


LONE STAR  NEWS

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings All,

I hope you had a joyful holiday season and that your New Year is off to a great start.



It's that time again to start getting ready for our annual regional in Mesquite. In case you wondered why you received our newsletter, we wanted to send a special invite to everyone in the five-state area to join us for the regional. Our regional is the largest in the five-state area with a very large exhibit hall and around 300 tables available. We are centrally located and normally have guests from both coasts. This year, our exhibit will feature antique clock and watch tools. Again this year we will start off with what we are calling a "Shotgun" start. Everyone gets in at 8 am instead of the usual 10 am. We are also featuring a Friday night seated dinner and an auction of some clocks and bric-a-brac from private estates. Nothing will be held back so you won't want to miss it. We will have several educational programs and plenty of door prizes. So mark your calendars for March 6th and 7th. You can even save some money by getting pre-registered and reserving your hotel room before the cut off date. The hotel and convention center are connected so you don't have to worry about bad weather impacting your enjoyment of the show.

As usual, we can't do this alone and heavily depend on help from our chapter members and anyone else who wants to be a part of this exciting regional. We particularly need help this year with the unloading Friday morning. In order for our "Shotgun" start to be successful, we need to get all the table holders to their tables by 8 am. Call our Convention Director, **Mark Vozar**, if you can help out. Mark's contact information is detailed in the margin of this publication.

This past weekend we all enjoyed another "One Day Mart" with the usual buying and selling of clock and watch goodies. Later we finally enjoyed the much delayed presentation of "Old Red" by **Fred Tischler**. Old Red is the old court house in downtown Dallas and it now has a fully restored Howard #3 tower clock. Fred was given a chance to visit the clock and shared his pictures and a short video with our group.

Last, but not least, I would like to thank **Evelyn and Hugh Slough** for opening their home for the Chapter Christmas party. We all enjoyed plenty of good food and conversation. It's always nice to get a chance to see the clock collection of our chapter members. Thanks for letting us visit.

A bit of business before closing; we have just about finished modifications to the By-Laws and expect to have them ready for chapter member review early February. Please look for an email or visit our website to review the proposed improvements.

Best wishes for a great 2009,

Phil Ball
President

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Upcoming Events

**March 6-7, 2009 Chapter 124
Lone Star Regional
Mesquite, TX**

**April 17-18, 2009 Chapter 15
Great Southwestern
New Braunfels, TX**

**June 10-13, 2009 NAWCC
National Convention
Grand Rapids, MI**

**August 28-30 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 South Main and the place is the Founders' Building.

Volunteer Award Nominations Due!

This is a reminder that nominations for the David Tips Volunteer of the Year Award are due by February 20, 2009. See the December newsletter or the Chapter website for a blank form and instructions on submitting a nomination.



2009 LONE STAR REGIONAL

Friday March 6th and Saturday March 7th
 Mesquite Convention Center
 1700 Rodeo Drive, Mesquite, Texas

Hosted by Lone Star Chapter # 124

Co-Hosted by:

Southwestern Chapter # 15

Five State Collectors Chapter # 80

San Jacinto Chapter # 139

Regional Highlights:

Biggest Mart in TEXAS, guest speaker **Mike Dempsey** presenting *"Repivoting Watch Wheels with Homemade Drills"*, *"Making Special Clock Tools"* and *"Reproducing Clock & Watch Hands on a Lathe"*, 30,000 Square Foot Mart Area, Full 8' x 2 1/2' Mart Tables, 24 Hour Professional Security, Free RV Parking, NO hookups. Lots of **Silent Auctions** and "it's for free" table. **Friday Night Banquet, Cash Bar and Clock Auction.**

Mesquite Hotel/Motels:

Mention NAWCC for Special Rates!

