



NAWCC NEWS

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors
Atlanta Chapter 24
December 2017

DECEMBER MEETING

Our next meeting will be on

December 3, 2017, from 9:30am—1:00pm.

It's that time, again! Time for our Annual Holiday Party! The president will be providing the meat and bread, so please bring your favorite (and most delicious!) casserole or salad. Guests are very welcome and we'll see you there!

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Minutes of NAWCC Atlanta Meeting on Oct. 1, 2017

Brooks Coleman started us off with the auction, including some items donated to the club.

Chapter member Dick Johnson introduced Wayne Miller, an Eagle scout and Troop 463 Scout Master. Wayne explained that the Boy Scouts of America (BSA) merit badge sash shows a scout's interest, with 135 possible badges, but there is nothing about clocks, watches, or time. He said that youth and adults love the ideas of the measurement of time, gears, sprockets, the movement of time, how clocks work, and pendula. A time/horology related merit badge could get kids curious. In local Atlanta there are 30,000 cub scouts ages 6 – 10, with 12 – 50 kids per pack, in general. Wayne suggests that it is possible to make a proposal to the BSA National Headquarters for new merit badge. Most proposals are rejected for not being fun, or don't promote curiosity. A merit badge is a window to show you a subject that you might use for the rest of your life. We could start by creating a program to show to packs. Randy Grunwell, Jim Guinn, and Wayne will start a committee to get this going. The suggestion passed unanimously. Jim Coulson suggested we checked with National to see if this has been done before. Brooks Coleman suggested we also contact the Girl Scouts of the USA to see if they are also interested.

President Jae Martin introduced the visitors, and new member Paul Carahan, who is joining us from another club, and is interested in high-end watches.



Jim Coulson announced that next year National will be in Pennsylvania and be the 75 Diamond Jubilee! There will be a free table for every chapter to demonstrate their wares. We are encouraged to make reservations now. This year's Regional had great turnout and was a lot of fun. It was also a tremendous financial success; we'll make > \$7000 ! Jim also announced that John Hubby, who lives in Houston, TX had 3 feet of water in his house after the storm (Irma, I believe). He was able to protect his Grandfather clocks! His wife had recently died and he was a Past President of NAWCC.

Douglas Brown announced that he and Minnie will be celebrating their 25th Wedding Anniversary with a sit-down dinner in Duluth and that all are invited!

Bill Smart announced that a friend of his has very large clock for sale, possibly a Hershey Model

#92.

The minutes from the August meeting were approved as published.

Treasurer Dan Butt was out so Gary Walton gave Treasurer's report. Please see below. Dan's sister died about 10 days ago, and there is a memorial service in Virginia. George Waterhouse suggested sharing the Mid-South Regional's profits with other mid-south chapters, particularly the Alabama Chapter. Bernie Tekippe agreed, saying that it is important to keep the four other regional chapters healthy. Jae suggested sending \$1000 to the next chapter hosting the Regional. George moved donating \$1000 to Huntsville, Chris Brown seconded, and it was approved unanimously. Everyone thanked Jim and Renee Coulson for heading this regional up!

Bob Booth received an award for his many accomplishments. He is a collector of wood-movement clocks.

It was announced that Bernie Tekippe and Donna Kalinkiewicz were made Star Fellows at recent meetings. Bernie said that he expects more respect from all of us now!



GROANERS

Courtesy of George Waterhouse

Three salespeople were bragging about who was the best at sales. The first said he had sold a TV to a blind person. The second said that he had sold a HiFi to a deaf person. The third said he had sold a cuckoo clock to a blond. "So what," said the first two. "I also sold her 100 pounds of bird seed," said the third. (This was followed by plenty of groans!)

OCTOBER PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Member Bill Knaak introduced new member Tom McCalab who gave a presentation on how to refinish a case. Tom worked at 3M in abrasives. He asked us if anyone has tried to clean up a messy case? 3M developed wet or dry sand paper. The question is how to repair a case without removing the original finish. A lot of work goes into cleaning the case. He suggests starting with 600 grade sandpaper. Remove the alligatoring without all of the finish. Then move on to 800 and 1000 grade. He goes up to 3000 grade, which is made for the automotive industry. You can get it at an automotive store. Wrap sandpaper around a small piece of squeegee. Also, get abrasive compound, put it on string or strip of old cotton to get into crevices. A question was asked regarding how wet should the paper be. Tom said to keep the paper in water for days or months. Keep rag to wipe to see how much you've removed. Wax will fill scratches from sand paper. To remove some of the shine from smoothing finish you could use Trizact 3000. A good finishing job can really bring out the wood of the case. Tom suggests polishing the brass as well.

NEW MEMBERS FROM THE AUGUST MEETING



Paul Carahan



Mr. P. Carahan



Paul



Mr. C.

Treasurer's Report

By Dan Butt

Gary Walton gave the Treasurer's Report. With a total deposit of \$7,124.10 from the Mid-South Regional, we finished out this month with \$23,417.53. Paul Carahan was the winner of the 50/50.



AN OPEN INVITATION FROM THE SOUTH ATLANTA CLOCK CLUB



A group of clock enthusiasts in the south metro area meet at 11:00 on the 4th Thursday of each month at Tim's Country Kitchen in Fayetteville. The topic of discussion at their last meeting was spring winders. Chapter 24 members are invited to attend and can get more information by calling Gene Baker (770-251-2588) or Billy Johnson (678-622-9970). The restaurant address is 175 Banks Crossing, Fayetteville GA 30214.

