



NAWCC NEWS

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors
Atlanta Chapter 24
April 2018

APRIL MEETING

Our next meeting will be on
April 8, 2018, from 9:30am—1:00pm.

Our April program will be a Show-and-Tell of all the interesting items, that you, our members, will bring in. Please look through your watches and clocks and bring something very unusual to share. We will also hear about the clocks the Chapter chose from the J. W. Self Estate, the Mansion video footage, and our exciting June meeting. We look forward to seeing you there!

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Minutes of NAWCC Atlanta Meeting on Feb. 4, 2018

Brooks Coleman started us off with a brief auction and then presided over the business meeting.

Randy Grunwell announced progress on the process of creating a clock badge for the Boy Scouts.



George Waterhouse and Chris Brown have made several trips to the Governor's Mansion to maintain the state clocks. George has also talked with Chris Gegen (coordinator of media and technology at the Gwinnett School of Mathematics, Science, and Technology) in order to create a series of videos on the Mansion clocks.

There was a detailed discussion of the J. W. Self estate clocks. The family will be donating two clocks. One clock will be placed at the Governor's Mansion, and the second clock may be placed at either the Capitol or the Atlanta History Center. Further discussion with these facilities will be needed to finalize the proposals. The chapter has already voted to spend up to \$1000 to purchase another clock as well; the status of the third clock (both ownership and placement) needs to be clarified by

the chapter. (Since the February meeting, a review of the minutes from the August, 2017 Chapter 24 meeting [thanks to Gary Walton] shows that the motion which passed indicates that the clock or clocks purchased by Chapter 24 will be owned by Chapter 24 and may be loaned to be put on view. No discussion of making this clock or clocks a gift was made.) An auction of the entire J. W. Self Estate will be held by Auction 78 on May 4th and 5th; the clock collection will be sold on May 5th. A special chapter newsletter will be sent to the membership with more details.

In other business, the chapter voted to approve the purchase of two new coffee makers for use at the Sunday morning meetings. The April meeting will be moved to the second Sunday (April 8th) in order to avoid conflict with the Easter holiday on the first Sunday. The June meeting will be held on a date to be determined, since Mrs. Sandra Deal has invited the chapter to the Mansion for a tour. However, the tour will take place during the week, probably Tuesday June 5th or Thursday June 7 about lunchtime. The national NAWCC organization is asking for a donation to the 2018 National Convention in

York, PA. The chapter approved a \$200 contribution. Brooks mentioned several of our chapter members who have experienced serious recent illnesses.

Some very sad news, long-time Chapter 24 member Sam Ledbetter passed away on Jan. 20, 2018, at the age of 105. He will be greatly missed! His obituary may be found at <https://www.legacy.com/obituaries/atlanta/obituary.aspx?n=samuel-byrd-ledbetter&pid=188216005>.

(A great big Thank-You!!! goes out to Mary Jones for taking the February meeting notes when the Secretary Jim Guinn was out sick.)



Randy Grunwell has announced that the Chapter 24 webpage has been moved to new server, and all the past newsletters and meeting notes have been brought back on-line.

The site can be reached by typing in:

<http://rgrunwell.hopto.org/NAWCC/NAWCC.htm>

or by scanning the QR code:



Note: QR code readers may be downloaded free to cell phones.

FEBRUARY PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Graham Cross led our February program, The Dial House 2017. He gave us an update on the recent construction of a new facility and showed images of "before-and-after" dial restorations. It was a very interesting and informative talk!



NEW MEMBER AND VISITORS FROM THE FEBRUARY MEETING



New Member
Laura Shepherd



Visitor
Mike Jester



Visitor
Steven Richardson



Visitors from the
Holiday Party

Treasurer's Report

By Dan Butt

Dan Butt gave the Treasurer's Report. Thirty-seven were present at the meeting, including one new member, Laura Shepherd, and two guests. We started out this month with a checking and cash balance of \$22,239.29, with income of \$631.00 from dues, 50/50, and donations, and with expenses of \$1,786.73 from refreshments, a donation, the lease, and liability insurance, we finished out this month with \$21,083.56. Minnie Brown 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 last Thursday of each month at Tim's Country Kitchen in Fayetteville. 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.

J. W. Self Estate Sale at Braxton's Auctioneering

The estate of J. W. Self (long-time NAWCC Chapter 24 member) will be put up for an on-site liquidation auction by Braxton's Auctioneering on May 4 and 5, 2018. J.W. had an extensive clock collection (along with glassware and furniture) and the auction house has asked Chapter 24 to assist with the sale. Please see Braxton's Auctioneering's website (www.auction78.com) for more information.



GROANERS

Courtesy of George Waterhouse

When is the best time of the day? Answer: It's 6:30, hands down.

Why don't people eat clocks? Answer: It's too time consuming.

LAST MONTH'S PUZZLER

Solution: This is a little different kind of puzzle because every hand position is the mirror image of another hand position. The mirror image of any hand position is exactly 12:00:00 minus the time of the original hand position. For example, 2 hours, 17 minutes, and 23 seconds is exactly the mirror image of 9 hours, 42 minutes, and 37 seconds. Perhaps the reason Sherlock thinks this is a slightly interesting puzzle is that the mirror image of a clock moving forward is exactly the same as a clock going backwards in time, and that some objects, like a spinning top, look exactly the same if you look at them in the mirror and going backwards in time!

THIS MONTH'S PUZZLER

The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes – Winning and Losing

Looking up from his evening paper, Sherlock Holmes, Consulting Time Detective, noticed his friend, Dr. John Watchson looking from hand to hand. “What is it now, Watchson? You obviously have something on your mind.” “Sherlock, I have a bit of a dilemma. I have two pocket watches. I set them both to Big Ben at noon, yesterday. Today, however, at noon, one of them had lost exactly three minutes and the other had gained exactly four minutes.” “That is a problem,” said Sherlock, “which is yours and not mine.” “Yes, thank you,” said Watchson. “But I was wondering if the two watches will ever read the same time as each other ever again, and will they ever read the correct time together ever again.” “Of course they will,” said Sherlock, “if you go set them both again, right now!” “No,” said Watchson, “I meant if they keep going exactly as they are now.” “Well, all I can say is that I hope you’re patient,” said Sherlock and returned to his paper.

Can you determine when, if ever, the two watches would read the same time as each other, and if ever, they would both read the correct time together? If you can, email the answer to the Chapter Secretary before the next newsletter goes out, and you will receive an Honorable Mention in the June Newsletter. (courtesy of Jim Guinn)

IT'S MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

Chapter 24 membership is renewed annually, if you haven't already, don't forget to renew. Just fill out the form below and write a check. Dues are (only!) \$20 per year for single or family membership. (\$25 if you opt out of electronic delivery).

CHAPTER 24 NAWCC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL

Name(s)_____ Phone_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Email_____ Fax_____

Special interests_____

Please send with form (checks payable to **Chapter 24, NAWCC**) to Treasurer Dan Butt at 1255 Hickory Crest Lane, Cumming GA 30041 or bring your renewal to the April meeting.

The Atlanta Chapter of the NAWCC meets the first Sunday of February, June, August, October and December, and in 2018, the second Sunday of April. 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, April 8, 2018 - 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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