



NAWCC NEWS

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors
Atlanta Chapter 24
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Personal Treasures



The speakers for this meeting brought in their own personal treasures. Each with it's own story.

Tom Brown brought his French, black mantel clock, circa 1900, with a Brocot escapement, also known as an outside or visible escapement. He was too shy to stand in front of everyone and asked Bernie to do the talking.

Bernie Tekippe brought a Ball clock that belongs to one of his customers. When he got it in for repair, all the balls were missing. He soon found out that the weight of the balls was very critical, if they were too heavy, the chain could not lift them, and if they were too light, it wouldn't run the clock. Gravity operates this French clock. At a convention, Bernie saw another clock like this one for sale at \$35,000.



As a lad, Randy Grunwell went to England. His grandparents gave him \$50 to buy himself a souvenir. On the last day of his trip, he wandered into an antique shop and saw a clock he had to have. It was 28#, that's dollars and weight. It was a slate clock. He had to **carry** it home on the airplane. The suspension spring is half of a razor blade. It's not original, but it

works and it's original to when he bought it. If you look closely at the picture of George, just under his elbow is Randy's clock.



George Waterhouse has had this clock in before. It's special because he got it from Ward Francillon. It was definitely a project of love. It had no top, no glass, no movement, no dial and the door was missing, but it was Ward's. They found the door, a dial that fit (which Cathy Edwards restored) and a movement. There was a label that said George Mitchell. With this information, Rick Mangum had some reference about how to paint the glass. With love and the talent of a few friends, George has a very special clock.

Chris Brown found his prize in an antique shop in Tupelo, MS. He didn't use the rules of purchase that Tom Fowler spelled out in a program from a previous meeting and bought it without checking inside. He knew the case was in bad shape and enlisted the help of George Waterhouse with new veneer. Cathy Edwards did the dial and Rick Mangum painted the glass. When Chris looked at the movement, it had strange bushings, they were cut pieces from another movement. Another work of love and a beautiful Seth Thomas.



Donna Kalinkiewicz brought a Winterholder & Hofmier bracket clock, circa 1920. Not only does it make a statement with it's mahogany case and large silver dial and 3 sided glass, it strikes every quarter with Grand Son-
norie. Each quarter counts the hour and then the quarter, striking the exact time every 15 minutes. She visited this clock for several months at the antique store, but it was quite pricey. One day her husband said, "take me

to see that clock you're always talking about". He liked it too, but again, it was pricey. Not long after, he surprised her with a special gift.



MINUTES OF NAWCC MEETING, August 6, 2006



After our usual, but always exciting auction, the meeting was called to order by President, Carol Tekippe. Our guests and new members were introduced. Our newest member is Frank Lindauer from Tucker.

We will have a combined treasurer's report next meeting since our treasurer was out of town.

George Waterhouse gave a presentation about the work being done at the Governor's manion. The work was completed on the tall case clock (see article in August 2006, newsletter), and it is ready to reinstall in the case. Bernie brought the movement and dial to the meeting for all to see. Tuesday, August 8, 2006 Bernie, Brooks, Warren, & George returned the restored Colonial Clock Co. Tall Case (clock #5) to the lower level of the mansion. The clock was set up, minor adjustments made, and put in beat. Appropriate mansion staff were also instructed on winding and regulating the clock.

It will be time again in December to vote for a new slate of officers. From our by-laws, Section 1, *The Board of Directors shall nominate a slate of officers to be presented to the members during the regular December meeting of each alternate even numbered year. After nominations have been received from the floor, the election for each office shall proceed, and the candidate receiving a majority of votes shall be elected.*

All officers shall take office at the next meeting in February and shall serve for two calendar years. The term of office will therefore start in odd-numbered years. The President, the Vice-President and the Secretary cannot succeed themselves in office. The Treasurer can be reelected for one additional term. While searching for new victims (oops, volunteers), it seems that everyone likes the slate we currently have. It has been suggested that we vote to amend our by-laws to allow the present officers to run again for 1 more term. This will be a 1 time only change and revert back to the original by-laws. The current officers have agreed to keep their office if voted for. We will have this vote at the Oct. meeting, then vote for the officers at the Dec. meeting as usual. If anyone would like to become an officer, let one of the board members know.

The 2007 National Convention will be held in Chattanooga, June 6-9, 2007, so we will not be having the Southeast Regional. It has been suggested that each of the 5 Chapters, rotating as host to the Southeast Regional, use \$500.00 from their treasury and together host a cocktail party at the national convention. Chapter 24 has voted and approved this proposal.

