

*National Association of Watch & Clock Collectors*  
**Western New York Chapter 13**  
**October 2018 Newsletter**

Please join us for our next meeting!

Sunday, October 21, 2018  
10510 Bethany Center Rd.

Bethany Community Center  
E. Bethany, NY

\$14 per person (mail-in registration)

\$16 per person (at the door)

- MART: 10:30-11:30
- DINNER: 12:00 - Lasagna
- SHOW & TELL: Share a clock, watch, or tool of your choice
- PROGRAM: Dial Painting  
Guest Speaker—Dave Lima

🌀 OFFICERS 🌀

PRESIDENT - Eric Hooker/Kevin Cole  
VICE PRESIDENT - Kent Stewart  
DIRECTOR-AT-LARGE - Don Cecala

TREASURER - Phil Sortore  
SECRETARY - Debbie Cole  
COMMUNICATIONS - Laurie Kimble

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2018



Remember the October meeting is election of Officers. We want to thank the officers that served this last year.:  
Kevin Cole and Eric Hooker as Co-Presidents  
Kent Stewart Vice President  
Debbie Cole as Secretary  
Phil Sortore as Treasurer  
Don Cecala as Director at Large

All of the above have indicated that they will continue in their positions for another year, if elected. We will accept nominations from the floor before the elections.

Thanks to all who have volunteered their time to help make the club a success including Donna Stengel our Treasurer's Assistant, Nancy Ziefel our Women's Program Coordinator and Dorothy Baker who writes the Member Highlights.

Laurie Kimble will be stepping down as our Communications Coordinator and is looking for someone to come forward and take over the newsletter. She will be happy to work with the new coordinator over the next number of months.

## 2019 MEETING SCHEDULE



Mark your calendars now so you won't miss any of next year'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 20	July 21
March 17	October 20
May 19	

### **Rochester Meetings:**

St. John's Home, Highland Dr. & South Ave.  
3rd Wednesdays at 7 pm

January 16	May 15
February 20	Sept 19
March 20	October 17
April 17	November 21

### **Buffalo Meetings:**

St. Paul's Church, Ellicott & Eagle Sts.  
3rd Sundays at Noon

February 17	Sept 15
April 28	Nov 17

Note: 2018 remaining Rochester meetings are on 10/17 and 11/21  
2018 remaining Buffalo meeting is on 11/18

## 2019 CHAPTER 13 DUES



As we begin a new year of meetings it is time to pay your local chapter dues for 2019. Dues remain at a very affordable \$10 for the year. You may send your dues in with your dinner reservation or pay them at the meeting. The Chapter wants to keep you on the mailing list. Members who are 3 years in arrears will be dropped from the mailing list.

October Program: Dial Painting

Dave Lima



Dave joined the NAWCC in 1979. He entered into decorative clock restoration 11 years ago when he retired. It was a perfect fit for him as it combined his interest in art with his interest in clocks.

He took the week long reverse painting course from Lee Davis and was tutored in the art of gilding by Bert Kassan.

Dave's presentation will be on Dial Painting. He is also open to taking questions on column gilding and reverse painting if anyone in the group is interested in delving into these other decorative areas.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello members and friends of Horology.

It has been too long since we have been together for a good session of clock talk, activities and comradery.

This meeting will have lot of great things happening.

Dave Lima will be presenting a great program on dial painting. He will also discuss any questions you have on dials, gilding and reverse glass painting. He is a great artist and we are fortunate that he will share his knowledge with us.

One of the things I have always been passionate about is preserving our horological items. We have a great opportunity to be involved in a public Project. The details are in this newsletter. While I was Chairman of the ESR I looked for projects that we could support and despite sending letters to the chapters and trying to promote an interest I could not raise any interest. Now one comes along.

I think this is a great opportunity to make our Horology Community stand up and be counted. I personally will contribute to the chapter in support of this endeavor and hope all of you will join me.

Remember that our October meeting is the time to elect our officers for the upcoming year. Please think about helping the chapter by volunteering to accept a position to help relieve someone that has done a job for a while.

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Hello everyone,

This month finds me looking forward to many exciting things. It will be great to commence with our regular scheduled meeting in October. It's been quite a while since we have been to Bethany; it will be nice to be in our newly renovated meeting place. The October meeting is also the time to elect officers for the coming year. It is always interesting to listen to members thoughts and ideas for the coming months. Our October program is also something to look forward to – Dave Lima's presentation will primarily cover dial painting. On a personal note, I can attest to the fact that his work is amazing! Also, I hope we can all look forward to a comfortable, colorful and LONG fall.

Taking a moment to look back, I would like to thank Joe DePonceau for graciously opening up his home and hosting our annual Chapter 13 picnic. It was a warm sunny summer day in July. We had a great time selling and/or buying from the "anything goes" mart. There was a great variety of food and drink thanks to Joe and everyone who brought a dish to share. During the day, Joe was kind enough to show his collection of clocks along with a tour of his workshop. A rousing auction and desserts rounded out the day.

The NAWCC hosted their 75<sup>th</sup> National Convention. This year the convention was held in York, Pennsylvania. The Regional Convention was held in Liverpool, New York. Both were a huge success. These are great events – you might want to start thinking about attending next year.

I would also like to take a moment to remember a great Chapter 13-member, Lee Bufano. Lee passed away in May of this year. Besides being an active long-time member of our Wednesday contingent, Lee was also a Flight Officer in the United States Army and a retired Lieutenant Colonel veteran of the United States Air Force Reserves. Lee retired after 44 years as chief Physical Therapist at Visiting Nurse Service and established the rehabilitation facility at St. Ann's Community. He will be missed.

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

## JULY PICNIC MEETING

Fun . . .  
Food . . .  
Fellowship!



