MENOMONEE VALLEY TIMES



March 2024

NEXT MEETING - March 10th

American Legion Post 434

February Programs

Danno Osterud Renaissance and other clocks at the Milwaukee Art Museum Live Seminar: Glass cutting by Robert Olney

Menomonee Valley Chapter 47 February 11, 2024 March 10, 2024 May 19, 2024 Sept 22, 2024 November 17, 2024

Madison Chapter 171

First Wednesday of even number months

Chicagoland Chapter 3

310 W Butterfield Rd, Elmhurst II February 4th, 2024 April 7th. 2024 September 8th,2024 October 27th 2024 December 8th, 2024

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Doors open at 9:00 for setup. Demonstration at 10:00. Educational talk at 11:00. Cleanup at 12:00.

9327 S. Shepard Ave, Oak Creek, WI 53154.

Presidents Message

We will continue to need some help setting up and taking down. So arrive at 9:00 and help setup and stay after the educational talk to help return the room in the condition we found it in. Thank you for your help in this.

Robert Olney will be demonstrating glass cutting beginning at 10:00 during the mart. Educational talk at 11:00. Cleanup at 12:00. We need a new secretary. The main job is just to put this newsletter together. Please offer to help so no one is overburdened, only takes around an hour per meeting.

We have some demonstrations planned for upcoming meetings as follows:

- Mar Glass cutting (Robert Olney) •
- **May** Re-pivoting clock and watch arbors (Dempsey)
- **Sep** Balance staff and hairspring replacement (Dempsey) •
- **Nov** Winding clock & watch mainsprings (Osterud/Dempsev)
- Jan Resilvering dials (White)

We had to presentations at our February mart. Harry Schultz gave a talk on Making a Calendar Wheel to replace a damaged wheel from an English Tall Case Clock. He created a "simple" dividing plate and used it to layout his part. He then cut the teeth with a splitting saw and jewelers saw. After the part was cut Harry then filed it to shape and fitted it to the clock .

Michael Figueira discussed letting down the spring on a 1986 vintage Elgin 400-day clock. This clock is known as a German time bomb. It received this nickname from its less than obvious way to let down the tension in the mainspring. Letting the spring down incorrectly can cause the clock to rapidly disintegrate. Mike has successfully let down the spring, rebuilt the movement and currently keeps the clock in his wife's sewing room for some reason. It is kept away from where his wife sits!

Thanks to Harry and Michael for these informative talks.

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Future educational talks planned:

- March 10 Danno will make a Presentation on Renaissance and other Clocks at the Milwaukee Art Museum.
- May 19 Craig White will make a presentation "Restoring a Scottish Musical Tall Case Clock"
- Sept 22 Amelia Osterud will give a talk entitled "Chauncey Jerome vs PT Barnum: The Great Bankruptcy of 1856"
- Nov 17 ?

We still need a volunteers for talks for 2024 & 2025. Please contact Harry Schulz or myself with ideas or suggestions.

Free tables!! A free silent auction table will also be available. We had some more clocks donated which the chapter will be selling at the silent auction table.

Hope to see you all there. Thanks, Craig

Opportunity to get together to fix and talk about clocks.

A group of timepiece enthusiasts is gathering weekly in Mukwonago on Thursday evenings through April 11. The group consists mainly of former students of the defunct WCTC community extracurricular education program, and is seeking to expand its attendance with anyone who has an interest in learning about timepieces OR SHARING THEIR KNOWLEDGE. Currently, the meetings are BYOC (bring your own clock). As the attendees work on their timepieces they share advice and opinions, troubleshoot and converse. If interested in attending, contact Kevin Schultz at usmc2nbpd@yahoo.com

If you haven't paid dues for 2024 yet, please pay today (if you already have, think about paying someone else's.)

Annual Chapter 47 Membership Dues- \$25 Gold Card (Prepaid admission to the Mart)- \$15 Printed Newsletter by mail \$5.00.

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