

# LONE STAR TIMES

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"An Educational Group Dedicated to Preserving and Understanding Horology"

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Joseph Ives  
Triple Decker Shelf Clock  
c.1832

President's Message  
2017 National Convention  
Chapter Events



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE April 2017 Edition

Lone Star Chapter 124 has many interesting events planned for the coming months. We are offering specialized classes in adjusting escapements, veneering and repairing cuckoo clocks in addition to our standard course offerings. June will be the exciting National Convention in Arlington. A report by John Acker is included in this Newsletter. Table sales are strong and record attendance is anticipated. As the host chapter and in support of the National Convention, Chapter 124 has made a substantial financial commitment to help cover expenses in addition to those budgeted by NAWCC. In return our Chapter is likely to benefit financially from a successful convention. Sponsoring a National Convention is both an honor for the Chapter and an opportunity to offer local and national membership collegial interaction, education classes, opportunities to buy and sell at the Mart and an auction with bargains for the collector.

Traditionally, educational programs at Chapter 124 One Day meetings have featured a single presenter. The March One Day featured two speakers and was the first program in the "Show and Tell" sequence. With this format Chapter 124 intends to highlight the interesting and innovative work of a variety of our members. In this spirit, Chuck Edwards provided a thought provoking presentation at the March One Day entitled "My Favorite Clock - Story." He related how each clock we own and repair has a story. The stories may relate to the maker, county of origin, who built the timepiece and how we acquired the clock. Chuck emphasized that an important aspect of clock collecting is the opportunity to make friends. As collectors and repairers we spend countless hours talking to other enthusiasts about a clock's origin, uniqueness and how it could be repaired. In turn this process creates its own story. Collectors and repairers are often excited to tell you a story about their recent find or some repair problem they have encountered. We wait patiently, and sometimes not so patiently, for the other person to tell their story so we can tell ours. The friendships we make through collecting and repairing become an enduring dynamic in our lives. NAWCC and Chapter 124 are major avenues through which we build friendships lasting a lifetime.

A second educational program was given at the March One Day by Dee Koch on pivot polishing. He presented pictures and examples of several prototypic polishers. One was a simple, manually driven polishing device made of wood with an adjustable bed, constituting a low-tech solution for pivot polishing. Another was a Jacot Drum which can be mounted on the Sherline lathe to polish pivots under power. The Jacot Drum provides a secure surface to hold the pivot while polishing. A recurring problem encountered in pivot polishing is how to hold wheels securely by the shaft using collets or chucks. In some instances insufficient shaft protrudes to allow a secure attachment, such as when the pivot is very close to a pinion or wheel. One could secure the wheel by the pivot, but that risks the pivot being broken when pressure is applied during polishing. Dee showed a wheel-holding device he designed which allows wheels of various sizes to be mounted securely on the lathe by the shaft without the danger of breaking pivots. Handouts were provided showing examples of the fixtures.









## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### ***Chapter 124 Class & Meeting Schedule***

Each year the Chapter expands the class offerings to include a variety of courses. Bruce Wooldridge and the Education Committee have a full spectrum of classes scheduled for 2017. Please see the complete listing and register for classes on the 124 web page under Education. Upcoming classes include:

April 21-24; 9:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.

May 6-7; 9:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.  
instructor.

May 27; 9:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.

June 3; 8:00a.m. – 1:00p.m.

July 15-16/22-23; 9:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.

