



## PIANO TECHNICIANS GUILD

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### **Winds of Change**

We are reaching that time of year again; that time where we get to nominate and elect a new slate of officers. This is everyone's chance to select next year's leadership (or to step up and volunteer to be next year's leadership). Most, if not all, of the current leadership will be stepping down in June, so this election is important in that it will set the direction for our chapter for the next year – maybe next two years. At our upcoming meeting we will be selecting a nominating committee. As you know, their job is to find and nominate the officers. I encourage everyone to attend the March meeting and the rest of the spring meetings so you can participate in this process. I am hopeful and confident that some of you will step up and let it be known that you are interested in a leadership position. As you know we will be looking for a President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. For next year, we will also be looking for a 'Program's Chair'. This position, I am convinced, is one of the most vital

positions in the chapter. I am hopeful that this function will be handled by a team moving forward. Coordinating our programs is a big job for one person, so please consider helping out as a Program's team person. In addition, we really need a 'Social Chair'. This position, in the past several years, has been covered by another officer, but it isn't really isn't fair to ask someone to do double-duty. We really need a social chair to at least plan the February chapter party.

I am very serious when I say that the success of our chapter depends on all of you. It is important that each of you do more than show up to an occasional meeting. We need you to volunteer and make a difference.

Jeff Mossington, RPT

## MEETING NOTICE

### MEETING DATE

**Thursday March 5, 2009**

**Please note it is not Monday!**

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6:30 Applied skills: Dan Harteau, RPT will be demonstrating key bushing resizing and damper guide rail bushing resizing. Learn about a new product that can give new life to old worn out bushing felt.

7:15 Dinner

7:45 Business meeting

8:00 Main Technical: Alex Kapteyn, RPT, owner of Central Michigan Piano in Carson City Michigan. Alex has a full scale rebuilding shop. He will be bringing a piano to demonstrate his work. We will learn about his soundboard design, as well as the QM7 pinblock, made from 7 layers of Michigan hard rock maple.

**Meeting to be held at:  
St Luke's Episcopal  
Church  
540 Lewiston  
Ferndale MI 48220**

We will meet in the hall right next to the church. Lewiston is 4 blocks north of 9 Mile Road. The church is 2 blocks west of Woodward. From I-696, take Woodward south 3/4 of a mile; turn right (west) on Lewiston. Go 2 blocks to the corner of Lewiston and Livernois.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Balance Forward From January: \$ 9634.77

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Income:

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Application Fee:

Degenær \$ 75.00

Banquet checks:

\$180.00

Income Total: \$ 255.00

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Balance before Expenses \$ 9889.77

Expenses:

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Yahoo: \$ 30.70

Includes past increases not reported

Total Expenses: \$ 30.70

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Balance Forward \$ 9859.07

Respectfully Submitted:

Bruce Carter R.P.T

Treasurer

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## THE BRIDGE

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OUR JANUARY MEETING WAS AT MARK HAAS' SHOP. MARK DID A GREAT PRESENTATION ON BRIDGE RECAPPING. 15 PEOPLE ATTENDED. THERE WAS NO OFFICIAL BUSINESS MEETING AS WE DID NOT QUITE HAVE A QUORUM.

OUR FEBRUARY BANQUET WAS ALSO A LOT OF FUN. PAUL AND JUDY HORNBERGER WERE OUR HOSTS, AND AFTER A GREAT DINNER WE TOOK TURNS PLAYING THE PIANO. 18 PEOPLE ATTENDED.

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