



WNYATCA



WESTERN NEW YORK ANTIQUE TOOL COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION

Website: www.wnyatca.org

The next meeting of WNYATCA will be held **November 4, 2018**
at the Quality Inn, Batavia, NY, just off the Thruway, Batavia exit.

Tool trading opens at 9:30 am...No Charge for a Trade Table
Meeting starts at 10:30 am

(Early birds get there around 8:30.) Come early and enjoy the trading, talking, coffee and pastry.

Meeting Dates for 2018:

- ✓ November 4
- ✓ Membership \$15.00/year payable at your 1st meeting. (\$20.00 in 2019)
- ✓ Regular Meetings held in Batavia, NY 4 times/yr.
- ✓ \$5.00 Meeting donation to help with room rental

We value Members' input w/Programs and Newsletter.

At November 4, 2018 WNYATCA Meeting:

- ✓ Martin Donnelly presentation
- ✓ Check on the payment status of your membership
- ✓ Buy raffle tickets to support the club
- ✓ Consider donating an item to the raffle

2017-2019 Officers

President: Otto Dole 585-503-2230
 Vice President: Vacant
 Secretary: Keith McCormick 518-365-8399
 Treasurer: Reid O'Connell 585-266-5286

Meeting Contributors

Benefit Drawing: Tim Rhubart
 What's It & Show Table: Dan Weinstock
 Website: Keith McCormick

Western New York Antique Tool Collectors Association
September 23, 2018 Minutes

Attention club members!

Please ensure your dues are up to date. If you are unable to pay your dues at a meeting, mail checks, made out to WNYATCA, to Reid O'Connell at his home address 146 Pinecrest Dr., Rochester, NY 14617.

Welcome: The September 23, 2018 meeting of WNYATCA convened at 10:34 AM at the Quality Inn in Batavia, NY. President Otto Dole presided. 34 members were in attendance. President Dole welcomed everyone to the 3rd meeting of 2018. President Dole showed a wooden mallet made at a previous WNYATCA meeting back on 9/9/2000, which was held at the Akron Town Park in Akron, NY. This was an instructional meeting led by Frank Flynn where members made a wooden mallet from Honduras Mahogany. Other tool club meetings have taken place at SUNY Geneseo, Letchworth State Park, Don Baldwin's place and Myrna & Dan Coleman's. President Dole mentioned the loss of Howard Meyer, a founding member of the club. John Deegan was introduced as a new club member. He is a 20-year member of the Rochester Woodworkers Society and is looking forward to interacting with others and enjoys tool restoration. Tom Dickey was introduced as a guest. For your planning, tool trading starts at 9:30; meeting begins at 10:30; meeting/program complete by 1:30; and room must be cleared by 2:30. 2018 club meeting dates are scheduled as follows: 11/4. **2019 WNYATCA meeting dates are March 24, June 23, September 22 and November 3.**

Contributors: President Dole thanked all meeting contributors. Secretary Keith McCormick for preparing the meeting minutes, sending the Newsletter mailings and maintaining the club website. Treasurer Reid O'Connell for preparing the Treasurer's report, maintaining club member information, logging member sign-in at meetings and interfacing with the hotel on behalf of the club. The Vice President's position is currently vacant. Tim Rhubart for administering the benefits drawing and Dan Weinstock for leading the What's It and Show tables. President Dole thanked all members that bring tools for trading, donating items for the raffle drawing and bringing examples for the What's It and Show tables.

Member's Tasks: Club members were reminded of the various ways to support the club by paying the yearly membership fee (\$15) and meeting room use fee (\$5), reviewing membership spreadsheet at check-in time to ensure contact information is correct, bringing What's It and Show Table items to future meetings, buy raffle tickets, bring a potential new member to the meetings, reading the Secretary's report in advance and wear a name tag. All members were thanked for their dedication to the club.

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's report was sent prior to the meeting. No additions or corrections were made by the members in attendance and the report was accepted as published.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report indicated a checking account bank balance on 4/30/18 of \$1,555.63. Income since the last report was \$450. Expenses since the last report were \$418.30, which included a \$50 deceased member memorial donation and a Quality Inn invoice for the 6/3/18 meeting for \$368.30. The checking account bank balance was \$1,587.33 on 8/31/18 and the checking account checkbook balance was \$1,587.33 on 8/31/18. Balance includes \$393 for the projector fund. The net gain since the last report was \$31.70.

