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Newsletter of the HOROLOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF VIRGINIA

HAV 2019 Convention

What: HAV Annual Convention

When: April 26 - 28

Where: Mimslyn Resort, Luray VA

Who: HAV members & guests

Why: Education, Networking, & Socializing

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President's Message for HAV's 2019 Convention

Welcome to HAV's 2019 Convention being held at the Mimslyn Inn in Luray, Virginia. This event will feature Tom Schomaker for our watchmakers and Mike Carpenter for our clockmakers. In October I attended the Austin National, which was called 'Time Con'. Both instructors were there. Tommy and Mike were excited to come to our convention as technical instructors. They have put their heads together to coordinate both instruction programs. Tom is an HAV veteran and knows what this organization wants. Mike and I believe we also have an outstanding clock program as well.

The Spouse's Program will be a tea and Luncheon at the Inn. Spouses are encouraged visit the local shops and sites. They may also like the Inn's spa on Saturday.

Sunday will be a Presentation on the new AWCI Mobile Classroom. It is significant. I do not know of anything like this in the US or abroad. It should be of interest to any



who has a thirst for knowledge. It is equipped with benches for eight, fully stocked with tools, equipment, and media. The

classroom can be converted from watch to clock instruction as needed.

The convention starts Friday evening with the Presidents Reception. Saturday morning registration start at 8:30 Programs will begin at 9;00. Our Sat evening Awards Banquet is followed by auction. It is always exciting once it gets rolling, like a snowball down a hill.

If any of our members would like to volunteer or become an officer please let someone know, these positions are very easy to occupy and all will learn something, and of course friends will be fostered and new one ones will be made.

> Billy Best HAV President

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Friday - April 26th

6:00 PM to 9:00 PM Registration and Hospitality Suite

Hospitality Suite and Skyline Terrace (3rd floor)

Refreshments provided: BYOB

Dinner on your own

Saturday - April 27th

7:30 AM to 8:30 AM Breakfast in Circa 31 Dining Room for those who

paid for the meals package

8:30 AM to 9:00 AM Morning Registration

In front of the Blue Ridge Room (Main Lobby)

9:00 AM to 11:45 AM Watchmaker's Program – Tom Schomaker, CMW21

(Location to be announced)

Diagnosing problems/faults in watch movements and how to fix them. Hands On Program. The purpose of the session is to expose the watchmaker to a watch type of their choosing that contains common and not so common errors for repair. After the watchmaker repairs the timepiece within a designated period of time, it will then be disassembled and evaluated in front of the watchmaker. This is a shortened version of skills assessment one.

9:00 AM to 11:45 AM Clockmaker's Program – Mike Carpenter, CC21

(Location to be announced)

Diagnosing problems/faults in clock movements and how to fix them. Hands On Program . This lecture and workshop will cover the design and layout of the rack and snail striking system. We will also diagnose common problems and some not so common problems. Participants will undergo a series of work sessions with a specific problem and the correct solution. There will be a timed analysis of amystery problem towards the end to determine the participants understanding of the rack and snail striking clock. This is a glimpse of the CC21 assessment.

12:00 PM to 1:00 PM Lunch in Circa 31 Dining Room for those who paid for

the meals package

1:00 PM Spouses Program

Tea in the Roosevelt Room - Spa Treatments are available in the morning and afternoon by appointment made prior to convention

1:00 PM to 4:30 PM Watchmaker's Program - Continues

1:00 PM to 4:30 PM Clockmaker's Program - Continues

ALL DAY

For those not wishing to participate hands on – mentors are needed and other round table programs can be held in the Shenandoah Room. Also, Joe's Hooky Room can be held in Skyline Terrace, and Hospitality Suite - programs to be announced.

Saturday Evening – April 27th

5:00 PM to 5:30 PM Auction Set Up

Blue Ridge Room Wayne Simpson - Coordinator Volunteers are needed to help set up Items can be left in room all day before or between classes – HAV and Mimslyn not responsible for items

5:00 PM to 6:00 PM Reception & Social Hour

Skyline Room & Hospitality Suite (3rd Floor)

Use cash bar in the Lobby

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM Annual Banquet and Awards Ceremony

Blue Ridge Room

7:30 PM to 10:30 PM Annual Horological Auction

Blue Ridge Room

Wayne Simpson – Coordinator

Ronny Spiggle – Auctioneer

Sunday – April 28th

Breakfast on your own

9:30 AM to 11:30 AM Conclusion of Saturday Programs (if necessary)

(Location to be announced)

9:30 AM to 11:30 AM Presentation of Mobile Classroom

Suggestions for speakers for Fall seminar Sign-up for mobile classroom classes

(Blue Ridge Room)

12:00 PM to 1:30 PM Box Lunch HAV Board of Directors Meeting (Open to All)

(Location to be announced)

1:30 PM Convention Adjourns

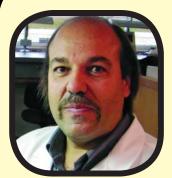
I will be handling all hotel bookings and room assignments – contacting the hotel will NOT get you special rates – Book early!