OCTOBER MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Jae announced that the Chapter received a Certificate of Appreciation for hosting Regional. He also said that he saw a PBS show, American Heritage, which demonstrates lost arts. One episode was about clock and gear making and that you could find it on YouTube.

George Waterhouse gave a report of his and Chris Brown's visit to the Governor's Mansion in June. He had good news and bad news. A tree fell on his house from Irma, but missed all the clocks! From the Governor's Mansion, he and Chris brought back a clock. Everything was running. Paul Melvin, a part-time employee at the Mansion said that people on tours ask about clocks. He will tell people about the Berkmar group, and give out the Berkmar group cards that Randy made.

Sherry Kitts announced that Renee Coulson had been bitten by her cat, but she is fine now. (Phew!)

Brooks announced that the next meeting is the Holiday Party. The President is in charge of meat and bread! Everyone is to bring a casserole. The Secretary is to send out an early reminder to everyone to bring food. (Which I did!)

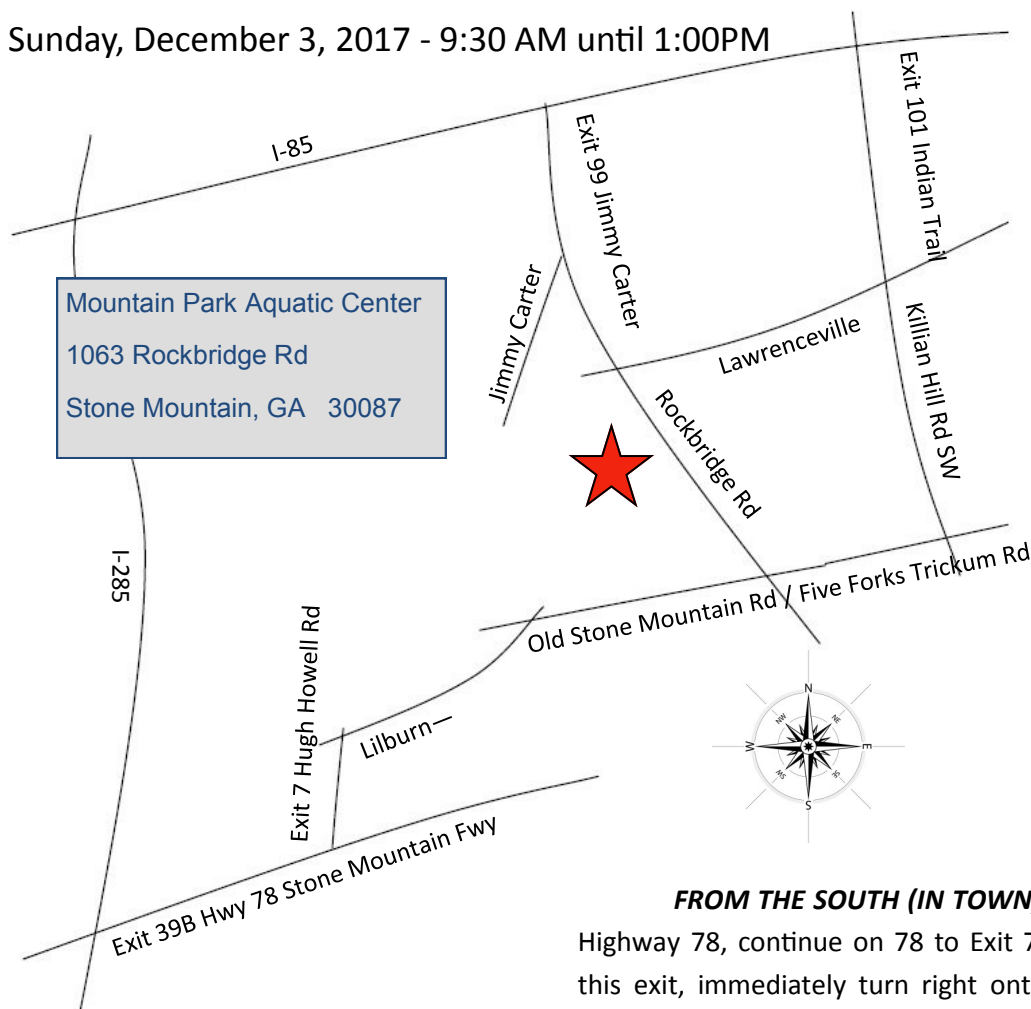
Randy announced the Maker's Fair, which is in late October, maybe the 22nd. There will be lots of movements to show people, how to take clocks apart and put them together. Pendulum clocks only, no strike sides. This is to try to get people into the Tuesday night Berkmar group, and get them into chapter. (We hope it went well!)

Brooks announced that in February, Graham Cross from Dial House will give a presentation on whether or not a dial should be repaired. And in April, George Waterhouse might be giving a presentation. (This was not followed by groans, but cheers!)

The Atlanta Chapter of the NAWCC 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

Sunday, December 3, 2017 - 9:30 AM until 1:00PM



FROM THE NORTHWEST: 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. Turn right onto Rockbridge Rd. Aquatic Center is two blocks north on left.

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.

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