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## Lone Star

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings! I hope you all had a very Merry Christmas and that your New Year is getting off to a great start.

The 2006 Lone Star Regional and the biggest mart in Texas is just around the corner! Mark your calendars now for March 17-18 for our 2006 Lone Star Regional! Convention Director Phil Ball indicates that 1/3rd of the tables were reserved as of Jan. 15, so be sure to get your pre-registration forms in the mail ASAP! Also, remember to make your hotel reservations at the Hampton Inn prior to Feb. 20 to get the great convention room rates. This should be a great Regional with guest speaker Tom Grimshaw; new exhibits; over 300

tables of clocks and watches; lots of silent auctions and great compan-

Chapter 124 certainly has had a great start this year - first with the holiday open house at the John Sparks residence. John, our thanks for you and your wife's great hospitality! Then, on January 14 we continued to prosper with a well-attended One Day meeting at the American Legion Hall in Bedford. Thanks Tom Szalay for the interesting and informative demonstration on using a tumbler to clean clock parts – a unique process that certainly appears to provide great results. Those present also were fortunate to see the processes projected larger than life - thanks to the new video cam and projector recently acquired by our educational committee. We can all see the details now! Also thanks to Bruce Wooldridge for conducting the small auction of interesting clocks. Lot's of bargains! Unfortunately, due to very limited notification of the availability of the clocks, as well as illness, we were unable to get the word on the auction out to all members as planned, but your Board did

The big news of the New Year: We now have a new facility for Chapter 124 educational classes! As you know, the Old City Park educational building is being demolished to make room for a new educational center, resulting in loss of use of Old City Park facilities for a couple of years. Chuck Edwards, Phil Gregory, and Larry Grubb have just notified us that the City of Grapevine has agreed to let the Chapter begin using a building near the old railroad depot in Grapevine for our classes, beginning in March. Thanks guys, for the hard work, and congratulations on getting the City of Grapevines' agreement. In the meantime, all students are asked to please check with your instructor to verify the temporary class locations until the Grapevine building is available.

a good job of calling as many of the members as possible.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Regional!

All the best - Bill Edwards

#### **FEBRUARY** 2006

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## Directions to One Day **Mart Location**

The new location for the One Day Marts is at the American Legion Hall Post 379 in Bedford, TX. It is located approximately two blocks north of the intersection of FM 157 (Industrial Blvd.) and Harwood Rd. It is between Bedford and Euless.

The only landmark is the Walgreen's Drug Store on FM 157 just south of American Legion Hall.

## New Brochure! for Chapter 124

A highly professional and very attractive brochure is in the works for our chapter. This is the brainchild of Past President Chuck Edwards who has enlisted some professionals to help with the design.

It will look very much like the NAWCC brochure. Thousands of the brochures will be printed for cireculation and promotion. Exciting!

## The 2006 Regional is Almost Here!

Be sure to make plans soon to come to the regional in Mesquite, TX March 17th and 18th. Hotels fill up fast, and tables get reserved. This event seems to be getting larger every year, so don't miss out on "early bird" opportunities.

Also, Chapter 139 is having another One Day Mart February 18, 2006. This will be at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church on Blalock north of I-10. Let's support our fellow chapter and attend!

"Heads Up" notice for the Annual Business Meeting (and One Day Mart) - It will be June 10, 2006. Everyone needs to come. See you there!



The Sparks' hosted an open house party New Year's Day. Party goers really had a good time and appreciate their hospitality.



# **2006 LONE STAR REGIONAL**

Friday March 17<sup>th</sup> and Saturday March 18<sup>th</sup>

**Mesquite Convention Center** 1700 Rodeo Drive, Mesquite, Texas

## **Hosted by Lone Star Chapter #124**

Co-Hosted by:

**Southwestern Chapter #15** Five State Collectors Chapter #80 San Jacinto Chapter # 139

**Regional Highlights: Biggest Mart in TEXAS** (30K Sq Ft), guest speaker T om Grimshaw pre senting "Overview of the History of American Clocks & Watch Manufacture", Workshops, Full 8'x 2\_' Mart Tables, 24 Hour Professional Security, Free RV Parking, NO hookups. Same Fees as 2005! Lots of Silent Auctions and an Appraisal Fair!