Chris Martin is the Mart Chairman for the 2007 National Convention. Chris will need a lot of help, especially Wed. afternoon and Thurs. Email him at cbaemart@covcable.com with questions or to let him know he can count on your help. He also suggests that hotel reservations be booked now, they will fill up fast. If you are booking at the Marriott, you must tell them it's for the **watch and clock convention**, to get the special room rate. There are 4 hotels listed on the NAWCC web site, with special rates. Click on 2007 National Convention.

Bernie Tekippe has written Governor Perdue requesting that Chapter 24 borrow the Large Howard Regulator that is in the Governor's office. The chapter restored this clock as part of the previous project of restoring the State's clock collection. As explained in the letter, this Howard Regulator would be a wonderful addition to our exhibit with its connections to the Western and Atlantic Railroad and its Georgia heritage, since the theme for the convention is Southern Clocks and Railroad Clocks.

Along with our program, the watch focus will also be 16 size Illinois pocket watches and military wrist watches.



FIELD SUITCASE WORKSHOPS BEING PROMOTED FOR THE 2007 NAWCC NATIONAL CONVENTION IN CHATTANOOGA, TN (FSW DATES: JUNE 3-6, 2007)

Field Suitcase Workshop classes offered by NAWCC have been found to be a valuable asset to membership. The classes cover many aspects of clock and watch repair, case repair, reverse glass painting and lathe skills. The instructors are all certified by NAWCC and are very competent in their instruction. In conjunction with the 2007 NAWCC National Convention to be held in Chattanooga, TN there will be three of four advertised FSW classes offered and they are outlined in the attachment of this email to you. Please share this information with your chapter membership and encourage them to take advantage of these if it sparks an interest.

The classes are limited in size and an indication of interest is encouraged early. Those with interest can make this known to the Pam Tischler, FSW Administrator. Her phone number is 972-612-0712 (Plano, TX). Additional contact and class information can be found at nawcc.org. At the website home location, select the *Field Suitcase Workshops* option.

The Chapter committee that is working to restore the Governor's mansion clocks needs a French movement. If any of our members has a French movement that measures 1 and 3/4 inch between winding arbors and 1 and 1/8 inch between center arbor and winding arbors please contact George Waterhouse @ 770-939-5799. If you don't have one but know a possible source check it out or let me know whom to call.

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Guest Speaker October 2006

"The Development of Railroad Standard Watches During the Final Quarter of the Nineteenth Century," by Kent Singer. Noted NAWCC *BULLETIN Railroaders' 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 jewellery wars of the 1890's.

Don't want to wait for the mail? 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.

Also, several people have asked me why I don't send the newsletter electronically. I know that everyone does not have a computer, but to those who do, if you would like to get your newsletter via email, send me an email at dmktimes2@comcast.net. If I have enough response, your next newsletter will come on your computer. It will save the club money, in copies and postage. Also, the pictures will be in color. The newsletter will come as an attached PDF file.

NEWSLETTER MART

Your secretary is looking for a Seth Thomas round time and strike movement. The one I need will be marked 3 15/16, it also has the ST logo. If you have one you can part with, let me know at 678-520-5259 or email me at dmktimes2@comcast.net.

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.

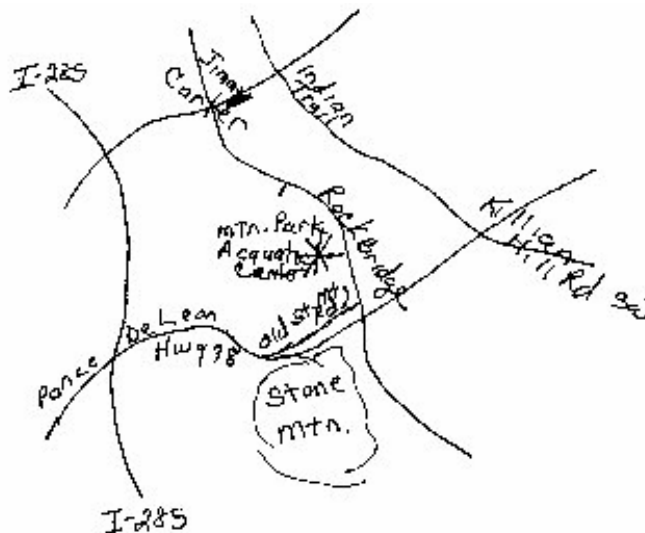
NEXT MEETING OF CHAPTER 24

When: Sunday, October 1, 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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