

**Chairman's Comments:**

Our last ZOOM meeting, with a program, was a success with 16 attending. The next one in April promises to be even better with two programs. The Chapter is coping in spite of Covid, better days are surely ahead.

**Robert Arnold, Chapter President**

**Upcoming 2021 Chapter Meetings:**

**April 18<sup>th</sup> - Online via Zoom**

**June 13<sup>th</sup> - Plymouth Historical Society**

**September 18<sup>th</sup> – All Michigan Mtg, Howell**

**December 5<sup>th</sup> – Royal Senior Center**

**2021 Chapter Officers:**

Bob Arnold, president 810-636-7236

Jim Miller, treasurer 734-718-8563

Tom Morris, secretary 734-282-1725

Bill Ellison, Paul Mallie, Gordon Webb, Directors

**February Chapter Meeting:**

The February Chapter meeting was held via Zoom and was attended by 16 members. Bob Arnold opened the meeting, followed by a financial report (see below) from Treasurer Jim Miller and a membership report from Secretary Tom Morris. Both reports showed that the Chapter is holding it's own in this difficult time.

Gordon Webb gave a brief presentation on "Over Bushing". The primary message of the presentation was that installing a bushing in a clock should be a conscious decision based on actual wear not just for good measures. Gordon discussed how he determines how much wear is present based on pivot movement with the clock assembled and the main wheel moved slightly and the angle of the pivot in the bearing hole when disassembled. There were several questions and much discussion generated by the presentation relative to machine versus hand bushing installation, types of bushings used etc. Many thanks to Gordon for an interesting and thought provoking presentation.

The meeting ended after some general discussion and catching up by the members.

**April Chapter Meeting:**

Please join us for the April Chapter meeting online via zoom. It will be Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 PM. The main topic of the meeting will be a presentation by Andy Dervan entitled "Grand River Clock and Mantle Company" followed by a show and tell on making a new scroll for a Hoadley pillar and scroll clock. You will receive an email inviting you to the meeting that will contain instructions on how to join the meeting. For most of you, all you have to do is click on the link in the email that says "Join the Meeting". You can use your smart phone, laptop or PC. For best results, download and install the Zoom app on your device first. If clicking the link does not work you can type in the Meeting ID and possibly the Pass Code contained in the email in the "Join Meeting" prompt in the Zoom app home page that comes up when you log in. Unfortunately, our subscription does not include an audio plan, so you cannot join the meeting using a non smart phone through a toll free number. I apologize for that as we do not intend to leave anyone out, but the audio plan is very expensive. If you have questions, please contact me on 734-282-1725 or by email [thomasm326@gmail.com](mailto:thomasm326@gmail.com).

The meeting ID is 891 8584 0774 and the Pass Code is 962715

## 2021 Membership Report:

We currently have 84 members of which 8 have not paid their dues. If you owe dues, there will be a dues renewal form attached to this newsletter as you receive it. Please remit your dues as soon as possible. Otherwise, you will be dropped from membership after the April meeting. There are several potential new NAWCC members in our area who may be interested in joining the Chapter. I will be working to acquaint them with our Chapter and our activities to see if they want to join.

## 2020 Financial Report: From Jim Miller

The Chapter started 2020 with a balance of \$3928.19. After expenses of \$778.58 and income of \$853.98, the year end balance was \$4003.59.

## Mini-Mart:

- Charles Wheelihan has back issues of the NAWCC Bulletin he would like to give to someone who would like them. Contact him on 810-434-4997 or email [cmwheelihan@gmail.com](mailto:cmwheelihan@gmail.com).
- For Sale: Sherline 4400B, 3.5 x 17" Lathe including the following: 3 jaw chuck, tail stock drill chuck, steady rest, live center, cut off tool & holder, 3 piece 1/4 HSS cutting tool, 5/32 Sherline hex T-driver, 3 piece center drill set. Plus optional Sherline lathe threading attachment (P/N 3100) a \$130.00 value. All in Like New Excellent condition. Asking \$750.00  
Contact: Rich Pozniak, 313 506-8543 or e-mail: [richpoz@comcast.net](mailto:richpoz@comcast.net)
- Andy Dervan is working on a research project on the Manistee Watch Company, Anyone with a Manistee watch or information about the company should contact Andy at 313-885-8861 or email: [dervan14@att.net](mailto:dervan14@att.net).

Looking for a horological item or have a horological item for sale that members might be interested in? Contact Tom Morris by phone (734-282-1725) or email ([thomasm326@gmail.com](mailto:thomasm326@gmail.com)) and I will try to include it in the next newsletter.

## NAWCC Golden Circle Award:



Bob Arnold has been awarded the NAWCC Golden Circle Award for 50 years of continuous membership in the organization. Congratulations, Bob, and thanks for all your service to the Chapter.

## Announcements:

- Chapter 101 is having a tailgate meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM in the parking lot of the St. Paul's Anglican Catholic Church, 2560 Lake Michigan Dr, Grand Rapids, MI. Bring clocks, watches, parts, books, tools, etc to sell. Masks are required.
- R & M Imports has been bought by Griffen's Clock Parts and Supplies of North Plains, Oregon. Visit their website at [GriffensClocks.com](http://GriffensClocks.com)
- 2021 NAWCC National Convention info is available online at [natcon.nawcc.org/2021/](http://natcon.nawcc.org/2021/)

## 2021 Officers:

We are still looking for candidates for the office of President. Please contact Bob Arnold if you are interested.

## Photo Gallery

Without in person meetings, photos of Chapter activities aren't available for the newsletter. If you have a new acquisition or a recent clock or watch project, send me your photos, and I will include as many as possible in the next newsletter. Email to [thomasm326@gmail.com](mailto:thomasm326@gmail.com).

This month's subject is an interesting item that I bought on eBay. I received a call from another NAWCC member I didn't know who told me about this item and thought I might be interested in it since it was about our Chapter. After checking it out and deciding it was legitimate, I bid on it and won the item for \$9 plus shipping. It came from someone living in Temperance, Michigan, but I didn't recognize the name as a Chapter member.

Do any of you know the history of this item or where it might have come from? It is dated May, 1957, but I couldn't find any key Chapter event that it might commemorate. The paperweight is about 3 inches in diameter and 2 inches tall.

Let me know if you have any information.



Stay safe and well until we are able to meet again,

Tom Morris – Secretary  
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