



# News at 11

Activities of the NAWCC Maryland Chapter 11

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JUNE 5, 2016

OUR 64th YEAR  
1952–2016

## 2016 Important Dates

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### Maryland Chapter 11

June 5, 2016  
Pickersgill Retirement  
Community  
Breakfast Meeting

August 28 (tentative), 2016  
Pickersgill Retirement  
Community  
Breakfast Meeting

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### Philadelphia Chapter 1

June 12, 2016—  
Horsham, PA

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### Washington Chapter 12

2nd Sunday of odd months

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### Free State Chapter 141

2nd Thursday of odd months

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### Harrisburg Chapter 158

3rd Wednesday of odd months

#### MEETING NOTICE...

**Sunday, June 5, 2016**

**Program: "E.Howard 1687—Story of the Tower Clock" Presenter: George Hudson**

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.*

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### President's Column

Our March 6th breakfast meeting at the Pickersgill Retirement Community had 26 members and guests in attendance. The program was our annual "Ugly Clock and Show and Tell Program."

We had numerous presenters for the Ugly Clock portion of the program. Bill Hiler showed his "The Good, The Bad and The Ugly " clock, based on the Clint Eastwood movie of the same name.

Frank Blahut, a United novelty clock with a fireplace guaranteed to keep you warm on chilly nights.

George Hudson, a giant sized Garfield alarm clock, which was not as ugly as you might have thought. The clock sold to Eric Kramer after the meeting for an undisclosed amount.

Paul Krichten, a Swatch musical watch.

Eric Kramer, a small carved, street lamp clock, with a dog poised at the base in the act of marking his territory.

David Kehne, a small round clock with numerous purple stones surrounding the dial, which had been given to him as an entry for the Ugly Clock Contest.

The winner was Eric Kramer with his lamp post and dog clock. Eric gets free admission to our next chapter meeting.

Bill Hiler was the runner-up.

The Show and Tell presenters were as follows.

Tom Mostyn showed an OG clock which he had veneered in contrasting light and dark woods. This was a type of clock he had admired but could not find an original to purchase. The veneering was expertly done. Tom had also uncovered more information on his Breguet pocket watch. He had contacted Breguet and they indicated that the watch had been purchased by Freidrich Heinrich Humbolt, a German scientist and writer, in the early 1800's. The modifications done to stop the balance wheel were not done by the factory. It seems that Tom has a pocket watch of historical significance.

George Hudson talked about his adventures in adapting an electric drill to wind clocks. After destroying one movement, he decided to buy an electric drill with a variable clutch, which turned out to be a better choice. We live and learn.

Jim manning showed slides of a 24 inch tall elaborately decorated porcelain clock that he had purchased at auction. He was intrigued by the fact that it had a high grade fusee movement. Research determined that the porcelain case was made at a German factory, and examination of the unmarked move-

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(continued) ment led us to believe it was of German manufacture also. Frank Goad showed slides of five Elgin railroad grade pocket watches all circa 1900, and explained the significant differences between the different models. Bob Butler showed a dial from an English dial clock that he was restoring. There were two different names that could be discerned on the dial. Bob is still researching the names.

The Joint 11,12,141 Chapter Woodsboro meeting was held on April 23rd. We had 31 tables, 64 paid admissions and 19 guests, in attendance. The program was "The Great Clock at Monticello", Thomas Jefferson's home. The speaker, David Todd, has been taking care of this clock, together with other clocks in the house, since early 1980. The clock has had an interesting history from its conception by Jefferson, and the fact that it still runs is fairly remarkable. David explained how important timekeeping was to the inhabitants of the estate, both in the house, and in the fields. It was a very informative and interesting program that was well received and enjoyed by all.

Our next meeting will be in September, the date of which will be announced later.

Respectfully Submitted,

Don Buck, President

### DATES TO REMEMBER

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**June 5, 2016 — SUNDAY MEETING W/BREAKFAST**  
PROGRAM: E. HOWARD 1687—STORY OF THE TOWER CLOCK

**August 28 (tentative), 2016 — SUNDAY MEETING W/BREAKFAST**  
PROGRAM: TBA

#### OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

August 12-13, 2016 – Eastern States Regional, Syracuse NY

November 4-6, 2016 – Mid-Eastern Regional, York, PA

### RESERVATION FOR BREAKFAST MEETING NAWCC CHAPTER 11

Mail to BILL MILLER, 4301 MEADOWCLIFF ROAD, GLEN ARM, MD. 21057 by May 30th

Please reserve the following for me, for the meeting of JUNE 5, 2015

- ( ) Dues @ \$10 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ( ) Admission to the meeting @ 10.00 each for self and guest(s) other than spouse. \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ( ) Admission for spouse: \$5.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- ( ) 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

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