



The President's Message

This month I was reading the Journal and saw an article about the Treble Resonator. I had seen this invention before in the catalogue, but had never noticed that the inventor was a member of our own chapter, Robert Grijalva. Furthermore, I did not realize it was manufactured and distributed exclusively by our own local Pianotek. These are just a couple of the many luminaries in the PTG community that our right in our own neighborhood. The Detroit Windsor Chapter, with 75 members, is the second largest chapter in the region, second only to Chicago. Many smaller chapters lack things that we take for granted, such as monthly meetings and newsletters. Moreover, we have so many outstanding people in our chapter who have contributed greatly to the field of piano technology. One of these will be

presenting the technical at the November meeting: Robert Scott will be demonstrating Tune Lab, his world class tuning software. It is very humbling for me to be at the helm of a group with so many brilliant people.

Your President

Clem Fortuna



Chapter President Clem Fortuna presiding over the October business meeting.

Featured Presenter for this month's meeting: Robert Scott - Tune-lab

Robert Scott is a developer of embedded computer systems, especially for industrial applications. His TuneLab line of piano tuning software began with a shareware version in 1997, and now includes commercial versions for laptops, PDAs, and smart phones

There will be some replacement action parts for sale for Baldwin grands as well as vertical action parts and a couple miscellaneous keyboards at the meeting November 6. If you wish to purchase any of the sets, please bring your checkbooks so you can make them out to the University of Michigan.

MEETING NOTICE

**Monday November 6,
2006**

6:30- Dinner
7:00- Business Meeting
7:30- Technician's Roundtable
8:00-9:30 Main Technical

Main Technical:

Bob Scott

Meeting will be hosted at the
**University of Michigan
School of Music**

Directions (from the east):
Take M-14 west to US 23 south to the first exit (Plymouth Road)- turn right. Go past Nixon Road about 1 1/4 miles to Murfin(U of M North Campus). Turn left- go up and then partly down the hill, turning right at Duffield (a bit hard to see the sign-Bursley Hall fronts Duffield). Go to end and then turn left on Bates. Follow it into the parking lot. Room 2058 is upstairs, accessed off the drop-off circle you will have passed on the left.

Alternately: Because M-14 is under construction, there may be delays. You can take I-94 west instead, and then turn on US 23 North. Exit at Plymouth Road (Exit 41) and follow the directions above.

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**October 2006 Meeting Minutes**

- Meeting Called to Order: 7:30pm
- Taking of attendance - 16 RPT, 7 Associates, 0 Guests
- Prior Newsletter Minutes amended - Attendance correction
 - Motion to accept C. Champine, 2nd J. Mossington - Accepted by general consensus.
- Treasurer's Report - B. Carter
 - Motion to accept C. Champine, 2nd J. Mossington - Accepted by general consensus.
- Next Month's Technical - S. Nelson
 - Bob Scott. - Tunelab, at location to be determined
- News
 - Reminder of CER Seminar in Cincinnati, OH. 10/13-15 2006
- Holiday Banquet - Jeff Mossington has agreed to be head of committee and he encourages members to start thinking about possible locations.
- Discussion regarding field trip to Jim Reeder's shop in Lansing, MI. to take place possibly March of 2007. Also discussed possibility of charter bus rental.
- Motion to adjourn -
 - R. Bittner, 2nd C. Champine
- Meeting adjourned: 7:39pm

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Cromwell

Secretary



Treasurer's Report

Balance Forward:	\$ 8150.44
Income:	\$ 0.00

Balance before expenses:	\$ 8150.44
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Expenses:

Newsletter:	\$ 59.72
Online expenses:	\$ 8.95
Meeting expenses:	
Mileage for speaker:	\$ 126.50

Total Expenses:	\$ 195.17
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Balance Forward:	\$ 7955.27
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Respectfully submitted
 Bruce D. Carter R.P.T.

A Special thanks to Cal and Sharon Champine for putting our guest Jim Cox up for the night.





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The mission of the Piano Technicians Guild is to promote the highest possible standards of piano service by providing members with opportunities for professional development, by recognizing technical competence through examinations and by advancing the interests of its members.

The Piano Technicians Guild (PTG) is a trade association with membership open to anyone with a professional or avocational interest in piano technology. However, the title of **Registered Piano Technician** must be earned by passing a series of rigorous examinations. PTG members who have not passed the RPT examinations may avail themselves of PTG's extensive educational offerings in preparation for their taking the RPT exams, and may advertise their PTG memberships.



Special Notice:

PTG Phases Out Associate Logo

All members of PTG may advertise their PTG membership.

RPT members may use both the PTG RPT logo and the RPT (round) emblem. See the Graphics Standards Manual.

Associate members are encouraged to advertise their PTG membership using the words "Associate Member, Piano Technicians Guild". (Bylaws Art. II, Sec. D, No. 2 specifies that the "Piano Technicians Guild" name must be accompanied by the words "Associate Member" in let-

ters no smaller than those used for "Piano Technicians Guild".)

By vote of the 2006 Council, the use of any "Associate logo" is to be phased out: "After July 1, 2006, Associate members shall not print any new materials that include the PTG logo and shall cease to renew current advertising utilizing the logo. Associate members shall have until December 31, 2007 to use up and/or distribute any existing supplies of printed materials (business cards, letterhead, envelopes, invoices, etc.) that include the PTG logo. After December

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