



NAWCC NEWS

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors
Atlanta Chapter 24
August, 2010

Atlanta School of Horology's First Class *by Tom Noesges*

The Class - The Atlanta School of Horology, Inc. (ASH) will be conducting its first class on August 21 and August 28, 2010. The class, **AC101 Eight Day American Kitchen Clock**, will consist of 16 hours of instruction taught by our own Bill Knaak.



Bill Knaak

Bill will teach the repair of an eight-day, time and strike, pendulum clock with open mainsprings. Students will learn and gain confidence in repair procedures and techniques, such as movement and mainspring cleaning using both hand and machine methods, lantern pinion and wheel repair, pivot and arbor repair, pivot polishing and pivot hole bushing using both hand and machine methods, escapement theory, and time train and strike train troubleshooting.

Currently, we have the following students enrolled in this class:

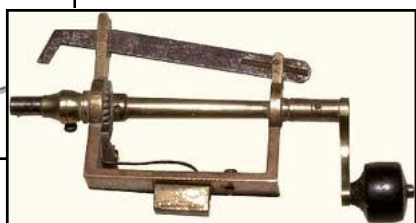
Brooks P. Coleman, Jr., Robert H. Collom, Roger F. Kellogg, Thomas G. Layman, Larry J. Lyskowski, and Brenda Wiggins.

ASH has plans to develop curricula for a myriad of horology related classes for the balance of 2010. Future classes will include advanced clock repair, watch repair, case restoration and in-depth lectures on history and operational theory. We are very excited to bring these classes to Atlanta Chapter 24.

The Needs - Right now we need equipment and supplies for the school. To date we have received \$685 from donated items auctioned during our April 11 and June 6, 2010 general meetings. Additionally, the following individuals have made personal donations of equipment

and cash: Tom Dod, David Hinshaw, Roger Kellogg, Dan Maddox, and Mike Rosenberg.

Tool and supply needs include items such as hand tools, small shop tools, clock cleaning equipment, mainspring handling



equipment, pivot polishing tools, bushing tools, lathes and clock testing, etc.

For a complete listing of equipment and supplies, see Tom Noesges (770) 262-0883. If you have a piece of equipment you would like to donate and notice that we already the item, donate it anyway - we will accept it and sell it to purchase other needed items.



Brooks Coleman

Great Big Auction Coming - During our August 1, 2010 meeting, we'll be accepting donated items for auction to assist in meeting the school's equipment and supplies needs. Please bring anything at all (closely related to clocks and watches, although bakery goods are welcome) to donate for this fund-raising auction for our very worthy cause. All items donated are tax deductible and you're sure to get a belly laugh from Brooks Coleman's hilarious attempts to get top dollar for the auction items. ■

Polishing Brass - *by Tom Noesges*

Henry Newman gave the membership a fascinating history of his personal experiences with keeping brass alive and bringing it back to life. Henry began sharing the times he spent polishing the brass on his father's 1904 Oldsmobile. In 1904, chrome plating didn't exist - all of the exposed metal was brass and required hand polishing. Today, Henry uses Wenol Metal Polish and has used this product for 15 years. Wenol can be purchased for \$39 at most auto parts stores and



Newman's 1904 Oldsmobile

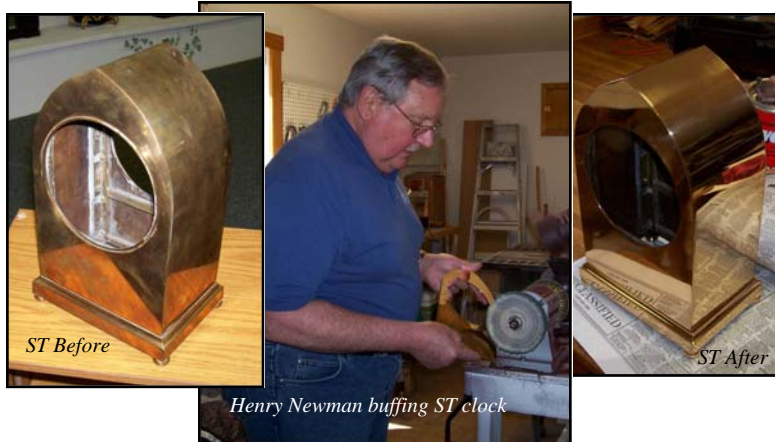
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Minutes of NAWCC Atlanta Meeting: June 6, 2010

