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### **Cathy Koolen awarded Fellowship**

At the NAWCC Annual National convention in Springfield, IL, Chapter 92's own Cathy Koolen was recognized for her many contributions to the field of horology. Director, Phil Gregory, presented Cathy the prestigious "Fellow of the NAWCC" award, acknowledging her hard work at the local, regional, and national levels of our organization. As many are aware, NAWCC Chapter #92 owes it's continuing existence to Cathy's huge efforts, since assuming our Chapter Presidency in 2000, avoiding the surrender of our charter.



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### **Towards the future**

Our next meeting is coming soon - Sunday, Oct 5, 9 am, at the Lambeth Legion as usual (upstairs). We will have a large volume of items for our regular silent auction this time, and Cathy Koolen will give us another of her entertaining presentations.

Along with the constitutional changes approved by our general membership at the last meeting, we (the Executive) have agreed to continue holding our respective offices until the end of our club year (June 2009). Please give some thought to the idea of participating in the organization of your chapter. As President, I do not plan to continue. I would be happy to carry on with many of the tasks I now perform, but a new President will be required. Cathy will chair our next meeting, as I will be absent. I will ask her to invite nominations from the floor for the position of Vice-President, who may be a likely candidate to assume the President's role in the fall of 2009. So, look to your left, to your right, and all around the room!

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## **Upcoming Meetings**

### Chapter 92 Meeting

<u>Dates:</u> <u>Lambeth Legion</u>, October 5, 2008 December 7, 2008 February 1, 2009 April 5, 2009 June 7, 2009. <u>Reminder:</u> We are using the *upstairs* meeting hall for our 2008/2009 club meetings



**Please note:** Only paid-up members receive this newsletter.

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### **June Meeting Highlights**

We had a large turnout for our end of year potluck and live auction. Mike Kelso, a new member, who is a professional auctioneer, donated his services, and was a big hit! There were many terrific clocks on offer and about 80% changed hands. Cathy Koolen testifies that our annual live auction surpasses many of the Regional ones. A delicious lunch was enjoyed by all. Thanks to all who helped make the meeting a success, especially Mike!



**General Notes** 

*Clock Tower Project* – The Strathroy tower clock is unavailable, so we have changed our focus to the Aylmer Town Clock, which was brought to our attention by David Chalk. Due to insurance limitations, participation will be limited to 6 members. These will include a committee of organizers & experts (David Chalk, Gerry Koolen, & Eldon Grant), and 3 members chosen at random from those who originally expressed interest in the tower clock project: Ted Arthur, Larry Green, & Bob Dickson. A future tower clock is being considered in Tillsonburg.

*Fall Clock Repair Workshop* – we're calling it a workshop now, as that is more in keeping with the relaxed instructional methods employed by Eldon Grant. We will be changing venues as Fanshawe College has upped the price to \$225, and priced themselves out of the picture.

- New Location : Mount Brydges Legion.
- Dates: October 18 Nov 22, 6 Saturdays-10AM-4PM
- Cost- \$150, subsidized by the club
- 1 day lathe workshop addition, tentatively scheduled for Nov 29 (Lunch included) \$20 for participants in the clock workshop, \$30 on its own
- Registration at the October meeting .

CONVENTION TRIP-JUNE 2009: The annual National Convention is in Grand Rapids, Michigan next June. We are assessing a proposal to have a bus day trip on June 11th (Thursday). It would leave early enough to get there at noon, have an afternoon of "clocking" (or shopping for non-clockies) and return the same day. Price will depend on cost of bus, etc. Options will be discussed at the October meeting.

**DUES:** We had terrific response to our "discount" on membership dues, so we're extending the deadline for those who still want to cash in on the savings. Get your dues in the mail by Sept 26 and get a \$5 discount. ONLY \$25. Send to: Jerry Rozek, 208 Victoria St., Strathroy ON, N7G 3B4

### Clock Sale for the Estate of Fred Balcom -

The estate of the late Fred Balcom is having a sale, Sunday, September 21, at 941 Eagle Cres., London, ON (North of Commissioners Rd., between Adelaide & Pond Mills). The clocks have been vetted by Bruce McLean, Cathy Koolen, and Gerry Koolen to establish a fair collector's price, based upon today's depressed market. Some clocks may have a bit of room for negotiations. Members and their guests are welcome - cash or personal cheque only.

Also included in this sale are Fred's radios, for you radio enthusiasts, and general collectors! A worthy sale!!!

Please send items for this newsletter to: Cathy Koolen, 9952 Powell Road, Port Franks, Ontario, NOM 2L0 866-913-0177

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