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:

# **May 1, 2022** at the Holiday Inn, Lansdale 1750 Sumneytown Pike Kulpsville, Pa. 19443 215 368 3800

At the present time, if you are fully vaccinated you do not have to wear a mask, but you can if you are more comfortable. This could change by the time of the meeting so you may want to bring a mask with you.

The Luncheon Speaker will be: Wayne Laning. The topic is "Joseph Ives - The Man and His Clocks".

**The Workshop Speaker will be: Lee Davis.** The topic is "Changing Concepts of American Clock Case Tablet Design from Ca. 1825 To 1855 With an Emphasis on Stencils Used as Decorative Elements".

**Upcoming meetings.** The meetings for 2022 will be May 1<sup>st</sup>, September 11<sup>th</sup>, and December 4<sup>th</sup>. All the meetings will be held at the Holiday Inn in Lansdale (Kulpsville), Pa.

**The Best in Show.** Do you have a watch, clock or horological related item? Why not bring it in to present in the Best of Show. This is a great way to educate other members. The winners will receive \$50 in Mart scrip to be used in the mart room. This can be carried over to future events if you don't use it the day you win.

**Saturday Hands On Workshop** The "One Day Class" for Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup> will be: The second part of the "Black Mantel Clock Refurbishing Class" will concentrate on getting the Movement going. We will dissemble the clock movement, polish the pivots, bush the holes that are worn, clean or replace the springs, reassemble the clock movement. Participants should bring: a lathe, burnisher, pliers, screw driver, magnification, calipers or micrometer, and any other tools they think they might need. If participants do not have these tools, they will be supplied with them. If new participants who had not attended the first part of the class wish to join us they are more than welcome. The finished clocks will then be placed in the "Silent Auction" during the Sunday May 1 st meeting to be sold to the highest bidder. Proceeds will be donated to the Chapter. The classes will start at 10:00AM and end around 5:00 PM. Please let the Secretary or the Instructor, Dave Gorrell

know if you are going to participate in this class so the number of clocks needed can be determined. For this or any other questions please call the instructor Dave Gorrell at 443 694 4972 or email him at <u>djgclocks@aol.com</u>.

**Next Year's Dues.** With the cost of printing and postage and the labor involved in creating the newsletter, the cost of dues will rise to \$25.

**However**, if you are willing to take the newsletter by email, the cost will drop to \$5. There is a lot of time, work and effort involved with mailing the newsletter out, so I hope you will consider taking the newsletter by email.

**We need your help.** The chapter is looking for volunteers for different tasks. If you can help with covering the tables, helping with the registration desk, helping with setting up the A/V equipment or recording the speakers, taking pictures or joining the board, let one of the officers know. Let us know if you have suggestions for lunch or workshop speakers. We are always looking for new ideas.

**2022 Mid Eastern Regional** We are contemplating devoting our Exhibit at the Mid Eastern Regional to the "Terry Clock Family". This would include clocks and clock related items from any member of the Terry family. That would include clocks, tools, patients, etc. from Eli, Eli Jr., Henry, and S.B. Terry. If you or anyone you know has a clock or anything associated with this family and would be interested in allowing us to exhibit it at the 2022 Mid Eastern Regional let us know. You can contact us at Dave Gorrell <u>digclocks@aol.com</u> or 443 694 4972.

**Elections At the May Meeting.** We will have elections for officers and some of the directors at the May meeting. Officers are elected every two years. Directors are elected to a 4 year term. If you have interest in helping guide the chapter let one of the officers know.

**Taxes.** Everyone knows that on the fifteenth of April we have to give up to the Government a portion of our yearly earnings. As begrudging as it may seem today there were times when clock and watch collectors were singled out to pay even more to the government than ordinary citizens. These poor people penalized for their love of clocks and watches were forced to pay a tax on each and every watch or clocks they owned. In Great Britain during the Napoleonic Wars the government found itself in dire need of money. One way they thought would be an easy way to raise the funds was to tax watch and clock owners. They passed a series of taxes on known as the "Duties on Watches and Clocks".

The Duties on Clocks and Watches Act July 18th 1797 covered all timepieces, including watches and clocks. The annual tax rate was two shillings and sixpence (half a crown) for a basic watch up to ten shillings for a gold watch. Clocks costing more than 20 shillings (one pound) were rated at five shillings. A pound in 1795 is equivalent to 165 pounds or \$216 U.S. dollars today. Clock makers and dealers were also subject to a tax of five shillings on their license. Some groups were exempt such as hospitals, churches, public buildings the Royal Family and, of course, Parliament itself Very few people have ever heard of this little-known Act of Parliament. Parliament Clocks were public service wall clocks erected by various institutions - notably taverns - following the 1797 introduction of a clock tax by William Pitt in his efforts to raise funds for the wars against Napoleon.

