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An educational group dedicated to preserving and understanding horology.

Lone Star



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PLAN AHEAD DATE BOOK



One Day Marts

October 9, 2004

January 8, 2004

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Howdy!

Perhaps it is time to ask several questions...

1. Did you know that Chapter 124 has held our Regional and 1-days meetings at the same locations for over 4 years now?

I believe that one of the most important facets of any volunteer organization is to have consistency in all operational aspects. The fact that we have been steadfast in our meeting locations is one example to show that our organization is stable and functioning well.

2. Have you introduced yourself to some of our newer members and visitors?

I believe another vital factor in growing our membership is to show ourselves as friendly and helpful.

- 3. Have you contributed any ideas as to new things we ought t try? Or perhaps expressed your appreciation for things Chapter 124 did that you particularly enjoyed? I believe that it is very important to have a steady stream of new ideas and member participation to keep things "fresh". We also certainly want to repeat doing those things that are most enjoyable to the majority of our members.
- 4. Have you marked your calendars for the following upcoming important dates?

October 9: 1-Day at the Knights Inn, Arlington

October 21-23: MKOA Regional in Carthage, MO

November 2: National Election Day

November 5-6: Arkansas Regional in

Hot Springs, AR

December 4-5: Candlelight at Old City Park, Dallas

December 11-12: Candlelight at Old City Park, Dallas

January 8, 2005: 1-Day at the Knights Inn, Arlington

March 4-5, 2005: Lone Star Regional, Mesquite.

I like what Jimmy Young wrote in our February, 2000 newsletter. His comments, which I certainly agree with were:

"Volunteer: A person who renders aid, performs a service or assumes an obligation voluntarily." We ask for YOUR assistance"—please volunteer to help with Chapter functions. Female, male, longtime or new member — if you can lend a hand, just contact one of the Directors. Broaden your perspectives. Make new friends. Do some good for others and you'll feel better about yourself! Don't be bashful...call now and say, "How can I help?" Thanks Jimmy for the reminder. And thanks to all who labor so selflessly for our Chapter.

I am proud to serve as an officer in Chapter 124! Chuck Edwards

E-bay Safety & Marble/Slate clock case restoring techniques by Craig Burgess will be the October 9 One Day Mart Educational. Also there will be a Western Union clock to be raffled donated by Jimmy Busby. Benny Beene is also donating a wrist watch for the raffle on January 8 One Day Mart.

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Directions to

OLD CITY PARK "CRAFT HOUSE" 1500 Park St., Dallas 214-421-5141

From Ft. Worth (West)

I-30 East, take the "Lamar" exit & stay on service road. Go to Harwood, turn right Turn right on Gano; R on Park

From Mesquite (East)

I-30 West, exit "Downtown/Ervay" Go to St. Paul, turn left Go past Ambassador Hotel to Gano Left on Gano; L on Park

From Downtown Dallas

Get on St Paul, drive south past Ambassador Hotel; left on Gano, L on Park

Park St. is closed to the public, so park your car in the parking lot at Gano and Park

Congratulations, Bill Young!

Just a reminder that at the 2004 NAWCC National, Bill Young was awarded First place in Class 7 (Other Clock Case Material) for the clock he made for his grandaughter, "Natasha."

He was also awarded a Honorable Mention in Class 1 for a clock he made for his grandson, "Bobby."

Painting and Stenciling Class Produced Some Beautiful Works of Art



John Sparks, Carolyn Hollien, Ron Hollien, Julia Kuhn, Arnold Madnick, Jean Peters, Ray Gearhard



Stencil by Carolyn Hollien



Dial by Ron Hollien



Lady by Jean Peters

Thanks to Phil Gregory for teaching another great class!

Upcoming Socials

Due to renewed interest, social events are becoming a new priority at Chapter 124. The goal is for more people to get to know each other and have a good time. Women and wives are highly encouraged to join in. It is time we got to know everybody!

The Tischlers will be co-hosting an Open House at David Tips' home on October 17th from 3 to 5 PM. David's address is: 7012 Blackwood Dr.; Dallas, TX 75231. He invites everyone to attend.

The second big event is a "KICK THE NEW YEAR OFF RIGHT" with a party from 2 to 4 PM on January 2nd at Richard Cox' newly remodeled home and his clock shop. Richard Cox lives at 2601 Quail Ridge, Irving, TX. Fendley & Cox Clock shop is at 1530 Etain Road, Irving, TX which is across the street.

Military Timepieces

by Marvin Whitney, FNAWCC

There has always been an argument about what is a fully jeweled watch. Even at the Observatory, we could not agree on this. Some said 17; others 21; and one fellow thought it should be 23. I think the consensus among most horological engineers was that a 17-jewel watch is fully jeweled.

We did an interesting thing at the U.S. Naval Observatory. We took fifty new 21-jeweled Hamiliton Railroad Watches and fifty new Hamilton model 2794(17- jeweled) comparing watches and put them through the exact same tests, then made a comparison of their rates and recovery. The only difference we found in any watch was 4 hundredths of a second, and that was on one with 21 jewels. The 17-jeweled watches kept just as good time. All watches were made by Hamilton, with the only differences being the number of jewels.

