



# ASSOCIATION OF MIT RETIREES

## COMBINED REGIONAL LUNCH AND PRESENTATION AND TOUR OF THE CONCORD MUSEUM

Concord Museum • 200 Lexington Road • Concord, MA

**Tuesday, October 6, 2009 • 12:00 pm**

\$35/person • non-refundable • lunch, presentation & museum admission included •  
guests welcome • transportation on your own • free parking at the museum •  
walking distance to other historical sites and Concord Center •  
directions will be sent to registered attendees

### ON THE MENU

*Buffet lunch includes:*

- Field greens salad
- Chicken breast stuffed with brie and apples served with cranberry peach chutney
- Grilled salmon fillets topped with pineapple mango chutney
- Grilled eggplant, zucchini, summer squash, peppers & onions
- Yukon Gold roasted garlic mashed potatoes
- Coffee and tea with assorted brownie bites

### Special Lunchtime Presentation

*Far From Equilibrium: The Concord Clockmaking Experience, 1790-1820*  
David F. Wood, Curator, Concord Museum

In the early decades of the Federal era Concord was home to an interesting episode in the transformation of manufacturing technology. The products the Concord clockmakers produced are among the most cherished examples of New England decorative arts: stately eight-day ('grandfather') clocks in inlaid mahogany cases and fancy patent timepieces ('banjo clocks'), gilded confections that also told the time of day with impressive accuracy. This illustrated talk will draw on the Concord Museum's unparalleled collection of Concord clocks of this era to recreate the vibrant craft community that briefly enlivened the Mill Dam, then dissipated almost without a trace.

### Concord Museum Special Exhibit

*Setting the President's Table: American Presidential China*

A showcase of over 100 pieces of porcelain used by American presidents from Washington to Reagan as they entertained distinguished gatherings at the national "First Table." This visual history of the American presidency is sure to fascinate anyone with an interest in American history and presidential politics, entertaining and style, collecting and decorative arts. For more information about the museum and exhibit, visit: [concordmuseum.org](http://concordmuseum.org).

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### REGISTRATION TEAR OFF

To RSVP, please complete this section and mail your non-refundable check (\$35/person) by September 29 to: The Association of MIT Retirees, 77 Massachusetts Avenue, Room E19-432, Cambridge, MA, 02139. Thank you!

Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Guest: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I can offer a ride: \_\_\_\_\_ I need a ride: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch selection(s): Chicken\_\_\_\_ Fish\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian\_\_\_\_

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