

Join us at The

RED LION INN



The Spring 2007 PCCA
National Meeting
May 15th and 16th
Stockbridge, MA

Featuring a special visit to the Norman
Rockwell Museum; a presentation on 18th
century American creamers; a talk about
wrigglework engraving on early English
pewter; another look at Fakes and
Forgeries; Show & Tell and more.



William Will Creamer



Peter Young Creamer



English Wrigglework Cup



Peter Turner Engraved Plate



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Meeting Overview

It's been said that if you sit on the porch of **The Red Lion Inn** for twenty minutes, you will have seen the whole world pass by. Located at 30 Main Street, Stockbridge, MA, the Inn stands within the foothills of the bucolic Berkshire Mountains and will serve as our host and headquarters for the Spring 2020 PCCA National Meeting.

A variety of rooms have been reserved for us ranging in price from **\$170-\$180/night** plus taxes and a "one time" \$15 Preservation Fee. Reserve your room by calling the Reservation Office at **413-298-1690** and reference the **Spring 2020 PCCA National Meeting, Group #410568**. The **Cut-Off Date** for our special room rate is **April 14, 2020**.

The meeting registration fee is **\$150 per person**, which will include two buffet-style dinners and admission to the iconic, and nearby, **Norman Rockwell Museum**.

Meeting information packets will be available in the lobby of The Red Lion Inn from 11:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. on Friday. The PCCA Board of Governors Meeting will take place in the beautifully appointed **Townsend Room** from noon until 3:00 p.m., after which PCCA Past President, **Rick Benson** will present the always informative **Introduction to Pewter Orientation**. Available to guests at the Inn as well as membership, this program will also take place within the **Townsend Room** and run until 4:45 p.m.

Our evening festivities will commence at 5:30 p.m. in the **Hitchcock Room**, where we can catch up with old acquaintances and enjoy a cash bar at the "Meet & Greet" reception and peruse **Sales Tables** adjacent to the dining hall. Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. Following opening remarks by PCCA President **George Witman**, 1st VP **Eric Lanka** will introduce our Authenticity Chair **Ed Jendry** who will deliver a brief presentation on **Fakes and Forgeries**. Members are encouraged to bring in any pieces from their collection that may be deemed "suspect." Let's all look and learn. Next, the ever popular

Show & Tell session will be moderated by **Eric Lanka**. Please bring in pewter for discussion. **Robert Werowski** will complete the evening program with a talk on **Early English Wrigglework**. Again, if you have early British or Continental pieces with wrigglework engraving in your collection, please include them for this infrequently discussed topic.

Saturday morning breakfast is available at the Inn or in a nearby cafe. Following breakfast, we will gather in the lobby of the Inn for a 9:40 a.m. caravan to the **Norman Rockwell Museum**. Once we reach the museum, entrance wristbands will be provided and roving docents will be available to answer any questions regarding the work of this famous and beloved American illustrator.

After touring the museum, lunch is on your own in and around town. During the afternoon you are welcome to visit the many estate gardens, art galleries and antique shops in the area. Information concerning some of these sites can be found on the **Special Activities and Places to Visit** page of this announcement which will also be included in your Registration Packet.

Saturday evening activities will start at 5:30 p.m. with another reception and **Sales Tables** opportunity. Following dinner, **George Witman** will conduct a short business meeting. Then, **Ed McManus** will exhibit some of his restoration work as a preview to the interactive demonstration he will share with us at the Fall Meeting in Lititz, PA. After a short break, Honorary Member, **Mel Wolf** will speak on the topic of **18th Century American Creamers**. The meeting adjourns after a few final announcements.

Remember, the **Cut-Off Date** for our special room pricing is **April 14**. There are a limited number of rooms available to us at this rate and they are only available on a "first come, first served" basis.

Don't forget to label any and all pewter you bring to the meeting with your name.