APPLICATION/RENEWAL for LONE STAR CHAPTER 124, NAWCC An educational group dedicated to preserving and understanding horology. Complete & send with applicable check made payable to LONE STAR CHAPTER #124 New #124 Member Dues are \$10 per year. yrs @ \$10 = to GENE MEYSENBURG GM1000@PRODIGY.NET, 11028 Creekmere, Dallas TX 75218 Renew my membership Join/renew for 1 - 5 years Check appropriate box: To join Chapter #124, you must be an NAWCC member, or have applied for NAWCC Please PRINT: membership. Have you applied for National membership, but haven't gotten a membership number? Check here ___, [Date of your application/check to National $Mr__\ Mrs__\ Miss__\ Ms__\ ({\tt Please\ check\ appropriate\ blank.})$ __ NAWCC# _ _ PHONE — STREET_ ____ STATE ____ CITY_ E-Mail: I'm most interested in NAWCC # -Who recommended you? NAME_

Why are we so Obsessed?

You should warn newcomers like me, that once the obsessive interest in all things horological takes root, it becomes an incessant and constant addiction that encroaches on any/all other interests one may have... http://www.zakin.com/S_500_vintage_watch_transformation.html

I eBayed what I thought was a pick-guard purchase for my collector G&L guitar, and was told it would come "attached to the body, because I don't have time to detach it". I received a huge package, that had an entire, but quite injured G&L with hard-case, broken neck hardware, some fried electronics, but it was a genuine base model version of my other, albeit disheveled, and butt-ugly.

There was no way I could rob the pick-guard(the electronics mount to it), so I took it all apart, found the repairs were extremely easy and essentially cost-free, checked it for function, corrected a couple of switch problems, and it played GREAT! So, I decided I had my practice guitar, so I could put up my other gem for special occasions, and pondered how to make the ugly into unique. As I examined it, the face began to conjure the image of pocket watch movement bridges, and the link above is the eventual result, thanks to some assistance from my wife, who picked the colors, and

finessed my brush-strokes into a smoother engraved look for the swirls, although all the rest is my work, especially the lettering, which came from this month's NAWCC journal, an image of one of the Bunn's; the swirls came from my 1888 Waltham balance cock.

Now if I can control my urge to do a similar decoration to my pending drag car, I'll be OK!! - *J Paavo*

From Craig Burgess:

Back in March, our Chapter finished a repair on a clock for the Ball-Eddleman-McFarland house in Ft Worth. The organization is officially known as Historic Fort Worth. They are now looking for docents for an upcoming event, and are asking if we can staff their event with volunteers during their 2004 Designer Showhouse event in October. Historic Ft Worth will host numerous historic preservation guests that will tour the house.

The request is for a few people (not necessarily all from Chapter 124) on first floor that would welcome visitors to the house during the event. The docents would have a script of information that would indicate to the invited guests what the house was used for, architecture, how each room may have been decorated or used, etc.

UPCOMING EDUCATION CLASSES

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

| <u>CLASS</u> | <u>DATE</u> | _COST | <u>INSTRUCTOR</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------|----------------------------|
| Gold Leafing | October 2,3 | \$25.00 | Phil Gregory @972-717-4021 |
| Wood Case Refinishing | October 16,17 | \$25.00 | Craig Burgess@817-427-4104 |
| Wood Case Refinishing | October 30,31 | \$25.00 | Craig Burgess@817-427-4104 |
| Dial Painting | January 8,9 & 15,16 | \$50.00 | Phil Gregory @972-717-4021 |

Remember: Classes are open to the public. Anyone may participate. Bring a friend!

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Welcome New Members!

Ted Orban Ronald Turner Austin, TX Bossier City, LA

Condolences to the family and friends of Wes Baker who passed away in August.

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Art Restorations, Inc.

Conservators of Fine Art

Clock and Music Box Repair Jim Young @ 214-350-0811 7803 Inwood Rd. Dallas, TX 75209

CLOCK PARTS MADE NEW OR REPAIRED

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—RICHARD COX, CMC, CMBHI (29585)—
FENDLEY & COX'S CLOCK SHOP -1530 Etain Rd.
Irving, TX 75060 972.986.7698

ATMOS CLOCK REPAIR & COMPLETE RESTORATION

— AWI Trained
Floyd Ennis 972-436-5724
One Yr. Warrenty on all Labor

For Sale:

Grandfather Clocks/ All old and in good running condition. some Cuckoo's and miscellaneous others

Call Bob Sutton @ 972-247-6096

CLASSIFIED ADS NOW ON WEB PAGE

Chapter 124 has added a page to our web site for Classified Ads. This will give Chapter members a relatively inexpensive way to advertise products and services to both Chapter members and the general public.

From now until January 1, 2005, the ads are free! This will give us a chance to jump start this new feature. If you have something you wish to advertise, now would be a great time to do it.

All the details are on our web page www.chapter124.com and then click the "classifieds" button. You can call Gene Meysenburg if you have any questions about this.

Ten Good Rules

These were found inscribed on the wall of a church kitchen. They seem to be some pretty good guidelines for living:

- 1. If you open it, close it.
- 2. If you turned it on, turn it off.
- 3. If you unlocked it, lock it back.
- 4. If you broke it, fix it.
- 5. If you cannot fix it, report it.
- 6. If you borrowed it, return it.
- 7. If you made a mess, clean it up.
- 8. If you moved it, put it back.
- 9. If you don't know how it works, leave it alone.
- 10.If it doesn't concern you, don't mess with it.

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