

# **GRISWOLD & CAST IRON QUARTERLY**

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#### **OUTGOING PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

#### Scott McCarter

# Thanks for the Awesome Support and the Memories!!!

Greetings to all the Griswold & Cast-Iron Cookware Association Members and family out there – hope everyone is staying safe and enjoying their summer weather. We just finished up the Erie convention and I had an amazing time seeing friends, telling stories, and seeing and buying some great cast iron. It was so great to be able to have the convention and get to visit with everyone that made the trip to Erie. It is always special to get back to Erie for a convention.

As I write this article as your Former President, I want you to know the last 4 years serving as President of the club has been an honor and a privilege. The support of the members has always been great to see, and everyone always has the intentions of keeping the club going and keeping it great.

With that I know the club is going to be great in the future with all our newly elected and appointed Board Members. Great to see Art Chatfield become our newly elected President. Art called me over 13 years ago and asked my thoughts about becoming a Director and sitting on the board. He talked me into that, and I served the next 12 or so years as Director, Vice-President and then President. I write that story because that is Art – always working and supporting the club in anyway needed. Art is going to do an awesome job and I will give him my full support, as we are all in this together. Congratulations Art on being elected President. The club will benefit from your leadership and poise.

Also, so exciting to see Josh Delp elected as our Vice President. I have known Josh for many years and have been working with Josh on site selections, in Board meetings, and so many other interactions. I know that Josh is committed to the club and is always thinking about and working on how we continue to improve the club and keep this club so great. Josh has been attending conventions for well over 20 years and it is always great to see Josh and George and get to talk to them about cast iron, everything in life, and the club. So very excited to see Josh make this next step from Director to Vice-President. You will do an awesome job and I am so excited to see you take on a larger role within our club. Congratulations Josh on being elected Vice-President.

Thanks to Malinda Fontenot for accepting the role of Secretary and putting up with Clayton (lol). I know Malinda will do an awesome job – so very detailed and organized and asking questions about the club and her role as Secretary. We are grateful, Malinda, that you accepted the challenge, and you are so gracious and willing to help the club. Congratulations on your appointed position as Secretary – you are amazing. Maybe now Clayton will let you collect a few pieces of iron.

And a huge thanks to Brenda Bernstein as well for being so gracious to volunteer and become our next Treasurer. Brenda was a Director for a year and then quickly pivoted for the club when approached about the Treasurer position. Brenda has such a great attitude and is always such a pleasure to talk to and work with. Congrats on the appointment Brenda – you will do an amazing job. Brenda has a great collection of Bundt pans and molds and so many other great items – always so great to see other collectors' interests and pictures of their collection.

And how about congratulating mega collector and all-around great guy Eric McAllister to the Board of Directors. Eric was voted in as Director to replace the opening when Brenda was appointed Treasurer. I am so excited to see Eric serving on the Board – his calmness and leadership will be great for the club. Congrats Eric – very proud to see you on the Board. Thanks for being so involved and supportive.

And a special thanks to all the volunteers that make our club so special, and I know I will not be able to list everyone in my letter today, so I want to thank all and a few call outs for the team we had in place the last 4 years – a huge thanks to Gail Parthree for serving 7 years as the Secretary and being on the auction committee. Just an awesome job supporting the club and being there for everyone and always having a can-do attitude. You are so amazing Gail – Thank You!!!

Thanks, Clayton Mitchell, for being our Vice-President, host of a great convention, future host in 2023, and cast-iron brother. Your attitude is contagious, you have a love of people and iron, a very generous person to all, and a great asset to the club. We all thank you for your many contributions and being such a key spokesperson for the club. Thanks again for the last 4 years as Mr. VP.

So many other volunteers to thank – how about Sonny McCarter and his work with the auctions, making Friday nights special and doing a great job organizing, securing items for the auction, auction set up, and of course getting everyone paid in record time. Awesome job Sonny!!!

And a huge thanks to our Former President Brad Schwarting for serving the last 4 years as Ethics and Nominating Committee Chair lead, assisting with the quarterly newsletter, and always willing to assist. Thanks, Brad, for the great support and all the work you do.

I would also like to thank Trish Shafer for doing such a great job being the club Treasurer. Trish was great in the role and even volunteered to stay an additional year supporting and training Brenda as we had to wait for the convention to officially approve and appoint Brenda as her replacement. Thanks for keeping us financially sound and managing the books. You were great Trish.

I also must thank Annette Long and Diane Bingham for leading the way with just being awesome and having fun, spreading cheer, and being part of the Recognition / Awards Committee. Also, thanks to Dave and Nancy Lange, Lydia Rutt, Tommy Lewis, Butch Parthree, Larry and Marg Oneil, Cliff Rutt, Gary Taylor, Shirley Willard, Chris Kendall, Randy Young, Joseph Zawadowski and so many others for the great work and support over the years. You make our club great!!!

