

S.W.Chapter 15

# The Mainspring

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November 2005

## Austin One Day Show

November 12

9 to noon

*submitted by Ted Orban*

The Austin One-Day show will be at **Busters BBQ/VFW #4443** at 3927 Ranch Road (RR) 620 South. Its about 1/4 mile north of the intersection of RR 620 and US Highway 71, on the right. The owner of this facility has been kind enough to allow us to use the room free of charge. If it is convenient, please consider having a BBQ lunch in appreciation.

Admission is \$5 and tables will be \$3 each. Coffee and cookies will be provided

If you need a room, there are numerous motels near the intersection of I-35 and I-290/US 71, about 20 minutes from the show location. Here are a couple of choices. LaQuinta Inn at 4200 I-35 South; \$67.50 with AAA or AARP discount; (512) 443-1774. Comfort Suites at 1701 E Saint Elmo Road; \$76.45 with AAA or AARP discount; (512) 444-6630. The Mountain Star Lodge is close to the show location at 3573 Ranch Road 620 South (one mile north of US 71); (888) 263-2010.

We hope to see you there. ☺

## Christmas Party

December 11 Wharton TX  
2 to 5 PM

Dr Harold and Shirley Secor will host a Christmas Party for members of Chapter 15 at their home in Wharton Texas. They ask that you bring a covered dish to share with others and a gift to exchange. Their address is 704 Merry Lane and phone (979) 532-3363. Call Shirley for more information or directions. ☺

## 2006 Dues

Well it's that time again. Please use the form on page 3 of the newsletter so we can make certain we have all your information up to date. As you may remember we increased dues to \$10 at our last regional meeting in Kerrville. Mail your check and application form to Jerry Brazil, Chapter Secretary. The address is on the form. ***Please have your dues in by December 31, 2005.*** Thanks. ☺

## Membership News

- Clif Wigley reports that he recently learned that Wayne Goodnight, a long time chapter member, died approximately one year ago. His death was unexpected according to his son.
- Jeff Beehler reports that Benny Blanchard had recent back surgery. We wish him a speedy recovery. ☺

## From the President

Well let me tell all you folks that have been asking for local club meetings and events and didn't make a point to attend the presentation on Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup> sure missed out on a great program! Jerry Brazil put on an outstanding presentation on Rare and Unusual clocks. The fifteen plus members that did attend were very impressed! A warm thanks goes out to Jerry - well done! There are more of this type meetings in the works so be sure to pay attention to your newsletter for announcements of future events. I would also like to thank Jeff from Clocks of San Antonio for allowing us the use of his facilities. If you have not made a trip to visit his new shop and work area it is worth your while. Also a big thanks to Ron Davidson for keeping our waistlines ample!

I am pleased to announce that Chapter 15 has been awarded the Silver Award from NAWCC for new member recruitment. Lets keep up the good work on growing our Chapter and bring in more members. We are a strong club and on the way to being one of the best in the south! On the other side of that coin it has been brought to my attention that one or two members of our club have been overheard at other chapter functions downgrading Chapter 15 and its officers. What does this accomplish? I will tell you. Absolutely nothing! It never fails to amaze me that people will put so much energy into finding ways to complain and belittle others yet can not expend any energy to help make Chapter 15 stronger or to resolve the problems they are complaining about. We all need to get behind the Chapter, support the Chapter sponsored functions and find positive constructive suggestions to help make our club stronger.

Do check your newsletters for exciting programs that will be coming our way in the near future! And don't forget to make plans to attend the one day in Austin this month.

Jeff

## Upcoming Shows and Events

*(watch our website for more details)*

●November 12<sup>th</sup>

***One Day Show in Austin, See page 1***

***Hosted by Chapter 15***

●March 17-18, 2006

Lone Star Regional, Mesquite Texas

Hosted by Chapter 124

●April 21-22, 2006

***Great Southwestern Regional, Kerrville TX***

***Hosted by Chapter 15***

●June 21 - 26, 2006

NAWCC National Convention, Cleveland Ohio ☺

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## New date for Mesquite Show

submitted by Bill Edwards, Chapter 124 President

As most of you know, the Lone Star Regional is normally held the first weekend in March. However, for 2006, we have had a scheduling conflict, so had to change the date. The new date is Friday, March 17, and Saturday, March 18, 2006. I wanted to get this information out as soon as possible.

