

Great Lakes Chapter #6 – NAWCC

Newsletter No. 236

August 2024

Chairman's Comments:

I hope you are all enjoying your summer so far, I know it is going by fast. On Saturday, August 17 we will be doing our "All Michigan Meeting" at the Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5051 Pleasant Valley Rd., Brighton Michigan. The tailgate will start at 9 AM through 10 AM, and then we will move inside to our tables.

As always, our secretary puts the dates down for our meetings and more information on the "All Michigan Meeting" is included in this newsletter. Also, every Wednesday we have a 40-minute meeting with many of our members on a Zoom call. That meeting starts at 10 AM, and we talk about many different subjects from what we are working on to asking advice of each other about clocks, watches, and other issues

I hope you enjoy the rest of the season and stay safe with your families, and I hope to see you all soon at one of our functions.

Raymond Fowler

<u>Tentative 2024 Chapter Meetings</u> August 17 "All Michigan Meeting" Lord of Life Lutheran Church, Brighton, MI September 29, Schmidt's Antiques, Ypsilanti, MI December 1, Dearborn Masonic Lodge Board Meetings: September 5, October 31

2023-24 Chapter Officers

Ray Fowler, President 313-588-5858 Jim Miller, Treasurer 734-718-8563 Tom Morris, Secretary 734-282-1725 Andy Dervan- Historian 313-885-8861 Gordon Webb, Rich Pozniak, and Charlie Lauhoff, Directors

Joke of the Day: Why should you never believe a clock? Because it is second-hand information!

April Chapter Meeting:

The April meeting of Great Lakes Chapter Six was held on April 7th at the Masonic Lodge in Dearborn, MI. Approximately 25 members and guests attended on a sunny, early Spring day. Several members brought items to sell and the mart was busy. Refreshments were provided and everyone enjoyed catching up. Several items were sold during a silent auction to benefit the Chapter.

Treasurer Jim Miller gave an interesting presentation on Geneva stops. He explained some of the history of the device, and how it is used in both spring clocks and weight driven clocks. He also explained how to set the stops in both kinds of clocks. Jim brought several examples of movements with stops so members could get a hands-on look at the hardware. One of the spring movements was missing the driven gears and Jim explained that many times repairers left them off because they didn't know how to reset them. The presentation generated many questions and a lively discussion from other members relating their experiences with Geneva stops.



Jim Miller explains Geneva Stops

Thanks to all who helped make the meeting a success and especially to Pierre Poisson for all his help and Kathy Miller and Sara Morris for taking care of the refreshments.

August Chapter Meeting:

The August Chapter meeting will be held on August 17th, 2024. This is our annual "All Michigan Meeting" at the Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Brighton, MI. (See attached flyer) The event will begin at 9AM with a tailgate in the parking lot and then move inside from 10AM until 1PM. There will be refreshments, a 50/50 drawing, and lots of items for sale. There will be a Chapter table with donated items for sale to benefit the Chapter. Admission is \$5 and tables are \$5. Tables are limited, so reserve yours using the reservation form attached.

This year, the event is open to the public, so we are hoping for increased attendance. If you have a friend interested in clocks or watches, pass along a copy of the attached flyer.

If you have items you would like to donate to the Chapter for sale at this event, contact: Tom Morris 734-282-1725; thomasm326@gmail.com Ray Fowler 313-588-5858; ref588@me.com

Membership:

Andrew Wood and Stephen Babich recently joined the Chapter. Please introduce yourself and make them feel welcome at the next meeting.

Chapter member Bruce Hilt was recently recognized by the NAWCC for 50 years of membership. Congratulations, Bruce!

And on a sad note, longtime member Bill Buck passed away on November 16, 2023.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to his family.



Bill Buck 1946-2023

Mini-Mart:

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.

<u>Wanted:</u> Manistee pocket watches. Contact Chester Towles at 517-245-2945 or chestertowles@gmail.com <u>Wanted:</u> Crowns/head pieces and finals for Vienna Regulator wall clocks. Interested in all but in need of one approx. 14 1/2" long. Also wanted, French clock hands for a dial that has a 4 1/2" chapter ring. Contact Rich Pozniak e-mail: <u>richpoz@comcast.net;</u> Phone: 313-506-8543

Upcoming Events:



Schmidt's Antiques Fall Clock & Watch Auction

To view the auction listing & details, please visit: www.SchmidtsAntiques.com

All Michigan Chapter Meeting Announcement

Great Lakes Chapter Six will hold its "All Michigan Meeting" on <u>Saturday, August 17th, 2024</u> at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5051 Pleasant Valley Road, Brighton, MI. The church is easily accessible from I-96. Westbound I-96, take exit 150 and proceed north to the church; Eastbound I-96, take exit 151, cross the freeway, take westbound I-96 and follow above directions. See the map for details.

Bring an interesting clock or watch for Show & Tell or a problem clock for repair suggestions. Look at your collection - bring items to sell or trade. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - Invite your friends!!!!

 Tailgate:
 9:00 am to 10:00 am (Church Parking Lot - Weathering Permitting)

 Indoor Mart:
 10:00 am to 1 pm

 Refreshments:
 Hospitality (coffee, water, pop, and snacks): 10:00 am - 11:30 am

 Programs:
 Informal clock and watch discussions

 50/50 Drawing!

 Cost:
 Tailgate and Mart Fee \$ 5.00 per person (wives admitted free)/\$5.00 per table

Limited Mart Table Space (1 table per member) - pre-register to insure a table

Please <u>MAKE</u> your reservation by <u>August 8th</u> to reserve a table & have name tags ready at the door.

Questions call: Tom Morris (734-282-1725)

Please complete the form below. Detach and mail to: Tom Morris 2206 Davis Wyandotte, MI 48192

IMPORTANT: Make checks payable to Great Lakes Chapter, NAWCC)

Please register me for the Great Lakes Chapter Six August 17, 2024 Meeting. (9:00 AM – 1:00 PM)

Name:		Member No.			
Address:			email address:		
City :			State:		Zip Code:
Meeting Function	No.	Cost	Amount Due		Name Tags
Tailgate & Mart		\$5.00			
Table	1	\$5.00			
		Total:			



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