

New England Chapter No. 8
The National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors

PICNIC FOR MEMBERS,
FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

AMERICAN LEGION HALL, WEST BROOKFIELD, MA

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2019, at 10:00 AM (RAINDATE IS SUNDAY)



American Legion Hall, 5 Ware Street, West Brookfield, MA 01585, tel: 508 867-9974

TAILGATE MART

COOKOUT PICNIC – INFORMAL SHOW AND TELL

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our picnic was rained out last year, so I am sure everyone is twice as excited about it this year. I have heard from an anonymous but very reliable source and she said that there will be good weather this year. I am excited to try this new location and to see friends and enjoy a hamburger and some watermelon. Please join me!

It was good to see all who attended the national convention in Springfield. We can be proud of our own Joe Seremeth for doing the job of Treasurer and Tom McIntyre for doing all the preregistration. I am personally very thankful to Gary Arnal, Gary Ewing, and Rick Saul who not only helped for hours before the convention stuffing and assembling the pre-registration packets, but who showed up every day and worked all day volunteering doing any and all tasks asked of them.

Also I give a big personal thanks to Steve Sanborn, Chris Way, Ed Cornwell, Martin Saltzman, Les Tyralla, Gordan Graham, Jack Brady, Ray Comeau, Gerard and Bob Connolly, Howard Mintz, and Ron Mastrogiacomo. All of whom volunteered for hours and did more than their share. Last and certainly not least I thank Mary Tasker, Jane McIntyre, Joanna Saltzman and my wife, Christine, for working so very hard at registration. All of these volunteers came from Chapter 8, Chapter 87, or The Granite State Timekeepers. It shows what we can do when we work together.

Thanks again,

Chris Carey

PLEASE READ THIS IMPORTANT PICNIC INFORMATION

Coffee etc. will be available throughout the morning while the MART is being held outdoors in the parking area adjacent to or within the pavilion. The pavilion will be used for the tailgate Mart (in the event of rain), plus for our Show and Tell activity, as well as the door prize giveaways and lunch. For those wanting a veggie burger, please be sure to mark that line on the registration form. There will be a varied menu, freshly cooked, with all the usual foods you would expect at a picnic (\$10 pp).

If you are selling at your car, bring a plastic tarp, blanket, or table to display your items (don't forget folding chairs and maybe a canopy), or use the pavilion and picnic tables. There are some shade trees at the edge of the lot. We are requiring the registration to be mailed in as we normally do for meetings. The registration cutoff date is Thursday, August 8th. Walk-ins are welcome, but there may not be food available for those who do not pre-register.

Want to donate unwanted watch/clock related materials to the chapter for sale at this mart?

This is a good way for you to get rid of small-value unwanted items (no matter what) and the chapter benefits. Any leftovers can be sold as one lot for \$1 to the first person who asks, and we'll help them load it up.

EVENTS OF THE DAY

10:00 AM. Enter the post for the Tailgate Mart

11:00 AM. Show & Tell – “Unusual Horological Items”

12:00 PM. Cookout lunch (if you want a veggie burger, check the line on the registration form).

2:00 PM. Exit the property

Travel Information

Your destination is the American Legion Hall in West Brookfield, MA. It is located on the west side of town just off Route 9. If coming by the Mass Pike, take exit 9 for Sturbridge and route 20 west. Follow the same directions if coming up I-84 from CT. Proceed west thru Sturbridge on route 20, past Old Sturbridge Village, until you come to Route 148. Turn right (North) onto 148 and proceed to Brookfield, MA and Route 9. Turn left toward West Brookfield. Go through the lights in West Brookfield, still on Route 9, until you see a gas station/convenience store on your left. Turn left at that point, onto Ware St., and you will see the Legion Hall immediately on your right. Anyone coming from the West on Route 9 should look for the gas station on the right and turn right just before it onto Ware St.

Future Meetings: regular meeting (last of year), Sunday, October 20th, Old Sturbridge Village, Sturbridge, MA.