Richard Finks

New Committee Chairman is Joe Jabbour

Speakers

WATCHES



Tom Schomaker develops the watch making curriculum and is the lead watchmaking instructor for AWCI. He has received brand-specific training in Switzerland, plus additional training on Rolex and Breitling timepieces. He has performed after-sales service for a Swiss manufacturer of complicated watches and operated his own watch-repair busi-

ness before joining AWCI as a full-time instructor. He has provided watchmaking education and consulting for three of the largest independent service centers in the US.

CHOKS



Mike Carpenter is the Clock Director at AWCI. He has taken on the task of getting the clock certification program revitalized and operational again. He is working on establishing future AWCI classes and educational program. He has been around clocks and clock making all of his life. His parents ran a clock re-

pair business and Mike assisted and learned clock repair when not in school/college. He studied for the exam for three years and became an AWCI Certified Clockmaker in 1995.

Horological Association of Virginia <u>2019 Convention Registration</u> <u>April 26-28, 2019</u>

STAYING AT THE MIMSLYN INN

SUBSIDIZES MEETING ROOMS AND OTHER EXPENSES

Members only pricing – Join HAV to Attend – annual dues \$35/spousal \$5 (Contact Stan Palen for membership)

Register Early for the Best Pricing

HAV Members with current paid dues may deduct \$25 from the full registration if paid by 3/24/19

Full Registration if staying at the Mimslyn before March 31 st #@ \$75.00 enter amount if NOT staying at the Mimslyn before March 31 st #@ \$145.00 enter amount Saturday Only if NOT staying at the Mimslyn #@ \$150.00 enter amount Saturday Classes Only if NOT staying at the Mimslyn #@ \$125.00 enter amount Full spouses program \$95.00 (if staying at the Mimslyn deduct \$70.00) enter amount Banquet/Auction Only #@ \$95.00 enter amount Total amount enclosed					
NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AFTER MARCH 31 ST , 2019					
***Please indicate which program you will be attending Diagnosing problems/faults in watch movements and how to fix tem Diagnosing problems/faults in clock movements and how to fix them					
Attendee's Name(s) Spouse/Guest Name					
Address					
City State Zip					
TelephoneAlternateE-mail					
Stay at the Mimslyn Inn \$169.00/person/first night Includes: Saturday breakfast, beverages, mid-morning break, lunch buffet, mid-afternoon break and banquet three course meal! \$70.00/second person in room (includes the above meal package) \$99.00/extra night Plus tax (est.\$16.78 to \$35.84) Boxed lunch Sunday #@ \$10.00 enter amount As Mimslyn requires a credit card to check in please call with Visa or Master Card (4% convenience fee added) (non-refundable)					
Richard or Sarah Finks (540)459-3142 or havconvention@gmail.com					
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Banquet Dinner Menu

Please mark your choice

(Banquet is included in your registration)

#	Asian Marinated Sliced Sirloin
#	Chicken Marsala
#	Baked Flounder with Tomato Cream

All above are served with:

Plated House Salad

Dinner Rolls and Butter

Rice Pilaf

Buttered Green Beans

Apple Crisp

Coffee, Tea and Water

Sunday Boxed Lunch

Please mark your choice

(Boxed lunch is not included in your registration) \$10.00/each

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#	Portabella (roasted portabella, tomato, spinach, onion, Kaiser)				
#	Ham and Cheese (ham, cheddar, lettuce, tomato, onion, 6" sub)				
#	Italian Sub (salami, capicola, peppered ham, lettuce, tomato, onion,				
	provolone cheese, 6" sub)				
#	Chicken Wrap (grilled chicken breast, Caesar dressing, romaine, onion				
	spinach wrap)				
all abo	ove served with chips, fruit and water				
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Driving Directions

The Mimslyn Inn Directions 401 West Main Street Luray, Virginia 22835 540,743,5105 - 800,296,5105

Visit their web site for Map Quest Directions www.mimslyninn.com

From Roanoke/Harrisonburg

Take I-81 North to New Market, Exit 264. Follow signs to Route 211 East to Luray (13 miles). Take the exit for Route 211 Business (Main Street). The Mimslyn Inn will be less than 1 mile on the right.

From Richmond

Take I-95 North to Fredericksburg. Take Route 3 West to Culpeper. In Culpeper, take Route 522 to Sperryville. In Sperryville take Route 211 West. Follow Route 211 to the exit for Route 340 South/Route 211 Business. Follow into Luray and take a right at the first stoplight. The Mimslyn Inn will be approximately 1/4 mile on the left.