So please keep <u>Volunteering</u> – We always need Members to volunteer – that is what makes the club function and the world go around. Volunteer to do table topics – always great to see what someone brings and talks about their passion. Volunteer to help set up, or be in the hospitality room, or the check in room, or join a committee. Let me know if you need some guidance or have a passion and we can make it happen. So please think about being a volunteer

Our club is as good as our volunteers and I really do appreciate the individuals that make a great effort to volunteer their time and keep this club going strong. Thank you so much!

Take care and see you in Florence, Kentucky April 2022

My contact info is: Phone / text: 479-866-2421. Evenings and weekends are best. Email / slmccarter@cox.net

# Message from the incoming President: Art Chatfield

Hello to everybody out there, old friends and new friends and all the friends I haven't met yet. I am honored and excited to be your club president for the next two years.

First let me introduce myself to those who don't know me. I have been interested in antiques as long as I can remember, but started collecting cast iron kind of by accident. My wife Terri and I both love to cook, and one day in the early 1990's she was going to a local auction and invited me to go along. I remember saying something like "what would I do there to keep busy". She said; "You like to cook, some people collect cast iron skillets, called Griswold I think". So, I went and there was one skillet there, a Griswold that came home with me. And that's how it started. I collect mostly Ohio produced items such as Favorite, Wapak, Sidney Hollowware and Wagner. But my specialty is pots and kettles from any manufacturer. Our first convention was Charlotte in 1996 and we have been in attending regularly ever since.

Terri and I just returned from the Erie convention, and what a wonderful convention it was. We enjoyed getting together with many of our old friends and met several new ones. Not to mention the great programs offered and the fantastic variety and quality of the cast iron and aluminum cookware and collectibles.

We have approved conventions for 2022 in Florence, Kentucky, at the same Airport Hilton where we met in 2019, as well as in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in 2023, and back in Erie, Pennsylvania, for 2025. The dates for Florence are April 28, 29, and 30, 2022. More information is available elsewhere in this issue. We also have several exciting regional meetings in the works for later this year and more information is in this issue about them.

We all know our club is only as good as our members make it. We have had outstanding work from our officers, directors and committees and I want to thank you all for the great job you have done. We have big shoes to follow and I want to encourage everyone to pitch in and help out whenever you are able. There are several committees that have openings so I encourage you to step up and help out.

Finally, I want to personally thank outgoing President Scott McCarter for his leadership and devotion to this wonderful club! Please have a healthy, safe and successful year and the best of luck with your cast iron pursuits!

Art Chatfield

My contact information for phone and text is 513-673-1875 and my email is: artchatfield@gmail.comlly

# And the Countdown Continues for my Top 50 List....

By: Scott McCarter

In the last four years I have talked about my favorite piece of cast iron/aluminum and what steps and decisions that were needed to identify that all-time favorite piece, the one I must have, would grab and secure in an emergency, dream about, and of course would never part with. I have shared the first 42 items that I have ranked in my top 50-I can only guess that will change over time so please do not hold that against me – plus I have found some new items at the last few conventions that will modify the list and maybe extend it beyond 50 items...

So, after much thought and sleepless nights thinking about this, I will reveal the next  $\underline{\mathbf{4}}$  items on my top 50ish list. Remember it is not about the retail value of an item – it is a piece that I enjoy looking at and treasure. So, some items on the top 50 will not always be high priced, but they will be a treasure in my eyes.

#8 – Starting off the list today is the Erie #10 skillet in dark blue porcelain with a gray porcelain interior. This cool Erie skillet is the only version I have seen with the blue enameled exterior and gray enameled inside. As a bonus it also has the bullseye maker's mark as well. Sorry about the pictures as the porcelain makes it hard to capture a great picture sometimes.



#7 – Continuing on down the list with #7 we have a basic eight skillet on the inside and the WOW – flip it over and it is a milled bottom 8 skillet with the 3 inset rings on the bottom. All milled skillets would be considered rare and hard to acquire – this #8 seems especially tough to locate. I believe the #8 is the only milled size seen with the 3 rings on the bottom. I love the milled bottom skillets.



#6 – And fitting that number 6 on the countdown would be a #6 3-legged kettle. The kettles are a great piece of cast iron craftmanship and sometimes get overlooked for being such a cool piece of iron. The #6 is the smallest of the 3-legged kettles and is in my opinion a tougher piece of Griswold to acquire. The Erie #6 kettle is even harder to acquire, in my opinion.



