

NAWCC NEWS

National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors Atlanta Chapter 24 August 2019 Meeting Minutes

OCTOBER MEETING

Our next meeting will be Sunday

October 6, 2019 from 9:30 AM—1:00 PM.

Donald Jackson will continue his discussion of clock animations.

Please bring an interesting Clock, Watch or Horological Item for our "Show and Tell".

Guests are very welcome. We'll see you there!



NAWCC Atlanta Chapter 24 Officers and Directors

Dan Butt	President	edanbutt@yahoo.com	(678) 662-3848
Donald Jackson	Vice-President	treetop8@bellsouth.net	(404) 929-1559
Bob Geier	Secretary	bgeier73@gmail.com	(630) 220-9457
Charles Carrol	Treasurer	chas5269@aol.com	(770) 851-9785
Jae Martin	Past President	info@clockgalleryinc.com	(770) 813-8140
Randy Grunwell	Director 2019	rgrunwell@gmail.com	(770) 962-5374
Mary Jones	Director 2020	maryisabeljones@comcast.net	(770) 939-8856
Bill Knaak	Director 2021	knaak@comcast.net	(678) 642-2418

Minutes of NAWCC Atlanta Chapter 24 August 4, 2019 Meeting

Forty members of Chapter 24 and three visitors were on hand for the August 4 Meeting.

Brooks Coleman started us off with another lively auction including another batch of clocks from Robert Brannon's father-in-law collection, parts and watches.











President Dan Butt conducted the business meeting. The minutes of the June meeting were approved by the membership, as published in the August newsletter.

Charles Carrol then presented the Treasurer's report. The details of the Treasurer's Report are at the conclusion of this Newsletter.

New Business

Dan discussed the urgency of maintaining or increasing the Chapter 24 membership. Our membership declined by eighteen during the past year. One member moved out of the area and another member passed away. If this trend is not corrected, expenses such as the cost to rent the Aquatic Center and maintain the necessary liability insurance will not be offset by income (dues).

The reasons the remaining sixteen have not renewed their membership are not understood and of concern. Dan and Charles have each unsuccessfully attempted to reach out to the sixteen including David Ciolkos, Marshall Barrish, Bob Bartow, Paul Carahan, Bill Grant, Bonnie Davis, Molly Dowd, Nancy Eckert, Andrew Eilers, Rich Guemmmer, Bill Hammonds, Jim & Elizibeth Jenkins, Bill & Teri Rittenhouse and Laura Shepherd. A plea was made for members to contact any of these former members who they may know to gain insights and if receptive, invite them to return.

To attract potential new members, Randy Grunwell discussed advertising the Tuesday Night Clock Group on a website called "Meet Up". Users of "Meet Up" list the topics they are interested in and "Meet Up" will respond by providing lists of upcoming gatherings for a given interest in their region. Posting information on our event, the Tuesday Night Group, will cost \$69 for six months. There is no cost to participants to attend the Tuesday Night Group and so this could generate new interest in our Chapter. A motion was made to place an ad on "Meet-Up" for \$69. The motion was seconded and approved by vote.

AUGUST MINUTES and PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

George Waterhouse reported that:

he talked with Bob Booth recently and he is doing okay. Bob hopes to attend the Mid South Regional. Bob recently donated the majority of his Early American Clock collection to the American Watch & Clock museum in Bristol, CT.

Also, Pete Schreiner, now living in Florida received a message from Irina Garner (Chief Vann House) Chattsworth, GA requesting help with the John Cuthbert tall case clock. This late 1700's tall case clock is one of the two clocks Pete and George worked on 8 years or so ago. Chris Brown, Dan Butt & George are planning a visit later in August to check it out.

As reported in the last Newsletter Paul Milliken from Atlanta's WAGA-TV FOX5 Good Day Atlanta, recorded and broadcast a feature on the Tuesday night group that meets at Berkmar High School. It was aired on July 16. What is new is that during the recording session discussions with George and others, Paul expressed an interest in doing an additional segment on the Governor's Mansion clocks. Cat Satterfield, Mansion Manager will seek clearance from the Governor's office at the Capitol and discuss plans with Paul. This could provide another excellent opportunity for Chapter 24 publicity.



Cuthbert Dial

At the Gwinnett STEM High School Chris Brown, Brooks Coleman, George Waterhouse and Jim Guinn met with Chris Gegen, Media instructor to make several modifications to the recordings of the Colonial and Mugnier clocks. Jim is the narrator on all of the videos which will now be complete. The videos will be sent to National to be put on Vimeo; likewise the Governor's Mansion wants to put them on their website. We also plan to make them available to our members on flash drives for the nominal cost of the drives. We expect a cost of up to five dollars per drive. If you are interested in obtaining one or more copies of this flash drive please respond to Bob Geier; Chapter 24 Secretary with your request.

George completed and submitted the article on the Savannah labeled William Markham Steeple clock to National for publication in the Clock & Watch Bulletin. The clock was donated to then First Lady Sandra Deal for permanent display at the Mansion. The article is now under review and hopefully will be published in the November issue.

