

## 2019 Lone Star Regional



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Greetings Everyone.

Whew! Our 2019 Lone Star Chapter 124 Regional is finally over and we can all relax for the time being. I really do not know where to begin, because the attendance turned out much better than I expected with more than 286 tables sold and 500 plus members attending. People renewed their dues with Lone Star Chapter 124, members joined the NAWCC or Renewed while we had several join with Introductory Memberships.

We kicked off our 2019 Lone Star Regional on Thursday with Mike Dempsey teaching a class on "Designing and Producing Missing and Broken Clock Parts not Available for Purchase." We had 17 members attend this class and everyone always enjoys Mike's knowledge and expertise.

Unloading began Thursday afternoon at 2:00 pm with a lot of volunteers. The Exhibit on **"Time to Make Music"** began set-up as well. The Mart closed at 5:00 pm with a Cash Bar and Social Hour beginning at 6:00 pm with plenty of Mexican Food Appetizers and a Silent Auction. Members always enjoy the free food in case one does not want to go out to eat.



Registration and Unloading began on Friday morning at 7:00 am with the Mart opening for all at 8:00 am. **Richard Cox** gave a demo in the Mart on "**Re-Silvering**" in the morning while **Craig White** did a demo on "**Casting Clock Parts out of Brass**" in the afternoon.

**Rick Wilkins**, the Curator of the Olden Year Musical Museum in Duncanville, gave a talk on **"The History of Mechanical Music"** in the morning followed by a walk thru of the Exhibit. Bill Edwards, Chair of the Exhibit, as well as John Acker and Chuck Edwards as Co-Chairs, did an outstanding job preparing this Exhibit.

In the afternoon, **Hugh Lindsay** gave a talk on "Wills and Estate Planning" followed by John Acker speaking on "Managing Your Collection." John Hubby conducted a meeting with Chapter 168 on 400-Day Clocks later in the afternoon.



Mechanical Piano and Violin



I want to personally apologize for the meal at the Banquet. What a disaster! While the salad, twice baked potato, asparagus and chocolate cake were delicious, the Herb Butter Loin Strip was tougher than nails and the Apple Strudel was not as we have had in the past. Chef Jason, who prepared our meals before, left the Hampton and they had a temporary Chef from Louisiana doing the cooking. The Hampton Staff was so apologetic because steaks were being returned or not eaten at all. I am presently working with the Hampton about how they are going to make this right in the future! I for one am definitely on their case, as this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in 12 years we have had a bad meal. Some chalk it up as Banquet Food; however, I do not look at it that way. We were told over and over how great the steak was, so I was just as surprised as you were! The Chapter is in hopes you will try the Banguet again next year.

Saturday morning **Nick Lerescu** and **Mary Ellen Bell** talked about Chapter 179's future trips being planned for 2019 and 2020. This is the Educational Travel Chapter and if you have not been on one of these trips, I can personally recommend it. Fred and I traveled with Nick for many years and always had a great time. You see things the normal tourist never has the opportunity to see.





**Mike Granderson** received the David Tips Volunteer of the Year Award for 2019. Mike was definitely not expecting this! **Evelyn Slough** and **John Erickson** both received the Fellow Award at the Banquet. I personally think they both were taken aback, as there were tears and smiles at the same time! Every table received a bag full of goodies!



Mike Granderson

Evelyn Slough

John Erickson

**Carroll Wolfe** was our National Rep for our Regional this year. We also had the pleasure of having **Tom Wilcox**, the NAWCC Executive Director, as well as **Emily Immel**, the Education Programs Coordinator, attend. We always enjoy having the National people attend, so everyone has a chance to get to know them better.





The Mart was basically empty before Noon on Saturday, which is unusual. The majority of our members wanted to get an early start traveling North because of the winter storm. We are just thankful our Regional was not a wet one nor was there ice/snow. One person recommended we move our Regional to the end of March; however, we have had the first weekend in March for years and are already locked in for the next several years. You never know about the weather regardless of where you are located. Again, I apologize for so many packing up first thing Saturday and heading North; however, I certainly understand.

There were lots of door prizes passed out throughout the Regional. Kudos to **John Hunt** for handling this for the Chapter.

**Cathy Slough** kept the little ones entertained with things to do at the Children's Table while her husband, **William Slough**, was busy as the Mart Announcer.

Enjoy the Spring before it gets too hot!





## **Dates to Remember**

- April 20, 2019 Open Bench with Mark Vozar
- May 4 & 5, 2019 CD-100 Wood Clock Case Restoration 1 with Dee Koch
- May 7, 2019 Tuesday Evening Open Bench beginning at 4:00 pm with Mark Vozar
- May 25 & 26, 2019 SR-100 French Clock Repair Course with Bruce Wooldridge
- June 1, 2019 Chapter 124's Annual Meeting
- June 15, 2019 Open Bench with Mark Vozar





## Chapter 124's Education

Be sure to check the website for upcoming classes scheduled at the Founder's Building in Grapevine. Go to www.chapter124.org for the latest update or contact Barry Kilfoy at barrykilfoy@charter.net or phone 817.691.6710.

**Our Annual Meeting** will be **Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**, at the Founder's Building in Grapevine. We will start with a Mart before the Business Meeting. This is the time to elect new Officers and Directors for 2019-2020. A Barbecue Lunch will be provided for all, so you don't want to miss out! Join the fun and camaraderie!

Hope to see you on June 1<sup>st</sup>!







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Please use this form to renew your Chapter 124 membership - or, if you're not already a member, please consider joining. As a member, you'll always be the first to know about Chapter activities, classes and meetings. Help us keep our chapter strong!





Thank you all for the last 10 years of great friendship & wonderful people, a wonderful experience & a marvelous education. I have enjoyed creating the newsletters, regional posters and presentations that I have worked on over the years. We have moved to Augusta, Maine and will continue to develop the newsletters. I will miss you all... Hope to see you in Boston for the next National!

Sincerely, Peter Crum

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