### Lone Star



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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, our 2004 Regional Show was a great success. We had 759 adults and 16 kids attending our event with 270 tables. Maybe some of these young ones came away with a greater appreciation and interest in clocks and watches. These are our future collectors and repair folks. Let's keep them coming!



On behalf of our Lone Star Chapter 124 Board, I would like to thank ALL of our volunteers, Co-Host Chapters, and speakers who made this show a success. Without each one of you we could not have done it.

All of the educationals were excellent again this year with: George Kiser's Origin of the Rolex Watch Company," Nick Bonura's presentation of The Transition From Weights to Brass & Steel Springs" (theme of our exhibit), John Hubby's "400 Day Clocks from Patent to Product," and Richard Seitz's "Soldering Demonstration." Nick Bonura and Phil Gregory gave tours through our exhibit area explaining the importance of each display item and how it impacted clock technology in America.

First Vice President John Hubby spoke at our Breakfast Banquet with just under 90 members in attendance and encouraged us to look for ways to increase our membership through education programs. He also gave out National Certificates of Appreciation to the Chairpersons of the Regional Show Committees.

There seemed to be a lot of buying and selling in the Mart of quality items and a strong demand for silent auctions. Annette White, our Mart Announcer, kept us in-line and on-track with all of the events going on at the same time. Also, we had an Appraisal Fair in the Exhibit Area. We had over 40 folks bring in some very interesting items ranging from a couple of rare Patek Fillipe watches to a German, time only, clock with a rotating globe. This event helped generate interest in our organization and perhaps some future members were there.

I think everyone had a good time. We received many compliments on how smoothly everything came together, from the unloading to the table layouts. George Orr asked that we do the same thing (unloading) at the National Show this coming July. We are looking for more volunteers to help in that effort. If you are interested and willing, please contact Chuck Edwards or Sam Norvell the Co-Chairs of Unloading. Have you registered yet?

Our next show is our One Day coming April 10th at the Knights Inn in Arlington, TX. We have a number of new members so bring what you bought or didn't sell at the Regional to make available to them...or me. See you there!

President Russ Aikins

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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,

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

# Attention! Date Change!

Next Mart Date is April 10th (not April 17th)

Due to scheduling conflicts at the Knight's Inn in Arlington, the date for the next One Day Mart has been changed. It has been changed to April 10th. Please make a note and don't miss.

Cori Johnson of Binswanger Glass is set to come and discuss advances in glazing/putty, mirror silvering, and buffing. She will also demonstrate how to cut circles, arch tops, squares, and drill holes. She has at least sixteen years of experience and will be sharing her trade secrets. This is an absolutely "Don't Miss!" educational particularly for those who are into restoration.

Cori will be speaking from 10:30 to 11:30. Afterwards, lunch will be served. See everyone there!

Congratulations! to Dan and Denise Tips who were recently married in Colorado.

Prayers are needed for Richard Ross and Wes and Betty Baker

Condolences are sent out to the family and friends of Robert Nettles and Don Cardwell.

PLAN AHEAD Date Book

One Day Marts April 10, 2004-Ch. 124

June 12, 2004-Ch. 124

August 7, 2004-Ch. 124





# Another Regional Come and Gone

The 2004 Regional is over, and sighs of relief eminate from all who worked so very hard to make it a success. And successful it was, too. It did not quite make last year's numbers, but it came very close. Close means that it made money and did not leave any debts behind. Profits will be laid out during the June 2004 Business Meeting. It is hoped that all who attended had a good time and will want to return next year. Everyone's presence and participation was so very much appreciated. President Russ Aikins remarked that it was an outstanding team effort on the part of all the volunteers who were willing to step in and do whatever was needed. Convention Director, Sam Norvell, is pictured left.

# Education Still Top Priority For Chapter 124



Phil Gregory Assists Nick Bonura on the Exhibit Tour

It's not easy getting the best speakers to come to Mesquite, but somehow Chapter 124 always seems to manage.

