

# *PTG Austin Newsletter*

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*PTG Austin Chapter Meeting Monday March 5, 7:30 pm*

*SAME NEW LOCATION: Varsity Pizza & Pints [3000 Duval St.](#),*

Our February meeting Varsity Pizza was a success with ample meeting space, free parking, and pizza. Let's do it again (including buying a couple of pizzas with chapter funds)!

**Program:** We will talk about PTG online resources that are sometimes hard to find, such as my-ptg communities and online training materials. We will discuss any other topics as they arise.

**Door Prize:** The first 6 lucky attendees will receive free of charge a hammer support block. Used to support grand piano hammers when shaping or needling, this handcrafted unit is made in USA of garage-aged southern pine by highly skilled American labor. It is calibrated to hold the hammers at strike position to aid in working at the strike point.



## *February Chapter Meeting Report*

Steve Walthall reported on the midyear PTG board meeting. Important changes regarding associates were adopted. Associate members are now simply "Members". (Associate) Members now have voting rights, can serve as PTG officers, such as chapter president and vice-president, and be delegates to council.

We formed two committees: an officer nominating committee and a program committee. We are actively seeking candidates for chapter president and vice-president.

For a technical program, Steve demonstrated two wire splicing knots, and members had a chance to practice their skills.



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