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#5 – And finishing the list today is a cool oval casserole. This casserole is the #95 casserole featured in a chrome exterior with a bright white porcelain interior. Typically seen in the red and cream this version is, in my opinion, quite rare and hard to locate – especially in collector condition. I imagine the manufacturing of this piece (having to chrome one side and then porcelain the other side) would have been very demanding and expensive and that is why we see limited pieces in this beautiful variation.



I also believe when you mix in some chrome, porcelain, aluminum and nickel in the collection it helps add a little pop to the collection and really stands out well within the black iron.

So, you start to see the dilemma on identifying that one favorite piece – is it possible and how do you decide on that? Whatever your answer, and however you can get to one favorite piece, it really is about the journey, the stories, and the amazing times.

So please share your list, bring that favorite item to the Florence, Ky convention in April 2022, and we would love to hear the story, or take a few minutes and write a quick story and send to Joseph for the next newsletter article.

Please feel free to contact me with your ideas, concerns, your passion to volunteer, ideas for a future article, or wanting to host a convention.

Take care and see you soon in Florence

My contact info is: Phone / text: 479-866-2421, evenings and weekends are best

Email / slmccarter@cox.net

Thanks Scott McCarter

# **2021 CONVENTION HOSTS' COMMENTS**

NANCY, GARY, AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE MEMBERS WHO ATTENDED THE 2021 CONVENTION IN ERIE, PA, AND HOPE YOU HAD A GOOD TIME. BECAUSE OF COVID AND THE HOTEL CHANGING HANDS 3 TIMES IN ONE YEAR IT WAS A LITTLE FRUSTRATING FOR US PUTTING THIS TOGETHER. WE APOLOGIZE FOR ANY INCONVENIENCES THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE INCURRED. THE NEWEST OWNER TOOK OVER IN APRIL AND TRIED THEIR ABSOLUTE BEST FOR THE SITUATION THEY INHERITED. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE INVOLVED IN ANY ACTIVITIES FROM REGISTRATION, TABLE TOPICS, SEMINARS,

SWAP MEET, TICKET SALES, HOSPITALITY ROOM AND ANY OTHER AREAS YOU ASSISTED US TO MAKE THINGS EASIER. THE CONVENTION RUNS SMOOTHER WHEN THE MEMBERSHIP PITCHES IN TO LIGHTEN THE LOAD. LET US KEEP THIS TREND GOING TO THE CINCINNATI IN 2022 CONVENTION. LETS MAKE IT BIGGER AND BETTER. THE NEW MEMBERSHIP OF 28+3 CHILDREN WAS ASTONISHING. HOPEFULLY THE CHILDREN WILL FOLLOW IN THEIR PARENTS' FOOTSTEPS. LET'S KEEP THIS TREND GOING TO 2022 AS WELL.

SEE YOU IN CINCINNATI IN 2022 GOD BLESS DAVID, NANCY, AND GARY

# **2021 CONVENTION**

PHOTOS AND EVENTS FROM THE 2021 G&CICA ERIE, PA CONVENTION

#### THURSDAY MUSEUM TOUR

As members were arriving and settling in, the afternoon could be spent visiting the Watson-Curtze Mansion Museum. They set aside the hours of 1:30-3:00 especially for us, with an excellent display of Griswold pieces.





# **OUR NEW OFFICERS**

Josh Delp-Vice President, Art Chatfield-President, Eric McAllister-Director, Malinda Fontenot-Secretary, Brenda Bernstein-Treasurer



# **SHOW AND TELL**



Gary Tayor and Brad Schwarting talk about some rare and unique items

# **MORE SHOW AND TELL**



Brad and Larry O'Neil discuss a Wagwold baby bobber



Some of the goodies brought for the Show and Tell

## **SEMINARS**

## **BRAD SCHWARTING: GRISWOLD MAILBOXES**

Brad brought his large collection, presented a detailed discussion of their history,

And shared his extensive knowledge with us.







#### JOSEPH ZAWADOWSKI: COMBO COOKER SETS

Joseph gave a PowerPoint slide show describing the eight know combo cooker sets and outlining what little is known about their histories and origins. He also brought examples of each set and some toy versions for us to examine, handle and discuss.







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**SWAP MEET** 

# A Plethora of Rare, Unusual, and Desirable Items Were Made Available by G&CICA Members







# Besides Hollow Ware, There Were Lots of Minis, Toys, Pups and Novelties







# **TABLE TALKS**



Gary Taylor—Toy Skillets

Lee Lasher—Japan Process



Calvin and Ann Smith—Hinged Skillets and Single Burner Stoves



Art and Terri Chatfield--

Joseph and Nancy Zawadowski-- Kenny Sv

Kenny Swadley—Wheat and Corn Pans

My Favorite Favorite #5s Pup Paperweights

# **AUCTION**

Auctioneer Kevin Wheeler did auctioning the 123 items well as bonus items donated retired Lodge CEO Bob convention commemorative registration bags. Auction also worked as a runner, as Tommy Lewis. Sonny wishes who helped in setting up the the buyers and selling prices a success in every way. Action



an outstanding job of submitted by members, as by Robert Kellerman, son of Kellerman, and some pups that did not go into the organizer Sonny McCarter did Scott McCarter and to thank the many others auctions venue, recording and helping make the event sales totaled \$32,000.

