



The National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors, Inc.

Philadelphia Chapter One

Chartered November 1, 1943

The next Chapter One Meeting will be held on:

February 3, 2013

It will again be held at a **New Venue**, the address
is

Holiday Inn

Philadelphia North/Fort Washington

432 Pennsylvania Ave. Fort Washington, Pa. 19034

The Speakers for the December 2nd Meeting:

Workshop Presenter will be **Howard Klein**. His topic will be:

**"Diagnosing Westminster Chime Sequence Problems and
Solutions"**

The Luncheon Speaker will be **Lee Davis**. His topic will be:

"The Iron Front Clock Exhibit at the recent Mid Eastern Regional"

The New Venue

The comments about the new venue were very much as expected. Those members coming from the North and East were pleased, those from the West and South were not so pleased. However, most of the comments voiced during the Meeting were of a positive nature. The Mart Room was well laid out and most people were happy with the intimacy and carpeted floors. There were, surprisingly, few complaints about table size and location. The Luncheon was very well received - more on that later. The staff at the Holiday Inn was extremely helpful and anxious to please. Loading and unloading were relatively easy and the coffee was, again, a welcome touch. The Holiday Inn was also very pleased with our success and hopes that we will continue to use their facility. They have also granted us a special Room Rate of \$89.00 per night. If you mention that you are with the Chapter One Watch and Clock meeting they will grant you that rate. Fortunately, as far as we know, no one went to the former meeting site at Oaks. This may be attributed to the vast and expensive campaign waged to prevent that from happening. It was encouraging to see that it was a success despite a great many fears to the contrary.

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Italian Lunch Buffet

Caesar Salad, Antipasto Display

Chicken Parmigiano,

Cheese Tortellini Alfredo, Roasted Red Bliss Potatoes, Garlic Green Beans,

Focaccia Bread with Olive Oil

Cannolis,

Coffee, Tea, & Iced Tea.

Table and Luncheon Reservations

It is suggested that those wishing to purchase tables at this meeting do so as soon as possible. There is a limited amount of table space available at this new site and tables will be assigned on a first come first serve basis. It is highly recommended that you Pre-register since Walk Ins may not be able to purchase tables. Fortunately at this new site we will have a more varied luncheon menu. Unfortunately, however, we have been limited to serving only eighty buffet meals. This means that those who want to stay for lunch MUST pre-register and indicate on their Pre-Registration Form whether they are staying for lunch or not. Here again, we will be allocating lunches on a first come first serve basis.

Luncheon Vouchers:

When you indicate on your Registration Form that you will stay for Lunch you are in fact reserving a Luncheon spot. This means that we have ordered a Luncheon for you. At the December Meeting there were 79 members who reserved a Luncheon. Unfortunately, a good many others decided that they were entitled to lunch even though they had not indicated so on their Forms. We served over 100 meals that day. The problem arose when we ran out of table space and members moved themselves to the Restaurant in the next room. This greatly upset the Restaurant staff and the Hotel staff as well. In order to prevent this sort of problem in the future each Member reserving a Luncheon will be issued a Voucher at the Registration Desk. That Voucher will be collected at the Luncheon Room door. There will only be 80 vouchers made; those without a voucher will not be allowed to enter the Luncheon room. Those who wish to hear the Luncheon Speaker but do not or cannot have Lunch will be allowed to enter after the serving line has been closed down.

Gifts to the Chapter : A special thanks goes out to the following members for their gifts to the Chapter:

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Lee Davis

Security:

Donald Buck (Acting)

Publicity:

David Gorrell

Cas Woodbridge donated a very nice clock and it was placed in the Silent Auction, the proceeds were then given to the Chapter.

Charlie Buttz gave a sizeable cash donation to the Chapter.

Their gifts are greatly appreciated and the proceeds will go a long way towards helping the Chapter further its educational goals. Remember that all gifts to the Chapter can be written off as a tax deduction since the Chapter has a 501 C 3 status.

Publicity

The Publicity Committee is embarking on a project to further the Chapter's presence and mission by establishing its own website independent of NAWCC Headquarters. The plan, still in the pilot stage, will enable the Chapter to communicate with the public and its members through YouTube, Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, and other forms of modern social media. This program will enable us to reach a younger and heretofore untapped segment of the public. We will be able to further our educational mission through this new media system and hopefully rekindle interest in Horology by targeting specific demographic segments of the public. We will be able to advertise our mission, events, and activities to a greater audience than the print media would ever hope to reach. Our Luncheon Lectures, Workshop presentations, panel discussions, Newsletters and One Day Classes could be recorded and broadcast or transmitted in much the same way as the old radio or T.V. programs we "old folks" remember so fondly. It's a new era and the Committee feels that it's time we, as a Chapter, entered this exciting new world of Social Media.

