



National Association of Watch & Clock Collectors~ Chapter 124 Grapevine, Texas  
*"an educational group dedicated to preserving & understanding horology"*

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Chapter of the Year 2013 – 2010 – 2005 – 2001 – 1998 – 1996  
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## *President's Message*

Chapter 124 Members and Friends,

Chapter 124, along with its co-hosts **Southwestern Chapter 15, Five State Collectors Chapter 80** and **San Jacinto Chapter 139**, hosted the 2014 Lone Star Regional in Mesquite, TX March 6-8 at the Mesquite Convention Center. We began early on Thursday with a pre-convention class on "Electrical Clock Repairs," taught by **Mike Dempsey**. Twelve students participated, and learned about some of the basic repairs on clocks that are starting to show up on repair benches these days. Sometimes, a simple rebuilding of the motor can add years to the life of these collectible clocks. By 10 am, General Chair **Mike Granderson**, Auction Chair **Bruce Wooldridge**, and **Joe** and **Mark Richards** had arrived with a U-Haul truck full of clocks for the two evening auctions. And concurrently, **John Hubby, John Evans, Chris Grimm, Claude Leis, Hugh Slough, Tommy Slough, William Slough** and **Fred Tischler** were beginning the process of setting up the "Twist & Turn" exhibit.

The advance work of **Kelsey Downum** and **Evelyn Slough** was evident, when unloading and pre-registration volunteers arrived to hand out packets and help table holders unload their goods. Everything ran like clockwork (pun intended), resulting in one of the smoothest set up days in history.

Thursday evening, registrants were treated to a reception with chicken quesadillas with tomatillo salsa, veggie platters, and chips, salsa and queso to get them ready for the first auction. Licensed auctioneer **Jim Sargent** presided, and kept things moving, as we auctioned off more than seventy clocks, tools and horological books.

Friday, the Mart opened with 293 of the available 300 tables sold. The exhibit, "Twist & Turn: The Evolution of Torsion Pendulum Clocks," opened with more than 130 examples from America, Germany, France and Switzerland – and from 1842 to the present day. **John Hubby** did a magnificent job of curating the display, and arranging the clocks in chronological order. Educationals on Friday included: "Collecting Anniversary Clocks" by **John Hubby** (and a meeting of the International 400 Day Clock Chapter 168); "The History and Development of the Accutron Watch" by **Mike Dempsey**; and "Designing a Torsion Pendulum Clock – and Other Clock Design Considerations" by **Richard Cox**. A walk-through of the exhibit, led by **John Hubby**, was also well-attended. Silent Auction Chair **Sam Creech** kept things moving in the Mart by holding several silent auctions throughout the day.





Friday evening, a ticketed banquet was held with 95 in attendance, organized by Hospitality Chair **Pam Tischler**. Guests dined on Green Goddess Salad, Filet Mignon, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans Almondine, and finished off with a choice of Apple Strudel or Opera Cake. President **John Acker** presided over the meeting, thanking all of the volunteers for their hard work in making the Regional such a success. Awards Committee Chair **Pam Tischler** presented the Chapter's David Tips Volunteer of the Year Award to **Mark Vozar**. Mark has been an active member of the Chapter for many years, serving on the Board and continuing to teach classes for the Chapter throughout the year. He is also responsible for the development of our Open Bench Workshop program. **Mike Dempsey**, our NAWCC National Representative for the Regional, gave a report on some of the things National is doing to stabilize membership, and talked about the endowment campaign to help put NAWCC on solid financial footing. Mike then announced the recipients of NAWCC Certificates of Appreciation. **Bella Grimm** helped to draw for Door Prizes provided by **Pam & Fred Tischler**; our co-host Chapters: **Southwestern Chapter 15, Five State Collectors Chapter 80 and San Jacinto Chapter 139**; and an anonymous donor. The evening was capped off by another auction.

