

Great Lakes Chapter #6 - NAWCC

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December 2021

Chairman's Comments:

In spite of Covid the Chapter has innovated with successful online "Coffee Klatches", and Board and Mart meetings (with programs!). The "All-Michigan" meeting at the new location was a great success, and we plan on the December meeting and 2022 to be also.

Bob Arnold - President

<u>Upcoming 2021 - 2022 Chapter Meetings</u>: December 5th – Royal Oak Senior Center February 6th – Plymouth Historical Museum April 24th - Plymouth Historical Museum June 12th - Plymouth Historical Museum September 17th – All Michigan Meeting – Brighton December 4th - Royal Oak Senior Center

2021 Chapter Officers

Bob Arnold, president810-272-0777Jim Miller, treasurer734-718-8563Tom Morris, secretary734-282-1725Bill Ellison, Paul Mallie, Gordon Webb, Directors

September Chapter Meeting:

The September Chapter meeting, the "ALL Michigan Meeting" was held on September 18th at our new venue, the Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Brighton, MI. It was a beautiful, warm, late summer day and people started arriving for the tailgate before 8AM. The parking lot quickly filled with eager sellers and customers and many items changed hands. The selling moved indoors at 10AM and the large mart room was nicely crowded with people and merchandise. This was our first in-person meeting since February of 2020, so there was a lot of catching up among the members. NAWCC members came from as far away as Chicago and Ohio. Coffee, donuts, and other refreshments were provided. Tom Jepsen won the 50/50 drawing which was a new feature of the meeting this year.

There were many interesting clocks and watches for sale, and Pat Loftus also brought his impressive display of Telechron rotors. The Chapter had a table of items for sale donated by retired member Jerry Stocking and a few items from current member Tom Tulauskus. Items ranged from complete clocks to parts and tools. The Chapter realized almost \$500 from the sale of these items which will help with future expenses. There are still many items left that will be sold on eBay or at the December Chapter meeting. Many thanks to Jerry and Tom for their generosity.

Many people helped make this event a success; Andy Dervan for helping find our new venue, Skip Anderson for suggesting the Church and making the reservation, Bill Ellison and Gordon Webb for helping with the set-up, Sara Morris, Linda Lauhoff, and Sue Ellison for handling the refreshments, Charlie Lauhoff for filling in as Treasurer, Howard Ziegel for donating the excellent donuts, and Rich Pozniak for helping with the clean-up and for saving the day by unplugging the toilet in the men's rest room. Finally, Pastor Dale and his wife Colleen for their hospitality, help with set-up and clean-up, and generally making this event possible.



Chapter Six Historian:

I have several boxes of Chapter archives dating back to the 70's that Bob Arnold had in storage. There are also pictures and scrapbooks with newspaper articles about the Chapter. There is also a history of the Chapter from 1948 to 1990 compiled by James West. I have culled out what can be disposed of, organized what is left by year, and it was interesting to see how large and active the Chapter was in the past. I'm looking for a volunteer who would like to maintain these records and perhaps document what has happened since 1990. It would be a great winter project! Let me know if you are interested. Also, let me know if you would like a copy of the Chapter history by James West. Contact Tom Morris, 734-282-1725 or thomasm326@gmail.com.

Mini-Mart:

Owen Burt is looking for Adkins Clocks. Contact him at 248-859-4152 or oburt @aol.com.

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 (<u>thomasm326@gmail.com</u>) and I will try to include it in the next newsletter.

2022 Officers:

We are still looking for candidates for the office of President beginning in 2022. Please contact any Board member if you are interested.

New Members:

We have several new members who have joined the Chapter in 2021. They include; Tom Jepsen, Richard Walter, Rick Christian, Mike Hutson, Walter Opdycke. Please welcome them when you see them at an upcoming Chapter meeting.

2022 Dues:

2022 dues are due and remain at \$5 for email newsletter and \$10 for a paper newsletter. A dues renewal form is included with this newsletter. Please remit your dues and dues renewal form by December 31, 2021. If you are a new member who has joined the Chapter in 2021, your dues carryover to 2022. In short, if you receive a dues renewal form with this newsletter, you owe dues for 2022. Call Tom Morris at 734-282-1725 or email me at thomasm326@gmail.com if you have questions.

December Chapter Meeting:

Our December Chapter meeting will be our annual Christmas party and will be held on December 5th at the Royal Oak Senior Center. There will be a Mart, but no formal program, just socializing and catching up. It will be a potluck with the Chapter providing sandwiches, chips, and beverages. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share with the group. The reservation form and a map are included with this newsletter. Please return the form with you money by November 27th so we know how much food to order. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Please note that the Royal Oak Senior Center requires a mask to enter the building.

Photo Gallery:

I have inserted a page of pictures from the "All Michigan Meeting' for your review.

September 18, 2021 "All Michigan Meeting"



Not enough "C's" for the sign



A busy tailgate



A busy Mart



An intense discussion at one of the watch tables



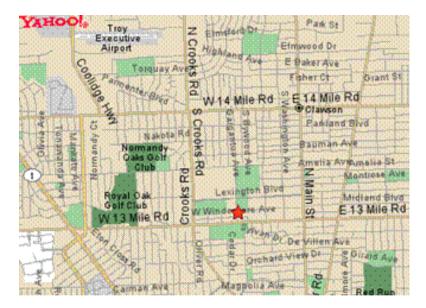
Ray Beard and Owen Burt, a sign of Covid times



Our hosts, Pastor Dale and wife Colleen

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