting. I do have a good alternative which I will present at the May 7 meeting, but we would welcome other ideas.

Thank you, Craig White

Spot a Clock

The March 'Spot a Clock' was the sundial at Wisconsin Memorial Park on Capitol Drive.

Can you identify the clock below?



Treasurer's Report

Thank you to all of the people who made donations! We really appreciate your support.

February 1, 2017	
Opening Balance	\$1,153.95

i Income:

Dues and Admissions	\$474.00
Newsletter	\$ 25.00
Donations	<u>\$190.00</u>
Total Income	\$689.00

Expenses:

Coffee Donuts Fruit	(\$ 49.64)
Newsletter	<u>(\$ 24.36)</u>
Total Expenses	(\$ 74.00)

March 31, 2017 Closing Balance \$1,768.85



Dan Osterud, Treasurer

Photos from the March 2017 Chapter 47 Meeting







March 2017 "Spot a Clock"

This month's 'Spot a Clock' is the Armillary Sphere at Wisconsin Memorial Park, the cemetery located at 13235 West Capitol Drive in Brookfield.



Wisconsin Memorial Park was founded in 1929.



Fountains, statues and other artistic features can be found throughout the grounds. The Garden of the Apostles was the first garden crypt area in the state. It was developed in 1956 and includes four original bronze statues, each of which is eight feet tall and weighs 2,000 pounds.



Sundials, symbolic of the timelessness of the heavens, are a common fixture in cemeteries. This Armillary Sphere is located in the northeastern portion of the grounds.



Related to Equatorial Sundials, an Armillary Sphere is designed to represent the celestial sphere. Like all Armillary Spheres, this one displays the hours of the day along its equator, and casts a shadow with a gnomon oriented parallel with the Earth's axis. It includes the Arctic and Antarctic Circles. More ornate versions often include the plane of the ecliptic with zodiac symbols, and the tropics of Cancer and Capricorn.



If you would like to suggest a clock for the newsletter's 'Spot a Clock', please contact Ed Buc at the Chapter meetings or by email at time-craft wi@yahoo.com.

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Chapter 47 Membership	Dues	1 Year	\$25.00	2017
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Business Card ad in ne	wsletter	1 issue	\$5.00	
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"By the Book"—Repair Tips and Techniques

Many of us have shelves of horological books, but how often do we use them? Each issue, we will feature a repair tip taken from a common reference book. These tips are offered for informational purposes only. Chapter 47 or its board do not endorse any of the tips or techniques offered herein.

From "The Marine Chronometer", by Rupert T. Gould:

"The methods briefly discussed in the foregoing summary (for computing longitude) can be tabulated as follows:"

Terrestrial Methods

- 1. By the variation of the compass.
- 2. By sound signals.

Celestial Methods

- 1. By the eclipses of Jupiter's satellites.
- 2. By occultations of stars by the moon
- 3. By eclipses, and similar phenomena.
- 4. By meridian transits of the moon.
- 5. By lunar distances.
- 6. By a timekeeper.

"...as we know now, only the last two were really applicable..."