#### **Mesquite Hotel/Motels: Mention NAWCC for Special Rates!**

- \* Hampton Inn (on site)- 1-800-HAMPTON (special rate by Feb 20) \$75 single or double, & \$105 suite, CALL BEFORE FEB 20! (mention NAWCC for rate)
- \* Holiday Inn Express------1(972) 288-9900 (no special rate) 0.2 miles away

#### Regional Agenda Friday March 17, 2006

8:00...Unloading and Setup

Pre-Registration badge allows setup prior to registration

 $8{:}00... Registration\\$ 

10:00...Mart and Exhibits Open

7:00...Mart and Exhibits Close

#### Saturday March 18, 2006

7:00...Breakfast – (**Pre-registration Only**)

8:00...Registration

8:30...Mart and Exhibits Opens

3:00...Mart and Exhibits Closes

3:30...**SECURITY ENDS** 

**NOTE: New extended Mart Hours!** 

For more information check our website www.chapter 124.com

### \* \* \*PRE-REGISTER NOW AND SAVE! \* \* \*

Registration \$25 at the door

For more information call Bill Edwards at 214-741-5533 or email at ph-ball@comcast.net

Tables Reserved by Groups must be received in one envelope. All Pre-Registration received by March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2006 will be confirmed by mail and **Refunds** will be granted up to March 16<sup>th</sup>! Tables must be set-up and displayed in the Mart. Only Horological items may be Bought/Sold in Mart No Pets allowed in Mart except for guide dogs with visually impaired persons. Only Members of NAWCC, their spouse and their children under 18 will be admitted to the Mart. NAWCC Members and Officers are not responsible for any loss, damage, injury or tort during this Regional.

#### NAWCC Regional Convention Rules will govern.

#### (PLEASE BLOCK PRINT ALL ENTRIES. FOR ADDITIONAL SPACE USE SEPARATE SHEET)

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FIRST OR NICKNAME FOR BADGES ((Include Member, Spouse and Children)	) (	) Email:	
Mart Admission for NAWCC Members or Spouse for Mart Admission for Members Children under age 18 Mart Table Registration (30 x 96) 8 foot long table - Mart Admission for Saturday only Members or Spous Saturday Breakfast ( <b>Pre-Registration Only</b> )	r Pre-Registration admitted free see	- FREE - @ \$35.00 e @ \$15.00 e	00.00 aa aa

Payment in US Currency or Check Only

Make Checks Payable to "LONE STAR CHAPTER 124": Mail to Phil Ball; 923 Berkeley Place, Richardson, TX 75081.

## New Site for Educational Classes in Grapevine, TX

The Board and Educational Instructors are very excited about a new site that has been found in which to have educational classes. Pam Kinkema, the Visitor Services Supervisor for the Grapevine Convention Center and Visitors' Bureau, has been instrumental in graciously welcoming Chapter 124 in using their facilities at the "Founders Building" at 701 South Main Street until another building called the "Station Master's House" is renovated. These buildings are located in the Historic District of Grapevine next to the Museum.

The City of Grapevine is building a community of artisans from many of the old trades in the area in which we will be working. Their blacksmith shop is open 20 hours a week which is probably a good model for us to use in opening a clock museum in the future. Plans are to have a railroad clock and watch museum on the ground floor while having classes on the second floor equipped with an elevator. Chapter 124 also plans to hang a clock in their railroad depot museum for interest. Past President Chuck Edwards and Educational Director Larry Grubb have been instrumental in getting this started and deserve our heartfelt thanks for their hard work.

#### APPLICATION/RENEWAL for LONE STAR CHAPTER 124, NAWCC An educational group dedicated to preserving and understanding horology. Complete & send with applicable check made payable to LONE STAR CHAPTER #124 Dues are \$10 per year. New #124 Member to GENE MEYSENBURG GM1000@PRODIGY.NET, 11028 Creekmere, Dallas TX 75218 Renew my membership yrs @ \$10 = Join/renew for 1 - 5 years Check appropriate box: To join Chapter #124, you must be an NAWCC member, or have applied for NAWCC Please PRINT: membership. Have you applied for National membership, but haven't gotten a membe ship number? Check here \_\_\_, [Date of your application/check to National $Mr\_\_Mrs\_\_Miss\_\_Ms\_\_ \ \ \text{(Please check appropriate blank.)}$ \_\_\_\_ NAWCC# STREET\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ PHONE -\_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_ CITY\_ ZIP E-Mail: I'm most interested in

02/06

## \* \* \* *IT''S MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!!!!* \*

Who recommended you?

