

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

**April 9th, 2011 Saturday Meeting**

Old Sturbridge Village

1 Old Sturbridge Village Road, Sturbridge, MA 01566 (800-733-1830)

Comments about the Old Sturbridge Village (OSV) Meeting

As before, we have made arrangements for the purchase of an OSV day-pass for a discounted fee of \$10 per person. Note: this fee is in addition to our \$22 meeting cost. A regular day-pass is \$20 pp (\$18 for 65 and older). The meeting registration form allows you to confirm the purchase of a day-pass(s) by stating your name(s). The day-pass is to be paid separately and directly to OSV ticket office at the day of the meeting.

*For those members that want to have a Mart table(s), please be tolerant of the fact that the facility will be providing both 6-foot and 8-foot long tables and that we can't state which table length you will have.*

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Greetings: I am pleased to be able to serve as your next president. During my tenure, I will work toward increasing our Chapter membership by fostering programs that will benefit everyone. I ask for your help to organize programs for our youth at schools and public events and/or share your skills by giving a presentation in one of our workshops. Become involved in any way you can. Let me hear your ideas. Please feel to contact me or any of our Council members at any time.

***Joe Seremeth***

MA Department of Revenue (DOR) – Sales Tax Certificate

As stated in the February meeting notice, the MA Department of Revenue (DOR) requires those table holders at Chapter 8 Marts, who have sales tax certificates, to withhold sales tax as appropriate for the type of sale they make. Collectors and hobbyists who make “casual or isolated” sales do not have to have a tax registration.

**REGISTRATION**

**NOTE: THE CUTOFF DATE is Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

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

Registrations **received by** cutoff date are \$22. Registrations **received after Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>** and walk-ins are \$27. 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.

## WORKSHOPS AND PROGRAMS

**9:00 AM. "400-day, Anniversary Clocks."** Jeff Adams will give a brief history of this type of clock with the bulk of the talk centered on how these clocks work, common problems, and simple repairs. Since 1994, Jeff has been repairing clocks and watches. He has been a NAWCC Field Suitcase Instructor since 2003 and studied under Mr. Dan Neid, former head of the NAWCC School of Horology.

**10:30 AM. Watch Measurements.** Jon Weber's horological interests are precision time keeping and repair of watches particularly old Swiss and English pocket watches. Since parts are not available, he has to fabricate the parts, which can be a time-consuming process. Jon will be describing the methods and showing the tools he uses to make these measurements. He has been a watch enthusiast since 1964 and an NAWCC member since 1972 (several published NAWCC Journal papers). Jon works as an engineer at a large Aerospace company and holds five patents.

### **12:00 Noon. Luncheon**

**12:45 PM. "The Guilmet Mystery Clock."** Bob Boyd's talk will explain one of the early clocks that was not only designed to tell accurate time, but to mystify and intrigue the owners and their guests. Guilmet was such a designer and his designs still intrigue today. Sometimes their operation can stump today's clock repairer. This talk will acquaint you with the operation of one of Guilmet's swinging pendulum mystery clock, explaining the imperceptible twisting movement of the statue to impulse the pendulum. An example clock will be used to see the movement as well as drawings of the motion of the movement. Bob is a retired professional engineer who specialized in the manufacture of electronic and mechanical systems with applications as diverse as elevator controls to medical testing devices. His goal in clock restoration is to return the piece to the condition that the maker intended.

Look for a message board near the registration desk where you can advertise for research information as well as for items that you want to buy or sell. Also, if you know of someone who has any interest at all in clocks and watches and would benefit by joining Chapter 8, please consider becoming a sponsor and bring them to a meeting.

### **Directions:**

From the East or West: take I-90 (Mass Pike) west to exit 9 to Rte 20 west in Sturbridge, then through the lights and follow the signs to OSV. Proceed to "The Tavern."