The result was that people simply stopped buying new clocks and watches. Clockmakers and their suppliers rapidly went out of business and the act was repealed nine months later in May 1798. One of the taxes brought in to replace the Clock Tax was Income Tax in December 1798. As a response

to the Act many public buildings and institutions put up their own large clocks on display to the public. This style of clock, even after the act was repealed, became known as Act of Parliament Clock.



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#### **Registration for the Meeting: May 1, 2022.**

#### Please Submit by Wednesday April 27<sup>rd</sup> if you want lunch or a table.

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Member's Child (Age 5 – 17)	\$9.00 per	child	#	@ <b>\$9.00</b> = <b>\$</b>
I WILL STAY FOR LUNCH I	WILL NOT ST	TAY FOR	LUNCH _	
MART TABLE:	\$20.	00 EACH	#	@ \$20.00 = \$
EARLY BIRD for non-table holders (Th	nis fee is in addi	tion to the	\$18.00 /pe	rson entrance fee
1 or 2 Members only + Spouse or C	Children \$15.	00	#	@ \$15.00 = \$
Names for the Badges (Please Print Cle	early)			
1)			NAWC	C #
2)	NAWCC #			
I WOULD LIKE TO SIGN UP FOR TH	IE "One Day Cl	ass" \$15.0	0/person	\$
Chapter One Membership Dues 9/1/202	21 to 8/31/2022	\$10.00	per year	\$
				\$

Mail to: Jeffrey Fox 2 Pebble Drive Horsham, Pa. 19044

Or email your Registration to <u>Jeffrey.W.Fox@gmail.com</u>

Or call (215) 672-6947

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 ON April 23<sup>th</sup> WHICH IS 8 DAYS BEFORE THE May  $1^{th}$  MEETING.

**Meeting Schedule:** 

Saturday April 30<sup>th</sup> "One Day Class"

Starts at 10:00A.M. ends at 5:00P.M.

Sunday May 1<sup>th</sup> General Meeting

7:30 A.M. Registration Opens -

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 other registered participants

10:45 A.M. Best in Show Contest.

11:00 A.M. -- Workshop

12:00 – Noon Lunch will be served and then the lunch speaker will present.

# **NAWCC Mid-Eastern Regional**

Friday & Saturday October 14 – 15, 2022 No Sunday this Year

York Expo Center, 334 Carlisle Avenue, York, PA 17404

Hosted by Chapters 1, 17, 34, 158 and 193.

### Pre-Registration Deadline September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022

PLEASE NOTE NEW SCHEDULE

	Registration	Mart setup	Mart opens	Mart closes
Friday	11:30 AM -5:00 PM	1:30 PM	3:00 PM	5 PM
Saturday	7:30 AM	8 AM	9:30 AM	5 PM

All NAWCC regional rules and regulations apply and will be enforced. Only horological and closely related items, as determined by the mart chair, are permitted for sale. The Mid–Eastern Regional committee, the NAWCC INC., and the host chapters and their officers are not responsible for any loss, injury, or tort, during, or arising from the conduct of the regional.

Silent Auctions will take place throughout Mart hours.

Table Registration is open to NAWCC members only.

#### Please type or print neatly and provide <u>complete</u> information for name badge

First Name:	MI:Last Name	:
Address:	City:	StateZip
Email	Phone#	NAWCC#
Household member name (1 admitted free)		#children (< 18 yr free)**
		<b>IMPORTANT Notes:</b>
<b>Preregistration</b> : \$35/registran	it (\$40 at door) \$	Requests for shared or adjoining tables must
		be submitted together
Early Bird: additional \$20 per 1	registrant* \$	* Not needed for table holders
8'Tables: \$40/table***: # tabl	esx \$40 =\$	<b>** 18 yr or older must register</b> unless admitted as household member
Electric hookup: \$50	\$	<b>***</b> tables \$45 at the door.
ſ	TOTAL DUE: \$	

LODGING: The Wyndham Garden Hotel, 2000 Loucks Rd., York, Pa. 17408 has reserved a block of Call **717-846-9500** and mention **WATCH & CLOCK** to reserve a room **by September 20, 2022** to receive

the convention rate of \$89 or \$99 per night. After that date the prevailing rate applies.

**PAYMENTS**: **Registrations will be recorded as payments are received.** Forms not accompanied by payment will be held until payment arrives.

USPS: Send your registration form along with a check made payable to "ME Regional" to: Jeff Fox, Chapter 1 Registration Coordinator, 2 Pebble Drive, Horsham, PA 19044. Email: <u>mideastregional2022@gmail.com</u>

Display, Lecture, and Workshops are still being determined.

