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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WATCH & CLOCK COLLECTORS, INC

SEPTEMBER 2012

Next Meeting: Sunday, September 9th

**September Program
"Early Battery Clocks",
by Ray Fanchamps
Show & Tell—Bring your
favorite battery-powered
timepiece**

Menomonee Valley Chapter 47

January 15, 2012

March 18, 2012

May 6, 2012

September 9, 2012

November 4, 2012

Madison Chapter 171

First Wednesday of even
number months

Chicagoland Chapter 3

February 5, 2012

April 15, 2012

September 9, 2012

November 11, 2012

December 2, 2012

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- ▶ C47 Midwest Regional:
Representative Craig White
- ▶ Web Master: Jim Mirek

President's Message

The September meeting will bring us a lecture from Ray Fanchamps on Early Battery Clocks. Anyone owning an early battery clock should bring it along to show.

We also have a demonstration planned on pivot polishing, with at least 3 different methods to be demonstrated and a handout to be distributed during the mart.

The Midwest Regional was another success this year. Thanks to our members, we again ran the onsite registration desk. Volunteers were Sue White, Dan Osterud, Ed Buc, Mike Dempsey, and myself.

The positions of officers and directors are up for election in November. Nominations should be forwarded to Mike Dempsey for our election committee. Nominations will also be asked for from the floor during the September meeting and the election held during the November meeting.

We need speakers for 2013 to volunteer to speak. Alternatively, I would like suggestions for topics for a lecture and I will try to find someone talk about the suggestions received from our members.

Remember, mart tables are FREE, so bring some items to sell!

Thank you,
Craig White

Future educational talks planned are as follows:

September 9 Early Battery Clocks by Ray Fanchamps

November 4 Accutron Watches by Mike Dempsey

Spot a Clock—Last month's clock is the tower clock of St. Stephen Lutheran Church. The attached write-up provides a summary of information on the clock.

Field Suitcase Workshops: We plan to schedule a FSW course for the upcoming winter season! The FSW program is one of the many benefits of NAWCC membership. In summary, an instructor comes to us, and runs a 2-4 day course of our choosing. To get a class in our area, we need a minimum (7 to 9) number of students. We are considering hosting one of the following courses:

F301—Introduction to Basic Pocket Watch Repair:
The American Pocket Watch

F302—Introduction to Basic Wristwatch Repair

F101—Introduction to Basic Time & Strike—The American Kitchen Clock

F200—Fundamental Skills for Lathe and Clock Repair

If you are interested in a course, please email Ed Buc at timecraft_wi@yahoo.com or speak with him at a meeting. We will schedule the first course that generates a student list meeting the minimum class size. For more information on the FSW program and a full list of courses, please check the NAWCC website.

Treasurer's Report

April 1, 2012

Opening Balance \$3,052.08

Income:

Dues and Admissions \$301.00

Donations \$00.00

Total Income \$301.00

Expenses:

Coffee Donuts Fruit (\$58.54)

Newsletter (\$46.67)

Other Expenses (\$114.62)

Total Expenses (\$219.83)

July 31, 2012 Closing Balance \$3,133.25

The upper left-hand corner of your newsletter's mailing label shows when your dues were last paid. If it does not say 2012, your dues are 'due'. Please pay today. Thanks!

Dan Osterud, Treasurer

Photos from May 2012 Chapter 47 Meeting



Chapter 47 May Newsletter “Spot a Clock”

This month’s ‘Spot a Clock’ is St. Stephen Lutheran Church, located at 420 West Scott Street in Milwaukee. It occupies a prominent location, as it is located just east of Interstate 94, west of the Allen-Bradley Clock.



The congregation was founded in 1854, and moved to this location in 1866. The congregation consisted primarily of German immigrants, in contrast to the largely Polish community in the surrounding neighborhoods. The tower was added in 1879, and was constructed with three bells and a four-faced clock.



The church was demolished in 1901 to construct a new church building, but the tower was kept and melded into the design. The church was designed by Otto Uehling, and was one of the first steel-masonry buildings constructed in Milwaukee.

The tower still has the original E. Howard movement. The movement is a three-train movement, with serial number 787.



A young man at the church took over maintenance of the clock in 2010. Shortly before that, the clock had stopped running. The current custodian began posting information regarding the clock, the church’s history, and his efforts on the NAWCC message board. The information presented herein, and the photographs, were collected from the message board. The clock is like a time capsule. Bottles of oil for the clock still sit on a nearby shelf.



A chapter member visited the church to determine if restoration of the clock by Chapter 47 would be a viable project. After much discussion, the Chapter’s board believes that it would be difficult to repair the clock without significant effort and cost.



If you would like to suggest a clock for the newsletter’s ‘Spot a Clock’, please contact Ed Buc at the Chapter meetings or by email at timecraft_wi@yahoo.com.

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