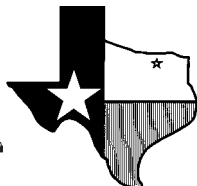


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Greetings fellow members! I hope everyone is well and surviving the heat of summer. Every year the Texas summer takes its toll on the young and old alike; so everyone be careful, drink plenty of water and take precautions.



Since I am the newly elected Chapter 124 President at the June 10th Annual Meeting, some of you may not know me. I would like to tell something about myself. I am 51 years old, my wife and I are hopeless habitual clock and recent watch collectors. I have been a member of NAWCC since 1997. I do enjoy collecting, restoring and repairing antique clocks and watches. I have been happily married for thirty years to Debbie Andrle, the Editor of the Chapter 124 newsletter. I graduated from Texas A&M University - "Class of 1980." I also have helped Russ Aikins for many years in his Lathe Classes.

Recently I served as a class coordinator for the NAWCC pocket watch suitcase classes and Pocket Watch Workshop. I have also helped teach the statue repair class. I have taken just about every class offered at Chapter 124 and enjoyed each and every one.

I have been employed at Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, a wholesale electric utility, since 1980 as a Power Maintenance Engineer. On a daily basis, I troubleshoot equipment problems, do repairs and schedule equipment maintenance on 375 transmission substations across Texas. There is nothing I won't do for my job... During my career I have climbed transmission poles & towers, adjusted high voltage switches, barehanded energized switches, infrared inspected substations at night, crawled inside circuit breakers & transformers, was even chased by wild ostriches, and spent numerous hours inspecting power lines from low flying aircraft.

My wife and I live in the country on eleven acres with our family of Debbie's pets. We have two palamino horses, two boer goats, a dog and eight cats. I also see Chapter 124 members as family. Some of the finest people I've ever met have been at the Chapter 124 events. There are a lot of nice interesting people out there. But I noticed we have 549 members and I only see only approximately 60 to 90 members regularly attending our One Day Shows. I see the same members come to every One Day Show and they are my extended Family and miss them when they don't come. I hear members at the show asking where some old friends are. I wonder what we (the Board) could do to improve attendance. I would like the members in the Dallas - Fort Worth Area to please E-Mail me at dandrl@texnet.net or call me or Debbie at 254-829-1559 with suggestions, comments, or reasons why you are not attending. Gene Meysenburg will be sending reminders by bulk E-mail a week or two prior to One Day Show. I know that everybody is busy in our routines, but if you can take a little time to let me know. This is important to me, and I want to help to improve our chapter's attendance. Remember Chapter 124 is your chapter.. Thanks, President Bill Andrle

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2006 Annual Business Meeting June 10, 2006

At the last One-Day, the Annual Business Meeting was held. Two new Board Members were inducted - Mark Vozar and Mike Coker. Mark will serve as the new Mart Director and Mike will serve as the new Convention Director. The Educational and Financial Reports were presented to the members for their approval.

Cuckoo Clock Repair Educational at August 12th One Day Mart

Anyone who has ever attempted to fix a cuckoo clock knows what a challenge it can be. That is why Chapter 124 is so pleased to have Gerald Greener give some tips at the next One Day with a Power Point presentation. Come & Enjoy!

Upcoming Events:

- August 12 Chapter 124 One Day, Grapevine, TX
- August 18-20 Chapter 139 All Texas Regional Houston, TX
- Sept. 14-16 MKOA Regional, Oklahoma City, OK
- October 14 Chapter 124 One Day Mart Grapevine, TX
- October 28 Tri-Chapter (Ch. 15, 124 & 139) One Day, Waco, TX
- November 3-4 Razorback #62 Regional Hot Springs, AR

Notice!!!

New Location for August 12th One Day Mart

Chapter 124 is moving! Take HWY 114 to Grapevine. Exit on South Main heading North to Downtown Grapevine at the Railroad tracks. Turn right into the parking lot with the historical railroad depot and museum. The address is 701 S. Main and the place is the Founders' Building.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Annual Meeting

June 10, 2006

Our Board of Directors has worked hard to take good care of Chapter 124's assets and members. As a result, we had a profitable year ending up in the black by \$8,344.29.

Chapter 124 Membership seems to be holding when the National membership is declining. We had 537 members on May 31, 2005 and 544 members on May 31, 2006. There were about thirty members who did not renew after the 5 year \$6.00 membership program lapsed.

As of the end of the fiscal year, Chapter 124 has the following assets:

Comerica Bank CD.....	\$37,088.88
Comerica Bank Checking.....	\$27,039.47
U. S . Postmaster.....	\$766.65
Total Cash Assets.....	\$64,895.00
Educational tool inventory (est).....	\$8,843.13
Grand Total Assets.....	\$73,738.13

One of our primary goals is to operate within a balanced budget and plan our income and expenses as much as possible.

Chapter income comes from dues, regional shows, educational classes, one-day shows, auctions, donations, bank interest, and advertisements.

Dues.....	\$5,640.00
Regional.....	\$27,710.00
Educational class tuition.....	\$5,225.00
One Day Show.....	\$3,420.00
Auctions (Richardson & Sheppard).....	\$1,113.70
Donations (Don Robbins).....	\$1,760.50
Bank interest.....	\$1,238.89
Web page Ads.....	\$110.00
Total income.....	\$46,218.09

Chapter Expenses are expenditures that are primarily used to run the Chapter's day-to-day operations - One-Day events, Educational Classes, the newsletter and the Regional Show.

