

# National Association of Watch & Clock Collectors Western New York Chapter 13 July 2018 Newsletter

Please join us for our annual picnic!

Sunday, July 15, 2018	Joe Deponceau's Home
500 Pine Grove Ave.	Rochester, NY 14617

\$14 per person (mail-in registration)

\$16 per person (at the door)

#### TIME FOR A PICNIC!!!



It is finally summertime and there is nothing like a great summer picnic with friends! Joe DePonceau has graciously offered to host us all at his house in Irondequoit.

This is a great time for us all to relax together and enjoy some fellowship with one another. If everyone brings a dish to pass our tummies will be nice and full! Meats, drinks, plates, cups, and silverware will be provided. Please bring a lawn chair to relax in.

The day will run from 10:30-4:30 and lunch will be served at 12:30.

We will start with a mart. Use your tailgate, your trunk, your backseat, or bring a table to set up your wares. Anything goes for this meeting! Items for sale do NOT have to be horologically related. So start looking around the house today for items you would like to bring. Everyone will be responsible for selling their own wares. Think of it as a giant flea market!

After lunch Kevin Cole will lead us in a large auction. Some of the items to be auctioned off are pictured later in this newsletter. Then we will have a chance to visit and enjoy the day.

The cost of the meeting remains the same. It is \$14 for any who are pre-registered and \$16 for walk-ins. Children under 10 are free! Call a member you know who might need a ride and carpool together. We will return to our usual meeting format in October at the newly remodeled Bethany Community Center. We look forward to seeing you - it won't be the same without you!

Picnic is under the Big Top and will be held rain or shine! Sunday, July 15th

#### 2018 MEETING SCHEDULE



Mark your calendars now so you won't miss any of 2018's meetings! Chapter 13 has three different meeting venues. The Rochester contingency hosts 8 meetings per year for those who live in the Rochester vicinity. The Buffalo contingency holds 4 meetings per year for the Westside crowd. And we all have the opportunity to come together in Bethany for 5 meetings per year. Everyone is welcome to attend any of the meetings and to bring a guest as well.

#### Bethany Meetings:

10510 Bethany Center Rd., E. Bethany, NY.

3rd Sundays at 10:30 am

January 21 July 15

March 18 October 21

June 3 (Note date change)

#### Rochester Meetings:

St. John's Home, Highland Dr. & South Ave.

3rd Wednesdays at 7 pm

 January 17
 May 16

 February 21
 Sept 19

 March 21
 October 17

 April 18
 November 21

#### **Buffalo Meetings**:

St. Paul's Church, Ellicott & Eagle Sts.

3rd Sundays at Noon

February 18 Sept 16 April 15 Nov 18

#### MEMBER HIGHLIGHT



Kent has been our Vice President for almost 3 years now. He enjoys the job as you can see in his picture! He has come to know everyone just by talking to them while they purchase raffle and 50/50 tickets. Kent is an elementary reading specialist for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders at the Geneva School District.

Kent got to know about clocks from his father-in-law who had clocks that he received after a cousin started buying them from crates shipped into New York from Germany after WW2. He gave Kent one and after a period of time it stopped working and Kent tried to fix it and was successful. Since then his interest has been more in the repair of them than the collecting although he does have some. Kent happened to see Eric Hooker on TV promoting the ESR programs and Kent decided to come see what it was all about. Well he was hooked and now attends the repair class at the Hoffman Museum. He has

purchased a lathe and various tools and is learning more than he ever thought he would since he said he had a lot of errors trying to learn on his own. He has even gone back and redone the ones he had problems with before. He now looks for clocks to practice repair on and eventually collect. Kent's son has attended our meeting and right now does not have the interest Kent has but, then again, he is only 14 so that may change over the next few years!

#### PRESIDENTS' MESSAGES



We have all heard the saying, "Absence makes the heart grow fonder." If this is true, we will certainly be glad to see each other in July! Our last meeting was cancelled due to construction schedules so we have a lot of catching up to do.

Our picnic this year is being held at Joe DePonceau's house on Sunday, July 15. Please BYOC (Bring Your Own Chair). You will find a map and directions to Joe's house in this newsletter.

Please bring a dish to pass, a chair, your appetite and your wallet. Hopefully we will have plenty of sun to go along with delicious food and great company.

The mart will include any items you would like to bring – they do not have to be horological. I'm sure there will be a lot to browse and buy. Speaking of buying – we will also have an auction. There is a sampling of items shown in this newsletter and there will be much, much more! You are welcome to submit your own items for the auction. It is your participation that makes these auctions great. It promises to be a very enjoyable day and we hope to see you there.