Buying . . .  
Selling . . .  
Trading!

Thank you to Joe  
DePonceau for  
sharing your home  
with Chapter 13!



Joe gave demonstrations on  
how he makes his Hammered  
Aluminum trays that he so  
generously shares as  
Chapter 13 door prizes.



New found treasures  
to be had at the  
auction

## An Opportunity for NAWCC Members

Chapter 13 and the NAWCC Chapters and members have the opportunity to contribute (amount tbd) to the restoration of an O.B. McClintock street clock where time has taken its toll on this rare surviving clock from the 1920's. Very few of these clocks remain in service. The Rotary Club of Lockport has taken the lead fund raising role and has raised a significant portion of the required restoration cost, but still needs help.

This request gives Chapter 13 and others the opportunity to contribute to a local project that represents the Chapter's goals and ideals of horological education and restoration by preserving a significant piece of local history and culture. This is a great opportunity for the Chapters to step-up on a community project that will leave its mark for generations to come and one that the members can visit "in their own backyard". The Rotary Club and City of Lockport views this prominently located clock as both a link to Lockport's history and an indicator of the promise of Lockport's future.

### Clock Ownership/Location

- Owner – City of Lockport, NY
- Location – Corner of Main and Pine Streets, near the Locks Historic District
- Owner after restoration and upkeep responsibility -- City of Lockport

### Clock History and Background

- Installed in 1920 at the corner of Main and Pine Streets in Lockport by Niagara County Savings Bank
- Local icon that once chimed every quarter hour for a thriving downtown Lockport
- Multiple changes in bank property ownership – currently, the clock is in disrepair and has not operated for ≈ 25 years. Restoration will restore the chiming for all to hear.
- Visitors to adjacent rejuvenated Historic Locks District are greeted by an unattractive clock that does not reflect Lockport's robust past and current community pride and accomplishment

### Funding Activities

- Secured funding -- \$20K from Rotary Club and \$12.5K from Oath Community Benefit Fund for Lockport
- Estimated restoration cost -- \$38.5K
- Shortfall – approximately \$6K
- Fund raising activities – Ongoing by Centennial Committee (Rotary Club); Clock Committee
- Preferred time frame goal to secure 100% of funding – Mid November 2018
- Current funding required to be spent by a certain date - Only Oath committed grant, preferably spend by YE 2019

### Clock Restoration and Timing

- Restoration - Essence of Time (Chuck Roeser); winning bidder through competitive bid process
- Time to restore – Estimated 1 year once secure complete funding; the goal is to have clock inside before winter 2018.
- Contributor recognition – Yes; most likely through onsite plaque and media

### NAWCC Chapter 13 Funding Request Guidance

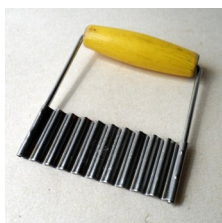
- Meet budget considerations
- Support horological education
- Support local/regional geographic project
- Support horological preservation/restoration

We have invited Cynthia Cotton of the Rotary Club to join us for our meeting to give us exact details on the O B Mc Clintock post clock in Lockport NY. Cynthia is chairman of the restoration project and she will be able to answer all of your questions.



If you would like to be a part of this restoration and preservation project, you can include a donation along with your meeting reservation. Checks will also be accepted at the meeting. Please make checks out to 'NAWCC Chapter 13.'

## WOMEN'S PROGRAM



What antique or vintage kitchen items are lurking in your kitchen? Share some unusual kitchen tools, interesting dishes etc. with the group. See if you can stump us with some of your items!



## MEMBER HIGHLIGHT

### Tom & Donna Stengel



Donna is the reservations co-ordinator for our Chapter and has been doing a terrific job for over a year now. Donna retired from an insurance company and started coming to the shows in 2015 when Tom rejoined the NAWCC. She and Tom were married in 1984 and Donna said there were clocks everywhere and she finally got used to hearing them tick and now enjoys them. She likes the grandfather and grandmother clocks and luckily she has the halls to put them in at home. She also collects trinket boxes and tea cup sets and has joined a seniors group to learn ceramics and has been making some outdoor lawn and garden ornaments. In the spare time she has she goes to flea markets, estate and yard sales.

Tom received his first clock that belonged to his aunt at the age of 10 and it was a Sessions Tambour. He was introduced to the NAWCC when he met Warren Wright at a flea market and then joined and was active from 1969 to 1972. Then working, family and life in general took over and he slowed down on the clocks until he retired in 2015. He signed back up with NAWCC and they had records back to his original number and re-issued him that number again. Although Tom does a lot with clocks now he has a vast variety of interests that fill his house. He has 3 player pianos and is a member of The Auto Musical Instrument Collectors Association. He also collects local and historical beer and soda bottles and is the treasurer of the Great Buffalo Bottle Co. He also does antiques and is a member of the Lancaster NY Historical Society. Having inherited many books from his late brother, he has been selling them on Amazon and you can find him there with the user name of TJStengel.

The Stengels are a pleasure to be around and are willing to help everyone. Their daughter lives close by and likes the clocks and pianos so the family tradition may continue for generations to come.



## MAIL-IN RESERVATIONS

Checks payable to NAWCC Chapter 13

Enclosed is \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ people (\$14 per person)

☐ I have enclosed \$10 for my 2019 Dues

☐ I have enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Mc Clintock Clock restoration Project

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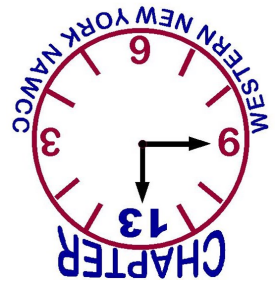
Mail reservations to:

Donna Stengel

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