# **SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET**

# **Regional Chapter Baskets Donated For The Raffle**







Hope You Can Find Yourself? Sorry For The Lack Of Identifications







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# PRESIDENT SCOTT McCARTER PRESENTS AWARDS



Leonard Lange-Never give up courage

Art Chatfield-Service as past and present

President



Brad Schwarting-Excellent service and

Doris Mosier-Excellent service at National and

past President chapter levels

# **AWARDS**



Jerry Barron-Amazing convention host and all-around hustle

Cliff and Lydia Rutt-Excellent service all-around great couple



Joseph Zawadowski-Volunteerism

Gary Taylor-Excellent service, Association and Chapter promoter

# **AWARDS**



David and Nancy Lange-2021 convention hosts and awesome couple. Presented with a beautiful, one-of-a-kind, hand-made Griswold quilt.



Clayton Mitchell-Excellent service and 4 years as Vice-President

Sonny McCarter-President's Outstanding
Service Award

#### **AWARDS**



Gail Parthree-Recognized for seven years of outstanding service and effort as Secretary

# NEW MEMBERS, FIRST-TIME CONVENTION ATTENDEES & FUTURE MEMBERS



THEIR NAMES, NOT IN ORDER PICTURED; Deac Manross, Boris Kitevski, Emily Pritchard, Joseph Ross, Debbie Henry, Joe Bosche, Jay B. Good, Carol Schermerhorn, Tony Bosche, D'Lyn Bosche, Chuck Foster, Tina Ramirez, Bill Moore, Beth Moore, Scott Butler, John Shewmaker, James Scheuermann, Susan Scheuermann, Robert Kellerman, Walker Henley, Jason Carniewski, Mike Wescott, John Bishop, Gary Rambish, Colleen Rambish, Darrel Shreve, Lori Shreve, museum curator Becky Wiser.

# THE 2021 CONVENTION COMMERATIVE PUP



The creation of the 2021 convention pup was made possible through the generosity and sacrifice of Marg and Larry O'Neil.

They had purchased the patterns used for the 2011 convention pup and had them displayed in their museum. They graciously allowed those patterns to be used to produce the 2021 pups.

In order to do so, the patterns had to be permanently altered by removing the last two numbers in the date; taking off 13 and replacing with 21. Also, the place of the 2013 convention, Ohio, was removed and replaced with PA.

The members of the Association should recognize the O'Neils for their willingness to allow their museum piece to be used, allowing a piece of Association history to be modified, and saving us the costs of creating entirely new patterns to make the 2021 pups. The patterns now have an additional chapter added to their history.

# **SPECIAL CONVENTION GUESTS**



Becky Watson-Curtze, curator of the Curtze Museum, and her assistant, Amanda Rockwood. Museum tours Were offered on Thursday. Becky became a new G&CICA Robert donated some wonderful member. Both ladies contributed to our fund-raising raffle and both won an item!

Robert Kellerman, son of retired Lodge CEO Bob Kellerman. Lodge items to the auction.

# GRISWOLD & CAST IRON COOKWARE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING ERIE, PA My 15, 2021

Meeting was called to order by President Scott McCarter at 2:30 PM. Roll call by Secretary, Gail Parthree.

President, Scott McCarter	Present
Vice President, Clayton Mitchell	Present
Secretary, Gail Parthree	Present
Treasurer, Trish Shafer	Present
Director, Brenda Bernstein	Present
Director, Cliff Rutt	Present
Director, Dave Lange	Present
West Coast Regional Director, Rick Hoxmeier	Absent
Heartland Regional Director, Randy Young	Absent
Great Lakes Regional Director, Matt Morris	Absent
Northeast Regional Director, Josh Delp	Present
Dixie Regional Director, Joe Zawadowski	Present
Immediate Past President, Brad Schwarting	Present

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **SECRETARY'S MINUTES**

A motion was made by Eric McAllister, and seconded by George Delp to accept the minutes of April 27, 2019. Motion carried.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Trish Shafer reported that the club showed a loss of \$1,113.15 for the year 2019. The biggest factor contributing to the loss was a \$3,000 advance for the 2021 convention. In 2020, the club showed a loss of \$1,012.13. Factors contributing to the loss was a decline in membership renewal, cancelation of 2020 convention and COVID-19 Pandemic. 2019 and 2020 were audited by Art Chatfield. Reports for both 2019 and 2020 were available to members. A motion was made by Joe Zawadowski and seconded by Russ Weimer to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Appraisal** – Doris Mosier reported that she has not been asked to do any appraisals. She did get a call from a person wanting to sell their collection. She gave them a person to contact.

