



MEETING NOTICE

Monday September 12, 2005

6:30 - 7:15 Applied Skills
6:30 - 7:30 Board Meeting
7:15 - 7:45 Food Served
7:45 - 8:00 Business Mtg.
8:00 - 9:30 Main Technical

Applied Skills:

Mark Haas, RPT

Main Technical:

Ari Isaac

Meeting will be hosted at
Evola Music Warehouse
45222 Woodward Ave.
Pontiac, MI 48154

Directions: North on Telegraph to Square Lake Rd. Turn right (East) to Woodward Ave. You'll turn right and make a turnaround heading North on Woodward. Go past South Blvd. ~ 1-1/2 blocks, turn into the parking lot that says "Crane Construction". The warehouse is a tan building on the left as you enter the parking lot. Go behind it to the entry door.

Phone: (248) 332-7055

CHAPTER PROJECT will be on Saturday September 17, 10:00 am at The Piano Place, 444 W Maple, Suite E, Troy. North side of Maple between Livernois and Crooks, next to Thunder Bird Lanes. Session focus will be on action regulation. See you there !

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome back, PTG members! As we return to our busy fall schedules, and students are returning to classrooms, I want to remind everyone that learning (and teaching) is a lifelong process. As piano technicians there's a lot of knowledge to be imparted to one another. Every one of us has knowledge about pianos which we can share with those having less experience. And even those with the most experience can always learn more! I encourage everyone to become a mentor in what ever way we can.

I had the opportunity to mentor this summer in a big way. One of my clients, a bright high school senior in my east side Detroit neighborhood, asked me if I could sponsor his Senior project. Seniors in his school were required to perform volunteer work for 6 weeks at a job that interested them. This young man is interested in pianos and got considerable hands on experience in my shop and in the field with me. This sort of arrangement is a win-win situation. The student learns a lot, the teacher gets help as well as the fulfillment of introducing another to the piano craft.

This is something we can all do on some scale. Teach a class in our Applied Skills series, sponsor a chapter project, or simply attend our meetings and get to know our newer chapter members. It's up to each of us to pass on the knowledge we have worked so hard to obtain.

Your President,

Clem Fortuna, RPT

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MAIN TECHNICAL

**- Hammer Manufacturing & Hammer Voicing -
by Ari Isaac**

Ari Isaac, from Toronto, Ontario, will be showing a film of his hammer making facility. Mr Isaac will then demonstrate his hammers in a piano, and finally, show his voicing technique, with an emphasis on knowing what to listen for when voicing any hammer.

Ari Isaac is a visually impaired piano technician from Toronto, Canada. Mr. Isaac manufactures his own hammers, which he will describe and discuss during this presentation. He has also developed various specialized tools as well as his own unique hammer voicing technique. He has conducted many seminars at PTG meetings and conventions around the country.