



Lone Star News

NAWCC Chapter 124
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings Everyone

President, Wow the sound of that is really scary, but I know that I can count on the support of the board to help me keep this well oiled machine on solid footing in the coming year. Speaking of the board I would like to welcome back members of the 2006-7 board and make a special welcome to our newest members, Pam Tischler and John Acker. We have already seen benefit from their fresh perspective.



Next, I would like to catch you up on some things that happened over the past year, the budget, some plans for next year and wrapping up with some good news.

In 2006 -7 we have seen some positive changes and some sad losses. We moved our one day marts and educational programs to the Founder's Building in Grapevine. If you have a chance to visit the facility, I'm sure you will agree it is a very positive move for the chapter. On another note we lost two special gentlemen that helped make the chapter what it is today. First is David Tips, our first chapter 124 president and a true friend of the chapter. I hope you were able to receive the email I sent describing his life and importance to the chapter. We also lost John Plume, also a past president and faithful servant of the chapter. I remember John the most because he out bid me on a clock that I really wanted and he always shared his opinions at business meetings. I sure missed his incite at our June meeting. Both will be greatly missed.

The good news is that we ended the 2006 -7 business year for the chapter in the black by about \$3000. The bad news is that when we budgeted for 2007, our first pass had us more than \$3500 in the red. We looked at what we could cut and found that most of our costs were fixed. Added to the problem were facilities cost increases for the regional. With the goal of a balanced budget, we were forced to increase fees for both our regional and educational programs. The entrance fee for the regional will increase for both pre-registration and at the door by \$5. Note that this is the second time Mesquite has increased costs to us but only the first time we have increased our fees. The educational fees will increase by \$5 per day, making the daily fee \$30.

Now I would like to highlight some activities we will be focusing on in 2007-8. First, our Past President Bill Andrle has agreed to chair a review of the bi-laws and board ascension process, bringing them up to date and making chapter service a bit more attractive. Second, we definitely could improve on mentoring our new members. I intend to name a chair for mentoring that will assure that we keep new members involved in chapter activities. Third, since we would really like to stay in Grapevine for many years, we intend to develop our relationship with the city and historic society. Hopefully we will be able to add clocks to their existing museum in the train depot and advertise our chapter at the festivals. Lastly, we are planning a couple of changes to the regional schedule that I hope you will find very positive. We plan to survey attendees to find out if they would prefer a Saturday and Sunday regional in the future.

I would like to offer congratulations to Russ Aikins on receiving a Fellow award from the National. Russ, a past president and instructor for the chapter, is very deserving of this recognition. We are proud to have him in service for our chapter.

Please make plans to join us for the chapter picnic September 15th at 4:00 pm. See our website www.chapter124.com for the details or contact Pam Tischler at 972-612-0712 or FswProgram@verizon.net.

I look forward to working with the board and chapter members to make the year a successful and rewarding experience.

Phil Ball

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Upcoming Events:

Aug 18 Chapter 124 One Day Show & Auction Grapevine, Tx

Aug 24-26 Chapter 139 All Texas Chapters Regional Houston, Tx

Sept 28-29 MKOA Wichita, Ks

October 20 Tri-Chapter One Day Waco, Tx

March 7-8, 2008 Chapter 124 Lone Star Regional Mesquite, Tx

Directions to Grapevine One Day Show & Classes

Take HWY 114 to Grapevine. Exit on South Main heading North to Downtown Grapevine at the Railroad tracks. Turn right into the parking lot with the historical railroad depot and museum. The address is 701 S. Main and the place is the Founders' Building.

Mark Your Calendar

September 15th, 2007 at 4:00 PM

It is Picnic Time

for Chapter 124 Families



Marion and Chuck Edwards are opening their place in Oak Leaf for Chapter 124's Picnic on Saturday, September 15th, at 4:00 PM. This is your chance to bring your family and / or significant other which also includes kids and grandkids for a social event. Children are welcome to bring a friend as they will have a lot more fun with someone they know! There will be swimming (of course you have to be the Life Guard for your family), games, and animal balloons for the kids as well as entertainment for all.

The Chapter will provide the Meat as well as Soft Drinks and Bottled Water so if you want anything else to drink like beer or wine, bring your own. All that is required is if your last name begins with A-M, please bring a salad, appetizer or vegetable for your family plus two, and if your last name begins with N-Z please bring a dessert, bread or salad/vegetable for your family plus two. An example is if there are four in your family, bring enough for six people.

