

# The 2022 PCCA Spring Meeting

## May 20 to May 22, Stockbridge, MA

### **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 2022 PCCA National Meeting.

A variety of rooms have been reserved for us ranging in price from \$170 – \$180/night plus taxes. Reserve your room by calling the Red Lion Inn at 413-298-5545 and reference the Spring 2022 PCCA National Meeting, Group #458370. The Cut-Off Date for our special room rate is April 22, 2022.

The meeting registration fee is \$133.00 per person, which will include two buffet-style dinners and admission to the sensational 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 with a "Meet & Greet" reception including a Cash Bar and Sales Tables. A special exhibit by PCCA President George Witman and 1st VP Eric Lanka entitled Antique Copper and it's function in the American House will also be on display. Dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. The evening program kicks off with brief remarks by George Witman and Eric Lanka. Eric will then introduce our first speaker, Joshua David Hall, Director: Stockbridge Museum & Archives. He will present a talk entitled Stockbridge and

its Place in History. This will be followed by a ten minute break. Our second speaker of the evening will be PCCA member Allan Scheer. He will conduct a talk entitled The Pewtercraft of Timothy Sage. If you have any pewter in your personal collection by this maker, please bring it along to the meeting.

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 9:30 a.m. caravan to the **Norman Rockwell Museum**. Once we reach the museum, entrance wristbands will be provided and you will have plenty of time to tour the museum and, if you wish, visit the gift shop.

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. This will be followed by a session entitled "A Piece I Found Interesting". Several members will highlight a particular piece of pewter in their collection. After a ten minute break, PCCA Member, **Ed McManus** will speak about **Pewter Conservation and Identifying the Composition of Pewter**. The meeting will adjourn after a few final announcements.

Remember, the **Cut-Off Date** for our special room pricing is **April 22nd**. 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 20th

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)  Collections Beyond Pewter – "Antique Copper and It's Function in the American House" – An exhibit by George Witman and Eric Lanka
6:30 <b>-</b> 9:30 pm	Banquet Dinner (buffet style) and Evening Program (Hitchcock Room)
PROGRAM	Welcoming Remarks – PCCA President, George Witman and 1st VP, Eric Lanka
	<b>"Stockbridge and it's Place in History"</b> – Joshua David Hall, Director: Stockbridge Museum & Archives
	10 Minute Break

"The Pewtercraft of Timothy Sage" - Allan Scheer

## Saturday, May 21st

9:30 am Meet in Red Lion Inn lobby and caravan to the Norman Rockwell Museum  10:00 – 12:30 pm Enjoy viewing the works of one of America's most prolific and beloved illustrators
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12:30 to 4:30 pm  Lunch on your own plus the afternoon is available to independently visit the many shops, 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
"A Piece I Found Interesting" – Various Club Members
10 Minute Break
"Pewter Conservation & Identifying the Composition of Pewter" – Ed McManus

### Sunday, May 22nd

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

Final Announcements and Meeting Adjourns

Fall 2022 National Meeting - TBA

(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.

### 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.

### 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
- 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 (I-90) WEST towards Albany, NY. As you approach Lee, MA take new exit **10** (old 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 I-87N toward Albany. Take exit **21A** onto I-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 Holyoke, MA, and approach the Mass Pike (I-90). Take new exit 11 (old exit 14) onto the Mass Pike and follow the signs for I-90W/Albany. Continue west for 35 mi. Take new exit 11 (old 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, then 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 Phone: 1-413-298-5545

On the Web: www.redlioninn.com

## Registration Form (Please return entire form)

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Featuring a special visit to the Norman Rockwell Museum



#### Meals

Friday, May 20 – 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 21 – Lunch on your own at the hotel or in the Stockbridge area. Restaurant suggestions will be included in your Registration Packet

Saturday, May 21 – 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 <b>PRINT</b> 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 pewter for discussion?
Are you bringing any Sales Tables Pewter?  No
Mail this form and your check for \$133.00 (per person), payable to PCCA, by May 9. If you wish to attend dinner and program for one night only, the cost is \$58 ea. on Friday and \$60 ea. on Saturday. Send form and payment to
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Note: There will be no meeting refunds after May 16th.