- President Chris Brown called the meeting to order following a lively auction led by Brooks Coleman.
- Chris Brown asked for introductions of new attendees.
- Tom Noesges read the Minutes of the April 11, 2010 meeting. The Minutes were unanimously approved as read.
- Donna Kalinkiewicz gave the Treasurer's Report, including our account's beginning balance, receipts, expenses and ending balance.
- Old Business
 - ◆ A brief update on the Historic Clocks projects was given by Pete Schreiner. Clocks are being returned to the preservation lab. The people at the Governor's mansion said all the clocks are running fine.
- New Business
 - ◆ Chris brown asked for a motion to approve \$500 for the purchase of a new Public Address system. It was decided that Brooks Coleman investigate the installed building systems before we commit to spending money.
 - ◆ Chris Brown asked for volunteers to chair the Mid-South 2011 Regional Convention. Bernie Tekippe and George Waterhouse agreed to accept the position of Regional Chair and Co-Chair. Chris Martin agreed to chair the Mart and Rick Magnum agreed to chair Lecture. Warren Brook was nominated for the Exhibit Chair.
 - ◆ Chris Brown has volunteer forms available for the 2010 Mid-South Regional Convention for anyone interested in volunteering for this coming Labor Day weekend.
- Program
 - ◆ George Waterhouse introduced our Tips & Hints presentations. (see article in this publication).
 - ◆ George Waterhouse introduced Randy Grunwell's Show & Tell about his first case restoration and the family OG. (see article in this publication).
 - ◆ George Waterhouse introduced Henry Newman's presentation on Brass Polishing (see article in this publication).

Polishing Brass *(continued from page 1)*

Amazon.com. After the polishing is done, Henry finishes the job with a coating of either carnauba wax or a nitro-cellulose lacquer mixed 2-to-1 with lacquer thinner. Between the initial cleaning and the final bright finish, the pieces are buffed-out on a high speed electric buffer and hand rubbed with 0000 steel wool. ■



Henry Newman buffing ST clock

Treasurer's Report

By Donna Kalinkiewicz, Treasurer, Chapter 24

The June, 2010 meeting had 53 members in attendance and five guests who signed the guest sign-in. Chapter 24 has one new member: Al Orendorff of Locust Grove.

Once again we held a special auction for the benefit of, Chapter 24 sponsored, Atlanta School of Horology, Inc.. The school received \$200 to help with the purchase of supplies and equipment. Remember that donations to the school are tax deductible.

Chapter 24 has donated \$100 for the Mid-South Regional.

Please note that after the new roster had been printed, your treasurer's email address has been changed to dmktimes2@att.net. Please note this change in your roster or your address book. There will be copies of the roster at the August meeting. ■

Groaner(s) by George Waterhouse

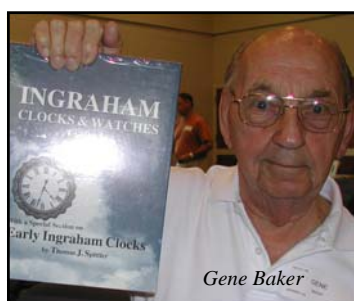
The Cuckoo Clock - The other night I was invited out for a night with the guys. I told my wife that I would be home by midnight... "promise!"

Well, the hours passed quickly and the beer was going down way too easy. At 3am, drunk as a skunk, I headed for home.

Just as I got in the door, the cuckoo clock in the hall started up and cuckooed three times. Quickly, I realized she'd probably wake up, so I cuckooed another 9 times. I was really proud of myself for having such a rapid, witty solution, even when smashed, to escape a possible conflict.

The next morning my wife asked me what time I got in, and I told her 12 o'clock. She didn't seem disturbed at all. Got away with that one, I thought! Then she told me we needed a new cuckoo clock. When I asked her why she said, "Well, last night it cuckooed 3 times, then said, 'oh darn,' cuckooed 4 more times, cleared its throat, cuckooed another 3 times, giggled, cuckooed twice more.... then belched."

The Blonde's Dogs - A girl was visiting her blonde friend, who had acquired two new dogs, and asked what their names were. The blonde responded saying that one was named Rolex and one was named Timex. Her friend said, "Whoever heard of someone naming dogs like that?" "HELLLOOOOOOOO ...," answered the blonde. "They're watch dogs!" ■



Gene Baker

FREE STUFF

During our June, 2010 meeting the Door Prize raffle was won by Gene Baker. The prize was the Tran Duy Ly book "Ingraham Clocks & Watches" Nice raffeling Gene! Every person attending has an opportunity to win an Atlanta Chapter 24 Door Prize. ■

