

# Lone Star News



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Hello Again,  
 I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and  
 a Happy New Year.

The Board is busy planning the **2002 Lone Star Regional**, which will be here before you know it—**March 1 and 2**, at the **Mesquite Convention Center**. We always can use more help. My experience is that the more I get involved in anything, the more I enjoy it. Contact **CHUCK EDWARDS** (address/phone listed under "Officers" to the left of this column), and tell him, "I want to help!" Remember the adage, "Many hands make light work." Let us hear from **you** so that you too can join in the fun.

In conjunction with the Lone Star Regional, approximately 4,000 copies of this NEWSLETTER have been mailed to NAWCC members in Texas and states adjoining. So, even if you are not yet a member of Chapter 124, this expanded mailing is one of the reasons you received a copy of our bi-monthly news. Please complete the Registration form (page 2) and mail it to reserve your table and/or to preregister for the Regional. If you are not a Chapter #124 member, we invite you to use the form on page 3 to join our Chapter—for education, fellowship and a most rewarding expenditure of your time and a modest amount of money.

Most of you probably have heard by now that our past president, **PHIL GREGORY**, had a farm tractor accident. He suffered some broken bones and bruises, but is expected to recover. Get well soon Phil. . .we need and miss you. Our prayers are with you.

**BYRON WHITE**, is working on collecting anecdotal materials about Chapter 124 since its inception. A good number of #124's Charter Members still are active in supporting the Chapter, which is celebrating its **20th year anniversary**. We want to display as many of the Chapter's awards as possible. If *you* have any of our memorabilia, please contact **JIM BARKER**: 972-263-0918, <[jrbarker@juno.com](mailto:jrbarker@juno.com)> or **BYRON WHITE**: 817-468-8532, <[bewhite@prodigy.net](mailto:bewhite@prodigy.net)>.

• **Get your registration for the Regional in the mail. I want to see you there.**

—*Jim Barker*

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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, L on Park

Park St. is closed to the public, so park your car in front of the Craft House anywhere along Park Street.

## LONE STAR CHAPTER #124 PRESIDENTS

1982-83	C. David Tips	1992-93	James Kitterman
1983-84	Robert M. Wingate	1993-94	Michael Dugan
1984-85	Byron E. White	1994-95	Fred Tischler
1985-86	Billy E. Young	1995-96	John E. Plume
1986-87	Tom N. Cheek	1996-97	Philip Gregory
1987-88	Bonnie Bridges	1997-98	Joe H. Perrin
1988-89	Marybess Grisham	1998-99	Ron Slama
1989-90	Carroll Rosamond	1999-2000	Jimmy Young
1990-91	Gene Meysenburg	2000-01	Clinton Kleen
1991-92	Gary Rowland	2001-02	Jim Barker

To review all Officers & Directors since the Chapter was founded, go to  
 <[http://www.am-w.com/nawcc\\_c124/director.htm](http://www.am-w.com/nawcc_c124/director.htm)>

## VINTAGE HULA LAMP CLOCK—WORTH BIG \$

—Marge Stiuso, [tias.com](http://tias.com)

**A**t a garage sale not far from my house, an elderly man was selling everything prior to moving in with his daughter. I paid for a few pieces of pottery but as I was leaving I spotted this unique looking hula girl lamp. I run a small antique shop part time and thought it would be a conversation piece.

My husband said the lamp was ugly but for \$2.00 I thought it was neat. I also sell on ebay so when I got home I checked to see if there were any other hula lamps on ebay. Well...the few that were listed were Dodge lamps from the 1940s, going for \$500. Those lamps had a regular base, but mine had a *clock* attached. With a \$500 reserve, I posted the lamp. Was I surprised? When the auction went off the hula clock-lamp brought \$1249. Quite a find.



# 2002 LONE STAR REGIONAL

Friday, March 1<sup>st</sup> & Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>

Mesquite Convention Center

1700 Rodeo Drive, Mesquite, Texas

Hosted by Lone Star Chapter #124

CoHosted by:

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

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- Marriott Courtyard . . . . 1 (972)681.3300 (no special rate) 4.0 mi. away

Check our WebSite: www.am-w.com/nawcc\_c124/index.htm

**REGIONAL AGENDA**

**Friday March 1, 2002**

7:30...**Unloading and Setup**  
Preregistration badge allows setup prior to registration.

