

## Watchmakers' Association of New Jersey, Inc. OUR 72<sup>nd</sup> YEAR

AN ORGANIZATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PRESERVING AND FURTHERING THE ART AND SCIENCE OF WATCHMAKING

Meeting: Tuesday, March 8, 2011 at 7:30pm Place: VFW Hall South Ave, & Centennial Ave. Website: http://www.wawnj.us

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all! If you are surprised to be receiving the Presidents' Message from me, so am I. But in November we voted to continue the WANJ organization at least through 2011. We made some changes that will hopefully be enough to give our club the momentum to keep going and spreading the word about the watch and clock profession in general - Read On.

Hank Shotwell is now our new Secretary. Dale Sutton has agreed to be our Webmaster and our Newsletter Distributor. Andy Kennedy and Reuben Simpson will be our Program Committee. I agreed to stay on as President. Hans Weber will continue as our Treasurer and Membership Chairman.

We also voted to increase our annual dues cost to \$50 for the year. All member dues are now due upon receipt of this newsletter, please consider rejoining us again, we have many improvements that are being put in place as we speak!

I voiced a concern for our officers legal protection at our last meeting - it was agreed to incorporate the organization to gain this status, so the officers are protected as individuals from any liability that may arise within the organization. Hans is still working on this as we speak.

We will now bring back the SWAP MEET. By popular demand, we will now roll out some tables FREE of charge to all members so they can bring any horological items they wish to sell at the meeting. The swap meet will be active before and after the business and program portion of the evening. This will now be a regular feature of EVERY meeting - Surprise us!

We are also still looking for a cheaper location to meet as part of our long range plan to continue the WANJ into the future. IF you know of or can give us any leads to any place along the Garden State Parkway, that will host us for less than the VFW - We are, if I am not mistaken, paying about \$300 per meeting. Please drop a line to Hans or myself.

PROGRAM: We are honored to host Mark Heist - Master Watchmaker and Restorer of Vintage Breitling Timepieces. He is also the owner of Horological Services - a repair shop that specializes in restoring vintage and antique timepieces. Go to his website: www.horologicalservices.com for a better idea of what he does. Please plan to attend what I can assure you will be a very interesting presentation!

Again, we are still business and we hope to see you all soon!

All the Best, Neil Wohl