Ethics - Brad Schwarting reported that there were no complaints.

**Finance, Budget Audit** – Art Chatfield reported that all is in order.

History & Archives – Shirley Willard stated no report.

**Library** – Lee Lasher stated no report.

Auction - Sonny McCarter reported that this year's auction sales were \$32,000.

**Eric County Historical Society Liaison** – Dave Lange reported that items have been changed around at the Watson-Curtze Mansion Museum. They have a very large inventory.

**Membership** - Brad Schwarting reported that in 2020 we had 669 members compared to 593 members so far in 2021. To date we have 53 new members and four reinstated. It was suggested that if members have fliers about our club that they distribute them at antique co-ops, flea markets, Facebook and if selling on eBay, include a membership application with purchase.

**Reproductions & Fakes -** Sonny McCarter reported that there is a #8 Griswold Dutch oven not made in Pennsylvania. Also, a repro skillet griddle. Sonny asked that if a member sees a repro to let him know so that it can be posted in our newsletter.

#### CHAPTER REPORTS, UPCOMING MEETS

**Dixie** - Gary Taylor stated that this year's chapter meet will be at the Echo Mountain Inn, Laurel Park, NC November 12<sup>a</sup> and 13<sup>a</sup>. The 2019 meet was hosted by Trevor Lawrence and was also at the Inn.

**Great Lakes** – Brenda Bernstein reported there is no meet scheduled and the chapter will be going in with the Heartland Chapter this year.

**Heartland** – Brian Wheeler reported that their meet will be held late September in Winterset, Iowa, hosted by Doug Jurgens. Once the date is set, it will be published in newsletter.

**Northeast** - Annette Long reported that last year Perry Rapier hosted the meet in Ohio with 30 people attending. The 2021 chapter meet will be held at the home of Butch and Gail Parthree, September  $17^{\circ}$  and  $18^{\circ}$ . There will be a flier in the upcoming newsletter with hotel information and also a tear off to respond whether you will be attending.

West Coast – Marg O'Neil stated that she has not heard from Rick Hoxmeier as to where the next chapter meet will be. Information will be published when known.

**Local Convention Committee 2021** – Brad Schwarting recognized Gary Baran for all he did at the convention, along with Nancy and Dave Lange. Cliff and Lydia Rutt were a big help for Dave. There were 118 registered for the convention, with 29 new members and 23 first time attendees. A big thank you to those who helped make our 2021 convention a huge success!

#### **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

**President** – Art Chatfield was nominated as President. A motion was made by Gary Taylor, seconded by Butch Parthree to accept Art Chatfield as President for a two year term. Brad instructed the secretary to cast the ballot to accept Art Chatfield as President.

Vice President – Josh Delp stepped down as Northeast Regional Director. Josh was nominated as Vice President. A motion was made by Gary Taylor, seconded by Sonny McCarter, to accept Josh Delp as Vice President for a two year term. Motion carried. Brad instructed the secretary to cast the ballot to accept Josh Delp as Vice President.

**Treasurer** - The Board approved Brenda Bernstein as Treasurer for a two year term. Brad instructed the secretary to cast the ballot to accept Brenda Bernstein as Treasurer.

**Secretary** - The Board approved Malinda Fontenot as Secretary for a two year term. Brad instructed the secretary to cast the ballot to accept Malinda Fontenot as Secretary.

Since we did not have a convention in 2020, the Treasurer and Secretary position remained the same. These two positions are elected on opposite years as the President. Because of this, the Treasurer and Secretary are appointed for one year and at the 2022 convention, they will be elected for their two year term.

**Director-at-Large** – Eric McAllister was nominated as Director for a three-year term. A motion was made by Gary Taylor, seconded by Doug Wenz to accept Eric McAllister as Director. Motion carried. Brad instructed the secretary to cast the ballot to accept Eric McAllister as Director.

Butch Parthree stated that since we go by Roberts Rules of Order, the election of the above positions must be announced three times. Butch made a motion that we accept all of the positions as stated by Roberts Rules of Order. Joe Zawadowski seconded the motion. Motion carried.

#### UPCOMING NATIONAL CONVENTIONS

Scott McCarter stated that since we did not have a convention last year, we were unable to vote on a convention site for 2022. Art and Terri Chatfield and Sonny McCarter were approached about having the 2022 convention again at Florence Kentucky (Cincinnati area). They were able to negotiate a contract with Hilton Cincinnati Airport Hotel for April 27-30, 2022. Thank you!