Or

Take I-64 West to Charlottesville, VA. Take Route 29 North to Ruckersville and then left onto Route 33 West. In Elkton take Route 340 North to Route 211 East. Follow Route 211 East to Luray. Take Route 211 Business (Main Street) and follow less than 1 mile. Hotel will be on the right.

From Washington D.C./Northern VA

Take 1-66 West to exit 13 (Linden/Front Royal). Turn left at the end of the exit ramp. Go to the end of the road and take a right onto Route 55 West. Stay on Route 55 West for approximately 6 miles. This will take you to Front Royal. Turn left at the third stoplight onto Route 340 South. Follow Route 340 South for approximately 26 miles to Luray. Turn right at the first stoplight onto Main Street. Follow for approximately 1/4 mile. Hotel will be on the left.

<u>Or</u>

Take Route 66 West to Route 29 South in Gainesville. Follow Route 29 to Warrenton and then take a right onto Route 29 Business/Route 211 West to Sperryville and then to Luray. Exit onto Route 340 South Business 211 to Luray. Take a right at the first stoplight and follow for approximately Va mile to 'The Mimslyn. Hotel will be on the left.

From Hagerstown/Martinsburg/Winchester

Fake I-8i South to exit 264 in New Market, VA. Follow to Route 211 East toward Luray. Take exit for Route 211 Business (Main Street) toward town. The Mimslyn Inn will be approximately 1 mile on the right.

Potomac Guild December Meeting

The Potomac Guild held its Holiday meeting/party on December 4th. The business meeting was quickly dispensed



with - then
on to the
party. There
was a great
turnout of
members and
their spouses
with almost
30 attendees.

Dave and Rita Staib and Pat and Carol Conahan organized a wonder-



ful selection of food from Wegman's which was enjoyed by everyone.

Following dinner, there was a white elephant exchange of gifts, which turned out to be quite lively and lots of fun.

Then Ryan Johnson organized an archery game. The



winner's
reward
was a
bench
polisher and

a set of polishing wheels.
Manu Luabun from Annandale Watch and Clock Shop, displayed superb talents with a bow and arrow (who knew?) and took away the big prize.

Pat Conahan was given

a set of jewler's screw-drivers for achieving the



"most room for improvement award."

All in all, it was a fun evening for everyone who attended.

Thanks to all who made it possible!

John Enloe

STAN PALEN'S Komputer Korner

This column includes hints, helps, suggestions and news for IBM compatible computers.

A friend thought she was safe. She was very cautious about what she clicked on. She got a message from a friend about what she was working on and wanted her to take a look. A message was sent back questioning if it was legit. An answer came back saying it was OK. NOT so! It was a corrupted file with Trojans etc.

She called her friend and was told that her AOL (I think) had been hacked and she could not get back in. Emails were being sent to folks in her address book with Trojans and other malicious attachments. Other problems are occurring with her friend's computer.

My friend thinks she has taken care of the problems introduced to her computer. I hope so. I recommended she change all of her passwords. Her email account was messed up, but she was able to use a double authentication to get back in and change



her password.
Since I started writing this part, several more friends of my friend have had their accounts taken over and used to infiltrate more computer owners accounts.

One lesson learned here is to use double authentication for all the accounts that offer it. Especially banking and credit card accounts.

A while back I was having a problem with File Explorer in Windows 10. It would work sometimes from inside another program such as Word to go get a file. When I tried to use it to locate a file it just went into never-never land and just sat there. I used Google to find solutions

and came up with very few the first time. It gave me a program that would fix it for a price. It worked for a bit and now it is back giving me erratic results. There are a lot of updates coming out now. Most experts are recommending to turn off automatic updates and wait until they become stable for all users. You can still update manually and you will be reminded to update. A while back the recommendation was to leave the automatic updates on because many the updates involved security. Now your risk not security, but your computer getting messed up.

This time when I went to find more solutions using Google, but I could not find the Microsoft free one again. It involved deleting a windows system file and downloading and installing the correct one from Microsoft. I am pretty sure the windows updates are causing this problem. There are a lot of folks with the same problem. I see it on some of the discussion groups I am in.

I recently found another solution that I have used once already. It involves several steps. Please email me and I can send you the solution.

subscribed was **Windows Secrets to get some** information and solutions for my column and that has been discontinued. It is now incorporated into Ask Woody (askwoody.com). I have not been able to get my account working there yet. Since there is a consolidation going on, the web site open to all for a short time. I can get to everything I need to and for a time so can you. It has most any PC type of discussion going on. Some parts will stay open, but membership will be required for searches etc.

The site is incredible, but since I just got into it, I have not had time to explore it. I have been a member of the preceding newsletters and web sites that date back to 1997.

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