I would also like to remind you of some more important upcoming dates. The 75 th NAWCC National Convention will be held the week of July 18-22, 2018 at the York Expo Center, York, Pennsylvania. The 49 th Annual NAWCC Eastern States Regional will take place August 3 and 4, 2018 at the Holiday Inn in Liverpool, Syracuse.

There are many exciting events to look forward to this summer – I hope you can find time to enjoy them.

Thank you,

Kevin Cole 585-322-5581 kcole1@frontiernet.net

Where has the year gone to? It's summer time and that means it is time for the Chapter 13 Picnic July 15th. Then the National Convention is the next week.

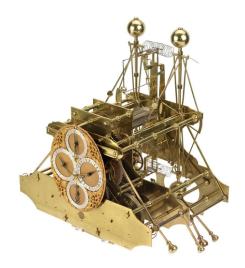
It is a busy time of the year, Joe DePonceau has gone to a lot of work to provide us with a great day at his place, hope you join us for a good time. Kevin Cole has a big auction of things to sell. Remember at this gathering you can sell anything you want at the tail gate and in the auction, it does not have to be clock related. Just let Kevin know so he can be ready for it.

Eric Hooker 585-586-2942 dhooker1@rochester.rr.com

## MARCH MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



Checking out the Mart!



Guest Speaker, Graham Jones, shared the story behind the development of John Harrison's Marine Chronometer





The Women's Program featured Fenton Glass and Nancy Ziefel's collection of Oriental Dolls.





Our Show & Tell of Pre-1950's Clocks brought in quite a few interesting items.

### CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!



The first Hoffman Clock repair school had 15 students finish the program. They successfully took an American time and strike movement apart, cleaned it, bushed it and polished the pivots. There were a lot of other repairs that had to be done and shared for all to see. They learned how to handle the mainsprings safely, lubricate all the proper areas and put them back together and have them strike and keep time. I am proud of them. John Fadden and Dave Rich-

ardson had their hands full helping them, most of these students had never attempted any project such as this. The students had a lot of satisfaction with their accomplishments.



Back Row L to R: Robert Palys, Peter Brevet, Don Herendeen, Bill Zinger, Jim Cummings, Kent Stewart, John Hamlin, Rodney Boatman

Front Row L to R: Marie Bender, Francis Murdoch, Dick Knapp, Beth Lewis, Cliff Mason, Edward Oleksy

Not Present: David Stearns



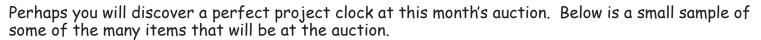
Perhaps you saw a box full of clock pieces sitting on one of the tables at the January Auction. You probably gave it a quick glance and moved on to the clock next to it. Most of us did. But not Dick Baker! He looked in that box and his eyes saw the beautiful clock that all those pieces could become with a little TLC and a lot of elbow grease.

Dick brought his new treasure home with a twinkle in his eye. But he didn't put it up on a shelf hoping to get to it 'some day.' Instead, he lovingly restored this clock that was destined for the garbage into a beautiful timepiece. He then brought it in to share with us at the

March meeting. He placed a note next to the clock that I want to share with all of you:

"This clock is an example of why it pays to attend the Chapter 13 Meetings. I bought this clock at our last meeting in January 2018 at the auction and it was in several pieces. Our chapter meetings have provided me with much knowledge and nice additions to my collection. I am glad to share this with everyone and hope everyone can find treasures as I have."

Fantastic job, Dick! And what a beautiful clock those pile of pieces have become. One of the joys I find in repairing clocks is giving new life to an old treasure that might otherwise end up in the trash heap. You have inspired me to tackle some of the many projects that I have put on a shelf waiting for 'someday' to come. And I am sure you have inspired others as well.









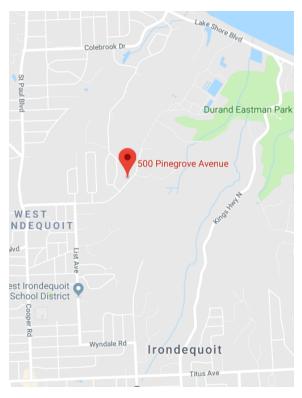






# PICNIC DIRECTIONS





Pinegrove Ave. runs off of St. Paul Blvd. in Irondequoit.

Once you arrive, there will be people on hand to direct you as to where to park.



MAIL-IN RESERVATIONS	Checks payable to NAWCC Chapter 13

Enclosed is \$	for people	e (\$14 per person)
	MEMBER	
	GUEST	I have enclosed \$10 for my 2018 Dues
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Mail reservations to:

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