**Spring Barrel Repair (CR-200)** Mark Vozar, instructor.

**Adjusting Common Escapements (SR-200)** Kelsey Downum,

**Saturday Open Bench (OW-100)** Mark Vozar, instructor.

**Annual Meeting and Election of Board Members.**

**Chime Clock Repair (CR-300)** Phil Ball, instructor.

**Note:** **Veneering (CD-102)** with Stephen Haley has been moved to September 30 and October 1.

Chuck Edwards presents My Favorite Clock – Story at the March One Day



### ***Welcome New Members***

**Dave Barns from Plano, Texas**

**John Norwood from Lucas, Texas**





## 2017 National Convention Report



**73<sup>RD</sup> NAWCC  
NATIONAL  
CONVENTION**  
June 28-July 1, 2017  
Arlington, Texas

### Volunteers and Sponsors Needed

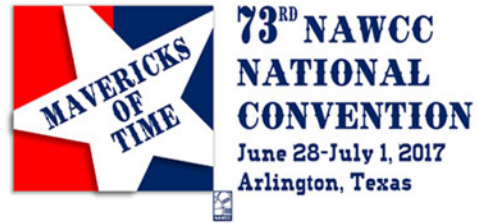
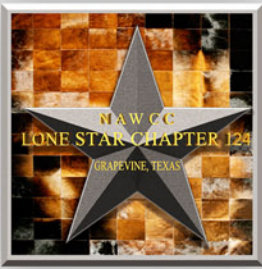
The NAWCC National Convention in Arlington is fast approaching. We will need all of our members to participate in order to make this a success for NAWCC and for Chapter 124. So far, the response for volunteers has been good, but we still have plenty of jobs to fill before June. On-site registration, unloading in the mart, greeters, exhibit set-up, mart set-up, tour guides, auction registration and checkout are just a few of the areas where you can help. Contact **John Acker** at [jsatex@att.net](mailto:jsatex@att.net) or 214-467-0076 with your availability to volunteer.

We are also seeking sponsors to help offset some of the costs of the convention such as the exhibit, door prizes, signage, transportation and postage – to name just a few. No contribution is too small – but gifts of \$100 or more will make you eligible to attend the Donors' Reception during the convention. You will also receive recognition on a large placard at the entrance to the Convention Center, as well as recognition in the Convention Program. Checks should be made payable to: **2017 NAWCC Convention** and mailed to **John Erickson**, Treasurer, 3516 Interlaken Drive, Plano, TX, 75075. These gifts are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. If you work for, or know of, a business that might like to be recognized for contributing, please contact **Chuck Edwards** at [chuck.w.edwards@gmail.com](mailto:chuck.w.edwards@gmail.com) and he will be happy to work with you on sending out a solicitation letter.

If you would like to donate a door prize (a book, a clock, a watch, a tool, etc.), our Door Prize Chairman is **Marion Krajewski**. Contact Marion at [marionkrajewski@comcast.net](mailto:marionkrajewski@comcast.net) or 219-769-8247 and let her know what you would like to give. To save on mailing costs, you can bring the item to the next Chapter meeting.

Mark your calendars for **June 28 – July 1, 2017** and send your registration form in (if you haven't already) as soon as possible. This is a great opportunity to become involved with Chapter 124, and to find out more about our national association. We want the Lone Star to shine bright for NAWCC!

*JOHN ACKER...2017 National Convention Chairman*



## 2017 National Convention Report

### The National Convention is Coming!!!

Plans continue to progress for the 73<sup>rd</sup> NAWCC National Convention to be held in Arlington, TX this June. Of the 600 mart tables available, 515 have been sold, and the committee is considering the possibility of opening an annex for additional tables. The Sheraton Hotel is sold out of rooms in our block, but we still have rooms at the special convention rate at the Arlington Hilton and the Crowne Plaza Suites. With only about two months left before the convention opens, it appears that we are headed for a huge success!



Things will get started on Wednesday night with the Chapter Relations Reception, a ticketed event at the Sheraton. Following the reception, **Philip Morris**, renowned author and collector, will give the keynote lecture entitled ***The Remarkable Clocks of Joseph Ives.***

The annual live auction will take place on Thursday night with auctioneer **Tom Harris** officiating. **Stephen Haley** is chairing the auction committee, and will be soliciting items during the next month. Keep an eye out for an e-mail with more details.

We still have seats available at the Awards Banquet on Friday night. **Pam Tischler** has planned a wonderful meal with a bit of Texas flair that everyone will enjoy. **Jim Herrington**, "The Cowboy Poet," will be providing the entertainment that evening, sharing stories about the Old West. This is also the time special service awards are presented to members of NAWCC and the awards for winners of the Craft Contest.