Phone and Email Registration:

For the past three years we have allowed members to register for Meetings online and by phone. This was seen as a service to our membership and an added convenience for those with tight schedules. We hope to continue this service. However, there is beginning to be a number of members who make their reservations for Meetings, tables and lunch online and by phone, agreeing to pay at the door, and never showing up or paying for those obligations. The Chapter's policy in these cases is, and will remain, that once a member makes a reservation for a table, a lunch, or advanced registration, and fails to pay for those reservations will forfeit their ability to preregister by phone or by email in the future. Keep in mind that we must submit to the Holiday Inn the final table and luncheon numbers by the **Saturday** one week prior to the meeting date.

One Day Clock Repair Class

The One Day class on Adjusting Recoil, Dead Beat and Half Dead Beat Escapements was well attended with 12 students. The students learned the basic nomenclature for the escapements and their functions. They also learned how to adjust them. If their clock didn't need adjustment when they brought it in, it soon did after some modification by the instructor. All maladjusted escapements were satisfactorily put back in working order by the students by the end of the class.

The One Day Class for the February Meeting will be, "Adjusting and repairing the Chiming and Striking features on Clock Movements". This class will cover the basic functions of Chiming and striking mechanisms as well as stressing the finer points of setting up a proper sequence for those mechanisms. All types of striking and chiming mechanisms will be covered; American, French, German, and English will be discussed. Antique and Modern Common striking, grand sonnerie, petite sonnerie, Westminster and other Chimes, as well as Mobier repeat striking systems will be included. Unusual mechanisms are more than welcome. Students should bring to the class a striking and/or Chiming clock movement as well as an assortment of hand tools and some form of magnification. Especially welcome will be striking and chiming mechanisms that are in need of repair. However, if you are bringing a mechanism that needs repair please let the instructor know in advance so that special tools or materials can be provided for you. The instructor will be Dave Gorrell. The cost of the course is still \$10.00 with a pizza and soda lunch provided. The class will begin around 10:00A.M. and last until 3:00 P.M. You may register with the instructor in advance or just show up at the door. The class will be held on Saturday Feb. 2nd in the Holiday Inn, Fort Washington. Ask at the desk for directions to the class room.

Chapter One trip to the American Watch and Clock Museum, Bristol, Ct.

We have 10 members signed up for the Tour so far, many more are welcome. The deadline for signing up will be February 3rd, 2013. In order to reserve your seat on the Bus you will be required to submit a \$10.00 deposit. So far we have enough to fill one minivan, if more members sign up we will increase the size of the vehicle to accommodate that increase. The cost of the trip will be determined by the cost of the transportation. You may include your deposit in your Meeting Registration Form, mail it in, or give it to one of the people manning the Registration Desk. Entrance to the Museum will be the standard \$6.00 per person/ \$5.00 for senior's rate.

A bus trip to the American Watch and Clock Museum in Bristol Ct. has been scheduled for Saturday March 16th, 2013. The Museum will still be closed to the public at that time but we have arranged a private tour of the Museum exclusively for the members of Chapter One. The bus will leave from the Philadelphia area around 6:00 A.M. and will proceed to Bristol Connecticut. We plan to arrive at the Museum around 10:00 A.M. After the tour we will have lunch at a local restaurant and then a motor tour of the Horological points of interest around Bristol such as the J.C. Brown House, the S.B. Terry House, the Cemetery and many other sites as well. Then we will depart for home, hopefully arriving around 6:30 P.M. If you are interested, fill out the form at the bottom of this page and submit it to Dave Gorrell, 1179 Dicus Mill Rd. Millersville, Md. 21108

American Watch and Clock Tour March 16, 2013

I am interested in taking this tour:

Name: _____ Phone # _____

I will: _____ 1. Provide my own transportation. _____ 2. Use the Chapter One Chartered Bus.

I will: _____ 1. Provide my own Lunch. _____ 2. Pay for my lunch at the Restaurant.

Want to earn \$50.00 in Chapter One Mart Scrip?

Enter the "Best in Show" watch and/or clock Contest. The winner will receive a \$50.00 Mart Scrip prize. All you need to do is bring in an unusual or unique watch or clock. We will put it on a secure display table and the membership will view the entries and cast their ballots for the "Best in Show". After the Luncheon has been served, those displaying their pieces can describe them. The ballots will be counted and the winners presented with their Mart Scrip Prizes. This new program is to encourage attendance and to rekindle interest in the Horological arts. The items need not be "For Sale" and can be marked "For display only".

The Best In Show Contest

By all indications the First "Best In Show Contest" was a success. There were thirteen entrees and it was agreed by all that it was a very interesting and unique display. The Council would like to thank all of the contestants and hope that this activity will continue to remain an integral part of our Meetings.

