

TIMEOUT

SEPTEMBER 2005

AUGUST MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

An absolutely delightful, informative meeting was again held at the Beacham's clock shop and manufacturing facility in Sisters, Oregon, on August 21, 2005. Twenty three members of Chapter 31, including the Beachams, gathered at about 1:00 pm in the shade under several trees in back of this facility so as to utilize tables and chairs our hosts had set out for an informal picnic.

After the gathered throng had disregarded thoughts of dieting while consuming some delightful ice cream the Beachams had provided the assembled group gradually drifted into the horological aura of the adjacent premises. At the time an attempt was made to honor Ed Beacham's wish that we avoid the usual formalities of a Chapter meeting. Then Ed, his wife Kathy, and his associate at the shop exhibited significant patience in responding to both somewhat stupid and intelligent questions for the next several hours.

Chapter 31 owes a severe debt of gratitude to the Beachams for their hospitality. The reasons for Ed's excellent reputation and the existence of his, Kathy's and his associate's warm personalities were again confirmed as this meeting progressed. We in the Chapter are lucky and honored to have them in our organization.

Submitted by Ed O'Brian

CHAPTER 31 MOURNS THE LOSS OF A FRIEND

Chapter 31 has lost a fond member when Jim Wolford passed away recently. Jim and his wife, Annagret were steadfast fixtures at chapter 31 meetings, Multi-chapter meetings in Connell, Washington and local Regionals. Jim was also a past president of chapter 31. Jim had a love of horology, that he was willing to share with all interested parties. No words can express how much Jim will be missed, but I can assure you that he will not be forgotten!

Jeff & Mary Gonzalez

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A FEW THINGS TO REMEMBER SUBMITTED BY TERRY WHITE

From time to time, I have been asked to contribute material for the TimeOut. Be it something I found published in the 1800s or write something original. As with any newsletter, materials are slow coming from the membership and the editor is left with "what do I put in this time?" It is difficult to gather the materials, organize, edit, and produce the newsletter without contributions from the members. Please help grow our newsletter, contribute something and submit it to Mary.

When writing a short paragraph or two, there are a couple things to remember. And as one of my well published and highly educated friends once told me, "Terry, use words that the readership know, because if they have to pick up a dictionary more than twice to look up a word, they will simply quit reading your book." Continuing he said, "You are not here to impress people with your use of words, but to keep their interest by presenting useful and informative information which is easily read." In writing books on mid 1800 industrial histories, I have always kept his words in the back of my mind; such sage advice he offered.

Another topic I hear from time to time is the "Bashing" of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, the library and the museum. If you have an issue with the National, please take it to them; our newsletter is not a place to air dirty laundry. I have visited the facility in Columbia, PA several times in the past years, and their door is always open to suggestions and criticism; take it to them, not our newsletter. Remember, if you have an issue with them, one can simply withdraw your membership.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another God of Time

Our erudite, remote member currently in Southern California, John Bailey, called to convey the information that although the information about the God of Time obtained from Kris Freiermuth contained in the last issue of the Timeout was and is absolutely correct it is also a bit incomplete. Apparently the Greeks had a deity devoted to time before the Romans either renamed it or adopted Saturn as the God of Time.

According to an unabridged dictionary the ancient Greek deity concerned with time was named "Chronikos" and was referred to in Latin as "Chronicus". It is surprising that existence of this Greek God was not apparent to most of us in view of the multiplicity of "chron" type words associated with time.

The September 18, 2005 meeting of Chapter 31 will be held at our usual meeting place - the Beaverton Library's meeting room - at 2:00 pm. As per past custom this will essentially be a 2 part meeting and will be followed by a good snack furnished by Charles of the Beaverton bakery.

The first part of the meeting will be the usual Show and Tell. For this activity please bring and share a clock or related horological item associated with the letter "H". As per past procedure an honorable, probably useless award certificate will be given to the individual bringing and sharing the item best described by this letter "H"

In view of the fact that the speaker originally scheduled for the second part of this meeting had to cancel his appearance due to a prior, previously forgotten commitment, and at the suggestion of Henry Casson the writer, Ed O'Brian, will fill in for the defaulting speaker and will expound various of his views on dealing with the US Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) at this next meeting.

Submitted by Ed O'Brian

Chapter 31 is sponsoring the NAWCC Field Suitcase coarse titled F-402 dial painting will be offered November 2-5, 2005.

The tuition fee will be \$275.00, for NAWCC members. Non-members pay an additional \$60.00. Plus a \$20.00 fee is due to the instructor on the **first** day of class to cover the supplies that he provides.

The class will be held at the Days Inn, Clackamas, Oregon. There is lodging available there @\$59.00 per night. You may make your lodging reservations by calling -503-654-1699.

If you are interested you need to :

- contact me by phone or e-mail with your interest (Your check reserves your spot)
- Send me a check for \$275.00 Paid to the order of NAWCC no later than August 10, 2005. There are only nine openings, so don't procrastinate!
- If needed, Call Days Inn and reserve a room, **503-654-1699**.

Thanks for the interest!

Mary Gonzalez

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Class Description

F402 - Dial Painting

No prerequisites

The student will learn basic skills using tools and developing techniques to construct dials with Roman numerals and chapter rings. Included will be methods for removing existing paint from wood and metal dials and the proper application of base and finish coats. Typical dials will be constructed for practice on heavy paper including a steeple or other similar 8-day types and one with gesso type ornaments and gold leaf designs suitable for woodworks. The student may also complete dials suitable for their own clocks. The student may bring their own dials or the instructor will furnish them; there is also a \$20 fee due on the first day of class for the materials provided. **Four days**

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I have enclosed a check/money order (Pay to the order of NAWCC) for \$275.00 (add \$60.00 if your not an NAWCC member) for the tuition for F-402 Dial Painting Suitcase course to be held at the Days Inn, Clackamas, Oregon. The course dates are Wed. 11-2 through Sat. 11-5-2005.

Please mail your check and the above information to: Mary Gonzalez,  
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## Dates to Remember.....

September 18– Chapter 31 Regular Meeting at the Beaverton Library 2pm

September 18– Fall Multi-chapter meeting in Seattle, Wa. See our website for details.

October 16– Chapter 31 Regular Meeting– Place ?

November 2-5– Dial Painting Suitcase Course to be held in Clackamas, Oregon. See our website for details.

November 20– Chapter 31 Regular Meeting– Place ?

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## HURRICANE KATRINA

In the wake of the recent diasaster caused by Hurricane Katrina, many members of the NAWCC are expressing concern about fellow members in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama.

The NAWCC has information about members that have been in contact with them. You can access the information at the national website at- [WWW.NAWCC.ORG](http://WWW.NAWCC.ORG). There is a link to pages where you can access the list of members that have been located, that will put your mind at ease.