Austin PTG News –November 2021 –

<u>David Brown Hammer Prep Class via Zoom</u> <u>– Monday Nov. 1 7:00 pm</u>

Technical Presentation by David Brown -- Learn how to shape hammers to achieve square shoulders and strike points. One at a time paddle filing will be covered as well as gang filing and pre-needling. Fast paced techniques that will help you improve this basic skill. Hammer shape is foundational to good voicing and tone production.

David is the Head Piano Technician at SMU in Dallas, and formerly of Austin and the UT piano tech crew. See David Brown's website for bio and more: tunermandb88.com

This will be a great class for veterans and newbies alike. Please join us! The zoom link will be sent out by Sunday, Oct. 31.

Austin PTG Holiday Party - In-Person! - Sunday, Dec. 5, 2:00 pm

We will gather at La Mancha Tex-Mex Tavern Sunday, Dec. 5 at 2 pm to eat, drink, and celebrate the holidays. Shop talk permitted. La Mancha is located at 2203 Hancock Dr., Austin 78756. Free on-site parking!:)

September Chapter Meeting Report

We had a good zoom meeting September 27.

Greg Caparis reported on his experience as our chapter delegate to PTG Council in August as well as his take on his first-time PTG conference attendence. Greg descibed his conference experience as "unbelievable".

Ricki Klos, our new Madam RVP, also reported on the PTG Council meeting. After that, she put on her Certified Tuning Examiner hat and reviewed the process of master tuning the test piano and outlined the tuning exam.

Thank you Greg and Ricki for your presentations!

Updated Website

Check out our new website at austinptg.org. The site is now mobile-friendly. The directory has been updated to reflect our current membership. Please check your directory info to make sure it's up to date.

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