7:30 **Registration Opens**

10:00 **Mart & Exhibit Open**

7:00 **Mart and Exhibit Close**

8:00 **Auction Held in Mart Room**

**Saturday March 2, 2002**

7:00...**Breakfast (Preregistration only)**

7:30 **Registration Opens**

8:00 **Mart & Exhibit Open**

1:00 **Mart and Exhibit Close**

1:30 **SECURITY ENDS**

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

Registration \$25 at the door

**For more information call Gene Meysenburg at (214) 328-1984 or email at gm1000@prodigy.net**

Tables Reserved by Groups must be received in one envelope. All Pre-Registration received by Wednesday February 12, 2002 will be confirmed by mail and **Refunds will be granted up to March 1st!** Tables must be set up and displayed in the Mart. Only Horological items may be Bought/Sold in Mart. No pets allowed except for guide doge accompanying 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.**

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_ NAWCC No. \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
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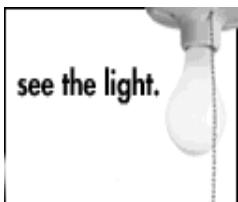
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	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL
Mart Admission:NAWCC Member & Spouse for PreRegistration	_____	@ \$20.00 ea	_____
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Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

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**ON COLLECTING WATCHES**

[Ref: Sotheby's.com-Collecting Guides-Watches]

Some of the world's wealthiest folk have competed to own the "world's most

complicated watch." James Packard, head of Packard Automobiles, and New York financier Henry Graves both coveted complications. Between 1900 - 1950, the two men commissioned various manufacturers to make dozens of such watches, although the first choice for both was Swiss maker *Patek Philippe*.

In 1916, a Patek watch with sixteen complications was made for Packard. In 1927, Patek made (for Packard) a superb watch with ten complications. Not to be outdone, Graves ordered Patek to make "the most complicated watch in the world" (or at least one that was more complex than Packard's). Designers and engineers at Patek Philippe spent the next five years researching, designing, testing and producing what today is called, simply, the "Graves" watch.

With more than 900 parts, the Graves' 24 aspects retained the world record for complications for more than 60 years. "Among the complications are measurements of solar time, a perpetual calendar (that does not need to be adjusted until 2100), and four separate chiming features."

More than doubling its pre-sale high estimate, this remarkable watch sold in December 1999 for \$11,002,500—its price remaining the highest ever paid for a timepiece sold at auction.

The 400-year history of wristwatches offers a wide variety of timepieces. Some collectors concentrate on certain makers, others on dial styles, while still others are intrigued with mechanical aspects of a watch's movement. What's your style?



Though not the most complex, this watch with 12 complications was made by Patek Philippe for Henry Graves. In 1999, it sold for \$640,500.

This view of the works for the Patek Philippe watch (above) hints at the level of technical skill required to manufacture a watch of this caliber.



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

*An educational group dedicated to preserving and understanding horology.*

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 Renew my membership \_\_\_\_\_ yrs @ \$10 = \_\_\_\_\_  
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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

Please PRINT Mr\_\_ Mrs\_\_ Miss\_\_ Ms\_\_ (Please check appropriate blank.)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ NAWCC# \_\_\_\_\_

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E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

I'm most interested in \_\_\_\_\_ Example: Clocks. Watches. Tools

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ NAWCC # \_\_\_\_\_

¶ Who recommended you?

Complete, clip & mail with dues

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**EDUCATIONAL CLASSES—2002**

by GARY MOWERY

**Remember:** To minimize cancellation fees for scheduled classrooms we *must* determine *at least two weeks before a class starts* if enough students want the class. Because of this “**The cutoff date to register for a class is two weeks prior to class start date.**” To be registered, YOU must observe these deadlines [mail your check] at least two weeks prior to startup for each class selected! Even if you have expressed interest at the Regional or to an instructor, you must send in a check!

☎ Call your local instructor (FRED TISCHLER, PHIL GREGORY, RON VAN NESS, RUSS AIKINS) to register for a scheduled class. Send your class payment to him; each will furnish appropriate information on his individual upcoming class. Alternatively, students for classes for which instructors come from out-of-town [JOHN HUBBY, the SPIVEYS, DICK MICHAEL and KENT DICKERSON], should call GARY MOWERY, 972-529-6988 to register. Gary will collect payment and furnish class particulars for instructors residing outside the Metroplex. *Please follow this procedure.*

NOTICE: The **Kitchen Clock Repair 100** class taught at Old City Park covers fundamentals of American brass clock movement repair. The Educational Committee needs American 8-day open spring clock works (complete movements) for helping teach repair techniques during the “100” class. If you have one or more spare movements you are willing to donate, please call RON VAN NESS at 972-393-1361.

