



Great Lakes Chapter #6 – NAWCC

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Chairman's Comments:

Well, Father Time is at it again! Where did this summer go? We had a great turnout for our "All Michigan Meeting" in Brighton, with many guests and a few non-members that attended. As usual, the team did a great job along with our ladies helping out. Thanks again for all that you do.

As we look ahead to the fall, we have a lot more planned. On September 29, we will be meeting at Schmidt's auction house in Ypsilanti. We will have the same set up as last year, tables for selling, and refreshments. We will also be able to view the following week's clock and watch auction items that will be on display. That meeting will start at the normal time of 1PM and will be free admission. Also, please try to attend our December 1st Chapter meeting in Dearborn at 907 Monroe, also at 1 PM. More on that in the next newsletter

I have really enjoyed being the President of this Chapter for the last three years. Unfortunately, I am unable to continue next year, so if you would like to be President please step up and say something, We still have a great team, and I will still be around to assist in keeping our Chapter moving forward. Hope to see you all soon, stay safe.

Raymond Fowler

2024 Chapter Meetings

September 29, Schmidt's Antiques, Ypsilanti, MI December 1, Dearborn Masonic Lodge Board Meetings: 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: We named our dog Rolex. Why? Because he is a watchdog!

August Chapter Meeting:

The August meeting of Great Lakes Chapter Six was held on August 17th at the Lord of Life Lutheran Church in Brighton, MI. This was our annual "All Michigan Meeting" where members from surrounding states are invited to our mini-Regional with a tailgate and indoor mart. This year, we decided to open the event to the public, so in addition to sending flyers to our NAWCC members and placing an announcement in the Bulletin, we also sent flyers to antique stores and clock and watch repair shops in the area, hoping for a larger turnout. As the day approached, the weather forecast looked ominous with rain and possible storms on tap, but as the parking lot began to fill up with tailgaters on the day of the event, the weather cooperated, and the rain held off. Approximately 70 members and guests attended the event and brought items to sell.



The mart was busy, including our Chapter table with items donated by members for the benefit of the Chapter. Refreshments were provided and everyone enjoyed catching up and looking at all the clocks and watches for sale. Many items changed hands.

This event would not have been possible without the help and support of many people including Sarra Morris who handled the refreshments, Kathy Miller who worked the registration table, handled the money, and kept everyone straight on where their tables were. Also, thanks to Howard Ziegel for bringing the always anticipated donuts, Ray Fowler, Gordon Webb and Rich Pozniak for set-up and clean-up, and Ray and Sue Fowler for handling the 50/50 drawing. The drawing was won by a 10 year old boy who borrowed money from his grandfather to buy the tickets. When asked if he wanted to buy a clock or watch with his winnings, he replied that he was going to buy a cat! Finally, thanks to Pastor Dale Hedblad for allowing us to use his church for this event. This is our fourth year at this venue, and we really appreciate his trust and generosity.

September Chapter Meeting:

The September Chapter meeting will be held on September 29th, 2024, starting at 1 PM at Schmidt's Antiques in Ypsilanti, MI (map on the cover page). Chuck Schmidt has generously offered to hold our meeting at his facility for the second year. It will be a free meeting and there will be a mart, so bring your items to sell. We will also have our Chapter table with donated items. This will also be an opportunity to preview items that will be offered in the October 5th Clock and Watch auction at Schmidt's (see below). This was an enjoyable event last year, so please plan to attend.

October 5th, 2024 Starts at 11:00 AM EST

Schmidt's Antiques Fall Clock & Watch Auction

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

Membership:

Nathaniel Swan, Cheyanna Nelson, and John Schilling joined the Chapter at the "All Michigan Meeting". Please introduce yourself and make them feel welcome at the next meeting.

And on a sad note, we just learned that longtime member Pat Nagy passed away on December 1, 2022. Pat left the Chapter several years ago when he moved to Indiana. He was again residing in Michigan at the time of his passing. Pat was well known as the "Accutron Guy".

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

Wanted: Manistee pocket watches. Contact Chester Towles at 517-245-2945 or chestertowles@gmail.com Wanted: 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: richpoz@comcast.net; Phone: 313-506-8543



Foreboding Skys, but It Didn't Rain for the Tailgate



The Mart Begins to Fill Up



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Tom Morris 2206 Davis Wyandotte, MI 48192