

"Make sure you don't lose the students you've spent so much energy to acquire."

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Friends of the Field Suitcase Workshop Program's Education Award

At the 2004 National in OKC, the Education Committee honored Joe Cohen, FNAWCC, the first award of the "Friends of the Field Suitcase Workshop Program's Education Award." JC joined the NAWCC in 1982 and has been a FSW Class Coordinator for Chapter 60 since 1999. He has been the drive for having education classes in his area and having organized twenty-four classes in Florida. JC has been one of the most active Coordinators as well as the first to have new classes in his area. Florida Gold Coast Chapter 60 has promoted newly developed courses such as the F100 – Fundamental Repair Skills Course, F201 – Lathe Skills Course, and F301 – Introduction to Basic Pocket Watch Repair...The American Pocket Watch Course. Chapter 60 was one of the first chapters to sponsor a course in conjunction with their Regional. JC, who is the General Chairperson of the 2005 National in Ft. Lauderdale, will be the class coordinator offering three courses in conjunction with the National. Congratulations to JC!

Pam Tischler Becomes FNAWCC

Our own Pam Tischler was awarded a Fellow at the National Convention in OKC. Pam has worked hard as the Administrator for the FSW program and has volunteered many hours at the National and chapter levels. Pam is a member of Lone Star Chapter 124 in Texas. Congratulations Pam!

2004 National Convention F101 Class

The F101 class was held in conjunction with the 2004 National Convention in Oklahoma City, OK. The class was a great success with nine students attending from Texas, Missouri, and of course Oklahoma. Joel Dunipace from Ocean Springs, MS was the instructor with assistance from former FSW Instructor Ray Marsolek from Arroyo Grande, CA. The students are eager to attend other FSW classes and recommend this course to anyone who wants to learn basic repair using the American Kitchen clock movement.

Classes In New Areas

We have four new areas that we are having or have had classes this year. They are Pittsburgh, PA, Huntsville, AL, Greensboro, NC and Boise, ID. The Class Coordinators that have organized these classes are Tom Buschek, Jean Emmans, George Andreas, and Ira Goldstein. We welcome these Class Coordinators! Remember, if your Chapter is interested in having a FSW class in your area, we will come to you!

F301 Pocket Watch Repair

Since announcing the F301 Introduction to Basic Pocket Watch Repair...The American Pocket Watch Course at the 2004 Mid-Winter Regional in Orlando, we have had four classes so far this year. Jack Heisler from Milwaukee, WI and Lehr Dircks from Loudonville, OH are the Pocket Watch Repair Instructors. If you are interested in having this course in your area, contact Pam Tischler at 972-612-0712 or FSWClass@Comcsat.net.

Tuition Increase

Effective April 1, 2004, all tuitions for four-day courses will be \$250 except for the F201. The F201 (four-day course) will remain at \$300 and the F105 (two-day course) will remain at \$200.

F100 Fundamental Skills Repair and F201 Lathe Skills Course

These two courses have taken off since being introduced a year ago. We have four F100's being offered through the end of the year as well as four F201's. The students that have already taken the F100 have found that this course helps them with clock repair as well as prepares them for the F201 class.

New FSW Instructors

The FSW Program has added two new instructors since the first of the year. They are David Gorrell from Millersville, MD and Phil Gregory from Irving, TX.

David will be teaching the Clock Repair Courses while Phil will be teaching a "Specialty Course" known as the F401 – Reverse Glass Painting. We welcome both of these Instructors to our program!

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