Brooks is looking for copies of the April 1999 (issue 319) NAWCC Bulletin. This was the issue with the article on the E. Howard 22 residing in the Georgia State Capitol building. If anyone has that issue and you are willing to donate it please contact Brooks.



GA State Capitol's E Howard 22

AUGUST MINUTES and PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Show and Tell

George Waterhouse presented a Jennings Brothers Brass and Metals Manufacturing Company (Bridgeport CT) thirty-hour, time only, Cherub Timepiece circa 1895-1900. It features a brass hairspring movement, fancy 1-7/8" porcelain dial with filigree brass center, a bronze Cherub and Stem with white Akro Agate base standing 7-3/4" high on a 3-1/2" diameter base. The Jennings Brothers Company supplied metal desk clock cases for Waterbury and also produced pewter cases, ink stands and so forth.







As a follow-on to George Waterhouse's discussion during the June Show and Tell on building a library, Bob Geier displayed the May 2019 Schmitt and Horan Auction catalog. This auction featured several nineteenth century electric clocks including examples by Shortt and Matthaus Hipp which were the subject of Donald Jackson's June Program. In addition, there were a few Reifler pendulum clocks often discussed by Bernie Tekippe as the standard to which he measures the performance of his pendulum clock.

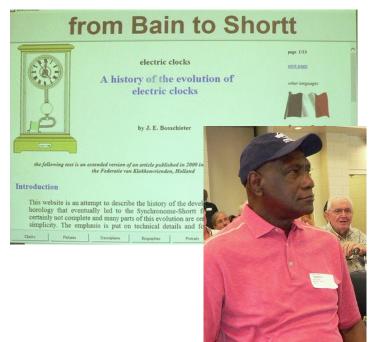
The August Program

Donald Jackson had intended to continue his presentation of animations of <u>From Bain to Shortt;</u>

<u>A History of the Evolution of Electric Clocks</u> by J.E.

Bosscheiter; however technical issues with connecting to the internet prevented the presentation.

Donald will give it another go in October.



AUGUST MINUTE HIGHLIGHTS CONTINUED

Additional Meeting Information

Mike Linz shared the following clever excerpt from <u>The Clockmaker's Daughter</u> by Kate Morgan. It was submitted by a customer of his (Mr. Clock, his clock repair shop) and fellow clock collector, Fae Kelly.

......I had been playing one morning while my father repaired the large clock at a station west of London, when I noticed a smaller version hanging on the wall by the ticket office. I'd stopped what I was doing and was looking between the two disparate faces when a women came up beside me. "That there's the real time," she explained, pointing at the little dial. "And that one"-she frowned at the clock my father had just finished winding-"that there's London time."

Which is how I learned that while I could not be in two places at once, I could most certainly be in one place at two times.

Ruth Johnson discussed another opportunity for Chapter 24 interaction with local clock enthusiasts. Every month on the fourth Thursday at 10:30 AM, a group of about twenty collectors meet in Griffin GA at Brian's Buffet. Brian's Buffet is located at 1323 N Expressway off of HGWY 1941, about 55 miles south of Atlanta.

Special Members present at this meeting included Ellen Milligan and Dan Jeffries.





Regional Update

Regional Co-Chairs Bob and Fran Geier provided an update on the status of the Labor Day Weekend Mid South Regional. At this point there are fewer preregistrations than we have had in previous years but table sales and room reservations are on-track. We remain optimistic. The AWCI will have their thirty-eight foot Winnebago Mobile Classroom displayed as a watch repair classroom inside Hall B. Mart Chair Sheri Kitts discussed the numbers of volunteers needed for Mart set-up and tear-down and solicited help for tear-down.



THE 50:50

The \$57 purse Cash Winning ticket was number 964326 which was held by was Henry Newman.



Treasurer's Report By Charles Carroll

The beginning balance for this period was \$19,526.41. Income during the period was from Dues (\$155.00) and the 50:50 (\$50.00) for a total of \$205.00.

Expenses for the period were \$1051.55 leaving an ending balance of \$18,729.86.



Tuesday Night Clock Group



Berkmar High School 405 Pleasant Hill Road Lilburn, GA 30047 Volunteers of NAWCC Chpt. 24 For information, contact:
Randy Grunwell, Coordinator
770-309-3735
nawcc24@gmail.com

GROANER (Encore!)

Courtesy of George WaterhouseThe Groaner:

Some NAWCC members were discussing how we might increase attendance at regionals. One suggestion was to schedule our meeting concurrently with another convention is the adjacent hall. Perhaps attendees at the other meeting would be drawn to attend ours. For example, if the other convention was a gun show, some folks might come over to "kill some time with us".

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 and participates in the regional meeting in Chattanooga on Labor Day weekend each year, in rotation with the Alabama and Tennessee chapters.

Next Meeting of Chapter 24



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.

Bob Geier, Secretary NAWCC, Chapter 24 4143 Quarry View Chattanooga TN. 37415