

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

24th ANNUAL WILLARD HOUSE WORKSHOP

Saturday, May 11, 2019, 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Willard House & Clock Museum, 11 Willard St., North Grafton, MA 01536, 508-839-3500

We invite you to attend this year's workshop at the Willard House & Clock Museum. The registration fee remains at \$45.00 for members, as well as for non-members, and includes three horological presentations, morning and mid-morning refreshments, a box lunch, and entry into the museum's excellent and extensive collection of Willard clocks and related items.

CHAPTER 8 ACCEPTS PAYPAL PAYMENTS

You continue to have the option of using PayPal: under "To" type in: chapt8@gmail.com. For "Email to Recipient," enter your name, membership number and what the amount of your payment is for in the Message box.

Seating may be limited, so please register promptly.

THIS YEAR'S WORKSHOP

As in past years, we are pleased to again have three highly-regarded speakers noted for their knowledge, experience, and their ability to give informative and interesting talks. Even if you do not perform repairs or restorations, you will still benefit as a clock and/or watch collector by gaining a better understanding of what makes up these pieces.

SCHEDULE:

8:00 am. **Registration and morning refreshments**

9:00 am. **General Introductions:** Chris Carey, President of Chapter 8, and Robert Cheney, Director of the Willard House & Clock Museum

MORNING SESSION

9:15 am. Some Unexpected Clock Repair Problems – *John Losch*

Clock repair problems that fall into the category of Unexpected will be discussed. The Unexpected includes butchered movements, analyzing rack strike failures, some points for clockmakers when laying out trains, or fitting movements to dials. The myth about mounting French clock wheels to arbors will be dealt with as well as other related topics as time permits. Questions welcome with my attempted answers to follow.

John is a semi-retired clockmaker who recently passed his milestone 70th year at the bench. In his early years he worked at the Howard Clock factory in one of its final iterations. John was associated with the Collection of Historical Scientific Instruments at Harvard University as a restorer for thirty-five years. He taught at the NAWCC School of Horology. Concurrent with those associations he ran his own clock repair and restoration business for many years. Now John writes and lectures occasionally, and serves as a trustee of the Willard House and Clock Museum.

10:30 am. **Coffee break with snacks**

11:00 am The Art of a Watch Restoration – *Denis Carignan*

Restorative work on a Breitling Laederich pocket watch, which won the Pritchard Prize in 2016, and a Waltham pocket watch that was discovered under a barn floor. Descriptions of techniques to be explained verbally along with pictured slideshow. Denis will describe the problems and presenting conditions of the watch, and the approaches and methods he used to repair and restore parts, thus making the watch whole again.

Denis is the owner of Carignan Watch Company and has been in operation for 23 years in Belmont, NH. He won the 2016 NAWCC Pritchard Prize, which was developed by the late Kathleen Pritchard funded through the estate of her late husband Wilbur L. Pritchard. It is intended to provide an annual gift for individual excellence in watch repair or restoration. Denis is an adjunct professor, Lakes Regional Community College, teaching advanced manufacturing CNC coursework. He is a NAWCC Chapter 8 member as well as the AWCI.

12:15 pm. **Catered box lunch**

AFTERNOON SESSION

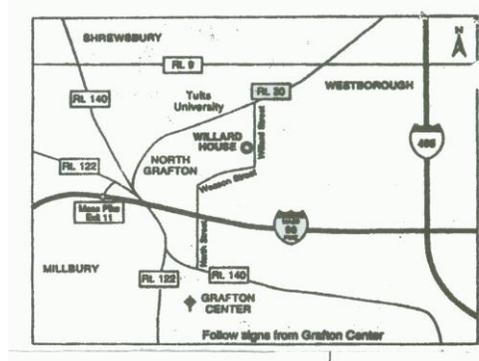
1:00 pm Willard Movements and Dials: Who Made This Clock Anyway? – *Robert C. Cheney*

This workshop will dissect a Willard eight-day clock from the movement and painted dial perspective. This session will use objects from Willard House and Clock Museum's collection. Robert will demonstrate a thorough examination of the movement, seating board, dial, maker's signature, and how all these observations combine to determine authorship and authenticity.

Robert C. Cheney is a third-generation clockmaker, dealer and consultant, the former Director of the Clocks Watches and Scientific Instruments department at Skinner Inc., and presently, the Executive Director and Curator of Willard House and Clock Museum in Grafton, Massachusetts. He is a Star Fellow of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors.

Travel Information: Take any route to Grafton Center. Follow signs to Willard Museum.

From Mass Pike, take exit 11, turn right, follow Rte 122 to Rte 140 to Grafton Center. Follow signs to Willard Museum.



From I-495, take Rte 9 to Rte 30, turn on to Willard Road at Tufts Campus. Follow signs to Willard Museum.

Future meetings: summer picnic and the fall meeting (dates TBD).

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS – CHRIS CAREY, PRESIDENT

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Welcome to the 2019 NAWCC National Convention Thursday June 27, Friday June 28, Saturday June 29 and Sunday June 30

At the Better Living Center, Springfield MA (Home of the Big E)
Eastern States Exposition, 1305 Memorial Ave, West Springfield, MA 01089

Join us for four days of exciting events. With Mart loading in on Friday, Early Bird & Auction on Friday, Mart on Saturday and Sunday with over 700 mart tables loaded with an array of horological items on display and for sale.

WWT (Worldwide Traders, Watch & Jewelry) will have their show on Thursday & Friday from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. Please keep in mind, WWT 2nd day is Friday in conjunction with our mart set up and the Early Bird on Friday. Also, they will be renting watch cases and safes to NAWCC members.

MUSEUM TOURS

Thursday 10:00am and 2:00pm Friday 10:00am Willard House with Robert Cheney, Executive Director
Thursday 10:00am and 2:00pm Friday 10:00am American Clock & Watch Museum, Tom Manning, Curator
Thursday 1:00pm J. Cheney Wells Clock Collection, Old Sturbridge Village, Peter Nunes, Clock Restorer

See the NAWCC website for all schedules and details: <http://2019nationalconvention.nawcc.org/>

REGISTRATION FORM PLEASE RETURN BY WEDNESDAY, MAY 8TH

Registration, Saturday, May 11, 2019 Willard House Workshop (no walk-ins for this event)

Registrations: \$45.00 each for members and non-members, total enclosed \$ _____

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