There are currently 72 members, with no change since the 6/3/18 list. This reflects deletion of founding member Howard Meyer who passed away 7/15/18, plus the addition of David Smart of Oakfield, NY who became a new member on 6/3/18.

76% of members have paid dues through 2017 or later. 24% of memberships expired 2016 or earlier.

An August 1, 2018 \$50 check was sent to St. Mark's Lutheran Church of North Tonawanda, NY in memory of Howard Meyer.

The club computer projector fund has a balance of \$393 with a goal of \$400-500. The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

Vice President's Report:

1) Speaker Series – Dan Coleman is speaking on 9/23 and Martin Donnelly is speaking on 11/4.

Unfinished Business:

1) Club computer projector – Projector cost is driven by brightness (lumens). A portable PA system may be of benefit to the club also. Continue to research options and costs for both items.

2) WNYATCA website – Keith will continue to work on site updates as necessary.

3) Facebook page – On hold for now. Today's guest John Deegan mentioned a YouTube video that referenced map locations of where to purchase antique tools. This is how he found WNYATCA.

4) WNYATCA name change – consider dropping the word "Western" from the club name was discussed. We agreed to further think about the consequences (e.g., website, bank account) and discuss at a future meeting.

New Business:

1) Officer Nomination Committee – Dan Weinstock is leading the club officer nomination committee. Please reach out to Dan Weinstock with people that would do a good job in the officer positions and serve the club well.

Show table

Frank Flynn's unusual draw shaves

1) A pattern maker's shave, whole casting joined with a fastener. Body of shave moves in and out. Wrought iron, precision machined, rabbit shave.

2) A cabinet maker's chamfer shave used for clean-up work and is fully adjustable.

3) A wheelwright's scraper, used after a draw shave

4) 8" rule made from brass bar stock. Graduated with inches and fractions on one side, nail on the other side with 1/2 and 1/8 markings. Hand graduated. Dan Weinstock contacted the Smithsonian and it is a rule for measuring fabric for cuffs and hems.

What's It table

Item #1 – Cast aluminum tool with two wheels. Marked Goldblatt. Consists of a thumbscrew with a hardened nail. A skate wheel joint raker, used for setting depth in concrete work.

Item #2 – early motor with green paint on it. Sits on a wooden base. There is a pulley on the commutator. 1920's vintage. Possibly an Erector set motor?

Item #3 – Wooden tool with spring. Used for moving small logs or logs in a saw mill?

Item #4 – Traveler for measuring distance. Used for laying out land area. ~8' in circumference.

Benefits Drawing

A sum of \$120 was raised for the raffle drawing.

At 11:27AM, the official business portion of the meeting was adjourned.

Speaker Series

Dan Coleman - presentation on spokeshaves and related tools

Dan focused on Stanley spokeshaves, with the basis of the discussion from two literature sources: Thomas Lamond's "Manufactured and Patented Spokeshaves & Similar Tools" and John Walter's "Stanley Tools Guide to Identity and Value".

In the 1850's, Stanley's predominant business was rules and levels. Leonard Bailey was a skilled machinist and