Scott further stated that he would like to see our members step up and take responsibility for helping with the upcoming convention and all future conventions. This would take the load off of the hosts and they would then be able to act as hosts rather than be totally responsible for all the responsibilities and activities. The following members have accepted responsibility:

Auction Sonny McCarter Commemoratives Sonny McCarter Table Topics Scott McCarter

Registration Josh Delp-(this responsibility includes registering attendees and accepting payments).

Hospitality Annette Long, Diane Bingaman, Lydia Rutt, Burtie Noren, Doug and Kathy Wenz. This

responsibility includes stuffing the convention packets and being there to hand out registration

packets.

Raffle Baskets Malinda Fontenot

Scott thanked those who volunteered their time to help. Moving forward, this should be the procedure to follow. Butch Parthree stated that we have guidelines for hosting conventions. Clayton Mitchell agreed that the guidelines are needed to assure that all areas are covered.

Scott presented the members with an idea of a three-year rotation for conventions. That way there would be continuity going forward. Any member wanting to host a convention in their area is more than welcome to do so.

It was voted upon by the members present to have our national conventions in the following areas:

2022 - Florence, Kentucky (Cincinnati area) April 27-30, 2022. Hosted by Art and Terri Chatfield and Sonny McCarter.

2023 - Baton Rouge, Louisiana, date to be determined. Hosted by Clayton Mitchell and Malinda Fontenot. A motion was made by Russ Weimer, seconded by Ed Botsford, to have convention in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Motion carried.

2024 - Erie, Pennsylvania, date to be determined. Hosted tentatively by Gary Baran. A motion was made by Russ Weimer, seconded by Doris Mosier to have convention in Erie, Pennsylvania. Motion carried.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Website** – Lou Wright questioned the status of our website, which has been down for approximately two years. Sonny McCarter stated that his friend has the domain ready to go and it would cost \$250 per year to maintain. It was agreed upon by those present that the club pay for someone to manage our website rather than a member of the club. Scott McCarter stated that we would need a written estimate for a year contract stating what it would entail, including all fees.

Having our website up and running will help the club to grow. Quite a lot of history that would be of interest to

Gary Baran said that it is important to get pictures of our convention in the newsletter and also on Facebook. Please submit your pictures with names to Joseph Zawadowski, our editor. For now, email items to; bogwalker@frontier.com

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Dave Lange, seconded by Chris Kendall.

# **NEW NEWSLETTER EMAIL!**

G&CICA has obtained a PC for use in producing the Griswold & Cast Iron Quarterly. This will hopefully end the compatibility issues we were having with the editor using WORD on an iMac, but the proof readers and publisher using Microsoft WORD on PCs.

If you are submitting materials; articles, photos, announcements, etc, for the Quarterly, PLEASE email them to; <a href="mailto:bogwalker49@gmail.com">bogwalker49@gmail.com</a>. This way, they will go directly to the PC dedicated to the Quarterly and will not have to be transferred from the editor's home computer to it. Thank you for your cooperation and consideration.

#### FUTURE CONVENTIONS; From the business meeting minutes

2022 - Florence Kentucky (Cincinnati area) April 27-30, 2022. Hosted by Art and Terri Chatfield and Sonny McCarter

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2024-Erie, Pennsylvania, date to be determined. Hosted tentatively by Gary Baran. A motion was made by Russ Weimer, seconded by Doris Mosier to have convention in Erie, Pennsylvania. Motion carried.

# **FINANCIAL REPORTS**

#### **TREASURER'S YEAR END VIEW 2019**

This is a review of G&CICA's financial position at the end of the year 2019. We have **\$41,254.09** in our accounts, including BB&T and PayPal as of December 31, 2019. All accounts have been audited and were found to be in order.

G&CICA had an income of \$15,287.66, this results in a decrease of (\$185.34) over the prior year. 2019 expenses were (\$16,400.81) a decrease of (\$1,245.95) over the prior year netting a loss of (\$1,113.15) for the year of 2019, an improvement of \$1.060.61 over the previous year. The biggest factor contributing to the loss was a \$3,000 advance for the 2021 convention which is two years out.

Loss from the GCICA 2019 convention was \$ (490.27). The auction brought in \$1,406.41.