Schedule of Events

Friday, May 15th

Check-in at The Red Lion Inn and registration at the PCCA Table

11:00 am – 4:30 pm	Registration and pick-up envelope with Meeting Information and Name Badges
Noon – 3:00 pm	PCCA Board of Governors' Meeting (Townsend Room)
3:00 – 4:45 pm	Introduction to Pewter Orientation – Rick Benson (Townsend Room)
5:30 – 6:30 pm	Meet and Greet Reception, Cash Bar and Sales Tables (Hitchcock Room)
6:30 – 9:30 pm	Banquet Dinner (buffet style) and Evening Program (Hitchcock Room)
PROGRAM	Welcoming Remarks – PCCA President, George Witman and 1st VP, Eric Lanka Fakes and Forgeries – Authenticity Chair, Ed Jendry Show & Tell – Eric Lanka 10 Minute Break Early English Wrigglework – Robert Werowski

Saturday, May 16th

7:30 to 9:30 am	Members may purchase breakfast at the Inn or take advantage of the many coffee shops in the neighborhood.
9:40 am	Caravan to the Norman Rockwell Museum and collect prepaid admission bands.
10:00 – 12:30 pm	Tour museum
12:30 to 4:30 pm	Lunch on your own plus afternoon is free time to independently visit the many parks, museums and historic sites in the area (see following page).
5:30 – 6:30 pm	Reception, Cash Bar and Sales Tables – (Hitchcock Room)
6:30 – 9:30 pm	Banquet Dinner (buffet style) and Evening Program (Hitchcock Room)
PROGRAM	Brief Business Meeting – PCCA President, George Witman Bringing Out the Best in Pewter – Ed McManus 10 Minute Break 18th Century American Creamers – Honorary Member, Mel Wolf Final Announcements and Meeting Adjourns

Sunday, May 17th

Members may visit the many parks, museums and historic sites in the area or head home.

See you October 2nd and 3rd at our Fall Meeting in Lititz, PA!

(This Schedule of Events is subject to change. Times, speakers and events may be altered.)

Special Activities and Places to Visit

Sales Tables

Our Sales Tables offer an opportunity to view quality pewter at fair prices. It's a good way to expand or downsize your collection, or pick up a valuable book about pewter.

Show & Tell

Do you have a new piece of pewter you'd like to tell everyone about? Do you have questions about it? Is it old? Is it legitimate antique pewter or is it a fake? Show and Tell is your chance to show off your latest treasure, share a favorite piece, or find out more about a recent acquisition. It's a great way to learn more about pewter. So bring along some pieces for Show & Tell.

Norman Rockwell Museum

Founded in 1969, the Norman Rockwell Museum was originally located on Main Street in Stockbridge. Twenty four years later, in 1993, the museum moved to a brand new and greatly expanded facility just outside of town. At 574 original works, the museum maintains the largest collection of Norman Rockwell paintings, illustrations and drawings including the world famous *Four Freedoms* paintings done in 1943. It also houses over 100,000 items that make up the Norman Rockwell Archives.

In addition to works and special exhibits by Rockwell, the museum sponsors exhibitions by other artists and conducts a variety of lectures, demonstrations and workshops geared to both adults and children. The museum also owns works by many famous illustrators, both past and present, and the original Rockwell studio has been rebuilt on the grounds and will reopen for the season beginning in May.

To learn more about the Norman Rockwell Museum, visit the website at www.nrm.org.

Berkshire Botanical Garden

Open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., the BBG is open year-round, and their beautiful display gardens can be toured from May 1st through October 9th. Admission for adults is \$15. Seniors is \$14. The website address is www.berkshirebotanical.org and the phone number is 413-298-3926.

Naumkeag

Experience Gilded Age style and splendor at this treasured estate, renowned for its elegant gardens and rare 44-room Berkshire "Cottage." Adult visitors: \$20 admission. Seniors and students 15 and up: \$15. The Daffodil and Tulip Festival runs from April 23 through May 17. Open Thursday – Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (no house tours). Note: The property is not wheelchair accessible and the tour involves climbing stairs. Visit the website at naumkeag@thetrustees.org and the phone number is 413-298-8138.