From Connecticut and New York: take I-84 east to exit 9 to Rte 20 west in Sturbridge, then through the lights and follow the signs to OSV. Proceed to "The Tavern."

From Rhode Island: take Rte 146 north to the I-90 (Mass Pike) west to exit 9 to Rte 20 west in Sturbridge, then through the lights and follow the signs to OSV. Proceed to "The Tavern."

**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.

**RAFFLE REMINDER**

The 50-50 raffle tickets, (50% to winner and 50% to Chapter 8) are available until lunch.

**DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS IN 2011:**

Meetings: May 14th annual Willard House & Museum Workshop, and June 4<sup>th</sup> regular meeting.

The Charles River Museum of Industry & Innovation – Volunteers Needed

This museum has a continuing need for the inventorying of horological items in the museum’s collection. Several chapter members have generously given time to this effort, and more assistance is really needed. If you haven’t toured this museum, set aside some time for a visit. Their collection of watches, parts and line production machinery is well worth the visit. Contact a council member for further volunteer information.

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**SEE THE FOLLOWING TWO PAGES FOR:**

- **Meeting Registration Form**
- **2011 Dues Renewal Form**
- **Table Vendor Reporting Requirements – MA Department of Revenue (DOR)**

**APRIL 9, 2011 MEETING REGISTRATION FORM (Please Print)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ NAWCC No. \_\_\_\_\_

Additional badge names (spouse, children, guests) \_\_\_\_\_

*To purchase the discounted day-pass for \$10 each (do not include the OSV payment with this form), just state your name(s) here, then pay at the Museum \_\_\_\_\_*

Registration, member, spouse, guest(s)	_____	@\$22.00 ea	_____
Registration, children in high school or lower grades	_____	@No Charge	_____
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 England Chapter 8) \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Registrations at the door, or **after April 1<sup>st</sup>, are \$27.00 each**

Mail registration to: New England Chapter 8, c/o Co-op Printing  
P.O. Box 787, East Longmeadow, MA 01028

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 New     Renewal     Membership Application  
for year January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

My NAWCC No. is (required): \_\_\_\_\_

**Please makes checks payable to "New England Chapter 8" for \$ 15.00**

**Mail application to: New England Chapter 8  
% Co-op Printing  
P.O. Box 787, East Longmeadow, MA 01028**

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## **TABLE VENDOR REPORTING REQUIREMENTS – MA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE (DOR)**

The term, vendor, is defined (by the MA DOR) in G.L. c. 64H as, “a retailer or other person selling tangible personal property of a kind that the gross receipts from the retail sale of which are required to collect in the measure of the tax.” “Retail sale” is, in turn, defined, “as a sale of tangible personal property for any purpose other than resale in the regular course of business.”

However, the sales tax does not apply to casual or isolated sales by a person not regularly engaged in the business of selling tangible personal property (830 CMR 64H.6.1). “Casual and isolated” sales are defined as, “tangible personal property originally acquired for use or consumption by a seller and later resold by that seller other than in the course of regular business engaged in by that seller.”

As to whom must provide evidence of MA vendor registration, those chapter members who are regularly engaged in the buying and selling of watch and clock items (and who are presumably already so registered with MA DOR) must provide such evidence (MA tax ID). Those collectors and hobbyists who are engaged in “casual or isolated” sales are not required to produce evidence of a MA tax ID registration.

*The DOR regulation requires that every person, who is a table renter, must provide their name, address, and table number. For Chapter 8 to meet this requirement we will have two sections on our chapter vendors’ list: those with a MA tax ID, and those for a casual sale only. It is the responsibility of the table holder to provide the correct information, not the chapter. Simply stated, if you are in the business of buying and selling watch and/or clock items, provide your State Tax ID number on the list. If you are only a collector or hobbyist, we must only submit your name and address. We feel that most table holders, from past experience, fall into the “casual or isolated” sales category. However, it is up to you to choose the correct category.*

Additional information will be available at the meeting registration table.