



# The Ratchet



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**JUNE MEETING**

**The Meeting**

Everyone agrees that the new location has so many desirable qualities that we shouldn't give up on it. Pursuing this clock hobby isn't easy that's for sure. For the second month in a row

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**JULY MEETING**

**The July Meeting** will be Sunday 7/13/2008. The Mart is open at 1:30 and the meeting begins at 2:00.

**We meet at the Fresh Start Market & Coffee House** 3020 Center Street NE. All NAWCC members and their guests are welcome.

**The Program:** Steve Hunt of Corban College will talk about their new tower clock. Following the meeting we will be going on a field trip to see it.

**Show and Tell** will be any horological item related to the letter "S" and/or related to tower clocks.

**Please bring donations for the Raffle**

The income from the raffle helps your club meet expenses.

**See us on the web at:** [www.nawcc157.org](http://www.nawcc157.org)

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

Date	Event	Hosts
7/13	Regular Meeting at Fresh Start Market	Chapter #157
7/13	Board Meeting at 12:00 -Fresh Start Market	J. Knieling
8/10	Chapter Picnic in Albany	Chapter #157
9/14	2008 I-5 Multi-Chapter Meeting in Vancouver	Chapter #121
9/14	Regular Meeting at Fresh Start Market	Chapter #157
10/12	Regular Meeting at Fresh Start Market	Chapter #157



we couldn't get into the building. Last month our prayers to the horological gods paid off but this month those same gods didn't help. Last month the lady finally came after waiting for us all morning long and then going home. This month the lady was not to be found. Strike two. The group was in good cheer regardless and the weather was beautiful and so we sat on the grass under the nearby trees and held our meeting. There was a good crowd there that included twelve members and four spouses. President Knieling began the meeting at two and started off by talking about the recent regional. Those folks up in Portland did a super job and they are to be congratulated for it. My guess is if more of them were of this quality we would see greatly increased attendance.



**Our Display at the Regional**

We then talked about our August picnic. I think everybody is ready for a nice picnic in Albany. We didn't go down there last year and we haven't co-picnicked with the Willamette Valley Clock and Watch Collectors of Eugene in two years. After discussion we decided to revert back to the earlier picnic system, mainly because we are short of good barbeque cook volunteers.

- ✚ Bring your own chair and tables. A few of us have extra chairs and tables and we will bring them.
- ✚ If you have mart items, bring your own mart table. Mart items aren't limited to horological items.

- ✚ Bring your own paper plates, utensils, paper towels and pot luck dish (to share). There won't be any salmon or hamburgers this year.
- ✚ Soft drinks and bottled water will be provided.
- ✚ The picnic starts at 12:30.
- ✚ George Lytle will homestead the desired picnic area again this year.

*Jim told us there will be a board meeting at 12:00 on Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup>. It will be at the Fresh Start Market. Board members are Knieling, Cordy, Dowler, Dent, Meisner and Lytle. We need to nominate new officer candidates and directors. The elections are scheduled for November this year and ballots will go out in October.*

Ken Graves was at the meeting to say that one of the only two existing Salem street clocks was inoperative. He wondered if we wanted to explore the idea of helping repair the clock as a club project. We did! Ken has volunteered to head up the project and will check into what has to be done. The clock is outside what used to be the Pomeroy and Keen Jewelry Store. It was built by the Brown Street Clock Company in the early 1900 s.



The last business we talked about was our entry into the club craft contest. Charlie Schubert was extremely pleased with the clock. George Lytle

donated it and helped work on it too. Bob Schug and Charlie Schubert were the rest of the team. We'll see how well it did at the convention. Charlie said it was made in Japan but it was a copy of a European clock and he said his research indicated it was circa 1950's. It uses an electro-magnetic principal.

### **Treasurer's Report**

We have \$2,151.00 in the bank according to our treasurer, Jim Dent.

### **The Program**

Vice President Cordy had a program about the history of the watchmaker's lathe but we couldn't get into the meeting room and so we had no way to see it. It was on a DVD.

