

New England Chapter No. 8
The National Association
Of Watch and Clock Collectors

October 31, 2009 Saturday Meeting

at the Auburn Elks Club

754 Southbridge Street (Route 12), Auburn, MA (508-832-9303)

Please return the completed membership form with your dues for 2010

Even if you cannot attend this upcoming meeting, please remit the \$15 dues at this time. We need and value your continued support. Separate forms are provided for the membership renewal and meeting registration. Both can be mailed with one check.

Your ongoing support of our chapter ensures the vitality of our meetings

The National Heritage Museum in Lexington, site of a few previous Chapter 8 symposia, is displaying a large portion of their important clock collection in an exhibit running until February 21, 2010. An August 2006 Bulletin article, by past-president Bob Frishman, offers background and details on the bulk of the collection that originated with Willis Michael, NAWCC's second national president. For more information, see www.nationalheritagemuseum.org or call 781-861-6559.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Another successful and fun Chapter 8 picnic is behind us, cooler weather is upon us, and we are on the cusp of another season of interesting Chapter meetings. Joe Seremeth, our hard working Program Chair, has been successful in enlisting excellent speakers for the next couple of meetings, and is already preparing for the next Symposium, which is just a year from now. The effort to develop an email list for the Chapter has had early success, with over 100 members already signed up to receive meeting notices this way. See you at the meeting!

Peter Nunes

REGISTRATION

NOTE: THE CUTOFF DATE is Friday, October 23rd

PLEASE BE SURE YOUR REGISTRATION ARRIVES ON OR BEFORE THIS CUTOFF DATE

Registrations **received by** cutoff date are \$20. Registrations **received after Friday, October 23rd** and walk-ins are \$25. Registration includes your luncheon and is required for participation in all meeting activities.

MEETING SCHEDULE

7:30A.M. Registration: Nametags available for pre-registered members. Walk-in registration begins. Mart opens for set up for table holders only.

8:00A.M. Mart Opens - General Entry

Mart will close at 11:45 A.M. for the 12:00 Noon Luncheon.

8:30AM to 10:15 AM. Silent Auction. A fee of \$3.00 per item, multiple items for one bid to count as one item.

WORKSHOPS AND PROGRAMS

9:00 AM. "Steamboats, Rivers, Railroads & Canals.: a Yankee Clock Peddling Venture in the 'Tucky-Ho'." Mary Jane Dapkus will give a presentation focusing on the history of a hitherto unknown clock peddling firm, Seth Wheeler & Co., and its adventures and misadventures transporting clocks to the Bluegrass region of Kentucky between 1836 and 1840. Mary Jane has backgrounds in both science and American history. Her background and employment history includes several years spent as a fingerprint examiner, and more recently, an environmental analyst, before undergoing a career change one year ago, to become the assistant curator of the American Clock & Watch Museum, Bristol, CT.

10:30 AM. "Part 3 – Uses of the Lathe." John Losch will complete his series of technical lectures begun at the Auburn meeting in April of this year. This lecture will show a range of horological work that can be performed on a toolmaker's lathe and on an engine lathe. It will include making springs for Connecticut clock levers, ways to hold work, wheel cutting on the lathe, boring wheels, drilling small holes in a large lathe,

different ways to polish awkward pivots, and anything else that time allows. Some demonstrations will be illustrated with pictures and possibly with video images. Questions are invited and encouraged, although sometimes his answer will be, "I don't know." John is a retired clockmaker living in Holliston, MA.

12:00 Noon. Luncheon

12:45 PM, **Luncheon Program. "Stephen Badlam, Dorchester cabinetmaker."** **Robert Mussey** will give a presentation about this extremely successful cabinetmaker including making clock cases for the Willard family. Recent discovery by Robert of many of Badlam's personal and business papers shows he was also adept at advancing his other careers. The lecture will explore Badlam's numerous marked pieces of furniture, his family-based system of apprentice training and journeyman work, and his adaptability in responding to the changing fortunes of the economy, workshop fires, personal tragedy and war. Robert has been a furniture conservator since 1978, first with the Henry Ford Museum, later founding the labs at the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities, and then his own firm in 1989. Clients include major museums, historic houses, and federal institutions such as The State Department, the White House and US Senate. He has been particularly interested in work requiring special research and is a regular contributor to Sothebys auction sale catalogues. Robert was author in 2003 of *The Furniture Masterworks of John and Thomas Seymour*, and Guest Curator of an exhibit of their work at the Peabody Essex Museum.

Directions:

From the East or West: Mass Turnpike (I-90), take Exit 10, then stay to the right after exiting the toll plaza and to Southbridge St. (Route 12) going south. The Elks Club is about 0.6 mile on the right.

From the North: follow Route 290 to Exit 6, then to Route 20 West. Follow Route 20 to the 4th set of lights (Route 12 intersection). Turn right (north) on to Route 12. The Elks Club is about 0.3 mile on the left. Note: the exit for Route 20 West off of Route 290 in the very first exit after the Mass Turnpike. The exit comes up quickly, so be aware of this situation.

From the South: follow Route 395 (becomes Route 290 in Auburn) and take Exit 6 for Route 20 West. Proceed to the 4th set of lights (the junction of Routes 12 and 20) and turn right on to Route 12 North. The Elks Club is about 0.3 mile on the left.

SILENT AUCTION

8:30 to 10:15 AM. There is a flat fee of \$3.00 per item, multiple items for one bid to count as one item.

The charge is collected in advance. It applies regardless of whether item sells or not. We hope you find that this is an easy way to sell just a few items.

RAFFLE REMINDER

The 50-50 raffle tickets, (50% to winner and 50% to Chapter 8) are available at the Registration Table and the Auction Table in the mart area.

SUITCASE CLOCK REPAIR COURSES

Joe Seremeth, 1st VP of Chapter 8, manages the NAWCC Suitcase Program. If you are interested, contact him at a meeting or at 508-867-7147 (email: djws@aim.com).

DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:

In 2010. February 13th, Auburn Elks Club and April 17th, Sturbridge Village

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OCTOBER 31, 2009 MEETING REGISTRATION FORM *(Please Print)*

Name _____ City _____ NAWCC No. _____
Additional badge names (Spouse, Children, Guests) _____

Registration Member	_____	@\$20.00 ea	_____
Registration Spouse	_____	@\$20.00 ea	_____
Children in high school or lower grades	_____	@No Charge	_____
Registration Guests	_____	@\$20.00 ea	_____
Half table if first time exhibitor	_____	@\$ 4.00 ea	_____
Half Table	_____	@\$ 7.00 ea	_____
1 Table	_____	@\$10.00 ea	_____
2 Tables	_____	@\$16.00 pr	_____
3 or more Tables	_____	@\$ 7.00 ea	_____

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____

Make check
payable to:
**“New
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Registrations at the door, or **after October 23rd**, are **\$25.00 each**
Mail registration to: New England Chapter 8, c/o Co-op Printing
P.O. Box 787, East Longmeadow, MA 01028

Both forms can be paid and mailed with one check

New England Chapter No. 8 Membership Application
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New or Renewal
for the year January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____ - _____ - _____

Address: _____ **Email:** _____

City/State/Zip: _____

My NAWCC No, is (required): _____

Please make check payable to “New England Chapter #8” for \$ 15.00

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