Respectively submitted Trish Shafer G&CICA Treasurer Mar 21, 2020

#### **FISCAL REPORT FOR G&CICA 2019**

By Tricia Shafer Treasurer

Jan 28, 2019

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Income					<u>CI</u>	nange from previous year
	Membership	\$ 1	3,094.75			\$ (817.25)
	Convention	\$	0.00			\$ (0.00)
	Auction		\$	1,406.41	\$	(114.59)
	Donations	\$	697.50		•	\$ 657.50
	Advertising	\$	89.00			\$ 89.00

Total Income	\$ 15,287.66	\$ (185.24)
	<u>expenses</u>	

Conv Advance/Exp	\$	(5.570.00)	\$ (4,000.00)
Newsletter		(6,419.94)	\$ 2,205.12
Postage	\$	(2,872.02)	\$ 1,848.97
Chapter Funding	\$	0.00	\$ 200.00
Board Expense	\$	(1,210.26)	\$ 287.77
Insurance	\$	(187.00)	\$ 0.00
Bank Fees	\$	(130.59)	\$ 11.81
Office Expense \$ (11.00)	)		\$ (11.00)
Website	\$	0.00	\$ 784.63

Total Expense \$ 16,400.81 \$ (1,245.95)

Ending Balance 12-31-2019 \$ 41,254.09

# **TREASURER'S YEAR END VIEW 2020**

This is a review of G&CICA's financial position at the end of the year 2020. We have \$39,128.81 in our accounts, including BB&T and Paypal as of December 31, 2020. All accounts have been audited and were found to be in order.

G&CICA had an income of \$11,410.00, this results in a decrease of (\$1,684.75) over the prior year. 2020 expenses were (\$13,535.28) a decrease of (\$2,865.53) over the prior year netting a loss of (\$2,125.28) for the year of 2020 resulting in a loss of (\$1,012.13) over the previous year. Factors contributing to the loss was a decline in membership renewal, cancelation of 2020 convention and COVID-19 Pandemic.

Respectively submitted

Trish Shafer G&CICA Treasurer May 1, 2021

#### **FISCAL REPORT FOR G&CICA 2020**

By Tricia Shafer Treasurer

May 1, 2021

Beginning balance 1-1-20	\$41,062.15
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Income		Change from previous year
Membership Convention Auction Donations Advertising	\$ 11,410.00 \$ 0.00 \$ 0.00 \$ 0.00 \$ 0.00	\$ (1,684.75) \$ (0.00) \$ (1,406.41) \$ ( 697.50) \$ ( 89.00)
Total Income	\$ 11,410.00	\$ (3,877.66
Expense		Change from previous year
Conv Advance/E Newsletter Postage Publications Board Expense Insurance Bank Fees Office Expense \$ (0 Website	xp \$ 0.00 \$ (9,748.62) \$ (692.40) \$ (2469.72) \$ (359.00) \$ (187.00) \$ (78.54) .000 \$ 13,535.28	\$ 5,570.00 \$ (3,328.68) \$ 2,179.62 \$ (2,469.72) \$ 851.26 \$ 0.00 \$ 52.05 \$ 0.00 \$ 0.00
Total Expense	<b>ў 13,333.26</b>	\$ 2,003.33
Ending	Balance 12-31-2020	<u>\$ 39,128.81</u>

# 2021 Griswold Convention Erie, PA

what	income	what	expenditures
REGISTRATION, TABLES, SPONSORS AND DONATIONS	15,845.00	PUP COMMREMORATIVE	2,470.00
CLUB START-UP CHECK	3,000.00	2021 PATCHES	592.54
50/50 DRAWING	917.00	2021 WINE GIVEAWAY	705.51
BASKET DRAWINGS	1,060.00	ALL 4 FOOD SERVINGS	9,040.00
BANK INTEREST WOW	.29	PAPER GOODS	99.40
EXTRA PUPS IN AUCTION	925.00	PARTIAL REFUND	100.00
		HOSPITALITY ROOM.FOOD AND BEVERAGES	1,150.27
TOTAL	21,747.29	TOTAL	14,157.82

21,747.29 TOTAL INCOME
14,157.82 TOTAL EXPENSE
7589.47 CHECK TO G&CICA
3,000.00 START-UP MONEY
4,589.47 PROFIT FOR 2021

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SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL THE GALS THAT SOLD 50/50 AND RAFFLE TICKETS. IT WAS A HUGE PROFIT! GOES TO SHOW YOU IF ITS SOMETHING THAT WILL BENEFIT THE ASSOCIATION, PEOPLE ARE WILLING TO CHIP IN. ONCE AGAIN GREAT JOB! AND I WOULD LIKE TO PERSONALLY THANK EVERYONE THAT HELPED IN ANY WAY TO MAKE THIS CONVENTION A GOOD TIME.

# **NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### WEST COAST CHAPTER MEETING

The West Coast Chapter meeting will be held on Aug 27th & 28<sup>th</sup> at the home of Neil & Mary Ousnamer in Ferdinand, ID. Friday evening activities will begin at 5:00pm with a greet and meet BBQ and the opportunity to tour Neil's milling shop. Saturday's meeting, show and tell, and table sales will take place at the Hall across the road.

