

# Loupes and Tweezers

**Newsletter of the HOROLOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF VIRGINIA** 

# Fall Seminar & Board of Directors Report



The HAV Board of Directors met in Charlottesville on Aug 18th. A number of important issues were discussed. Of prime importance was the:

PLANS FOR THE FALL SEMINAR

That and other issues are discussed in this Loupes and Tweezers

Joe Jabbour President HAV

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# **Fall Seminar**

The Fall Seminar will be held in Charlottesville, VA on Saturday November 2nd and Sunday November 3rd at the Hilton Garden Inn located at 1793 Richmond Road.

A special event rate of \$169 per night has been obtained. Members should mention "Fall Seminar of the Horological Association of Virginia".

There will be no registration fee for members but nonmembers may attend by joining at that time.

### **BUS Classroom**

The AWCI Mobile
Classroom aka "the Bus"
will offer a dial and hands
refinishing course which
will last a day and a half
and is limited to eight students.

The instructors will be the well known AWCI veterans <u>Tom Schoemaker</u> and Jason Champion.

The fee for this course will be \$150 plus

expenses for a specialized tool There are two positions still available and we will maintain a waiting list.

**Video Streaming** 

The Bus program will be streamed on the INTER-NET to a first floor suite in the hotel for those who are unable to attend the class because of class size limits.

**Sunday Seminar** 

We will have a technical program on Sunday morning and afternoon.

David Lindow will discuss use of lathes for repairing clocks/watches.

Board of Directors
There will be a lunch buffet for our Board of Directors working lunch. Everyone is welcome to attend the BoD meeting.

**Bus Tour** 

The Bus will be available for tours on Sunday after the conclusion of the dial and hands refinishing course.

### **Seminar Overview**

HAV Fall Seminar						
Saturday N	lov 2nd			Suday Nov	2rd	
am	lunch	pm	evening	am	lunch	pm
AWCI Bus		AWCI Bus		AWCI Bus		-
Class		Class		Class		
Bus Video		Bus Video		Bus Video		
Feed		Feed		Feed		
				Lindow	BoD	Lindow
				Talk	Meeting	Talk

### **2020 Annual Convention Plans**

The Annual Convention returns to the Stonewall Jackson Hotel in Staunton, Virginia Friday May 1st through Sunday the 3rd, 2020. The Friday evening reception will be followed educational seminars on Sat and Sunday morning. The Annual Banquet, Awards Presentation and Benefit Auction will be Sat evening. The full technical program is being developed. It will include Gary Biscelli presenting a Hair Spring course. Sunday's Board of Directors meeting will be open to all.

# STAN PALEN'S Komputer Korner

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



#### **Life Saver Watches:**

Can your smart watch save your life? Not all brands can, but an Apple watch has saved several of its owner's lives. It noticed abnormally high heart rates and told the owners to seek immediate medical help. I found several instances of it by doing a Google search for Apple Watch saves a life.

### **USB Challenges:**

Have you run into "Unknown Device"? Usually a USB device is the culprit. First step in trying to find the solution is to verify that you have the latest drivers for your devices. One exception I am aware of it the USB to Serial driver for MicroSet use in Windows 10. You need an old driver for it to work and windows seems to insist on updating it from time to time.

Next, shut down your machine and reboot it without any usb devices attached. If you get the error here, there may not be a solution. If you do not get an error, connect one device and reboot. Repeat until you have them all connected and it is working properly. If one you connect has the

error, you know which one is causing the problem. You will need to dig deeper on that device.

Win 10 Task Manager:

**Windows** 10 task ln. been greatly has manager improved. Now you can see more than just what processes running. **Performance** are gives a good showing of what is going on with your CPU, the disk drives, memory and **Graphics Processor Unit. App** History shows the CPU time since the last reset. Click on the CPU time and it will show the highest usage first. In my case it was Microsoft Edge that had the highest usage over the last month. Click on Network and also see the highest usage first. (Edge Again)

Next is Start Up - It lists all the things that are run at start up. Details are all the things running at this point. It shows over 70 instances

of Chrome.exe running on my machine and ditto for svchost.exe whatever that is. The last one is Services. So many things running that there is no wonder my computer runs a bit slow. If you click on Open Services at the bottom, you get a services window. At the bottom of that you will see Extended and Standard. Extended widens out the screen and if you click on an item, it will show information about it. Sometimes it is helpful information.

Microsoft is sending out patches with problems. Some of which have even messed up their flagship computer Surface. There are some apps that will delay the official Microsoft official updates. Microsoft has apparently been able to override some of these.

### Google Docs vs Word:

Google Docs was having a hard time with being compatible with Word. According to sources, that problem has been solved.

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# Misc Notes from the 18 Aug BoD Meeting

Pres Jabbour moved to amend the HAV bylaws to allow an HAV officer to serve for a period greater than two years. This will help identify members willing to serve. It was approved.

Billy Best was appointed as the interim First VP until the election to be held at the Annual Meeting in May 2020.

Fred White agreed to continue as Second VP.

Bob Stone will formulate a motion to permit the BoD to appoint members to fill officers position on an emergency basis.

HAV meeting organizers are to be reimursed for personal out of pocket expenses for organizing meetings.

The 2019-2020 Budget was passed It recognizes the realities of HAV losses incurred from our meetings.

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