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Master Clock Restoration Nears Completion Ready for New Home

Over the last year the O. B. McClintock Street Clock and its companion piece, the Master Clock, have undergone an extensive restoration project undertaken by many Chapter 124 members. The Master Clock is a very important element in the Street Clock's history. It controlled the Street Clock from another building. The Master Clock was built by Seth Thomas and was enclosed in an oak case. It performed many functions to control the Street Clock and also kept it's own information for the operator of the clock.

Bruce Wooldridge undertook the project of restoring the Master Clock.

When received, the Master Clock was in a minor state of disrepair with age and dirt. The original finish was shellac and had since worn off. The 'Seth Thomas' clock and chime mechanism were removed, case and door were disassembled and all glass was removed ready for cleaning. The case was cleaned with denatured alcohol and steel wool. Loose joints were reglued with hide glue.

The case's wood back board detaches by 8 through screws from the sides. The wiring connections were heated from the back to remove all solder, thus allowing the front wiring connections to be removed. The wood back plate was then cleaned and prepared as were the case components. All parts were cleaned and polished in a vibratory tumbler and finally waxed. The case was then shellaced four times, steel wooling between coats and finally waxed for effect. Wiring connections were then reattached to the back plate of the case.

The Seth Thomas movement and chime works were then disassembled cleaned, polished as above and waxed. The clock was subsequently reassembled and test run for one month. At this point it was fitted into the case ready for transport to it's new home in Grapevine.

Bruce's comments: "Very well built clock and case. The hardest was undoing the solder without damaging anything. I wanted to keep the movement, but i t wasn't mine."





See other McClintock clocks and history at obmcclintock.com

Newsletter to have New Look, New Name & New Editor

You may notice a new look to the Chapter 124 Newsletter with this issue, thanks to our new Editor, **Peter Crum**. The new format will allow for at least one color page which will greatly enhance the appearance of photographs, as well as present a more eye-catching communication piece for the Chapter. Peter is also reaching out to other NAWCC Chapters for articles that may be of interest to our membership. Also, you may notice a more creative edge to the advertising that appears in the **Lone Star Times**. We will offer "Services" advertising, items "For Sale" and a "Wanted" section. There is a Chapter news section, a membership section and of course a President's Page.

Special thanks to John Acker for serving as Newsletter Editor for the past two years.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE JUNE 2010

Greetings,

As this year comes to an end, I have been thinking about our accomplishments. Since we are known as an education chapter, we have held 13 Chapter classes, four Open Bench with three skills workshops and two Field Suitcase courses. My special "Thank You" definitely goes to the Education Committee, the Instructors and all of the Assistants for providing this service to our membership. Without these knowledgeable members who put so much of their personal time toward educating the clock and watch enthusiast, we would not have the education program that we have today.

Our One Day Meetings also provided educational programs for our membership. "Managing Your Collection" by John Acker was very informative on outlining the basic steps necessary to properly catalog one's clock or watch collection. Richard Cox showed us how to cut wheel teeth as well as make precision parts; and Gerald Greener kept us entertained with his presentation on "Cuckoo Clocks." Mike Granderson, the Mart Director, made sure we were provided with a nice buffet and the Mart Room set up when we arrived.

There are two chapter projects that we should all be very proud of this year. Bill Edwards, Chair of the Street Clock Project, along with Byron and Annette White, worked with the City of Grapevine to determine where the McClintock Street Clock we are restoring would be placed. This alone was a tedious job. A big "Thank You" goes to Bill Edwards, Bill Andrle, Chuck Edwards and Phil Gregory for working so diligently to restore the clock for viewing at our Lone Star Regional. Actual restoration did not begin until late September and without Bill Edwards' guidance, we would not be where we are today with the project. The other big "Thank You" goes to Bruce Wooldridge who restored the Master Clock in time for our Regional Exhibit. Great job!

The second project we are proud of is the "Lone Star Chapter 124's Bella Library Exhibit" which is chaired by Evelyn and Hugh Slough. "Thank You" for making this a success! The NAWCC was excited about this traveling exhibit, and numerous articles have been published both locally and in the February 2010 Bulletin. The Lone Star Regional was one of the best we have had in a long time! With 641 attendees and 293 tables sold, the Mart was full with everyone on the hunt for the best bargain. We had great educationals presented by John Hubby and Ferdinand Geitner, as well as Mike Dempsey doing free hands-on workshops in the Mart. Karen Summerville and Phil Gregory demonstrated Reverse Glass Painting. John Erickson, our Education Director, made sure that we had numerous Seth Thomas clocks for our Exhibit. Once again, I want to "Thank" Peter Crum and Mark Vozar, as well as all of our volunteers, for their time and energy in making our Regional successful!

We had two social events this year with the first one being our Annual Picnic hosted by Marion and Chuck Edwards in September. Betsy and Joe Veneziano will be hosting our Spring Social on June 6th from 5:00 – 7:00 PM. We appreciate you opening your homes to our membership!

