

# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WATCH & CLOCK COLLECTORS

## LONE STAR CHAPTER 124

‘An educational group dedicated to preserving and understanding horology’

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### President's Message

My name is **William Rankin Slough**, but most of you know me as Bill. I joined Chapter 124 and the NAWCC in 2006. My parents, **Hugh and Evelyn Slough**, introduced me to Chapter 124 because of my love for clocks and pocket watches. I'm a loving husband to my wife, **Cathy**, and father of two sons, **Trent** and **Chris**. Chris is married to **Amy** and they have my two-year old granddaughter **Briar**. Chapter 124 is an extension of my family.

I would like to thank **Tim Brownlee**, especially for his service as President for the last two years. The year 2020 was a tough one for Tim and the Board of Directors and they did a great job! The Board and Chapter volunteers kept Chapter 124 running during 2020 through COVID and an inability to have face to face communications. We, Chapter 124, as an extended family, were only able to communicate by email, phone or Zoom meetings last year.

**Bruce Wooldridge** and his team, along with Tim, worked with **Jim Sargent** to set up Chapter 124's first online auction. This was a great success and we plan on having more online auctions with Jim in the future. Our next online auction is scheduled for September. We will send out more information at a later date.

My goals, during my term, are to get Chapter 124's schedule as close to normal as possible. My plan is to schedule classes and open benches for every month. Have One Days with lectures or demos for exchanging horological information and I want us to once more be able to meet and greet with each other. The Board and I are working hard to ensure we have a wonderful year. We are deep in the process of planning our March, 2022, Regional.

We are still looking for people to join the Board of Directors as well as people to assist us with projects.

Our next **One Day will be August 7**, at the Founders Building located at 701 S. Main St., Grapevine, TX. We will be having a "Show and Tell." If you would like to participate in the "Show and Tell," please email me at [Sherlock.clock@outlook.com](mailto:Sherlock.clock@outlook.com).

**Bruce Wooldridge** is looking for auction items. If you know of anyone who has clocks, watches, horological tools or books for the 2022 Regional or a One Day, contact Bruce at: [bawool@suddenlinkmail.com](mailto:bawool@suddenlinkmail.com) or 903-571-3093

Bill Slough  
President  
NAWCC Chapter 124

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# The Kitchen Clock

by Anonymous

Listen to the kitchen clock!  
To itself it ever talks,  
From its place it never walks;  
"Tick-tock-tick-tock:"  
Tell me what it says.

"I'm a very patient clock,  
Never moved by hope or fear,  
Though I've stood for many a year;  
Tick-tock-tick-tock:"  
That is what it says.

"I'm a very truthful clock:  
People say about the place,  
Truth is written on my face;  
Tick-tock-tick-tock:"  
That is what it says.

"I'm a most obliging clock;  
If you wish to hear me strike,  
You may do it when you like;  
Tick-tock-tick-tock:"  
That is what it says.

"I'm a very friendly clock;  
For this truth to all I tell,  
Life is short, improve it well;  
Tick-tock-tick-tock:"  
That is what it says.

What a talkative old clock!  
Let us see what it will do  
When the hour hand reaches two;  
"Ding-ding—tick-tock:"  
That is what it says.





## Matching Gift Update

Many thanks to those who have responded to our Matching Gift Challenge. To date, our members have contributed \$1,536 which will be matched dollar-for-dollar by an anonymous donor. The donor has offered to match gifts up to a total of \$5,000.

If you were at our Annual Meeting and saw our year-end financial report, you know that Chapter 124 suffered a loss of \$21,910.20 last year, in large part due to the effects of COVID-19. This fund raising effort is an attempt to soften that blow, and put us back in a better financial position.

Please consider a tax-deductible contribution to help us **reach our goal of \$5,000!** Make your check payable to **Lone Star Chapter 124**, put "Matching Gift Donation" on the Memo line, and mail to:

Tim Brownlee, Treasurer  
133 Crest Brook Drive  
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## Education

Education Chair **Larry Thomas** has been working diligently to get our education program back on track at our new facility in Irving. So far, we have held six Open Benches, a class on Wheel & Pinion Cutting on the Sherline Mill with guest instructor **Jerry Kieffer**, and a Kitchen Clock Repair Class (CR100) taught by **Larry Thomas**. These have all been well-attended, and students and teachers alike are happy to be getting back into the classroom.

Coming up, we have **Spring Barrel Clock Repair** (CR200) taught by **Phil Ball** scheduled for September 11, 12, 18 and 19; and **Chime Clock Repair** (CR300) also taught by **Phil Ball** scheduled for November 7, 8, 14 and 15. If you are interested, sign up now, as space is limited. Check the Chapter website education page for updates on scheduling and for registration.

Open Benches are scheduled for:

Saturday, August 21, 9 AM – 3 PM

Tuesday, September 21, 4 PM – 8 PM

Saturday, October 16, 9 AM – 3 PM

Tuesday, November 16, 4 PM – 8 PM

Saturday, December 18, 9 AM – 3 PM

We are always looking for ways to improve our educational offerings, so if you have ideas, suggestions, or are interested in volunteering, please contact **Larry Thomas** at [ldthomas65@verizon.net](mailto:ldthomas65@verizon.net)

## All Texas Chapters Regional (Houston)

As things start to return to normal, regional meetings are happening around the country. If you're looking for one close to home, consider supporting our friends at San Jacinto Chapter 139 and the All Texas Chapters Regional – August 27-29, 2021. Go to [www.sanjacinto139.com](http://www.sanjacinto139.com) for information on registering.

## Lone Star Regional (Mesquite)

It may seem early, but we are already working on details for the 2022 Lone Star Regional in Mesquite, TX. Go ahead and mark your calendars now for March 3-5, 2022 and watch for updates in future newsletters. Official registration forms should go out around December 1<sup>st</sup>.





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## *Greetings from Maine*

We have moved to Maine and are looking for a house. I have retired from designing and we spend a lot of time antiquing. There are a lot of old goodies here including clocks.

COVID! I have survived Covid-19. It was in the early stages of Covid when a few people knew what it was and how to prevent it. Masking had not started. I was feeling ill and hallucinating. My wife took me to the hospital here in Augusta who sent me to Tufts Medical Center in Boston. I was there unconscious for three months. As I started to come around, I was transferred to Whitier Rehabilitation Hospital for 6 months. I went from unconscious to walking with a walker. It took 6 months...it was a rough frustrating experience.

As of today, after a year, I can walk on my own without a cane. I lost 30 lbs. I go to The YMCA to develop my muscles and stamina walking.

I am telling you about this because it is a deadly virus that is a horrible experience. I wouldn't wish this on anyone. I have had the shots with no side effects.

I hope that you are all well...I hope you all get the shots.

I miss you all!!!

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