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Meeting on December 4

The next regular meetings for the chapter will be on December 4. Doors will open at 9:00 as usual and we will be having our normal silent auction. The alphabet letter for this meeting will be a challenge—the letter “Q”. However, knowing the ingenuity of this group, I expect to see many interesting interpretations! Once again, we are asking for a small contribution of Christmas “Goodies” to put out with the coffee. This is purely voluntary! Last year, we had a lovely selection of treats and so we decided to ask again this year! The program will consist of a brief talk (with some slides) by Cathy about the clock museums she and Gerry visited in Holland in September and a brief demonstration of oiling a clock spring by Bruce McLean.

The After Meeting Clock Repair Club: Reminder

Join other members who are interested in clock repair after the regular meeting for an informal mentoring program. Bring a repair you are having trouble with and get the benefit of advice from members who have either taught clock repair or who have many years of experience. If you are an experienced clock repairman, consider staying to mentor those who are just beginning. This is not a class, but rather an extension to the courses that Harry has been giving. Harry has agreed to present a short talk on “Repairing Electric Clocks” for this part of the day. Bring your clock tools, a movement to work on and a brown bag lunch. We’ll pass the hat to help defray the cost of the additional rental.

The V.P. Report

Auction Results - Thanks go to everyone who participated in the live auction at our 30th Anniversary Celebration, with a special acknowledgement for those who helped to run things. It was a huge success! 54 of 65 consignments actually changed hands for a total sales value of \$4,347. There were certainly some bargains to be had, due to the pragmatic attitudes of many of our consigners. For those whose items did not sell for a strong price, we hope you are pleased nonetheless, knowing that other members of our NAWCC family are happy with their acquisitions. Personally, I will prize for many years the handsome Lux cuckoo clock on which I was the successful bidder. This type of event goes a long way to strengthening our club, and we urge you to continue your support with the same spirit of participation at our annual meeting next spring, when we will once again host a live auction.

Membership Recruitment - The key to maintaining a strong local Chapter is clearly tied to our success in recruiting new members. While many of our longstanding members have already done their part, serving on the Executive, and contributing in other ways, there is one job which is never done, and which should be equally shared by all of our members, new & old. It doesn't have to take a great deal of time & effort, either. All that is needed is a bit of co-operative forethought. When you are out and about, it is natural to talk with others about your interest in horology. That's the perfect time to create the awareness of our club. So, we will be asking members to keep an application for both local and national club membership in their glove boxes at all times. Remember that it's there, where ever you go, so when the opportunity arises (and it will) you can do your part to ensure that we never again have to consider surrendering our charter!

See you Dec 4, 2005,

Bruce McLean

Upcoming Meetings

Toronto

Meeting Dates for 2005/2006

Neilson Park Creative Centre, 56
Neilson Dr. Etobicoke,

January 8,
February 12,
March 12,
May 7.

Chapter 92

Meeting Dates for 2005/2006

Byron Legion,

Commissioner's Road

December 4, 2005

February 5, 2006

April 2, 2006

June 4, 2006.

Annual Dues \$30.00

30th Anniversary Gala

We all had a terrific time as you can see from these photos. Special thanks again to the committee: Ian Smith, Lynda and Jerry Rozek and Dawn and Bruce McLean. The hall looked great, the dinner was fabulous and the speaker, the display and the auction were all first rate! The club was presented with a Presidential Citation by Chair of the National Board Frank DelGreco, who was there with his wife Joanne. The citation recognizes the hard work that this chapter has done in turning around the decline in participation and making our club one of the most vital and fastest growing in the NAWCC.

Right: NAWCC National Chair, Frank DelGreco presents the Presidential Citation to President Cathy Koolen and Vice-President Bruce McLean.

Below: Auctioneer Bruce McLean and auction helpers Charles Magee and Jerry Rozek hard at work!



Right: Dawn McLean visiting with Rudi and Joanne Arnold.

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