Lawn Chairs will be needed unless you want to sit on the ground so please bring your own! :)

Russ Aikins and a few of his friends from First United Methodist Church of Plano will be providing entertainment for us! The music group will be composed of Russ playing mandolin, John Stenger on guitar with a beautiful tenor voice, Sarah Stenger (John's daughter), and Claire Smith. Claire will be a senior at PESH this year while Sarah is a 10th grader and plays percussion in their orchestra. The music can range from oldies, to the Beatles, gospel music and blue grass ... variety for all of us. If you have a special request, please let Russ (rdaikins@tx.rr.com) know as they will be playing for 30-40 minutes. We are lucky to have a musician in our Chapter willing to share his talents. This is a first for us!

This will be a fun social event for our Chapter so please plan to attend. In order to estimate how much meat and drinks the Chapter will need to furnish, you need to call or email the following with a RSVP by Saturday, September 8th:

Chuck and Marion Edwards
972-576-8063
cwedwards1@juno.com

Pam and Fred Tischler
972-612-0712
FSWProgram@verizon.net

Driving Directions to Chapter 124 Picnic:

983 E. Highland Rd.; Oak Leaf, TX 75154

From the Waco area:

Take I-35 E North to exit 411 (Ovilla Rd.; FM 664)
Turn West & follow FM 664 to Westmoreland Rd. (3.5 miles)
Westmoreland Rd. is 1 mile West of the Dollar General Store
Turn South (Left) on Westmoreland Rd. & follow it 1.8 miles.
Turn East (Left) on E. Highland Rd. & follow it .6 mile.

From the Mid-Cities area:

Take 360 South to I-20 East.
Follow I-20 East to I-35 E South.
Follow I-35 E South to exit 411 = Ovilla Rd.; FM664 (7.1 miles)
Turn West & follow FM664 to Westmoreland Rd. (3.5 miles)
Westmoreland Rd. is 1 mile West of the Dollar General Store
Turn South (Left) on Westmoreland Rd. & follow it 1.8 miles.
Turn East (Left) on E. Highland Rd. & follow it .6 mile.

From the North Dallas area:

Take I-35 E South to exit 411 = Ovilla Rd.; FM664 (7.1 miles)
Turn West & follow FM 664 to Westmoreland Rd. (3.5 miles)
Westmoreland Rd. is 1 mile West of the Dollar General Store
Turn South (Left) on Westmoreland Rd. & follow it 1.8 miles.
Turn East (Left) on E. Highland Rd. & follow it .6 mile.

From the East Texas area:

Take I-20 West to I-35 E South.
Follow I-35 E South to exit 411 = Ovilla Rd.; FM664 (7.1 miles)
Turn West & follow FM664 to Westmoreland Rd. (3.5 miles)
Westmoreland Rd. is 1 mile West of the Dollar General Store
Turn South (Left) on Westmoreland Rd. & follow it 1.8 miles.
Turn East (Left) on E. Highland Rd. & follow it .6 mile.

Call 972-754-2553 if you need additional directions

Chapter 124 25th Anniversary and Annual Meeting was well attended:



New President Phil Ball spoke about new goals for next year



Chapter 124's newest NAWCC fellow, Russ Aikins, received his Fellow Award from Phil Gregory. Congratulations, Russ!

APPLICATION/RENEWAL for LONE STAR CHAPTER 124, NAWCC

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Complete & send with applicable check made payable to **LONE STAR CHAPTER #124**
to GENE MEYSENBURG GM1000@PRODIGY.NET, 11028 Creekmere, Dallas TX 75218

<input type="checkbox"/> New #124 Member	<i>Dues are \$10 per year.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Renew my membership	yrs @ \$10 =
<i>Check appropriate box:</i>	
	Join/renew for 1 - 5 years

Please PRINT:

To join Chapter #124, you must be an NAWCC member, or have applied for NAWCC membership. Have you applied for National membership, but haven't gotten a membership number? Check here __, [Date of your application/check to National

Mr__ Mrs__ Miss__ Ms__ (Please check appropriate blank.)

NAME _____ NAWCC# _____

STREET _____ PHONE _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

E-Mail: _____

I'm most interested in _____

Who recommended you? NAME _____ NAWCC # _____

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UPCOMING EDUCATION CLASSES

Location for Classes : Founder's Building, 701 S. Main, Grapevine, TX.