Last but not least, I want to personally say "Thank You" to the Chapter Board and Phil Ball for their support and guidance this year. I also want to "Thank" John Acker for continuing his efforts in filling the important role as our Newsletter Editor for the past two years. John is passing this role onto Peter Crum as our new Editor beginning with this Newsletter. "Thanks" goes to Gene Meysenburg for being our Membership, Webmaster and Bookkeeper for the Chapter, Clinton Kleen for being our Newsletter Publisher, and all of the Volunteers who continue to assist where needed. Everyone's efforts make Chapter 124 one of the best in the NAWCC.

Our Annual Meeting is June 12th and Bill Edwards and Byron White will be giving us the history and a brief update on the restoration of the Street Clock Project. Hope to see you there!

Cheers, Pam





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MEMBERSHIP NEWS

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Social Events Planned

September 18, 2010 is the Chapter Picnic, which will be held at Chuck and Marion Edwards' place in Oak Leaf, TX. The fun starts at 5:30 PM this year! The Chapter furnishes the meat and drinks while the members bring a dish to share. Look for more details in the August Chapter Newsletter.

December 5, 2010 is the Chapter Christmas Party from 2:00 – 4:00 PM hosted by Karen and Jim Summerville. The address is 1704 Bellechase, Roanoke, TX. There will be more details in the October and December Chapter Newsletters.

One Day Meetings

August 14, 2010 beginning at 8:00 AM we will have a Mart with tables being first come first served. Donuts & Coffee will be provided. Registration is \$10 which includes a Buffet Lunch. An educational is being planned as well so save the date. Location: The Founder's Building, 701 South Main, Grapevine, TX.

October 23, 2010 beginning at 8:00 AM. The Founder's Building, 701 South Main, Grapevine, TX.

January 15, 2011 beginning at 8:00 AM. The Founder's Building, 701 South Main, Grapevine, TX.

Educational Courses

at The Founders Building In Grapevine

July 23-26, 2010 from 9:00-5:00 will be the FSW F200 Introduction to Fundamental Skills for Clock Repair, Part 1 with Fred Tishler as the Instructor. To register, contact Mark Vozar by phoning 817-399-9894 or emailing msvoze@sbcglobal.net.



Where is Pam?



Self Winding Clock Class

Aug. 7-10, 2010 from 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM will be the FSW F301 Introduction to Basic Pocket Watch Repair...The American Pocket Watch with Ferdinand Geitner as the Instructor. To register, contact Bill Andrle by phoning 254-829-1559. Tuition is \$275.

Date to be determined is the Weight Driven Clock Repair Course 400 with Phil Ball and Mark Vozar as instructors. Contact Phil Ball by phoning 972-889-9338 to register. Tuition is \$120.

Conventions & Regionals

June 16-20, 2010 National Convention in York, PA.

August 27-29,2010 All Texas Regional in Houston, TX by San Jacinto Chapter 139.



Ongoing Projects for the Chapter

Lone Star Chapter 124's Bella Library Exhibit – This is an ongoing project of Chapter 124. We continue to display our exhibit which is informative and has components for both children and adults. When the display is over at each venue, Chapter 124 donates a book on Horology to the children's section of the Library. You may go to <u>www.Chapter124.com</u> to see pictures of the Duncanville exhibit. If you want to donate toward the exhibit, contact Hugh or Evelyn Slough at <u>Evelyn.Slough@shcglobal.net</u>.



The Mentoring Program – This is an ongoing program that helps new NAWCC members become involved with the local Chapter activities and to better understand what the Chapter has to offer its members. For more information, contact Evelyn Slough at Evelyn.Slough@sbcglobal.net.



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Street Clock Installation & Dedication

Dedication date to be set in September at the Grapevine Railroad Station

> Speakers include Pam Tischler President of Chapter 124 Byron & Annette White Bill Edwards & Bill Andrle



Non-members may subscribe for \$8.00 per year. Checks payable to Chapter 124.



"Bella wanted to share Hugh and Evelyn Slough's hobby with other children."

Today, the traveling exhibit has grown in size and scope. Traveling to local public libraries, the success has enabled many people to experience the value of learning about time, clock history and clock repair. The next installation is in the Grapevine Public Library starting June 1st. Hugh and Evelyn's granddaughter has inspired many children and adults with a unique exhibit of clocks and watches.

New Members to Chapter 124

APPLICATION/RENEWAL FOR LONE STAR CHAPTER 124, NAWCC

An educational group dedicated to preserving and understanding horology.

Complete and send with applicable check made payable to: Lone Star Chapter #124 To Gene Meysenburg gm1000@prodigy.net, 11028 Creekmere, Dallas, TX 75218

Please PRINT: Mr Mrs Ms (Please check appropriate blank.) NAME NAWCC#		Check appropriate box: New #124 Member Renew my membership	Dues are \$10 per year. Yrs @ \$10 = Join/renew for 1-5 years
STREET	<u></u>	PHONE	
CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE	
E-mail:			
I'm most interested in			

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.)