



# News at 11

Activities of the NAWCC Maryland Chapter 11

OUR 67th YEAR  
1952—2019

## 2019 Important Dates

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April 14, 2019

### MEETING NOTICE...

**Sunday, April 14, 2019**

**Program: "Sonora Chime Clocks" Presenter: Tom Mostyn**

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

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

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## Washington Chapter 12

2nd Sunday of odd months

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3rd Wednesday of odd months

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### President's Column

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Twenty three members and guests attended our February 10th meeting at the Pickersgill Retirement Community. After a short mart, breakfast, and a business meeting, we began our program.

We wish to thank Frank Goad for this presentation on the American Waltham Watch Factory in Waltham, Mass. The program, available from the NAWCC Library, consisted of over 100 photos, apparently taken, and staged by the company, showing workers at their work stations, as well as plant facilities. While most of the employees were men, there were certain areas where women seemed to predominate, and a few areas where they worked together. All workers appeared to be dressed in their Sunday best, the men in white shirts and ties under their aprons.

The company was established in 1854, but Frank took us back to 1898 through a series of photos of the workers and their work areas. The company was built on the banks of the Charles River north of Boston. At its peak it had 3,000 employees and was producing 2,000 watches per day. The large narrow multistoried, many windowed, building had 3 1/2 miles of work benches.

The company was almost completely self sufficient, providing the steam power necessary to operate the pulley systems that operated the machinery at the various work stations. While most of the illumination for the work stations was provided by large windows, it also was able to generate its own electricity for the lighting that supplemented the windows in certain areas.

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There also appeared to be kerosene lamps in some of the photos. It required 160 parts, to be made and assembled, to make a complete watch. The company did not make the cases. Most of the watch making machinery was custom made in-house, and it was one of the first companies to be semi-automated.

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While Frank did not have information to confirm this, he believes the employees may have worked a longer or shorter day, based on the time of the year and the amount of sunlight available.

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Don't forget to submit your dues for 2019, otherwise you will be removed from the mailing list and not receive meeting notifications.

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I hope to see you at the meeting. Think about bringing a guest, and an item for sale in the mart. Be safe out there.

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June 9, 2019 – SUNDAY MEETING W/BREAKFAST

Program: "Hamilton Chronometers". Presenter: Paul Krichten

### OTHER EVENTS OF INTEREST

April 4–6– Southern Ohio Regional, Wilmington, OH

June 27–30 2019 NAWCC National Convention, West Springfield, MA

### 2019 DUES

CHAPTER 11 DUES ARE BEING REINSTATED. IF YOUR DUES ARE NOT RECEIVED BY THE APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup> MEETING DATE, YOUR NAME WILL BE DELETED FROM THE CHAPTER 11 MAILING LIST. YOU WILL NO LONGER RECEIVE NOTICES OF CHAPTER MEETINGS.

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Mail to **BILL MILLER, 4301 MEADOWCLIFF ROAD, GLEN ARM, MD. 21057** by April 5th.

Please reserve the following for me, for the meeting of **APRIL 14, 2019**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Admission to the meeting @ 10.00 each for self and guest(s) other than spouse. | \$ _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 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**

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