

CAPITAL AREA WATCHMAKER AND CLOCKMAKER GUILD

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Next Meeting is Tuesday, March 27th - 6:00 pm - Tien Hong Restaurant (8301 Burnet Rd)

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

This has been the start of a tough year for our Guild. We lost our long time Guild member, watchmaker and friend, Harry Wysong last month. George Kiser has also had a series of medical problems which ultimately resulted in hospitalization and surgery to correct bleeding aneurisms in his brain. George has been improving and is currently undergoing rehab at a nursing facility in Round Rock. I visited George earlier this week and I was impressed with his recovery. Please keep George in your prayers.

There are several classes planned for this year so stay tuned for information from Mary Ellen and our other instructors. Don't forget to pay your dues because our annual Guild Auction is planned for April 28. See you on Tuesday.

Rich

Last Month:

The Treasurers report: The operating account currently has \$2,761.77
The education account has \$9834.00 in it.

Dues are now due for this year:

Education:

Mary Ellen Bell: We received a big thank you from the Brazos Center for our patronage, but the rent is going up.

Still looking for ideas to flesh out a 'day long demonstration/problem solving' class for both clocks and watches.

Phil Gregory will be teaching a gold stenciling class (4 day) in the Fall. Detail to come. The chapter 124 website has information for identifying and dating wood works movements.

The 34th annual Horological European Tour is coming up -18 days in July & August.

Rich Reich: The ‘casting’ class will be done over 2 consecutive week ends in late May or June and will take 10 people. You will need your own precious metal if that is what you want to cast.

Old Business: Need to set up Christmas party committee soon. – Bob Larson noted that the UT Club will give us the “regular” rate if we decide to return there.

New Business: Luthor Lucko & Mike Webb circulated a draft for comment of a letter/circular for use in soliciting the start up of additional guilds. A suggestion was made by Gene Galbraith to put notices in other Guild and NAWCC chapter news letters to see if that would help drum up interest in t his project.

Thus years auction will be at Cully’s church again, April 28th.

Library Report: Luther says: If you have over due materials, better get them in soon.

Remember: There is a minimum “gratuity” for all attendees at the guild meeting. Even if you do not eat or drink you will pay \$3.00, so be prepared. If you have any questions, call your officers.

Meeting program: Gene Galbraith

Next months program: Auction, unless we also have a meeting.