

# CAPITAL AREA WATCHMAKER AND CLOCKMAKER GUILD

November 2006

Next Meeting is Tuesday, November 28th - 6:00 pm - Tien Hong Restaurant (8301  
Burnet Rd )

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**A note about the Christmas party: With the party only one week away (December 5<sup>th</sup>) we are going into this months meeting with only 5 paid reservations. Remember we reserved 42 seats for our Guild. So, be sure that you bring your cash, check, or money order to the meeting.**

## **FROM THE PRESIDENT**

We had another outstanding class earlier this month. Dennis Warner and Dick Dorer taught us watchmaker skills on the Swiss Pocket Watch class. As always, I saw some of the students helping other students as well, which is always appreciated. I learn something new at each class and that is the benefit for our members – learn new skills and enhance existing ones. I hope you enjoyed the class as well as I did, and if so, please let our instructors know you appreciate their efforts. Dennis did an excellent job on this course despite losing his mother only a few days before the class. Offer him your sympathies for his mother, the next time you see him.

Our meeting this month on November 28 will be the last regular business meeting of the year. We will finish 2006 with our Christmas Party on December 5<sup>th</sup> where we enjoy a good dinner, visit with our friends, and recognize one of our own with the annual Mullholland award. We have invited the Chapter 15 members to attend our party this year and I hope to see some new faces at our Christmas Party. We will have a gift

exchange again this year (\$15 suggested limit), so feel free to participate in the gift exchange if you bring a gift.

Our annual Christmas party is at the UT Club, President's Room, 6<sup>th</sup> floor (same as last year), and will be at 6:00 PM, Tuesday, December 5, 2006 at UT in Austin (map enclosed in this issue). The cost is \$42 per person and includes everything, including parking in the adjacent garage. Bring your parking ticket with you to the dinner for validation. The main course will be chicken. I need a firm commitment on your attendance by our next meeting (November 28<sup>th</sup>) and you can pay Hugh or pay at the door. If you can't attend the November meeting, call or email me with your reservation. We need to give the exact attendance headcount to the banquet facility and will be responsible for payment as per reservations. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 512-838-6649 (w) or at 512-259-5309 (h) and leave me a message if I don't answer.

See you on Tuesday.

## **Rich**

### **Last Month:**

**The Treasurers report:** The operating account currently has \$2,448.48  
The education account has \$10,063.28 in it. Time to think about dues.

### **Education:**

**Mary Ellen Bell:** Basic clock class was very successful. Thanks to all who helped. Phil will contact us after the first of the year and set a time table for the wooden works class. There will be a new signup with preference given to those who were signed up for the class that canceled.

**Dennis Warner:** The Swiss pocket watch class is scheduled for Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> was full.

**Rich Reich:** Proposed having the casting class take 4 days to allow time for all of the steps needed in the process.

**Old Business:** Dennis Warner went over a draft of his article to the AWCI journal detailing the guild events that led to our 2<sup>nd</sup> Guild of the Year award.

**New Business:** Rich took a vote on the entree choice for the Christmas party. Selection is stuffed chicken breast.

There was a proposal to create a Christmas party committee earlier in the year to avoid last minute choices, and to provide a choice of locations/costs etc.

Mike Williams discussed the pros and cons of having a secured web site. Suggestions were to have a completely open site where anyone could have access or have a site that had a public section and a members only section. No decisions were made at that time.

Bob Larson noted that next year is the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our guild. He felt we might look into sponsoring a new guild somewhere in the state. More to come on this issue I am sure.

Dan Havlik reported that all of the current guild officers are staying for another term – unless you get angry and through the bums out. However, if you throw em out you must take their place. (actually Dan didn't say that last part).

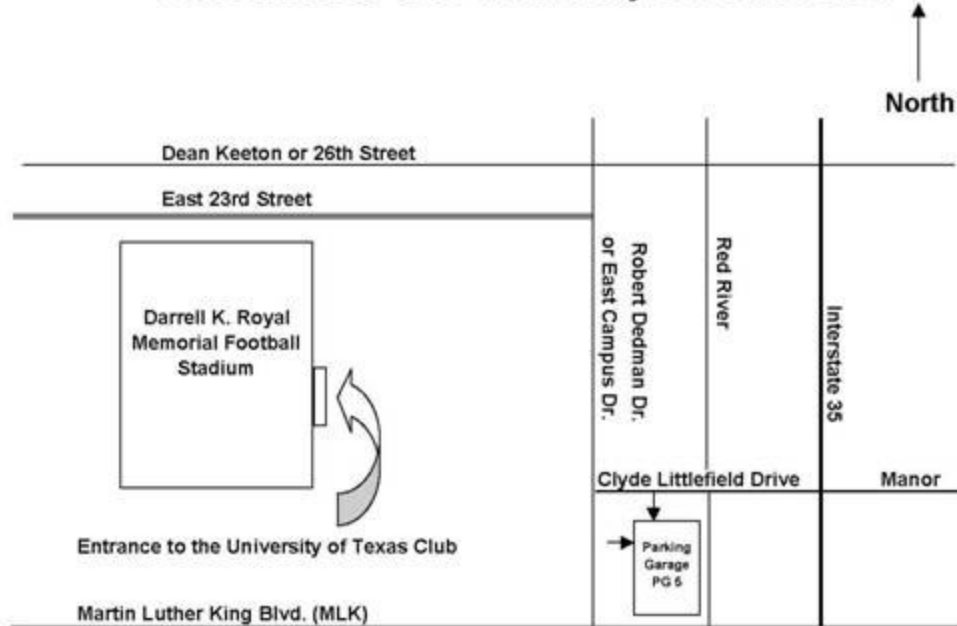
**Library Report:** Making progress getting overdue books checked back in.

**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:** Terry Palmer “Cleaning cases with novus”.

**Next months program:** Christmas party

## Directions to The University of Texas Club



From Interstate 35 take the MLK Exit then head west. Turn Right on Red River. Turn Left on Clyde Littlefield Drive. The University of Texas Club is located in the East Side of the Darrell K Royal Memorial Stadium.

Parking is available in the Parking Garage (PG5) on Clyde Littlefield and Robert Dedman Drive at a nominal fee.

The Club entrance has an orange awning bearing "The University of Texas Club." Go through the glass door and proceed down the stairs. The elevators are to your left. The Receptionist is located on the 7th Floor.

\*If you are a Member of the Club or attending an event where parking *is paid* by the paid by the host/hostess, please bring your garage-issued parking ticket to the Club for processing. If you are not a Member of the Club or your host/hostess is not procuring your parking charges, you must pay the cashier on the 2nd floor of the garage before exiting.

### Room Locations:

Member Dining Room (Members Only)	7th Floor
Dean's Room	6th Floor
President's Room East & West	6th Floor