Neil & Mary Ousnamer 511 Maple St, Ferdinand, ID 83526 RSVP can be made by calling 208 816-2663 or by <a href="mailto:neil@nomomilling.com">neil@nomomilling.com</a> Hotels are located in Grangeville or Lewiston

The HEARTLAND CHAPTER would like to welcome the Great Lakes Chapter to join us this fall in Winterset, IA and remain together moving forward. We are still working on a date for the meeting and as soon as we get it worked out will post it in the G&CICA Facebook group Events. For those who aren't on Facebook please feel free to call or email me for updated information.

Brian Wheeler Heartland President be.wheeler@yahoo.com 314-452-9567I

The DIXIE CHAPTER has scheduled a get-together on November 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> at the Echo Mountain Inn, Laurel Park, N.C. The dates are set, but the Chapter is still working on putting the event together. More information will be forthcoming.

The NORTHEAST CHAPTER is having a gathering on September 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be a special treat, as 2019 convention hosts Clayton Mitchell and Malinda Fontenot will be doing some Louisiana cooking! See the insert in this newsletter.

# MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Your renewal notice for 2022 will be sent out towards the end of September. All renewals are due by December 31, 2021 (membership runs the calendar year). For those paying through PayPal, I cancel all recurring payments made through PayPal so that all renewals come due the same time. Easy way to pay is using this link: <a href="https://www.paypal.me/griswoldiron">https://www.paypal.me/griswoldiron</a> If paying by check, please make payable to G&CICA and mail to Malinda Fontenot, PO Box 86779, Baton Rouge, LA 70879. Memberships are as follows: Family \$30.00; Single \$25.00; Student \$10.00.

If you have any changes or corrections to your information that is on your renewal notice, please make any changes on the renewal card if paying by check, or if paying by PayPal, show your changes in the note section or contact me via email <a href="mailto:mail

# **COLLECTING LADLES, SCOOPS AND SHOVELS**

PART 4, FIRE, ASH, & CABOOSE SHOVELS



These cast iron pieces can be found listed as fire, ash, coal, or caboose/train shovels or scoops. They were used to shovel coal and ashes in kitchen stoves, fireplaces, space heating stoves in the home, and stoves in railroad passenger cars and cabooses. Most of the cast iron examples follow the form seen in the photos above. However, there are some with rounded handles and other variations.

This example, marked ERIE, can be found on page 190 of the Schiffer Publishing 'blue book'. It is called a "fire shovel" there. Of the four examples in the photos above, it is the smallest, thinnest and lightest. The ERIE name appears to be on a plate that was screwed onto the pattern.



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These next two examples are both marked NMC CO. Unfortunately, I have not been able to discover a solid provenance for that company. One is additionally marked CHICAGO, and the other, INDIANAPOLIS. Perhaps information on the origin and specific purpose of these shovels will turn up in the future.



Here's another variation of uncertain origin. The 'C' in the diamond on the shovel blade and the 1624 number on the handle remain untraced. Some other examples I've seen of these shovels have the same or a similar number somewhere on the shovel blade.



These examples from my collection are all the ash shovels I have photos of. It's important to note that examples exist marked with railroad names. These include ROCK ISLAND LINE and BURLINGTON ROUTE. Obtaining the railroad pieces is difficult due to the dual collectors' markets of railroad and cast-iron enthusiasts. Perhaps one will come into my collection someday.

Submitted for your pleasure by: Joseph Zawadowski

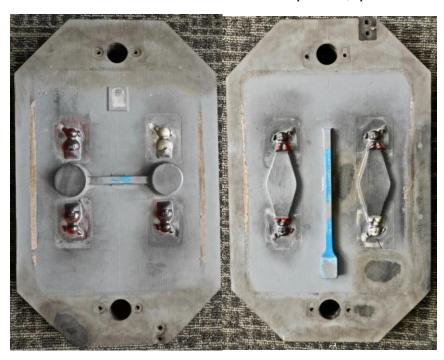
# **A UNIQUE PIECE**

Something not seen every day, and likely never seen by the majority of us, appeared at the 2021 G&CICA convention.

This pattern for making a mold to cast four Griswold pups was brought by John Scepura. It changed hands and was taken home by one of our most enthusiastic pup collectors.

One very interesting detail is the lack of a HINES ghost mark on the pups in this pattern. I managed to get a number of photos of it while it was displayed in David Lange's room.

One of the ways a genuine Griswold pup can be distinguished is the appearance of that ghost mark between the words GRISWOLD and PUP. It appears, at least partially, on every cast iron Griswold pup I've ever seen.







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