3 Tips, Hints, Products & Processes

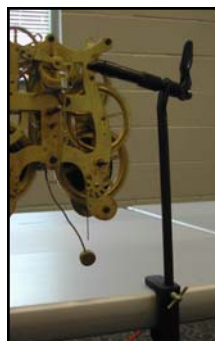
A Better Mainspring Clamp - Pete Schreiner commented that on open mainspring American clocks one of the common tools used was the mainspring (MS) "C" clamp to unload the spring for safe removal. Often posts and other clock parts make inserting the MS clamp



difficult if not impossible. Using an automotive hose clamp makes the job easy because, after fully winding the clock's MS, you have only to insert the thin band of hose clamp steel around the MS and the clock's post, tighten the hose clamp and then let the MS down into the hose clamp. You can then remove the MS from the hose clamp using a spring winder and keep the hose clamp in the configuration you used to remove the MS. Doing so allows for an easy re-installation of the MS into the clock. The auto hose clamp turns out to be the universal Mainspring Clamp.

A New Movement Test Stand

George Waterhouse showed a movement holder vise being sold by Gene Volk in NC for \$20. Bass Pro Shop sells a similar device but calls it a Fly Tying Vise. According to George, you simply attach the "Test Stand" to the edge of a table. The stand will hold any size spring clock. George has held a 30-hour cuckoo clock with this stand. Bernie Tekippe suggested that two stands could be used to hold a weight driven clock. George suggested using a pillow underneath if you use the fly tie holder to hold a weight driven clock. ■



Case Restoration and The Family OG-Show & Tell

by Tom Noesges

Case Restoration

Randy Grunwell showed us a round top ordinary looking case. However, when he got it, it had no top nor veneer and had been through a fire. This clock was Randy's first purchase. Tom Fowler and Randy bought this clock together. Larmer Meadows helped put the veneer on it. The clock is said to have invoked the skills of many of the Atlanta Chapter members. The clock has a Seth Thomas movement installed.



The Family OG - Randy then showed the members an OG clock that contained a note that stated "Shelf clock inherited by Grandma Oveit. She used this in her school room in Richfield, OH in the 1860's. It is called a GG clock which pertains to the panel around the face." This was Randy's Great-Great-Great Grandmother. Something else written originating from It's About Time Shop, Inc. states "...its an 1840 Atkins and Porter—label printed by Elihu Hartford with a replacement value of \$200. OG 30 Hour figured maple." Anyone knowing anything about this clock, contact Randy Grunwell. ■



Up-Coming Programs & Presentations

PLEASE bring clocks, watches and other items of horological interest to share with your fellow members. Call George Waterhouse (770) 939-5799 and tell him what you would like to bring. Don't be bashful or feel that you're endorsing the item. This is an opportunity to share your experience—small or great!

August 2010

August 1st - The Tower Clocks of Salisbury Cathedral - Jim Coulson will give a presentation that will focus on what is probably the oldest clock in existence. This will be a 35mm slide presentation and will include a tour of the cathedral.

September 2010

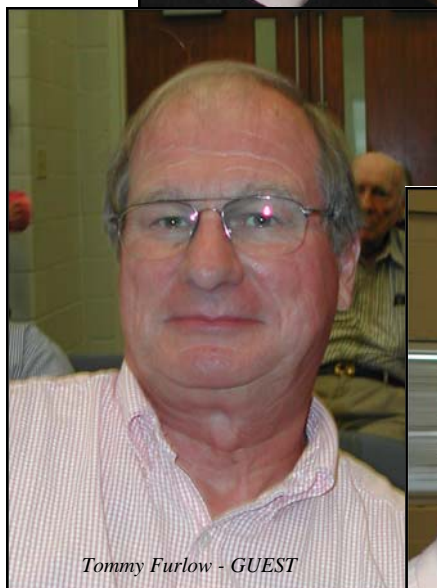
September 3-4 - 2010 Mid-South Regional Convention in Chattanooga, TN. Phone (615) 662-6884 or email MidSouthRegional@gmail.com for information. Registration forms will be available during our August meeting. ■

Welcome New Members & Guests!

