

NAWCC NEWS

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GOVERNOR'S MANSION PROJECT UNDERWAY

June 7, 2006 a group of six members of Chapter 24, NAWCC from the larger group of members who have expressed interest in being part of a committee to volunteer their time and expertise in the identification, assessment and possible repair/restoration of clocks owned by and housed in the Georgia Governor's mansion made a visit to the mansion to initiate the above process.



This subgroup was composed of Brooks Coleman, Bernie Tekippe, Donna Kalinkiewicz, Christian Brown, Warren & Kathy Brook and George Waterhouse. The visit was arranged by Brooks and Sharon Burrow of the governor's staff at the mansion. Sharon graciously led us around the various rooms and floors to view the clocks. She also provided a copy of their record and description of all but two clocks. It turns out there are nine(9) clocks of interest .

Warren took digital pictures of each clock. The following is a brief description of the clocks we looked at, in order of viewing:

#1 Gilt bronze French mantel clock w/ bust of George Washington. Enamel dial with "Isidore Grenot Edidit" N-11; below bust, appliqué with inscription: 1st in Peace 1st in War 1st in the Hearts of his Countrymen.

#2 French bronze (gilt?) mantel clock with statue figure of young boy . Dial marked "Verdier a Paris"

#3 Banjo clock (American) with beading & gilded wood. Reverse painting on throat & lower door. Dial

marked "Warranted by T. Whiting, Concord". Paintings in very good condition.

#4 French bronze (gilt?) mantel clock with seated figure of Diana holding a dead bird. Dial marked "Mugnier Jno(?).

#5 Tall case clock (5-tube). Possibly Herschede, dial marked made in Germany. Case very good condition. Dial needs resilvering. Weights and movement very dirty. Cables need to be replaced.

#6 Banjo clock (American) made by Waterbury Clock Co. Reverse painted throat and lower door glasses. Some flaking and missing paint especially lower glass. Lower glass marked "Hull".

The following clocks are in storage in the attic:

#7 French Black painted Tole wall clock, octagon shape with two train French movement; probable silk thread suspension.

#8 French crystal wall clock marked: Made in France. Movement early battery powered.

#9 French Ocre painted Tole wall clock, octagon shape with replaced quartz movement. Attempt needs to be made to find appropriate French movement, with measurements from clock #7's movement.



At the meeting the group asked George to serve as the contact person with Sharon Burrow at the mansion. In addition the following people from our Chapter have volunteered to serve on this committee: Mike Mellard, Chris Martin, Randy Grunwell, Rick Mangum, Byron Tekippe, Carol Tekippe, Kathi Edwards, Martha Smallwood.

WORK IN PROGRESS



On June 29th the following members gathered at Bernie's shop, Classic Clocks: Chris Brown, Randy Grunwell, Warren & Kathy Brook, Donna Kalinkiewicz, George Waterhouse & of course Bernie Tekippe for the purpose of completing work on the Colonial Manufacturing Co. clock from the Governor's mansion. Initially on the June 7 visit we thought the clock to be a Herschede, however when the case was turned around to retrieve a nut from the floor a small label on the back of the case indicated it was

not. The clock was made by the Colonial Mfg. Co., of Zeeland, MI. Back at the shop Bernie referred to the book, "Longcase Clocks & Standing Regulators, Part 1, Machine Made Clocks" by Tran Duy Ly, published in 1994.

The Colonial Mfg. Co was established in 1899. This clock is most likely a model #1216, with imported German movement #68 and a "C" dial. Date circa 1920. The movement has the number 990 stamped on the front plate.



The same number is scratched on the back of the dial.

Bernie had a list of all the jobs needing to be done and gave us each an assignment. Bernie had previously cleaned the movement so during the evening we cleaned the chime tubes, cleaned the weight pulleys, buffed the weight shells, cleaned and buffed the pendulum and rod, replaced the damaged rating nut and threaded rod at the bottom of the pendulum, and cleaned and painted the hands. All appropriate parts were lacquered. New weight cables were measured, cut and fitted. Bernie also fitted new keys for the bonnet and waist locks.

All the parts were reassembled and with final adjustments the clock was set to running on a test stand before we left the shop at 10:00 P.M.

A most productive and fun evening (great group of folks) and thanks to Bernie for all his advice, help, supervision etc., etc., to the crew!

Bob Booth has volunteered to pick up the restored dial from Martha at Dial House. A conversation with Bernie, before this publication was printed, reported that the dial looks marvelous.

Many thanks to you all and we'll have more mansion clocks to work on coming up in the near future.



MINUTES OF NAWCC MEETING JUNE 4, 2006

Just before our business meeting we had our usual exciting auction.

Our meeting this month was short and sweet, opened by our president, Carol Tekippe. After introducing our guest and new members, she asked for the minutes be approved. The minutes were approved, then Bob Booth gave the treasurer's report.

Michael Mellard, our vice president, announced there was a change in the program. Members were supposed to bring in a special clock for show and tell from their collection. There was not enough response. Duane Sutterfield did bring one of his favorites, a French, brass table clock, marked Annata. I had a platform escapement and was designed to run for a year.

Michael Mellard then took us for a walk through time. He chronicled the history from 3500 B.C. when the Egyptians began to construct huge obelisks which served as primitive sundials, all the way to 1967 with the invention of the atomic clock.

