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OPPOSITE: Rob Caplan, Bill Caplan, and Russ Caplan BELOW LEFT: The Bremont MBII Limited Edition

BELOW RIGHT: The Nomos Tangente

38 Limited Edition





DONATING AND CELEBRATING

Topper Jewelers is marking its 75th anniversary by partnering with top brands to create limited-edition timepieces. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Multiple Translational Initiative at the Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center, the University of California, San Francisco, where Topper's late founder, Bill Caplan, received treatment.

Bremont and Nomos are the first two watch companies to partner with Topper. Bremont's MBII timepiece was modified to include a yellow second hand, numerals "7" and "5" (for 75 years) and a special engraving on the watch back. The watch is limited to 40 pieces, the number of years Russ and Rob Caplan, the founder's sons, have been working in the business. Nomos's Tangente 38 was modified by adding luminescence to the blued-steel hands and a special deep white to the dial color. Nomos is increasingly using in-house movements, and this watch also features Nomos's new in-house escapement, the swing system, in the Alpha manual wind caliber, and is limited to 75 pieces. -Keith W. Strandberg