*JOHN ACKER...2017 National Convention Chairman*



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And the drawing for the Grand Door Prize, a beautiful 24K gold-plated fusee coil spring skeleton clock in the design of WM Smith, Musselburgh, and donated by **Shirley and Bob Crowder of ProClocks**, will cap off the night.

**William Slough** has been working hard at publicizing the Craft Contest. Check the NAWCC website to see the many categories for entry in the contest. If you have a project that qualifies, this is the perfect time to enter. And even if you don't enter, stop by to see the incredible entries from our talented members.

We still need volunteers for registration, set-up, break-down, guides, docents and more. E-mail John Acker at [jsatex@att.net](mailto:jsatex@att.net) if you can help!

### Truck Driver Needed!

**Don Bugh** is looking for a volunteer with a truck that would be willing to pick up a watchmaker's bench in Ft Worth and bring it to the convention center exhibit room on Tuesday afternoon, June 27<sup>th</sup>. The bench will need to be returned to Ft Worth on Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are willing to help, please contact Don at [d-bugh@suddenlink.net](mailto:d-bugh@suddenlink.net) or [979-224-2681](tel:979-224-2681).

*JOHN ACKER...2017 National Convention Chairman*





**73<sup>RD</sup> NAWCC  
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CONVENTION**  
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Arlington, Texas

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Amt Rcd \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Cash ☐ Ck.# \_\_\_\_\_

Tables Assigned \_\_\_\_\_

Arlington Convention Center  
1200 Ballpark Way  
Arlington, Texas 76011

**Registration Form**

**Everyone, except spouses, must complete a separate registration form. Pre-registration, registration of auction items, and cancellations end June 9, 2017.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ NAWCC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fellow \_\_\_\_\_ Star Fellow \_\_\_\_\_ Old Timer \_\_\_\_\_ National Officer

Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_ NAWCC #: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fellow \_\_\_\_\_ Star Fellow \_\_\_\_\_ Old Timer \_\_\_\_\_ National Officer

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-Registration \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$55/person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mart 'Early Bird' (in addition to registration) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50/person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Relations Reception \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$28/person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Old Timers/Fellows Lunch\* \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$33/person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Awards Banquet\* \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$55/person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Mart Table (6-foot section) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$60/table \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Electricity for table \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75/connection \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donation to NAWCC \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cowboys/Rangers Tour \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$45/person \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*Special dietary needs? \_\_\_\_\_ (We will contact you.)

Registration at door (**required after 6-9-17**) - \$70 per person. Mart table at door—\$75. Children under 18 are FREE (does not include banquet, lunches or tours).

**To register by mail, send payment and this form to:**

John Erickson  
2017 NAWCC Convention  
P.O. Box 260090  
Plano, TX 75026-0090  
972-985-0855  
John.erickson7@verizon.net

Please make checks payable to:

**2017 NAWCC Convention**

Payment in U.S. dollars only

Register Online: Go to [nawcc.org](http://nawcc.org)

The NAWCC, its officers and members, and the 2017 National Organizing Committee are not responsible for any loss, injury or tort during this meeting.  
Valid NAWCC membership card required for entry. Photo ID required for new and renewal member applications.





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## COWBOYS STADIUM

AT&T STADIUM is more than the home of the Dallas Cowboys, it's a world of facts and figures about the world's largest domed structure, an art museum, a classroom. The things you can do at AT&T Stadium are endless, and with this NAWCC Tour, you can experience them all.

## 2017 NAWCC CONVENTION TOURS

Wednesday, June 28th  
12:30 PM  
Leaving from the  
Arlington  
Convention Center



Globe Life Park is the home of the Texas Rangers baseball team. See the most exciting behind-the-scenes areas of the ballpark including batting cages, press box City of Arlington Suite, the dugout and much more.

### REGISTRATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Number of tour participants \_\_\_\_\_ x \$45.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make check payable to: 2017 NAWCC Convention

Mail Registration and check to:  
2017 NAWCC National Convention  
P.O. Box 260090  
Plano, TX 75026-0090





# Preserve History! Join Us

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## 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 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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.)

Check appropriate box:

☐ New #124 Member

☐ Renew my membership

*Dues are \$10 per year.*

*Yrs @ \$10 =*

*Join/renew for 1-5 years*

