



National Association of Watch & Clock Collectors

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## May 15th, 2011 GREATER PHILADELPHIA EXPO CENTER AT OAKS 100 Station Ave., Oaks, PA 19456 (484) 754-3976

**THE SPEAKER FOR THE MAY 15TH MEETING WILL BE: GEORGE & ARLYN RATH.**  
Their topic will be "Early Days of the NAWCC."

**THE WORKSHOP WILL BE GIVEN BY: DAVE GORRELL.** His topic will be "Clamping techniques for Clock Case Repair." It will include: Vacuum Bagging, Caul production, traditional and nontraditional methods of clamping for cases and veneering.

### THE MARCH 13 MEETING

The March Meeting went very well. There were no negative incidents reported, we sold 113 tables, and we had 244 members in attendance. As you can see, the attendance numbers and table sales have been holding steady for most of this year. In light of the tough economic times, that is not a bad sign. We would like to increase our numbers, as would all Chapters and we are constantly searching for ways to do this. Any suggestions you might have towards meeting this challenge would be greatly appreciated. We did pick up 9 new members at the March meeting which is always a good sign. This brings our dues paid enrollment up to 375.

### SCHOLARSHIPS

We are still looking for candidates for our annual scholarship grant. If you or any one you know could use some money to further your Horological education and skills let us know. We send notices of our Scholarship Grants to every accredited institution in the United States that teaches or enhances the Horological Arts. We are astounded and disappointed by the lack of response to our efforts. This does not bode well for the future of our industry.

### CHAPTER ONE SPONSORED FIELD SUITCASE WORKSHOP

The Chapter would like to sponsor the following Field Suitcase Course:

#### **F101 The basic American Kitchen Clock Course**

This is a fundamental course in which the students learn to disassemble a movement, diagnose its problems, understand its time and strike components, reassemble it and adjust the escapement. The course is designed so that at the end of the four days of instruction the student will have a fully repaired and running clock movement. The cost to the student is a reasonable \$275 - just about the cost of one clock repair. The second course is F301 the basic Pocket Watch Repair Course. This course has the student learn how to disassemble a typical American Pocket watch, become familiar with its components, clean the watch and reassemble it so at the end of the course the student has a fully functional running pocket watch. The cost of this course is also \$275. Here again, the cost of a typical cleaning, oiling and adjustment of any good American Pocket watch. If you have any interest in either of these courses let us know. The times and place for instruction will be dependent upon the number of students and their schedules. Remember, scholarship money for these courses is available.

**Our Next Meeting will be on Sunday, June 19, 2011.**



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## A Sign of the Times

A 90-year-old man was taking his daily walk one day when he noticed a frog sitting on the side of the road. As he passed, the frog said "I'm not really a frog. I'm a beautiful princess cursed by an evil witch. If you give me a kiss I'll turn into a beautiful 25-year-old woman."

The old gentleman picks up the frog and puts it in his pocket. "What are you doing?" asks the frog. "Didn't you hear me?" "I heard you," said the old man, "but at my age I can get a whole lot more from a talking frog than a beautiful princess."

## Silent Auction

The Silent Auction went very well last meeting. A brisk market was handled very well under the supervision of our two cochairmen: Charlie Buttz and George Morrison. Unfortunately our new 501C3 program didn't do as well. If you have items that you don't want or need, donate them to the Chapter and take the tax write-off. Very often the tax write-off amounts to more return to the donor than selling the item on the Mart floor.

## Chapter Needs

Here is a list of our current Chapter Needs. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

1. Suggestions for topics and Speakers for our Luncheons and Workshops
2. Volunteers to help man the Registration Tables
3. More new Members
4. Volunteers to run for Council
5. Volunteers to assist in running the upcoming Mid Eastern Regional.

## Registering for Chapter One Meetings Online

Don't have the time to mail in your Advance Registration? Now you can Register Online. Just email Dave Gorrell at [djgclocks@aol.com](mailto:djgclocks@aol.com). Indicate the number of tables you want, the number of registrations you need, whether you want to register as an Early bird and whether you will be staying for Lunch. You can then present a check for your reserved items and pick up your badge at the door the day of the meeting. However "Wednesday 5 PM prior to the meeting" is still the last day for adding or canceling registrations. We want to make registration more convenient and try to reduce the number of Walk Ins and relieve the pressure on our Council members who have to man the welcome table on meeting day. So, if you can, please take advantage of this new registration model.

## NAWCC PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER ONE REGISTRATION FORM

For our **MAY 15, 2011 Meeting** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meeting/Mart Advanced Registration** (All participants must pay these entrance fees to the Mart)

**NAWCC Member/spouse** \$18 per person # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$18.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Member's Child (age 5 - 17)** \$ 9 per child # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$9.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I WILL \_\_\_\_\_, I WILL NOT \_\_\_\_\_ be staying for Lunch

**MART TABLE (Chapter 1 Members Only)** \$20.00 each # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**EARLY BIRD (This fee is in addition to the \$18.00/ person entrance fee)**

**1 or 2 Members only + Spouse or Children** \$15.00 # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$15.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**3 or 4 Members only + Spouse or Children** \$23.00 # \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$23.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Check Payable to NAWCC Chapter #1** **TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**NAMES FOR BADGES (Please Print Clearly)**

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**Phone**(\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to : Dave Gorrell/ 1179 Dicus Mill Rd. / Millersville, MD. 21108** By filling out this form the payee agrees to adhere to all Chapter One Mart Room Rules and By-Laws