Check Chapter 124 Website @ www.chapter124.com for Any Changes or Updates

(*NOTE: \$5.00 per day price increase effective September 1, 2007)

Reverse Glass Transfer Painting	July 21& 22, 2007	\$50.00	Phil Gregory 972-717-4021
Weight Driven Clock Repair	July 28 & 29, 2007 August 4 & 5, 2007	\$100.00	Phil Ball 972-889-9338
Open Bench Workshop	August 4, 2007 & November 3, 2007	Free !!!	Mark Vozar 817-399-9894
Western Union Self Winder Repair	August 11 & 12, 2007	\$60.00	Marybess Grisham Registrar:Larry Grubb 817-921-0794
400 Day Clock Repair	August 31, 2007 September 1 & 2, 2007	\$75.00	John Hubby Registrar Larry Grubb 817-921-0794
Cuckoo Clock Repair	September 8, 2007	\$30.00 *	Gerald Greener 817-293-7128
Dial Painting	Sept. 22 & 23, 2007 Sept. 29 & 30, 2007	\$120.00 *	Phil Gregory 972-717-4021
Jewelers Lathe I	October 6, 2007	\$30.00 *	Bill Andrle 254-715-3820
Wood Clock Case Restoration II	October 13 & 14, 2007	\$60.00 *	Craig Burgess 817-427-4104
NAWCC F301 Field Suitcase Basic Pocket Watch Class	November 8--11, 2007	\$275.00	Bill Andrle , Coordinator 254-715-3820

August 18th One Day Show.... Auction Anyone?

Chapter 124 will host a Live Auction as part of its one-day meeting on August 18th. Several clocks, including older German cuckoos, a French marble clock and other mantle clocks will be auctioned. Also, a clock bench, lathe and tools will be featured from the estate of a former Chapter 124 member. This is a great opportunity to expand your collection, fill in some gaps in your tools, and maybe pick up a few projects for Chapter classes! We still have a few slots available for items to be placed in the auction, so if you have an item you would like to sell, contact Mart Director John Acker to reserve a space on the table. E-mail him at jsatex@msn.com or call 214-467-0076.

Bruce Wooldridge has recently been contacted by a past member that has many clocks for a possible Auction for the August and possibly the October Waco One Day Show as well. We will keep membership informed by E-Mail , Website and Newsletter.



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More Annual Meeting & 25th Anniversary Celebration



Chapter 124 new Board of Directors for 2007-2008

The Chapter 124 Annual Meeting and 25th Anniversary was held June 23, 2007 in Grapevine, Texas. It was well attended even though it was a rainy Saturday morning. Everyone had a good time visiting and looking over old Chapter memorabilia from Chapter 124's Historian, Byron White - especially all the Past Presidents who came to have a Barbeque Lunch and Anniversary Cake. A new Board of Directors was voted in for a new year. The new Board (top right photo) is as follows: President - Phil Ball, Vice President - Pam Tischler, Secretary/Treasurer - Bruce Wooldridge, Convention Director - Mark Vozar, Education Director - Larry Grubb, Mart Director - John Ackers, and Past President - Bill Andrle.

Past President Bill Andrle breathed a sigh of relief at the end of his term as President; Incoming President Phil Ball is ready and fired up for the new year; Incoming Vice President Pam Tischler graciously stepped in to add her expertise and NAWCC experience; Bruce Wooldridge very kindly agreed to be Secretary/Treasurer one more year (probably the hardest job), Larry Grubb is again generously giving another year as Educational Director, Incoming Convention Director Mark Vozar has been doing so much for the chapter that Phil Ball said if there were a "Volunteer of the Year," Mark should get it; and Incoming Mart Director John Acker promises to be another outstanding asset to the team with his previous board experience in other non-profit organizations.



Past Presidents who attended the 25th Anniversary Celebration

The lower photo standing left to right are Chapter 124's Past Presidents Byron White, Marybess Grisham, Gene Meysenburg, Joe Perrin, Fred Tischler, Phil Gregory, Jim Barker and sitting are Claude Leis, Russ Aikins, Chuck Edwards, Bill Edwards, and Bill Andrle. These people have put in a lot of time for Chapter 124 and have helped make it what it is today. Sadly David Tips, the founding President passed away just a few days after the annual meeting. Another great contributor, John Plume, also passed away earlier this year. They remained active members to the end.

Welcome New Members :

- HORACE WINGATE - DERIDDER, LA
- TONY PARTIDA - HUNTSVILLE, AL
- RONNIE HICKS - WICHITA FALLS, TX
- BOB SCOTT - BURLESON, TX
- HUEY A THOMAS - TROPHY CLUB, TX

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FENDLEY & COX'S CLOCK SHOP -1530 Etain Rd.
Irving, TX 75060 972.986.7698

October 20th in Waco, Texas - A Giant One-Day Mart!

Chapters 15, 124 and 139 will be hosting another One-Day Mart in Waco, TX at the Fort Fisher's Knox Hall on the Brazos River by Baylor University October 20, 2006. Contact Bill Andrle at 254-829-1559 for more details.

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