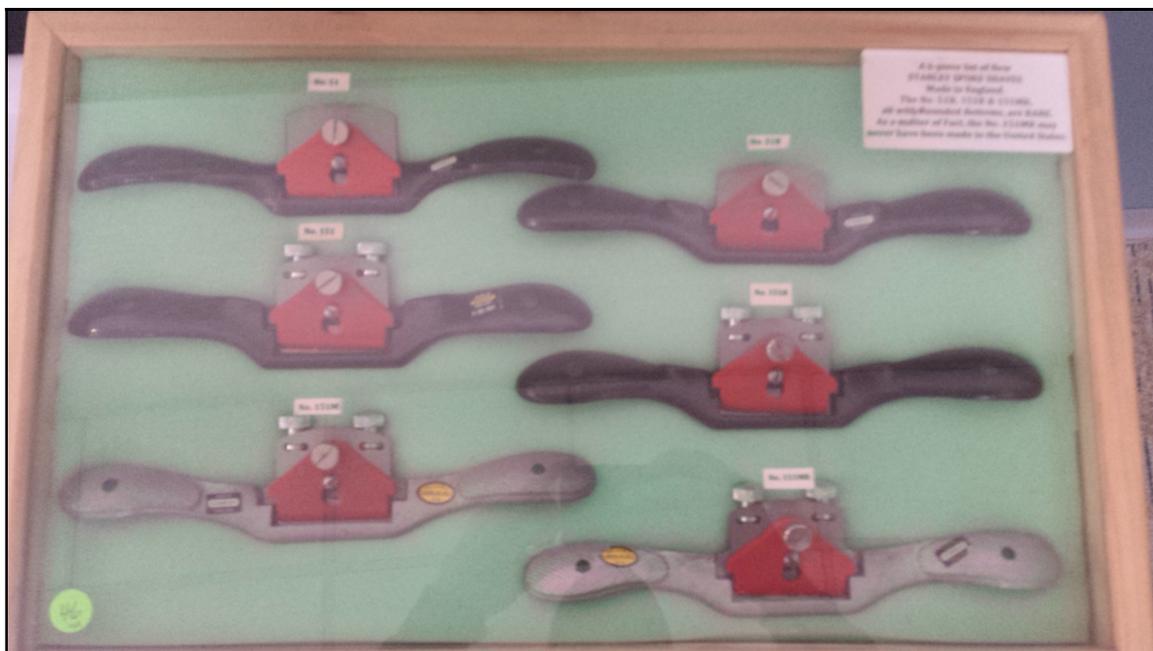
inventor in the Boston area, who developed his own line of planes, spokeshaves and scrapers. He licensed the patents of his own line of tools to Stanley, was paid royalties and joined the company. In 1869, Stanley was able to enter the spokeshave market through acquisitions. After a falling out with Stanley, Bailey left the company and went on to manufacture his own Victor line of tools. A detailed history of Stanley can be found in John Walter's book.

Dan described some of the physical attributes and numbering system of spokeshaves. Hang holes can be used for dating them. In 1910, pebbling on the handles came into use. The #1 shave became the #51 shave. #56 and #56-1/2 are Cooper's shaves, with the #56-1/2 featuring an extra wide 4" cutter. The #57 featured a smaller cutter, lighter weight and shorter length. Dan has over (35) spokeshave manufacturers in his collection. Shoe shaves and miniature shaves are also represented in his collection.

In 1870, Stanley spokeshaves went up for sale for the first time. The #12/#62 was offered for 2-4 years. The #11/#61 is a scarce tool. #41 and #43 are Victor spokeshaves. In 1880, Stanley purchased Bailey Tool Co. by Seldon Bailey (not Leonard Bailey). From this acquisition, Stanley acquired Defiance Tools with a number of spokeshaves in the line of tools. Also, a line of scrapers and the battle-axe line of planes with distinctive trademark on the blade were acquired. Stanley went on to further develop more spokeshaves and scrapers. Union made a scraper almost identical to Stanley and they were also later acquired by Stanley.

Dan showed the club a #51 spokeshave example with raised handles and 'B' casting dated 1899-1902. After 1978, no spokeshaves were made in the United States and Stanley shifted production to England. The #61 spokeshave is unique in the fact that it is produced in two halves that can be separated apart. Walter refers to this as a 2-piece stock. The #61 was ultimately discontinued and never brought back. The #51R round bottom plane was introduced in 1936 with production later moving to Sheffield, England. The #151R is the newer version of the plane. Razor edge spokeshaves were also produced and there were four in the series. There were two shaves in each of the four series. They were not popular as they took too thin of a shaving and were discontinued in 1917. Dan passed around several samples of spokeshaves from his collection. He's still missing a Type 2 #63X from his collection, which is a small shave with a round bottom, "X63".

Thanks to both Dan and Myrna Coleman for sharing their spokeshave collection and knowledge with the club!



Spokeshaves from Coleman's collection



Show Table Items courtesy of Frank Flynn



What's It Table items