**CHAPTER 124—JANUARY-JULY 2002 EDUCATIONAL SCHEDULE AT OLD CITY PARK, DALLAS**

DATE	CLASS	COST	INSTRUCTOR
• 19 January	Jewelers Lathe 1	\$25	Russ Aikins, 972-422-7813
• 26, 27 January 2, 3 February	Clock Repair 300	\$50	Fred Tischler, 972-612-0712
• 9, 10, 23, 24 February	Clock Repair 100	\$50	Ron Van Ness, 972-393-1361
• 9, 23 March	Plain Dial Painting	\$25	Phil Gregory, 972-717-4021
• 6 April	Jeweler's Lathe 2	\$25	Russ Aikins, 972-422-7813
• 20, 21, 27, 28 April	Platform Escapement 600	\$50	Fred Tischler, 972-612-0712
• 4, 5 May	Statue Repair	\$25	Dick Michael To register, call Gary Mowery, 972-529-6988
• 18, 19 May	Veneer Repair	\$25	Jim and Bonita Spivey Register with Gary Mowery, 972-529-6988
• 25 May	Clock Repair Troubleshooting	\$25	Fred Tischler, 972-612-0712
• 22 June	Lathe Class (Type TBD)	\$25	Russ Aikins, 972-422-7813
• 29, 30 June	Painting Class (Type TBD)	\$25	Phil Gregory, 972-717-4021
• 13, 14, 20, 21 July	Clock Repair 200	\$50	Ron Van Ness, 972-393-1361

**DEFINITIONS**

**jiffy**, n. an actual unit of time for 1/100th of a second.



**alarm clock**, n. a device for waking up people who don't have small children.





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**FRIDAY & SATURDAY  
MARCH 1 & 2**



**LONE STAR REGIONAL**

June 19th marks the 20th anniversary of Chapter 124; however, being the occasion that it is, we're going to celebrate the entire year of 2002. A lot of people donated blood, sweat and tears to get "old 124" going and keep it moving forward these past 20 plus years. June 19th was the culmination of efforts of countless horologists from the Metroplex, Texas and all over the USA.

From NAWCC Headquarters on down the ladder, there certainly is just reason to be proud of 124. (There now are 180 chapters).

Celebrate this milestone with us and attend the Regional in Mesquite on March 1 and 2, 2002. You are encouraged to bring any documents or memorabilia pertaining to the Chapter to the Exhibit Room at the Regional. Thanks. —BYRON WHITE

**CONDOLENCES**

"If they have 'one days' in heaven, then ERNEST J. NORTH is there looking for bargains. He passed away on November 20, 2001 after a short bout with cancer. —Ann North"  
(Ernie taught clock repair classes at Mountain View Community College, Dallas, for quite a few years. Ernie was both well known and well-regarded because of his Mountain View background.)

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**For Sale:** Enough clocks, parts, works and tools to start a small shop. Want to sell it all to one buyer: 817-424-0722.  
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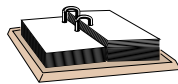
FOR SALE

**2002  
February**

**14th-17th** FLORIDA MID-WINTER REGIONAL, Orlando Marriott; Expo Center. —>J. C. Cohen, 954.561.2234

**16th** 16TH ANNUAL CHAPTER #139 ONE-DAY, Pearland Lutheran Church (near Houston). —> Info: Pam Burgess, 281.485.9861.

**DATE BOOK**



**March**

**1st-2nd** LONE STAR REGIONAL, Mesquite Convention Center, Mesquite, TX. Host: Lone Star #124. Co-Hosts: Southwestern, #15; Five State #80; San Jacinto #139. —> Charles Edwards, 972.223.1743

**May**

**9th-11th** MKOA REGIONAL. Biltmore Hotel, Oklahoma City OK.

**May - June**

**31st-1st** SOUTHWESTERN REGIONAL. Beaumont TX. —>Richard Cox, 972.986.7698

**July**

**3rd-7th** NAWCC NATIONAL. Convention, Anaheim, CA

**NOTICE: Deadline for April 2002 NEWSLETTER is 3 March 2002.**

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