The Officers, Directors and the entire membership of Atlanta Chapter 24 welcomes: Ben Ferrelly of Watkinsville, GA, Tommy Furlow of Gainesville, GA, Ellen Johnston of Sandy Springs, GA, Josh Kosloski of Hapeville, GA, and Al Orendorff of Locust Grove, GA. ■



Josh Kosloski and Ellen Johnston
GUESTS



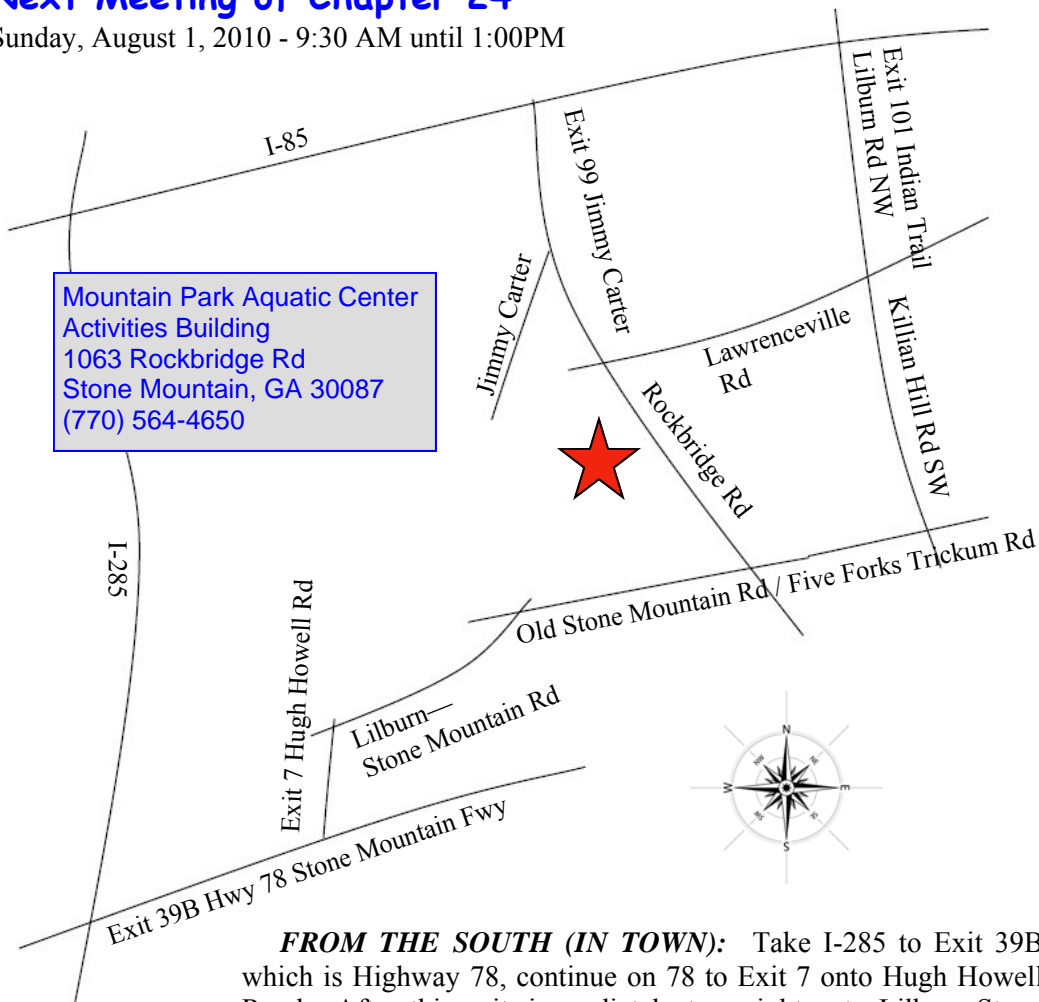
Tommy Furlow - GUEST



Al Orendorff - NEW MEMBER

Next Meeting of Chapter 24

Sunday, August 1, 2010 - 9:30 AM until 1:00PM



FROM THE SOUTH (IN TOWN): Take I-285 to Exit 39B which is Highway 78, continue on 78 to Exit 7 onto Hugh Howell Road. After this exit, immediately turn right onto Lilburn-Stone Mountain Road. After 0.2 mile, turn right onto Old Stone Mountain Road. Continue to the intersection of Rockbridge and Five Forks Trickum. Turn left on Rockbridge Rd. The Aquatic Center is two blocks north on left.

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.

FROM THE NORTH-WEST: Take the I-85 east exit from I-285. Exit 99 and turn right on Jimmy Carter (Hwy 140). Continue and bear left onto Rockbridge Rd. Aquatic Center will be on right—two blocks before Five Forks Trickum Rd.

FROM CUMMING / HALL COUNTY: Take Exit 101 Indian Trail / Lilburn Rd NW off southbound I-85. As you cross Hwy 29 Lawrenceville Rd, Indian Trail becomes Killian Hill Rd. Turn right onto Five Forks Trickum Rd.

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