Chapter 124 expanded its Public Day this year to include four hours on Friday and four hours on Saturday, resulting in approximately 100 public attendees, bringing our total attendance to somewhere around 670! Publicity Chair **E.K. Wilson** worked tirelessly to promote this through the local media, antique stores and word of mouth. Also, on Saturday, an educational entitled "Toys of the Sultans: European and Ottoman Technology" was given by **Nick Lerescu**, as part of the meeting of the Educational Travel Chapter 179. And, to entice our younger set into the field of horology, **Cathy Slough** presided over the Children's Table in the Mart, offering games, coloring sheets and other activities for young people.

Additional thanks go to Pre-Registration Chair **Gene Meysenburg**, Registration Chair **Clinton Kleen**, Finance Chair **John Erickson**, Mart Chair **Dee Koch**, Program Chair **Tim Henz**, Door Prize Chair **Gary Rowland**, Graphic Artist **Peter Crum** and Webmaster **Ronnie Mathis**.

We need everyone to maintain their membership to keep Chapter 124 one of the best in the nation! Please use the renewal form on page 6 of this newsletter, if you haven't already renewed. Is your Chapter 124 membership current? Check the bottom of your e-mail to see when your membership expires.

*John Acker*





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**Upcoming Classes**

Unless otherwise noted, all classes/workshops are held in the Founders Building, 701 South Main Street, Grapevine, TX 76051. For information regarding registration or other questions about classes offered by Lone Star Chapter 124, please contact Tim Henz, Education Director, 817-453-0502 , or visit the Education page at [www.chapter124.org](http://www.chapter124.org) to register on-line.

April 19	Open Bench Workshop	Mark Vozar, Coordinator
April 26	Jewelers Lathe I	Bruce Wooldridge, Instructor
May 3-6	F101 Introduction to Basic Time & Strike	Fred Tischler, Instructor
May 24, 25, 31 & June 1	Spring Barrel Clock Repair (CR200)	Mark Vozar, Instructor
June 22	Open Bench Workshop	Mark Vozar, Coordinator
June 28-July1	Advanced Lathe Skills (Beyond F202) Making Tools	Fred Tischler, Instructor
July 19-20, 26-27	Chiming Clock Repair (CR300)	Phil Ball, Instructor



**Upcoming Events**

April 1-30	Bella's Traveling Library Exhibit Parr Library, Plano, TX
May 1-31	Bella's Traveling Library Exhibit Watauga Public Library 7109 Whitley Road, Watauga, TX
May 9-10	Arkansas Razorback Regional – Eureka Springs, AR
<b>June 7</b>	<b>Chapter 124 Annual Meeting – Founders Building, Grapevine, TX</b>
June 17-21	NAWCC National Convention – Milwaukee, WI
August 21-23	All Texas Chapters Regional – Houston, TX
September 11-13	MKOA Regional – Oklahoma City, OK



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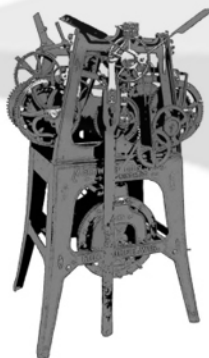
These people are in for a lot of interesting events, classes,  
great people and a lot of new knowledge  
from Classes, major events like our recent 2014 Regional and of course  
The National Convention in Milwaukee.

As a transplant from Milwaukee, I can't say enough about the city.  
It is a classic Lake Michigan city from the same time as Chicago. A lot of  
Craftsman style architecture. A fabulous new art museum designed by  
Santiago Calatrava, the Spanish architect who designed  
our Margaret Hunt Hill Bridge.

Of course there is great food and plenty of beer.  
There are German restaurants and Lake Front  
& River Front entertainment & dining.  
Yes...the SNOW should be gone by then.



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See you there!

Save the Date!





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## 2014 REGIONAL

Old Clocks-Brass Clocks- Watches & More Watches-People & More People



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## 2014 REGIONAL

### Wonderful Old Clocks-Rare & Vintage Clocks & Very Different Pieces



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## 2014 REGIONAL

Awards-Oldest Clock 1741-Early Bling & Money, Money, Money!



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## 2014 REGIONAL

Banquet-Great Food-Auctions-Awards-Great People-Great Exhibit



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