### **Show and Tell**

Our mission was to show horological items closely connected to the letter **G**. "It was with some hesitation that our president recognized George Poole to start off. Luckily there were no guests we would have to apologize to after the meeting. George brought two texts and a nice shelf clock. The first book was about Ingraham clocks and was entitled **F**or **G**enerations to Come –A history of Elias Ingraham." Someplace in the book was a picture of an Ingraham clock with a **g**othic style case. This was a picture of the same clock that George brought to show us. His next item was a book entitled **A** Treatise on Clocks **B**y Lord **G**rimthorpe. George read an interesting passage in which the Lord was making the case that the French meter's length wasn't selected because it was the length of a one second pendulum.

Dennis Cordy showed us a carriage clock that had a repeater movement and **G**rand Sonnerie chimes. He also had a beautiful **G**ruen and Sons pocket watch in a solid **g**old case.

Charlie Schubert wanted to teach us a little about

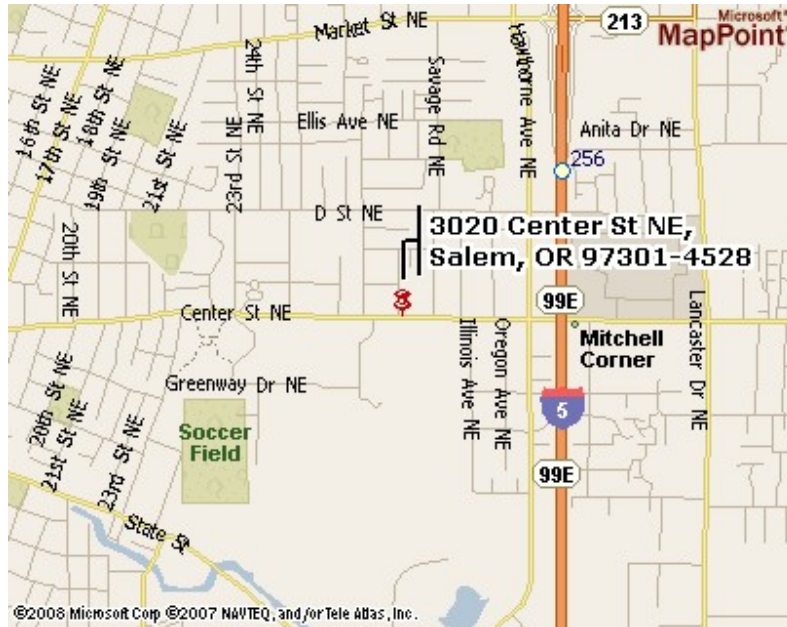
**g**lass tablets. He used the clock that George Poole brought to show how the tablet was painted. The pattern was lithographed and artists painted the colors. He also showed us an example of a Seth Thomas clock where the reverse painted tablet was first stenciled (as opposed to lithograph) and later painted in. Shirley Cavanaugh had a miniature **g**randfather clock and a picture of a **g**randfather clock. She also had a picture of cuckoo clock that had a statue of Robert E. Lee. The picture was entitled **E**cho's of **G**lory." George Poole's show and tell items were not looking too bad.

Tom Seymour really likes Hampden watch and Hampden ephemera. For the meeting he showed us a 12 size Dueber **G**rand pocket watch. It was really nice and in fact put all those clock show and tell items to shame. It was in its original box. And he had a store display that was marked **G**ruen **G**uild."

Jim Dent set the show and tell record! His first clock was a kitchen clock made by **G**ilbert. It was the **G**eranium model. He showed us a little clock with concave **g**lass and one made in West **G**ermany. There was a **G**erman made **G**ustov Becker and an Oswald **G**enie model clock. Al Dowler showed us some lathe **g**ravers. Bob Schug brought some **g**auges. These included a spring **g**auge, a crystal **g**auge, a size **g**auge, a roller jewel **g**auge, a band **g**auge and a hand **g**auge. All these were for watches. Bob showed us a **g**lobe clock with a Lux movement and a miniature **g**randfather clock made by **G**ilbert. His last item was an alarm clock made by Waterbury. It was the **G**iant Spasmodic model. What a name for a clock.



Meeting Location is 3020 Center St. NE. Take Exit 256. If coming south from Portland follow signs to City Center and merge onto Market St. NE. Turn left at Hawthorne Ave and right on Center Street. From Albany get off at Exit 256 and turn right on Lancaster Dr. Turn right at Center Street.



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