

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:

# September 15, 2013 AT THE Holiday Inn

Philadelphia North/Fort Washington

432 Pennsylvania Ave. Fort Washington, Pa. 19034

The Speakers for the September 15, 2013 Meeting will be:

The Workshop Presenter will be Terry Addison his topic will be:

"Care and Repair of Wooden Clock Cases"

The Luncheon Speaker will be Michael Marrone his topic will be:

"Marine Chronometers Part I the Story of Longitude"

# YOUR 2013 – 2014 Dues are DUE

## The June 2th Meeting

The Meeting for June 2nd was well attended with 102 members enjoying the Mart and educational programs. Seventy two tables were sold and the items for sale were impressive. Special thanks go out to Neil Wohl who donated several boxes of Horological Books to the Chapter. These were to be sold through the Silent Auction with all proceeds going to the Chapter.

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#### Membership Committee

## Your 2013 - 2014 dues are now due.

You may pay your \$10.00 dues when you send in your Registration for the September Meeting or you can mail in your dues to the Secretary: Dave Gorrell, 1179 Dicus Mill Rd. Millersville, Maryland 21108.

Chapter One membership runs from September 1st to August 31st of every year. Your 2012-2013 Orange Membership card will not be valid for the September 15th Meeting. The new membership cards will be highlighted in

Green. Remember that if you don't pay your dues you may not:

Advance register at any meetings, Receive a copy of the Newsletter, Receive a free Lunch, Register for a Meeting by Phone, Enter the "Best in Show Contest" Purchase or share a table in the Mart, Purchase an Early Bird Entrance, Register for a Meeting by Email Enter items in the Silent Auction

#### The menu for the September 15th Meeting will be:

Garden Salad,

Baked Chicken Breast with herb seasoning

Rice Pilaf, Fresh Vegetables,

Rolls & Butter,

Assorted Cakes

Coffee, hot Tea, Decaf, & 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. Unfortunately, we also 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.

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#### Phone and Email Registration:

For the past three years we have allowed members to register for Meetings on Line 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 have to submit the final table and lunch numbers to the Holiday Inn by 10:A.M. the Saturday one week prior to the meeting date.

#### Advertising in the Chapter One Newsletter

it has been suggested by some of our members that one way of defraying the cost of mailing our Newsletter was to allow those interested in advertising their services or products to purchase ad space in the Newsletter itself. If you are interested in purchasing a space or are in need of some other announcement space feel free to contact the Secretary, David Gorrell, and it will be provided. Since this is a new venture the rates for advertising and/or announcements will be extremely reasonable.

#### New Members

As everyone knows the interest in Clocks and Watches is still very much alive and well. However, it is astonishing to learn that only 50% of the NAWCC members are members of local chapters. A more aggressive and effective means of attracting these members into attending and participating in their local chapters must be found and put into practice. Our Membership and Education Committees try to do their part by sending invitations to our meetings of all new NAWCC members in our area and by sending out our summer Newsletter to every NAWCC member in the seven states surrounding the Philadelphia area. This has helped in maintaining our membership at the levels it now enjoys. But it is evident that those measures are still inadequate. The Council welcomes any suggestions or ideas that could be used to further this endeavor. The Council believes that it has broken new ground in offering new and innovative aspects to our meetings and feels that much of this is not reaching the eyes and ears of the non-local attending NAWCC member. So please give this some thought and please let any member of Council know about them. And please, bring in any new members you happen to know, feel free to invite them to our meetings, new members are always welcome.

### 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, the items in the contest will be presented to the audience. 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

The Fourth "Best in Show Contest" was not as successful as the previous three. There were an only two entrees; however, both were examples of unique and interesting timepieces. The Council would like to thank all of the contestants and hope that the interest in this activity will increase and continue to remain an integral part of our Meetings.

The Committee with its new system for safely displaying watches and small clocks, hopes that more members will participate in this Contest in the future. There still seems to a reluctance or maybe some confusion about entering items in the "Other" category of this Contest. That category is open to all horological items that do not fit the Watch or Clock categories. Items such as tools, books, devices, art, advertising, etc., in fact any item that would have been used in the field of horology is welcome.

The new wrinkle introduced recently to our "Best in Show Contest" where each entry was to be photographed and then presented to the audience at the luncheon, along with a brief description seemed to be very well received by most of our members. However, the timing of that presentation, during the after dinner program, seems to be a bit unwieldy. The Committee is working on that as well as other aspects of the Contest to try to make it a more valuable part of all of our meetings.

# The winners of the "Best in Show Contest, June 2nd" were:

For Clocks: An 1840's, all original, Chauncey Jerome weight driven shelf clock. It was a lovely example of the smallest weight driven clock ever made by Jerome. The clock, itself, measures only 22 inches from top to bottom.

For Watches: A very nice, small "Night Light" with a watch attached to an opaque, back lighted dial. It also had a statue of a Native American figure which served as the base and pedestal,

For Others: No Entry

Each of the winning entries received \$50.00 in MART scrip.

#### **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. If you order a Lunch but do not show up and we cannot sell that meal you will be charged for the Lunch you ordered.

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.

#### One Day Clock Repair Class

The One Day Clock Repair Class on "Clock Gear Cutting" was very successful there were 12 students each of whom learned the rudiments of clock gear (Wheel) cutting. Each student got an opportunity to lay out their gear blank, set up the gear cutting engine, and then to experience cutting teeth into their own wheel blank.

#### There will not be a "One Day Class" for the September Meeting.

The "One Day Class" for the October Meeting will be on "Disassembling, cleaning and reassembling an American Pocket watch". Each student must bring: A working mechanical American Pocket watch, A good pair of tweezers, Some sort of eye Loupe or Optivisor, A set of watch makers screwdrivers, A watch movement holder, A watch case opener (one that fits your watch), A bench watch blower, A watch oiler, A good bench light, Any other tools or equipment that you feel you might need.

The last part of every class will be devoted to "The Open Bench". This is a segment of the class where anyone who has a problem with a particular clock and wishes to have help either in diagnosing the problem or making the repair itself, may bring it to the class and get the assistance they need. It is advised that those bringing clocks to this part of the program notify Dave Gorrell, the class instructor beforehand so that the proper tools and parts can be obtained.

<u>Chapter One trip to the Frick Museum</u> The Council would still like to sponsor this trip. However, it is particularly difficult to decide on an appropriate date. Any and all suggestions would be welcome.

I am interested in joining the "Precision and Splendor, Watch and Clock Collection" Tour of the Frick Museum.

Ticket prices are \$18.00 for Adults, \$15.00 for seniors, \$1	0.00 for Students (with valid I.D.s) Children under 10 are
not admitted to the Museum. Transportation will not be	provided for this tour, however, Bolt bus tickets from
Baltimore and Philadelphia to New York are \$20.00 each	. Subway tickets to the Frick Museum must be paid for by
each individual. A discussion dinner for all participants	could be arranged after the Museum visit. This could be
provided at each participant's expense and only if the nu	mbers participating were large enough to make the venture
worthwhile. Name:	I would, I would Not
participate in the post Museum dinner. The Best date	for me would be:

## PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER ONE NAWCC, INC. REGISTRATION FORM

For the Meeting of September 15, 2013

Advanced Registration (All part	ncipants must pay ti	2000 02-0-0	,
NAWCC Member/ Spouse / Guest	\$18.00 per person	#	@ \$18.00 = \$
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