Administration Expenses.....	\$5,948.12
One Day Shows & Events.....	\$3,705.28
Educational Room & Supplies.....	\$4,159.75
Newsletter.....	\$5,047.90
Regional Show.....	\$19,012.75
Total Expenses.....	\$37,873.80
Net Profit	\$8,344.29

The One-Day Shows' expenses have improved this past year. Three auctions have increased attendance from around 96 (with an auction) to 68 (without an auction). In the past, the Arlington One-Days lost money due to the cost of the food and facility (\$1,325.00 F&F per event). The new facility at Bedford helped the situation. Averages were \$900.00 F&F per event (32% decrease). If we remove the auction income from the statement, we would only have lost \$286.28 for the fiscal year.



President Bill Edwards, Secretary/Treasurer Bill Andrle and Convention Director Phil Ball at Annual Meeting

The Educational Classes expenses have improved also this past year. The Old City Park Classroom rental was \$50.00 per day versus the new Grapevine Founders Facility at \$35.00 per Day which is a 30% decrease in cost. The newsletter expenses keep going up with the printing & postage cost increasing.

The Regional Income & Expense seems to fluctuate over the years (2002-2006). The income varies from \$25,840.00 (2004) to \$28,655.00 (2005) and the expenses vary the same way such as from \$10,569.78 (2003) to \$8,309.49 (2004). The following is a summary recap from 2006 Regional asked by last year's membership:

Total Regional income.....	\$27,710.00
Total Regional Expense.....	\$19,012.75
Net Profit	\$8,697.25
Admissions #.....	764
Tables # sold.....	289
Breakfast #	55
Educational Speaker cost.....	\$775.95

The 2005 Budgeted Expenses held relatively steady at \$37,629.00 compared with the Actual Expenses of \$37,873.80. This is less than a 1% increase over the 2005 budget.

The 2006 Proposed Budget is \$39,413.00 which is a 4% increase over the 2005 Actual Expenses. The Additional Budget Expenses are mainly for items that the Educational instructors wanted to buy for the classes: Additional Lighting, a Microlathe, Bushing Machine, Pocket Watch Supplies and a Laptop Computer.

Bill Andrle, Secretary/ Treasurer
Gene Meysenburg, Bookkeeper



Incoming President Bill Andrle presented new Past President Bill Edwards with Chapter 124 Life Time Membership

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**
to GENE MEYSENBURG GM1000@PRODIGY.NET, 11028 Creekmere, Dallas TX 75218

<input type="checkbox"/> New #124 Member	<i>Dues are \$10 per year.</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Renew my membership	yrs @ \$10 =
<i>Check appropriate box:</i>	
	Join/renew for 1 - 5 years

Please PRINT:

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

Mr__ Mrs__ Miss__ Ms__ (Please check appropriate blank.)

NAME _____ NAWCC# _____

STREET _____ PHONE _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

E-Mail: _____

I'm most interested in _____

Who recommended you? NAME _____ NAWCC # _____

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UPCOMING EDUCATION CLASSES

Location for Classes : Founder's Building, 701 S. Main, Grapevine, TX.

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

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>INSTRUCTOR</u>
Weight Driven Clock Repair 400	August 26 & 27, Sept. 2 & 3 9AM to 5 PM	\$100.00	Phil Ball 972-889-9338
Reversed Glass Painting	Sept. 23 & 24 9AM to 5 PM	\$50.00	Phil Gregory 972-717-4021
Jeweler's Lathe 1 & 2 (joint class w/Clock100)	Sept. 30, 2006 9AM to 5 PM	\$25.00	Russ Aikins 972-422-7813
Clock Repair 100	Sept. 30 & Oct.1, October 7 & 8 9AM to 5 PM	\$100.00	Mark Vozar 817-399-9894
Clock Repair Troubleshooting	October 21, 2006 9AM to 5PM	\$25.00	Fred Tischler Register w/Larry Grubb 817-921-0794
Dial Painting	October 28 & 29, November 4 & 5 9AM to 5 PM	\$100.00	Phil Gregory 972-717-4021
NAWCC Pocket Watch (Basic) Suit Case Class	November 9-12 9AM to 5 PM	\$275.00	Bill Andrle 254-829-1559
Wooden Gear Clock Repair	January 6 & 7, 2007 9 AM to 5 PM	\$50.00	Phil Gregory 972-717-4021
Spring Barrel Clock Repair	January 20, 21 & 27 9 AM to 5 PM	\$75.00	Phil Ball 972-889-9338

Pocket Watch Tools, Parts and Movements Needed for Work Shops

If anyone has some old pocket watch materials they cannot use anymore, any and all donations to the chapter would be greatly appreciated. There is nothing more discouraging for beginning students than not being able to find parts to fix their pocket watch project in class. Materials such as crystals, hands, jewels, main springs, stems, and staffs are particularly needed. Movements, partial or whole, and tools are needed also. Please contact Bill Andrle at 254-829-1559 or Larry Grubb at 817-921-0794. Thanks to Hugh Slough for donating some watch