- * **Hampton Inn (on site)**- - 1 800-HAMPTON \$88 single or double \$108 suite sing/dubl, **CALL BEFORE FEB 12!** (mention NAWCC for rate)
- * **Holiday Inn Express** ---- 1(972) 288-9900 (no special rate) 0.2 miles away
- * **Super 8 Motel** ----- 1(972) 289-5481 (no special rate) 0.4 miles away
- * **Spanish Trails Inn** ----- 1(972) 226-9800 (no special rate) 0.8 miles away
- * **La Quinta** ----- 1(972) 216-7460 (no special rate) 2.0 miles away

Regional Agenda

Friday March 6, 2009

- 7:00...Unloading ,Setup and Registration
- Table holder badge pickup at unloading door**
- 8:00...Mart and Exhibits Open
- 5:00...Mart and Exhibits Close
- 5:00...Cash Bar Opens
- 6:00...Banquet – **(Pre-registration Only)**
- 7:30...Auction Starts

Saturday March 7, 2009

- 8:00...Registration
- 8:00...Mart and Exhibit Opens
- 3:00...Mart and Exhibit Closes
- 3:30...**SECURITY ENDS**

NOTE: Only Unloading Allowed on Thursday, March 5, 2-5 pm.

Thursday setup by prior approval only!

For more information and a link to Hampton reservations, check out our website at www.chapter124.com

***** PRE-REGISTER NOW AND SAVE! *****

Registration \$30 at the door

For more information call Gene Meysenburg at 214-328-1984 or email at gm1000@prodigy.net

Tables Reserved by Groups must be received in one envelope. All Pre-Registration received by February 21st, 2008 will be confirmed by mail and Refunds will be granted up to March 5th! Tables must be set-up and displayed in the Mart. Only Horological items may be Bought/Sold in Mart. No Pets allowed in Mart except for guide dogs with visually impaired persons. Only Members of NAWCC, their spouse and their children under 18 will be admitted to the Mart. NAWCC Members and Officers are not responsible for any loss, damage, injury or tort during this Regional.

NAWCC Regional Convention Rules will govern.

(PLEASE BLOCK PRINT ALL ENTRIES. FOR ADDITIONAL SPACE USE SEPARATE SHEET)

NAME _____ NAWCC No. _____ PHONE (____) _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____

FIRST OR NICKNAME FOR BADGES (_____) (_____) Email: _____
 (Include Member, Significant Other and Children)

	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Mart Admission for NAWCC Members or Spouse for Pre-Registration - - - - -	_____	@ \$25.00 ea	_____
Mart Admission for Members Children under age 18 admitted free - - - - -	_____	- FREE -	00.00
Mart Table Registration (30 x 96) 8 foot long table - - - - -	_____	@ \$35.00 ea	_____
Banquet Dinner (Pre-Registration Only) - - - - -	_____	@ \$25.00 ea	_____
	Check No: _____	Total =	_____

Payment in US Currency or Check Only

Make Checks Payable to **"LONE STAR CHAPTER 124"**: Mail to Gene Meysenburg; 11028 Creekmere, Dallas, TX 75218.

Two Chapter 124 Members Running for NAWCC Director Remember to Vote

Mike Dempsey, FNAWCC

Mike, Chair of the Education Committee, pledges to continue expanding educational opportunities for all NAWCC members, to utilize the internet in more ways to enable greater involvement by NAWCC members, and to make education a key to keeping and expanding membership. He also wants to establish and

manage strategies and policies to better utilize the assets of the NAWCC through fiscal responsibility, as well as retain the concept of having fun with the clock and watch collector.

Phil Gregory, *FNAWCC

After serving as Vice-Chair and Chair of the NAWCC these past four years, Phil would like to continue on the Board to develop written policies for preparing budgets and monitoring financial performance. He also sees many opportunities to make the board more efficient, and feels that these need to be defined.

APPLICATION/RENEWAL FOR LONE STAR CHAPTER 124, NAWCC

An educational group dedicated to preserving and understanding horology.

Complete and send with applicable check made payable to: Lone Star Chapter #124
 To Gene Meysenburg gm1000@prodigy.net, 11028 Creekmere, Dallas, TX 75218

Please PRINT:

Mr. ___ Mrs. ___ Ms. ___ (Please check appropriate blank.)

