Oklahoma Chapter of the Piano Technicians Guild

The Sooner Tuner

April 2002

Next Meeting: Thursday April 18,2002 8:30 a.m.

Summer

Convention!

Plan now to attend the National PTG Convention in Chicago. You can increase your income by learning to do jobs faster and better.

Norman
Cantrell, RPT
will again be
our Chapter
Delegate to the
National PTG
Convention,

Soundboard Repair for Vertical Pianos

During our next PTG Oklahoma Chapter meeting, David Bonham, RPT will show us how to repair soundboard cracks in vertical pianos. You may have seen demonstrations of soundboard repair for grand pianos, but repair classes for vertical soundboards are harder to find. This should be a valuable presentation for technicians who rebuild as well as for those who want to hone their appraisal skills.

For those of you who are interested in soundboard replacement, ask David if you can watch a video he made of replacing a soundboard in a Steinway grand.

David promises that he has several additional topics to discuss at the upcoming meeting. Bob Scheer, RPT will also present a follow-up to his finish repair class last month.

David Bonham's new email address: davidbonham1@cox.net Directions to David Bonham's house:

From the intersection of Hefner and McArthur in Oklahoma City, go south 1 block to Eastlake Drive. Turn west (right). Pass two bouses and turn right on Eastlake Circle. David's house in the culdense, 10717 Eastlake Circle. If you get lost, call (405) 721-0566. See you Thursday, April 18 at 8:50 a.m.



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Nominations Begin for Chapter Officers

It's that time of year when we think about who will serve during the upcoming year as our Oklahoma Chapter officers. The current slate includes:

President — Ben Davis, RPT
Vice President — Bob Scheer, RPT
Secretary — Keith McGavern, RPT
Tressurer — Gary Bruce, RPT
Newsletter — Valerie Grawford

Each of these positions represents many hours of volunteer effort for our chapter. Thanks to everyone who is currently serving and has served in the past. Some of these officers may be able and willing to continue. Others are not, such as your newsletter editor, Valerie, who is moving to Stillwater in August to attend Oklahoma State University full time. Nominations will be discussed at the Thursday, April 18 meeting.