Additional Places of Interest

- Mission House – 0.2 mi • Berkshire Theatre Festival – 0.5 mi • Naumkeag – 0.6 mi
- National Shrine of the Divine Mercy – 0.8 mi • Beartown State Forest – 1.1 mi • Berkshire Botanical Garden – 2 mi
- Norman Rockwell Museum - 2.1 mi • Chesterwood (Summer studio of sculptor Daniel Chester French) – 2.3 mi
- Greenock Country Club – 3.5 mi • Lee Library – 4.1 mi • Animagic Museum of Animation – 4.1 mi • The Mount – 4.5 mi
- Lee Prime Outlets – 4.7 mi • Tyringham Cobble – 5.1 mi • Frelinghuysen Morris House and Studio – 5.2 mi

Driving Directions

FROM THE EAST

Take the Mass Pike (Rt. 90) WEST towards Albany, NY. As you approach Lee, MA take exit 2 for US-20E – 0.6 mi. Keep left at the fork and follow signs for US 20E/MA-102/MA-7/Stockbridge/Great Barrington. Continue for 250 feet. Use the right lane to turn left onto US 20E – 150 feet. Turn right onto MA-102W – continue for 4.6 mi. The Red Lion Inn will be on your left.

FROM THE WEST

Stay on the New York Thruway EAST towards Albany. Pass by the Capitol and continue on RT. 90E towards Boston. Take exit B3 for NY-22 toward Austerlitz/New Lebanon for .03 mi. Turn right onto NY-22S for 0.7 mi. Turn left onto State Hwy 980D for 2.7 mi., at which time you will be entering MA. Turn right onto MA-102E/MA-41S for 5.3 mi. The Red Lion Inn will be on your left.

FROM THE SOUTH

Follow RT 87N to Albany. Follow 1-87N toward Albany. Take exit 21A toward 1-90E/Boston. Stay on this road for 23 mi. Take exit B3 for NY-22 toward Austerlitz/New Lebanon. After 0.3 mi, turn RIGHT onto NY-22S and continue for 0.7 mi. Then turn LEFT onto State Hwy 980D. After 2.7 mi. turn RIGHT onto MA -102E/MA 41S and continue for 5.3 mi. The Red Lion Inn will be on your left.

FROM THE NORTH

Follow I-91S until you pass Holyoak, MA. And approach the Mass Pike (I-90). Take exit 14 and follow the signs for I-90W/Albany. Continue WEST for 35 mi. Take exit 2 for US-20E and travel 0.6 mi. Use the middle lane to keep left at the fork and follow signs for US-20E/MA-102/MA-7/Stockbridge/Great Barrington. After 250 feet, use the right lane to turn left onto US-20E., travel 150 feet turn RIGHT onto MA-102W and follow for 4.6 mi. The Red Lion Inn will be on your left.

PREFERRED AIRPORT

The nearest major airport for The Red Lion Inn is in Albany, NY (ALB-Albany Intl.).

The Red Lion Inn

30 Main Street

Stockbridge, MA 01262

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On the Web: www.redlioninn.com

Registration Form (Please return entire form)

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Meals

Friday, May 15 – The Red Lion Inn

Reception and Cash Bar

Buffet Dinner

- Caesar Salad with parmesan cheese and croutons
- Berkshire Greens with seasonal garnish
- Coq Au Vin – Braised Bone-in Chicken with red wine & mushrooms
- Poached Scottish Salmon with Tarragon Buerre Blanc
- Herbed Rice Pilaf, Roasted Haricots Verts
- Baguettes
- Chocolate Tart with cherries & fresh cream, soda/coffee/tea service

Members with special dietary needs should contact Eric Lanka

Saturday, May 16 –

Lunch on your own
at the hotel or in the
Stockbridge area.

Restaurant suggestions
will be included in your
Registration Packet

Saturday, May 16 – The Red Lion Inn

Reception and Cash Bar

Buffet Dinner

- Grilled Vegetable Salad
- Couscous Salad with Scallions and Ginger
- Sliced Prime Rib with Sautéed Spinach
- Baked Cod with tomatoes and olives
- Chef's choice of dessert, soda/coffee/tea service

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Please **PRINT** your name(s) and location as you wish them to appear on your badge and answer the following questions:

Name: _____

Name: _____

City and State: _____

Please indicate if this is your first PCCA National Meeting: ☐

Please indicate if you plan to attend the Introduction to Pewter Orientation: ☐

Are you bringing any Show & Tell Pewter? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you bringing any Sales Tables Pewter? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Mail this form and your check for \$150.00 (per person), payable to PCCA, by May 2nd to:

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Note: There will be no meeting refunds after May 2.