This year everyone was so pleased to have Nick Bonura, who spoke on the theme of Regional, "Iron to Brass to Steel -The Transition From Weights to Brass and Steel Springs"; George Kiser, who spoke on the "Origin of the Rolex Company"; First Vice President John Hubby, who spoke about "400-Day Clocks From Patent to Product"; and Richar Seitz, who delivered a "Soldering Demonstration." Phil Gregory was in the midst helping out as he always does.



Nick Bonura Leads Exhibit Tour as well as giving an educational

### Appraisal Fair More Successful Than Last Year

This year's Appraisal Fairs did double the business it did last year. About forty people came to have their timepieces appraised and showed interest in joining the chapter. This was the result of publicly advertising the event in the Dallas newspaper.

Several volunteers helped making the appraisals. Newcomer Scott Stauffer worked about five hours and had a wonderful time. (Volunteering can be fun after all.) He was asked to write his experience for the newsletter:

"The appraisal fair was a wonderful experience and a great way to meet both the public and fellow members who share an interest in time pieces. We had strong interest from the moment we opened and one gentleman brought in several sacks of watches for information and appraisal. Many of the watches presented were very unusual including not one, but two Patek Phillipe solid gold pocket watches presented within 30 minutes of eachother!! Many people brought more than one watch, and one person was so happy, they returned a short while later with several more watches to have appraised. There was a wide array of both domestic and foreign pocket and wristwatches from many different timr periods. All in all it was a very enjoyable experience and I certainly look forward to next year..." Scott Stauffer



Guy Burks (l) is having his watches appraised by Scott Stauffer (r) at the appraisal fair.

Scott originally began collecting railroad watches and joined the NAWCC in 1992, but he said he has not had much involvement with the local chapter until about a year ago, when he joined Chapter 124 here in Dallas. His travel schedule has kept him from attending most of the

### **Breakfast at Mesquite**

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT JOHN HUBBY was the National representative and main speaker at the Breakfast Saturday morning. He began by saying that "Chapter 124 is a model chapter for all other chapters" and "does everything right." Nice compliment for all those who volunteer and work so hard to make it a great club for everybody.

He emphasized that the recent merger is a very good thing and wished to debunk any myths that might suggest otherwise. It was a very hard two years of work, but it was definitely worth it for everyone's benefit.

John mentioned three priorities during his tenure as future president:

- 1. **Membership** and **Fundraising** Increasing and retaining membership by making the NAWCC a fun and enjoyable place to be.By increasing the membership, more funds can raised
- 2. Education He mentioned the suitcase classes that Fred Tischler teaches(and later said that Chapter 124 is tied with the Australians for most outstanding educationals. Woops! Competition, Chapter 124!)
- 3. **Internet expansion** There are thousands of people interested in horology but do not know about the NAWCC. By making NAWCC more accessable on the website, more can learn about it which could lead to more memberships.

Certificates were passed out to several volunteers, speeches were made short and sweet, and the breakfast was delicious incentive to reserve a seat next year.

local meetings and marts, but he tries to attend at least a couple of regional shows each year..

In addition to a specialization in railroad or "standard" watches, Scott has a casual interest in clocks as well and would like to learn more.

He is the VP of Operations for a Dallas-based Financial Services Company and very active in his home community of Sachse, where he currently serves as a five year city councilman and the current Mayor Pro-Tem. He enjoys spending time with his wife, Stephanie, and two Westie terriers.

#### APPLICATION/RENEWAL for LONE STAR CHAPTER 124, NAWCC

An educational group dedicated to preserving and understanding horology.

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Dues are \$10 per year. yrs @ \$10 = Join/renew for 1 - 5 years

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First row: Instructor Russ Aikins, Robert Frase, Ray Gearhard, Pete Cronos,& Dan Cole. Second row: Mark Moreau, Delbert Timmes, and Ron Oolog. In front: Chuck Edwards.

### L A L T A H S

Any classroom teacher would beam with pride to have so many students all on task and enthusiastic with learning. Thanks go out to Instructors Russ Aikins and Bill Andrle who assisted.

