



News at 11

Activities of the NAWCC Maryland Chapter 11

OUR 65th YEAR
1952–2017

2017-18 Important Dates

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DECEMBER 10, 2017

MEETING NOTICE...

Sunday, December 10, 2017

Program: "Ugly Clock Contest / Show & Tell" Presenter: Various

Pickersgill Retirement Community, 615 Chestnut Ave., Towson, MD 21204

Mart & Set-up 8:30 am / Breakfast 9:00 am / Program 10:00 am

Directions: From Baltimore Beltway (I-695) take Exit 25 to MD 139 S (North Charles St.). Proceed (1.7 mi.) to Chestnut Ave.. Turn left on Chestnut Ave. and go (0.4 mi.) to the Pickersgill Retirement Community on the right. Park in the Visitor Parking, and use the main entrance. Check-in at the reception desk for directions to the meeting room.

Maryland Chapter 11

December 10, 2017
Pickersgill Retirement
Community
Breakfast Meeting

February 11, 2018
Pickersgill Retirement
Community
Breakfast Meeting

Philadelphia Chapter 1

Date Not Available

Washington Chapter 12

2nd Sunday of odd months

Free State Chapter 141

2nd Thursday of odd months

Harrisburg Chapter 158

3rd Wednesday of odd months

CHAPTER 11

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Twenty-four members and guests attended the October 8th meeting at the Pickersgill Retirement Community. Our thanks to Mel Kornspan for his interesting talk on "Early American Clocks." Mel took us back to 1802 when Ely Terry started making his clocks, then to 1825 when Chauncey Jerome gave us his pillar and splat clocks. Brass movements began replacing wood movements about 1830. The coiled mainspring appeared about 1845 along with the cottage, beehive and steeple style clocks. In 1880, kitchen and wall clocks appeared, and sometime between that date and 1920, production of mantle clocks started. All of the clocks illustrated were from his collection. I, as well as all participants, enjoyed Mel's presentation and the time he spent answering our questions. Thank you Mel, for a job well done.

Next came the Mid-Eastern Regional at the York Expo Center, York, PA on October 14th and 15th. The show was well attended and shopping was brisk at the 350 tables. A number of Chapter 11 members attended and a number had tables. I enjoyed seeing some out-of-state members that attended the show. The Ansonia Clock Exhibit was great, and the silent auction was enjoyed by all. I even noticed Frank Blahut procuring a slightly used clock case from the Free Table, a new feature at the show.

Our next meeting will be on December 10th. It is our annual "Ugly Clock Contest and Show and Tell." You all have a chance to win, so bring your ugly clock. I am not sure if George Hudson has a clock for the event, but I understand he will lend you his Chia brick to make your own clock a winner.

A note of apology. In our August 20th meeting "My Summer Horological Find" program, Jim Manning showed a very nice double boxed Bliss & Creighton ship's chronometer, circa 1850. This was one of the first completely American made ship's chronometer. It was from the estate of Burl Ives, the noted singer and actor, and was used on his yacht. My apologies to Jim for the omission in our October 8th Newsletter.

See you at the Meeting!

Respectfully Submitted,
Don Buck, President

DATES TO REMEMBER

CHAPTER 11

Pickersgill Retirement Community, Towson, MD:

December 10, 2017 – SUNDAY MEETING W/BREAKFAST

Program: “Ugly Clocks Contest/Show and Tell.” Presenter: Various

February 11, 2018 – SUNDAY MEETING W/BREAKFAST

Program: “Seth Thomas 9” Clocks.” Presenter: David Kehne

April 21, 2018 – JOINT CHAPTER 11, 12, 141 MEETING/MART, WOODSBORO, MD

OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

February 9-10, 2018– Florida Mid-Winter Regional, Lakeland Convention Center, Lakeland, FL

2018 DUES

TO SHOW OUR APPRECIATION FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THE CHAPTER. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAS VOTED TO GIVE YOU FREE DUES FOR THE 2018 CALENDER YEAR. ANY NEW MEMBERS WILL ALSO RECEIVE FREE DUES.

RESERVATION FOR BREAKFAST MEETING NAWCC CHAPTER 11

Mail to **BILL MILLER, 4301 MEADOWCLIFF ROAD, GLEN ARM, MD. 21057** by December 1st

Please reserve the following for me, for the meeting of **DECEMBER 10, 2017**

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| () Dues @ \$10 | \$ <u> N/A </u> |
| () Admission to the meeting @ 10.00 each for self and guest(s) other than spouse. | \$ <u> </u> |
| () Admission for spouse: \$5.00 | \$ <u> </u> |
| () Tables. First come, first served. | FREE |

NOTE: THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF \$2 EACH FOR ADMISSIONS PAID AT THE DOOR.

MEMBER MUST ACCOMPANY AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL GUESTS

I enclose a check payable to MARYLAND CHAPTER 11, NAWCC for

NAME: _____

SPOUSE/GUEST NAME: _____

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