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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings All,

As I write what normally would be my last President's message, I need to reflect on my address to the Chapter during the last June business meeting. In that address, I spoke about the challenges that the Chapter faced during the coming year. At that time, I had in mind cost increases that were going to have an impact on our expenses for the Regional and the budget for the year. I didn't, however, expect that we would also see two board members offer their resignation, effective the end of this business year. For me that caused concern for the future of the board. At the same time it offered opportunity for fresh perspectives to direct the board. Looking at possible candidates, the experience void and weighing options, the board asked me to stay on as President. I agreed with a couple of caveats. I would extend for one year only and the by-laws would be amended to give different options to the commitment required before becoming a Chapter leader. The board has a framework defined for the By-law changes; however, we could not get them implemented in time to have a vote at the annual business meeting. It's important that we get this right so we didn't want to rush the proposed changes.



Next, I would like to thank all the members of the board for there support over the last year and I would like to wish Larry Grubb and John Acker the best in the coming years. Actually John is still going to stay connected to the chapter, taking on the role as our newsletter editor. Thank you John for filling this most important roll!

Thanks also to all the instructors that put so much of their personal time toward educating clock and watch enthusiast. While I'm at it, I would like to pay special thanks to Fred Tischler. Not only does he mentor our instructors, he teaches the Suitcase courses and provides valuable insight to the board. Anyone that has benefited from Chapter 124 repair classes has Fred to thank. So speaking for the Chapter, Thank You Fred!

Last on my list is a reminder that we need all chapter members to attend the business meeting June 21st. We decided to provide a bit of encouragement in the form of a nice meal and believe it or not, another auction.

Sincerely,
Phil Ball

Annual Business meeting June 21st
Your attendance is important!

Mark Your Calendar- June 21, 2008 Chapter 124's One Day Show, Auction & Annual Meeting.

Our next One Day Show be held on June 21 at 8 AM in Grapevine, Texas will also be our ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING. Chapter 124 will also host another GREAT AUCTION with many clocks and clock related parts going to the highest bidder. Make plans now to attend because we need your attendance to vote on our new board of directors. Lunch will follow the meeting.

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~ PHIL BALL
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Upcoming Events:

June 11-14, 2008 NAWCC
National Convention
Springfield, Mo.

June 21, 2008 Chapter 124
Annual Meeting &
Auction
Grapevine, Tx.

Aug. 22-24, 2008 Chapter 139
All Texas Chapters
Houston, 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.

Second Annual Chapter 124 End of Summer Picnic



Mark your Calendar now for our Annual Picnic on September 13th, 2008 at 4:00 PM to be held at Chuck and Marion Edwards' home, 983 E Highland Road, Oak Leaf, Texas so bring the whole family! There will be swimming and games as well as entertainment for all. Barbeque and drinks will be provided so bring a dish to share. Last year was a lot of fun and we know this year will be even better so pass the word! Look for more details at the August One Day and in the September Newsletter. Contact Pam Tischler at 972-612-0712 or FSWProgram@verizon.net.

Brand New Class offered at Chapter 124 on

“The Repair and Replacement of an American Strip Recoil Escapement”

Fred Tischler traveled to Milwaukee, Wisconsin this last April to assist FSW Program Chairman, Mike Dempsey, with his first recoil escapement class of eight students. Fred thought the class went very well and got a lot of positive feedback about the class and material from the students. Mike & Fred are currently in the process of writing the class procedures and course outline. They should finished this by mid-June and the course will be ready. Mike would like for Fred to teach the course to Chapter 124 members as a Sister-Chapter project before it is announced as a FSW course. The course will be two full days, October 11-12, 2008. The tuition is \$60.00 and first nine prepaid students will be enrolled.