The class redid both vanilla colored dials with just chapter rings and numbers and other dials with painted flowers. It was taught by Phil Gregory and Karen Summerville who were students of Peggy Rogers in 1997. The next gold leafing class will include gold leafed dials.



Dial Painting Class left to right: Ron Hollien, Larry Grubb, Carolyn Hollien, Richard Rose, Jim Summerville, Gary Mowery, Julia Kuhn and Bob Nicolaysen.

## Dial Painting With Flowers



Gary Mowery painted the flowers on this dial. Quite remarkable for a first try.

### **UPCOMING EDUCATION CLASSES**

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

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>COST</u>	INSTRUCTOR
Case Restoration	April 24, 25	\$25.00	Call Craig Burgess @ 817-427-4104
Pocket Watch Repair	May 1, 2	\$25.00	Call Craig Burgess @ 817-427-4104
Kitchen Clock Repair 100	May 15,16 & 24,25	\$50.00	Call Phil Ball @ 972-889-9338
Weight Driven Clock Repair 400	July 10, 11 & 17,18	\$50.00	Call Fred Tischler @ 972-612-0712

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

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### **April 2004**

### Welcome New Members!

Coppell, TX Mike Ashley Grand Prairie, TX Arlington, TX Joe Bates Midland, TX John Benfatti Athens, TX Craig Bess Keith Burchfield Plano, TX Ron Cope Arlington, TX Mark Crake Allen, TX Bob Day Gainesville, TX Robert W. Fesler Elgin, OK Robert Frase Dallas, TX Marie Fuller Sugar Land, TX Rob Glass Corsicana, TX Jon Hallmark Murphy, TX Novice, TX Howard Holcomb Jim Jones Phoenix, AZ Plano, TX Brian Lambert Brice Lennington Arlington, TX John Lewandowsky Lewisville, TX Cleburne, TX Earl Myres C. Michael Pactor Dallas,TX Gary Price Kilgore, TX Joe Rinehart Bullard, TX Steve Semones Lewisville, TX Louis Smith Ocean Springs, MS Keller, TX Stephen Vozar Justin Wise Addison, TX

# Thanks, Regional Volunteers!

Clinton Kleen, Gene Meysenburg and Marion Edwards were happy so many preregistered





Pam Tischler received largest round of applause at the Breakfast for her work in Hospitality

# So many volunteers!

Garland and Jean Peters, Len Kaufman, Phil Gregory, Annette White, Mike Coker, Joe Richards, Ron Van Ness, Bruce Wooldridge, Edra Hudson, Karen Mowery, Joe Perrin, Fred and Pam Tischler, Debbie Andrle, Rosie Meysenburg, Patsy Norvell, Joe Veneziano, Clinton Kleen, Gene Meysenburg, Marion Edwards, Byron White, Jimmy Young, Barbara Leis, Steve Cunningham, Gil Peterson, Kerry Despaux, Carl Dreher, Gene Gaither, Ray Gearhard, Larry Grubb, Gary Mowery, John Perrigo, Joe Plunkett, Rick Rose, Mark Vozar , Stephen Vozar, Charlie Watson, Ray Wiederhold, Paul Rabe, Gary Rowland, Butch Overbaugh, Dana Shamblin, and of course, the officers: President Russ Aikins, Vice President Chuck Edwards, Secretary/Treasurer Bill Edwards, Convention Director Sam Norvell, Education Director Craig Burgess, Mart Director Bill Andrle, and Past President Claude Leis. Please forgive if anyone is left out.

# **Classified**

Tony Young

Paavo Zakin

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(1) Dutch Grand-Daughter Clock \$1,500.00

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#### CODE OF ETHICS

from Fred Tischler

The NAWCC Council, at the recommendation of the Merger Task Force, is creating an "Ethics Task Force," to establish a Code of Ethics and Code of Conduct for the NAWCC members, the new Board of Directors and Staff at Headquarters. The current Ethic Committee's responsibility only includes issues between members arising from transactions in the Marts and the Mart publication. The scope of these new rules should be more comprehensive at some level not known at this time.

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