NAME

The Chapter Membership Year is the same as the Calendar Year. Since we are approaching the end of 2005, it is time to check the status of your membership. To do that, check the top line on the mailing label on the opposite side of this page. If it says "Exp 12/2005" then your membership expires at the end of this month, and you need to renew. If it says anything else, your membership is current for 2006. The membership fee is \$10 per year for 1 to 5 years.

On the membership renewal form on page 3, we have printed a label summarizing the information we have on our Chapter Membership database regarding you. Even if you do not have to renew your membership, we would like you to verify the information on that label. If everything is correct, and your membership is current for 2006, you need do nothing. If anything on the label is incorrect, we would appreciate it if you would make the necessary changes and return the corrected renewal form to the membership renewal chairman.

An envelope is enclosed with the Newsletter for your convenience. Again this year, Gene Meysenburg is handling our membership renewals. If you have any questions about the renewals, or about your membership, you may call Gene at 214-328-1984, or email him at gm1000@prodigy.net.

Your prompt cooperation in this renewal process helps save the Chapter postage and mailing expenses. Please do it now!.

## UPCOMING EDUCATION CLASSES

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

CLASS	<u>DATE</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
Floating Balance	Feb. 25, 2006	\$25.00	Pat Swofford
Clock Repair	9 AM to 5 PM		972-253-6157

The location for the Floating Balance Clock Repair class ONLY will be at 1225 N. Inustrial Blvd., Dallas, TX. The class will be held in Bill Edwards' "Found Antiques" Antique Mall in the Tea Room. It is 3 blocks South of Industrial and Oaklawn. For more information and directions, call 817/980-7105.

Location for ALL OTHER CLASSES, starting in March, will be held at the Founder's Building, 701 S. Main, Grapevine, TX. So check with instructors before attending.

Wooden Gear	Mar. 4-5, 2006	\$50.00	Phil Gregory
Clock Repair	9 AM to 5 PM		972-717-4021
Spring Barrel	April 8, 9, 15, 2006	\$75.00	Phil Ball
Clock Repair 200	9 AM to 5 PM		972-889-9338
Pocket Watch	April 29-30, 2006	\$50.00	Bill Andrle
Workshop	9 AM to 5 PM		254-715-3820
Jeweler's Lathe I	May 6, 2006 9 AM to 5 PM	\$25.00	Russ Aikins 972-422-7813
Micro Lathe I	May 27, 2006 9 AM to 5 PM	\$25.00	Russ Aikins 972-422-7813
Wooden Gear	June 3-4, 2006	\$50.00	Phil Gregory
Clock Repair	9 AM to 5 PM		972-717-4021



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# You Are Invited!!! Make plans to come to Chapter 124's

# 2006 Lone Star Regional in Mesquite, TX

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This newsletter is being specially sent out to Chapter 124 members as well as to other chapters. A registration form is enclosed for your convenience, so "Ya'll Come!"

#### Welcome New Members!

James Pierce Pantego, TX
Jon Black Roanoke, TX
Ross Mancuso Fort Worth, TX
Rick Morey Frisco, TX

#### Condolences

**Mike Burgess**, a former Chapter 139 president and active member of Chapter 139 as well as a member of 124

**Jim West**, an active member in the NAWCC who was well known for his work with tower clocks

# **Classified**

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## Moving Day at Old City Park

Since there will be no more classes at Old City Park, all educational materials had to be removed from storage. Bill Edwards, Bill Andrle, Larry Grubb, Phil Ball and his son Chris spent a Saturday morning in December moving Chapter 124 materials to storage in another location for future use.



Chris Ball, son of Phil Ball (center) and Mark Vozar pack up to leave Educational Building at Old City Park in Dallas, TX

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