The watch group enjoyed viewing, buying and swapping wristwatches and pocketwatches, some of which Jim Davis bought while on vacation in Manila, Philippines.

FROM YOUR TREASURER

The June Meeting had 65 Members present, which included New Member **BOB HYDE**, Welcome! Also a Guest, **Lamar Meadows** of Tucker Georgia. George Waterhouse showed off his completed, (prob) Seth Thomas Stencil Column and Splat Clock with Our **Rick Mangum's** stunning, Reverse Glass Painting. Enjoyed our VP Michael Mellard's Historical Overview of Timekeeping.

I will miss seeing you all at the August Meeting as the Syracuse Regional starts a week earlier than normal, and there are many additional activities and visits associated with Ward Frailon's COG Counters to enjoy, in addition to the Regional.

Bob Booth, Treasurer

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I want to thank Warren Brook and Randy Grunwell for supplying the pictures and George Waterhouse for the write-up for the Governor's Mansion project.

Don't want to wait for the mail? You can always check out the newest information through the national NAWCC web site at www.nawcc.org. Go to Chapter Links and to Chapter 24 to see our local chapter site.

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THE PROGRAM FOR THIS MEETING IS "MY FAVORITE CLOCK".

Wanted: A few members to bring in their favorite clock for show and tell. It could be unique or special or just have a great story. You'll get to show off a piece of your collection and tell us all about it. We tend to only bring in the things we want to sell. This should be one that you won't part with. If you would like to be part of the program, call Michael Mellard at 770-235-6963 or email him at michaelmellard@netscape.net. Please contact him by August 1st.

Guest Speaker October 2006

"The Development of Railroad Standard Watches During the Final Quarter of the Nineteenth Century," by Kent Singer. Noted NAWCC *BULLETIN* Railroader's Corner coauthor and Gibbs Award winner Kent Singer will discuss the evolution of the American railroad watch, beginning in the 1870s with the industry workhorse 18 Size 15-jewel full-plates, and tracing the introduction of features such as Breguet overcoil hairsprings, anti-magnetic escapements and/or cases, the increasing requirement for adjustment to five or more positions, and the jewelling wars of the 1890's.

NEWSLETTER MART

WANTED: pair of weights for 8-day, strap brass movement. 2 ½" x 2 ½" x 6 ¼". Call George Waterhouse at 770-939-5799.

WANTED: Do you have a retired computer just lying around? Bernie Tekippe can put it to work again. I need to have Windows 98 or better. Call Classic Clocks at 404-355-5141 or 404-885-9765.

If you are looking for something, whole clocks, watches, parts or ideas, this is the place. It is for members only, space permitting. Send email to:

dmktimes2@comcast.net or snail mail at the address on the back of your newsletter and it will appear in the next issue. The cut off for the next printing is Sept 6, 2006.

The Atlanta Chapter of the NAWCC typically meets the first Sunday of February, April, June, August, October and December. As part of the Mid-South group, it also sponsors the regional meeting in Chattanooga on Labor Day weekend each year, in rotation with the Alabama and Tennessee chapters.

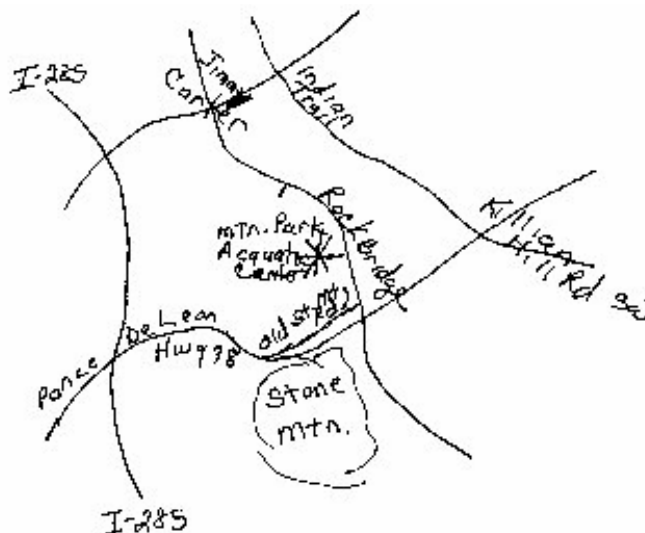
NEXT MEETING OF CHAPTER 24

When: Sunday, August 6, 2006
10:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Where: Mountain Park Aquatic Center
Activities Building
1063 Rockbridge Rd.
Lilburn, GA 30087
770-564-4650

From in town: Take Ponce De Leon/78 past I-285 about 6 miles; exit on Hugh Howell Rd. At Chevron station, turn right on the Lilburn-Stone Mtn. Rd. After 0.2 mile, turn right on Old Stone Mtn. Rd. At the Rockbridge intersection, turn left and the Aquatic Center is 2 Blocks N. of intersection on left hand side. You'll see Gregg's Nursery across the street.

From the northwest: Take I-85 east at I-285 Exit to your right at Hwy. 140, Jimmy Carter Blvd. Go 1.3 miles to Rockbridge & turn left. 2 blocks before you get to Five Forks Trickum, the Aquatic Center will be on your right.



From Cumming or Hall County: Exit off I-85 at Indian Trail, turn left. At Hwy 29, Indian Trail becomes Killian Hill Rd. At Five Forks-Trickum Rd. turn right and follow past the Depot to Rockbridge Rd and turn right. The Aquatic Center is 2 blocks N. on left.

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