

From Paul's Desk



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ANTIQUÉ APPRAISING

Appraisals can vary greatly in their accuracy and values assigned to each piece. Why? Because there are different kinds of appraisals. Estate appraisals, generally the lowest value, state the item's fair market value in an open sale such as an auction or the value of the item's materials. This is often the type of appraisal used to settle estates. Retail appraisals determine the retail value of the item taking into account change in value over approximately a three year period, as well as replacing the item with one of similar value, but not necessarily with a duplicate item. Finally there are exact replacement value appraisals which give the highest value as it requires a duplicate replacement in all aspects of the item.

There are also different levels of appraisals, such as verbal, informal and formal. We'll discuss this topic in next week's article . . . to be continued.

At HAIG'S OF ROCHESTER FINE JEWELRY, we have educated and GIA-trained appraisers on staff who can appraise jewelry, antique Asian textiles, prints, ceramics and more. For over 35 years, our customers have trusted HAIG'S OF ROCHESTER FINE JEWELRY to appraise and restore their valuable antique heirlooms. Join us this Saturday, August 9 for our **FOURTH ANNUAL APPRAISAL DAY** at our store from 10am-5pm. All verbal appraisals are \$5 per item. Limit five items per person. All proceeds will benefit the Oakland Township and Rochester-Avon Historical Societies.

PS. For 35 years, Haig's of Rochester Fine Jewelry has offered customers a **FREE FIVE MINUTE** verbal appraisal on their items. Try it! Free parking behind our store, open Monday through Saturday.

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