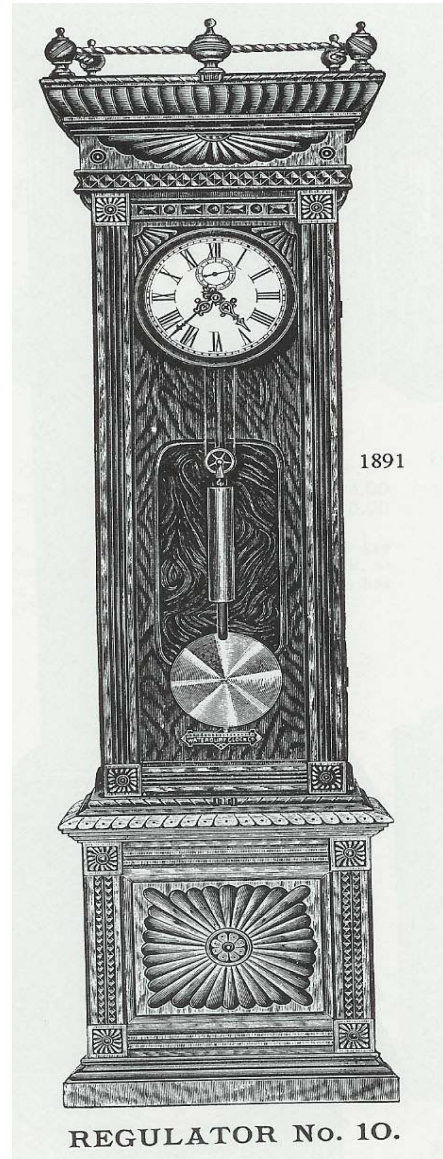
A couple of other things regarding the 2006 (Mesquite) Regional. If you plan to stay at the Hampton Inn, they are very firm this year that you must make your reservation on or before February 23. Also it looks like we will not be setting up as many tables this year as last, so it is easily possible that we will run out of tables. If you want a table, be sure to register early.☺

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### Coming Attractions:

**Tips on Mart etiquette:** Mart buyers/sellers are you treating others as you want to be treated? Are you being asked to trust someone with your valuable clock or watch *before the purchase*?

**Looking for a collectible watch:** What do you look for?



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## Chapter 15 Membership Application

### New Application / Renewal (circle one)

Membership dues are \$10 per year. Dues are payable by December 31 each year. If joining initially after July 1<sup>st</sup> dues are \$5 for first year. **You must be a current and paid member of NAWCC to join a chapter.** You may belong to more than one chapter at a time.

### Please print or type

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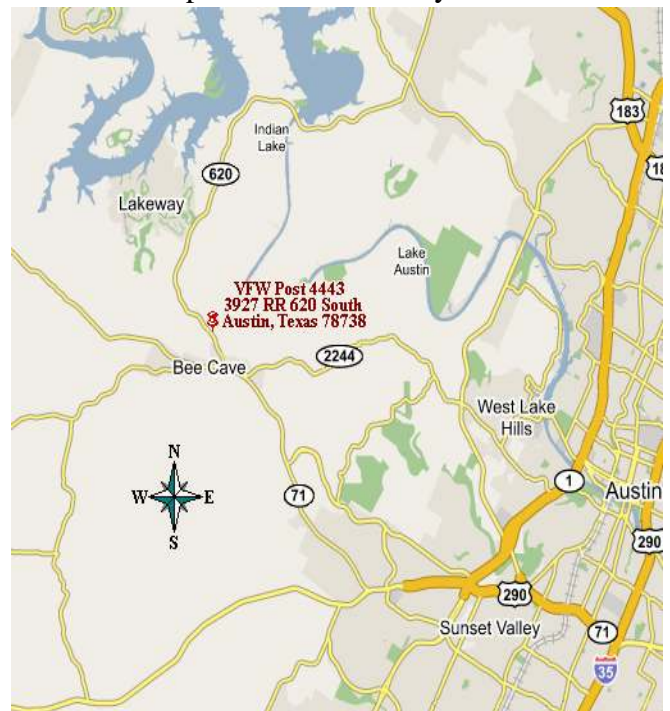
MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: CHAPTER 15, NAWCC

Enclose with remittance and send to:

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## Map to Austin One Day Show



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