The Contestants and their submissions were:

Don Sadler – A "Mysterieuse" mystery watch and unfinished Ebauche.

Andrew Slade – A survey Chronograph

Donald Muzyka – French Marble Shelf Clock with a rare hidden winding system.

Gordon Graves -- A Paul Ditisheim Chronometer with central seconds hand.

Dan Webber – 2 Girandole Wall Clocks 1. Period Striking, 2. 1860 -1890 Girandole with No maker's name.

Dave Gorrell – A German W & H. Bracket clock with Westminster chimes on tubular bells.

Michael Allen -- A Seth Thomas Senora 5 Bell Shelf clock with a rare elaborate brass inlaid front.

Ronald Matinog -- Two rare Angelus Clocks, one in the form of a Light House, the other as a Street Light.

Dave Gorrell -- A rare New Haven 8 Bell Westminster Chime Clock with a Wilcox Chime mechanism.

The winner of the First "Best In Show Contest" was:

For Watches: **John Wilson** who submitted a lovely Gustave Sandoz Inking Chronograph.

For Clocks: **John Wilson** who submitted a Levin Carriage Chronometer with a spring Detent.

For Others: No Entrees.

John will receive his \$50.00 of Mart Scrip for each winning category. The contest was well received and was the focus of a great deal of attention. It is hoped that this activity will inspire many more of you to enter the Contest and give us all an opportunity to see some more beautiful and unique watches and clocks. Some questions were asked about the third category "Others". This category is for unique tools, machines, or any other Horological item that doesn't fit the Watch or Clock categories.

Membership Committee

The Membership Committee is pleased to report that we now have 323 dues paying members. Remember we are always ready and willing to sign on new members, so if you know of anyone who shares our interests in Horology bring them along to the Meeting. If you have paid your dues for the 2012-2013 year and have not yet received your new Orange highlighted membership card contact the Secretary Dave Gorrell.

Scholarship Committee:

The Scholarship Committee is proud to announce this year's Chapter One Scholarship winners. After much consideration and discussion it felt that the most deserving applicants to receive this year's awards were: Adrian Naum who is attending the Hayek Watchmaking School in Miami, Florida; and Tom Vernachio who is studying at the York Time Institute, York, Pennsylvania. Both recipients will receive a \$500.00 grant. We hope that these two gentlemen will find rewarding careers in the Horological arts.

PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER ONE NAWCC, INC. REGISTRATION FORM

For the Meeting of **February 3, 2013**

Advanced Registration (All participants must pay these entrance fees to the MART)

NAWCC Member/ Spouse / Guest \$18.00 per person # _____ @ \$18.00 = \$ _____

Member's Child (Age 5 – 17) \$9.00 per child # _____ @ \$9.00 = \$ _____

I WILL STAY FOR LUNCH _____ , I WILL NOT STAY FOR LUNCH _____

MART TABLE : (CHAPTER ONE 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 = \$ _____

Names for the Badges (Please Print Clearly)

- 1) _____ NAWCC # _____
- 2) _____ NAWCC # _____
- 3) _____ NAWCC# _____

I WOULD LIKE TO SIGN UP FOR THE One Day Class on Sat. Feb. 2 @ \$10.00/person = \$ _____

Topic: "Striking and Chiming Mechanisms, Set Up and Repair"

I would like to sign up for the " Amer. Watch & Clock Museum Tour" Deposit \$10.000 / person: \$ _____

TOTAL \$ _____

Phone # () _____

Mail to : David Gorrell 1179 Dicus Mill Rd. Millersville, Md. 21108

Or You may register ON LINE at: djgclocks@aol.com

By filling out this form the payee/s agree to adhere to all Chapter One NAWCC, Inc., Mart Room Rules and By Laws. NO REFUNDS AFTER 12 NOON THE **SATURDAY** PRIOR TO THE MEETING

Date Rec'd _____ Check # _____ Check Amt. _____ Lunch # _____

February 3rd. meeting Schedule:

Saturday Feb. 2. "One Day Class" – Holiday Inn 10:00A.M. to 3:00 P.M.

" Setting up and Repairing Striking and Chiming Clock Mechanisms"

Sunday Feb. 3.

7:15 A.M. Registration Opens – In the Lobby of the Holiday Inn

7:30 to 8:30 A.M.– Mart Room set up Table Holders and Early Birds Only

8:30 A.M. – Mart Room opens to all Registered participants

10:30 – 11:30 – Workshop in the Luncheon area. Howard Klein presenter.

" Diagnosing Westminster Chime Sequence Problems and Solutions"

12:00 – Noon Mart Room Closes. No Security, the Mart Room must be cleared.

12:15 to 1:45 – Luncheon – Speaker Lee Davis.

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