



**PIANO
TECHNICIANS
GUILD**

MEETING NOTICE

Monday Oct 5, 2009

Location: Evola Music Warehouse
45222 Woodward Ave.
Pontiac MI, 48341

Directions: From the south, go north on I-75 to Square Lake Road. Continue west to Woodward- turn right. Go north past the hospital and past South Blvd. The warehouse is about 1 1/2 blocks north in the Crane Roofing parking lot. (the building is to your left as you pull in)

6:30 Applied skills:

Applied Skills: Yamaha 37 steps, continued (given by Scott Nelson, RPT)

7:15 Dinner

7:45 Business meeting

8:00 Main Technical

Sharpening Planes, Chisels, Screwdrivers, etc.

Scott Nelson RPT

There will be an emphasis on sharpening via the sandpaper method, as well as grinding screwdrivers properly and dressing the grinding wheels. Bring your dull and rusty plane irons or chisels for hands-on skills.

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SEPTEMBER 14, 2009 MINUTES PTG MEETING

MEETING WAS HELD AT THE PIANO PLACE IN TROY, MICHIGAN. THE APPLIED PROGRAM AT 6:30 WAS DIRECTED BY SCOTT NELSON. HE INVITED PERSONS TO TELL ABOUT THEIR ATTENDING SESSIONS AT THE NATIONAL PTG CONFERENCE THIS PAST SUMMER. SEVERAL RESPONDED TO THE CHALLENGE.

THE BUSINESS MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:46 P.M. BY VICE PRESIDENT SCOTT NELSON AFTER A GOOD LUNCH BY PIANO PLACE. 23 PEOPLE WERE IN ATTENDANCE, 14 RPT; 7 ASSOCIATES AND 3 GUESTS SIGNED THE ATTENDANCE SHEET. SCOTT THANKED THE PIANO PLACE FOR HOSTING THE MEETING AND PROVIDING THE LUNCHEON.

THE MINUTES FOR JUNE WERE APPROVED AS PRESENTED IN THE NEWS LETTER. TREASURER'S REPORT WAS ALSO APPROVED. QUESTIONS WERE RAISED CONCERNING TWO SIGNATURES BEING REQUIRED FOR ISSUING OF CHECKS. CAL CHAMPINE MOVED THE QUESTION BE PUT ON THE AGENDA FOR THE OCTOBER MEETING, SECONDED BY JEFF MOSSINGTON, MOTION APPROVED. TWO NEW MEMBERS WERE INTRODUCED FROM THE HOME OFFICE BUT WERE NOT PRESENT AT OUR MEETING, THEY WERE JIM COONEY, AND ROBIN PIETRZAK MONTEROSSO.

MEETING NEXT MONTH, OCTOBER, TO BE HELD AT EVOLA WAREHOUSE IN PONTIAC.

NEW BUSINESS

BILL EDWARDS SUGGESTED \$1,000 BE GIVEN TO THE PTG FOUNDATION FROM OUR LOCAL CHAPTER, CAL CHAMPINE AGREED, TO PUT THIS ON THE AGENDA NEXT MONTH, OCTOBER.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS WAS CALLED.

EVERYONE WAS CALLED BACK TOGETHER AND ADJOURNMENT WAS MOTIONED BY CAL CHAMPINE, SECONDED BY PAUL HORNBERGER AT 8:22 P.M.

SUBMITTED

RONALD HARRIS, SECRETARY

TREASURER'S REPORT

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Report for August, 2009

Balance Brought Forward	11,0128.87
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Income:

Application Fees	50.00
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Total 50.00

Balance before expanses	10,178.87
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Expenses:

Yahoo	12.95
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Total	12.95
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Balance Forwarded to September	10,165.92
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* Correction on the May - June - July treasurer's report The line "Balance before expenses" reads 1108.98. It should read 11,088.98. This was either a typing error or a test to see who is reading the report. All other totals are correct.

Editor's note: This is a typing error on my part. I'm glad our treasurer is paying attention! Treasurer's Reports will now be emailed to newsletter editor to avoid mistakes.

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OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE DETROIT WINDSOR PTG
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President's Message

As a chapter, it is important to stay in communication with one another. As president and newsletter editor, much of communication falls to me. But sometimes it seems like modern technology gives us too many choices for communicating. We have phones, cell phones, voice mail, email, faxes, text messaging, and the ever trustee U S postal service. Yet it seems as though more messages fall through the cracks then ever.

Of course, this is partly the fault of email. With a letter, you know who it is going to. I have a list of emails that I inherited with most chapter members and a few people from other chapters. I attempt to keep it up to date and complete by deleting returned emails and checking it against the home office website list of members. Still, I don't know who some of these emails belong to.

I also learned recently how old email addresses don't disappear. I cancelled my SBC service months ago and got a gmail account for free. SBC told me my old sbc email would not work for long. Yet it persists, and people continue to write me at it. I don't always read it anymore, as it is harder to access.

Please keep me up to date as to which email address you are using. Let me know if you need a newsletter mailed, or if your mailing address changes (let the home office know, too). And finally, if anyone wants more newsletter content, please mail me your suggestion or content. Adding it to the newsletter is as easy as cut and paste.

Any volunteers for newsletter editor?

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