NAME _____

NAWCC # _____

STREET _____ PHONE _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

E-mail: _____

I'm most interested in _____

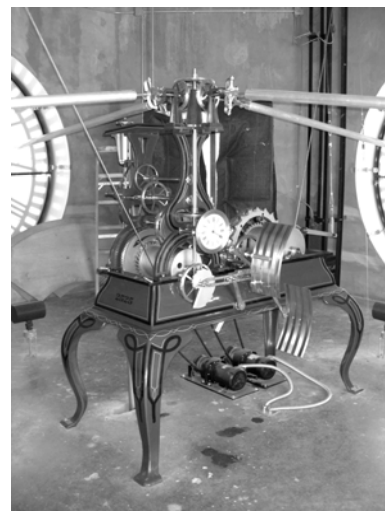
Check appropriate box:	<i>Dues are \$10 per year.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> New #124 Member	Yrs @ \$10 =
<input type="checkbox"/> Renew my membership	Join/renew for 1-5 years

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.)



Old Red Restored

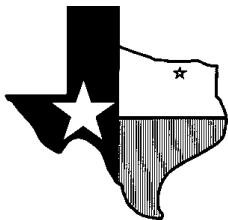
Fred Tischler gave a very interesting slide lecture at the January Chapter Meeting about the restoration of Dallas County's "Old Red" Courthouse. Built in 1893 of Pecos Red sandstone, the tower was removed in 1919 due to its excessive weight. The building was restored and the tower replaced in 2007, along with a Howard No. 3 tower clock restored by NAWCC members **Chuck Roeser** and **Rory DeMesy**. It features a 275 pendulum, a double, three-leg, gravity escapement and a 4,800 lb. bronze bell.



Upcoming Education Classes

Location for Classes: Founders' Building, 701 South Main, Grapevine, TX
 Check Chapter 124 Website @ www.chapter124.com for any changes or updates.
 (*Note: Time of classes is normally 9 am to 5 pm)

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
Spring Barrel Clock Repair 200	February 7-8, 14, 2009	\$90	Phil Ball & Mark Vozar 817-399-9894
Open Workbench Includes Skills Workshop in repivoting	February 21, 2009	FREE!	Mark Vozar
Dial and Reverse Glass Painting	March 14-15, 2009 At Karen Summerville's studio	\$20 materials	Phil Gregory & Karen Summerville Phil Gregory-Registrar 972-717-4021
Open Workbench Skills Workshop—TBD	May 16, 2009	FREE!	Mark Vozar
French Clock Repair	July 11-12, 2009	\$60	Fred Tischler John Erickson-Registrar 972-985-0855
Weight Driven Clock Repair 300	July 25-26, August 1-2, 2009	\$120	Phil Ball & Mark Vozar Phil Ball-Registrar 972-889-9338



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2009 Lone Star Regional March 6th & 7th Registration Form !!! See Details Inside !!!

CLASSIFIEDS

Atmos Clock Repair & Complete Restoration

AWCITrained
Floyd Ennis 972-436-5724
One Year Warranty on all Labor
6-2009

Your **SHERLINE** Dealer

Lathes—Mills—Accessories
Pete Cronos
ZIPPOMAN @USA.COM
PETESWATCHES.COM
11-2009

CLOCK PARTS MADE NEW OR REPAIRED

Wheels, pinions, barrels, etc.
◆Richard Cox, CMC, CMBHI (29585)◆
FENDLEY & COX'S CLOCK SHOP
1530 Etain Road—Irving, TX 75060
972-986-7698
6-2009

Welcome New Members!

Karl Boss **Dallas, TX**
Thomas Slough **Spicewood, TX**

Sun Up at Quorum—Equinox Marker Shines on March 21st

North Texans have an opportunity to witness solar timekeeping in person on March 21st at the Quorum Business Park in Addison. Installed in 1981, the Sun Up at Quorum sculpture will mark the passing of the vernal equinox at 12:34 pm. The equinox happens twice a year, when days and nights are of equal duration.



The Lone Star News is mailed to all Chapter 124 members at no cost. Non-members may subscribe at the rate of \$8.00 per year. Mail subscription requests with payment to: Editor, Lone Star News, 1426 Hollywood Avenue, Dallas, TX, 75208. Checks payable to: Lone Star Chapter #124.

Printed or typed ad copy must reach Editor by March 2, 2009 for inclusion in the April 2009 NEWSLETTER. Must include your name, address and NAWCC number! Send to Editor, 1426 Hollywood Avenue, Dallas, TX, 75208. Include check to "Lone Star Chapter #124" in the amount of \$5 per issue. Ads are "business card" sized