Contact Larry Grubb, registrar, for details, 817-921-0794

The Course Description:

“The Repair and Replacement of an American Strip Recoil Escapement”

This two day course will cover the recoil strip escapement generally used in an American open spring clock and students will be given and presented a detail outline of the following topics:

- ß Repair the existing escapement
 - o The escape wheel.
 - o The verge assembly
- ß Adjust the escapement
 - o Verge adjustment
 - o Escapement drop
- ß Make a new recoil verge assembly by an escape wheel tooth span method
 - o Discussion of industry's best practices on tooth span
 - o Crutch length discussion
 - o Harden and temper pallets
 - o Polish pallets to high sheen
 - o Test the completed escapement in their clock
- ß Make a new recoil verge assembly by using calculated verge dimensions
 - o Manual & EXCEL spread sheet method of calculations
 - o Construction the verge, harden, polish pallets & test

Students will be required to bring a specified list of tools and an American open spring clock with the escapement on an outside plate.

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:

Mr__ Mrs__ Miss__ Ms__ (Please check appropriate blank.)

NAME _____ NAWCC# _____

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E-Mail: _____

I'm most interested in _____

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

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: Time of Classes are normally 9 AM to 5 PM)

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
Jeweler's Lathe I	June 7, 2008	\$30.00	Bill Andrle/ Russ Akins 254-715-3820
Pocket Watch Workshop	June 28, 2008	\$30.00	Bill Andrle 254-715-3820
Dial and Reverse Glass Painting Workshop	July 12-13, 2008	\$20.00 Materials	Phil Gregory & Karen Summerville 972-717-4021
Kitchen Clock Repair 100	July 26-27, 2008 Aug 2 - 3, 2008	\$120.00	Mark Vozar 817-399-9894
Open Bench Workshop	Aug 2, 2008	Free!!	Mark Vozar 817-399-9894
Dial and Reverse Glass Painting Workshop	Aug. 2 - 3, 2008	\$20.00 Materials	Phil Gregory & Karen Summerville 972-717-4021
Micro Lathe I	Sept. 20, 2008	\$30.00	Russ Akins/ Bill Andrle 254-715-3820
NAWCC Advance Lathe Skills FSW F-202	Sept. 27- 30, 2008	\$300.00 NAWCC Members	Fred Tischler Mark Vozar-Registrar 817-399-9894
Wood Clock Case Restoration I	Oct. 4-5, 2008	\$60.00	Craig Burgess 817-427-4104
Repair and Replacement of an American Strip Recoil Escapement	Oct. 11-12, 2008	\$60.00	Fred Tischler Larry Grubb -Registrar 817-921-0794
Chime Clock Repair 300	Nov. 8-9, 2008 Nov. 15-16, 2008	\$120.00	Phil Ball 972- 889-9338
NAWCC Spring Barrel Clock Repair FSW F102	Jan. 24-27, 2008	\$275.00 NAWCC Members	Fred Tischler Mark Vozar -Registrar 817- 399-9894



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CHAPTER 124 CLASS NEWS

SPRING BARREL CLOCK REPAIR 200 CLASS

The Spring Barrel Clock Repair 200 Class was held on February 9, 10, & 16, 2008 at the Founder's Building in Grapevine, TX. The class was taught by Mark Vozar.

In the class photo above are (left to right) Jay Holloway, Pat Holloway, Curtis King, Bela Marton, Dick Ganschow, Mike Brazil, Dave Thomas, Mark Vozar (Instructor), Mike Patrick, Steve Skrasek, Alan Williams and Mike Granderson.



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AUCTION NEWS

Claude Leis will be helping out Bruce Wooldridge with the June 21st Auction at the One Day Show and Annual Business Meeting. Claude Leis also reports that Rob & Louise Quick will be helping with the auction clocks and clock related material. They are planning on inventorying and tagging the clocks the second weekend in May. At that time Claude will take digital pictures (some group shots of the common clocks and some individual clocks) for the website and E-mail. They will also be bagging, tagging and inventorying any tools, parts and misc. items to be sold.

Welcome New Members !

James Kracht

Bryan, Texas

Robert Simpton

Bryan, Texas

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