

# Pickers Meet Antiques Road Show In West County

## *Introducing West County's Largest Buyer*



D & M Estate Buyers and Manchester Coin & Jewelry are local companies under one roof that offer an educated alternative to your average "gold buyer." A second-generation company that treats guests with respect and offers free evaluations of their valuables, D & M and Manchester Coin help generate the most money in the hands of clients.

David McKinnis owns and operates the interesting business in Historic Manchester. The store is a potent mixture of some of the highest rated shows on TV right now. D & M Estate Buyers specializes in rare oddities, and staff is qualified to appraise, purchase and sell such items. D & M is much like "Antiques Roadshow" and "American Pickers," spending every day buying and appraising antiques, estate jewelry, antique sterling hollowware, and just about anything old and valuable. The store has everything from insects frozen in time by 10-million-year-old amber to a gorgeous art nouveau mirror.

"I cannot begin to convey the uniqueness of our store," McKinnis said. "There is something here for everyone, so please stop by and check us out. If something is laying around your home or has been on the shelf for years and serves no purpose, we can change that."

McKinnis, his father, Donald, and his business partner, Michael C. Wilke, all man the store that has proven to be successful.



Rare Oddities

"My father has been in the business for 55 years and has retired after having a store in Clayton for years," McKinnis said. "I fell in love with watches at age 7, and I have

been in the business since graduating college at 19 with a master's degree in watchmaking 22 years ago. Seventy-seven years of combined experience is right in the heart of West County."

D & M's areas of expertise are as follows, however, not in order of importance or limited to: Fine Antiques, Fine Time Pieces, Fine and Rare Clocks, War of 1812 through WWII Memorabilia, Gold and Silver Coins, Fine Stringed Instruments (violins, guitars, banjos, mandolins, violas), Large Diamonds with an emphasis on Old World Cut, Historical Documents, photos of U.S. Presidents and all related memorabilia, 18th-century Sterling Silver through present, Fine Platinum Jewelry and All Antique Jewelry.



The Old Man



1947 Harley Davidson

"There are some coin shops and there are some gold-buying places, but you won't be able to find it all under one roof in

West County," Wilke said. "We're kind of a culmination of all of the above. We also educate our customers while paying top dollar. We're fair, and our customers love us for it."

Reproductions, new items and mass-marketed collector items are not allowed. The warm feel and ambiance of the store is unequalled in the Midwest. The historic building was built in 1853 and lends itself to the whole antique and fine oddities idea.

Diverse, highly educated and unique, D & M and Manchester Coin offer free information and appraisals to the public all day every day. Also, ask about outside parties and buying shows they will come to you for any event or occasion.

"We provide a professional, inviting and accommodating environment to buy and sell high quality products," Wilke said.



Built in 1853

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