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Newsletter of the Phoenix Chapter of the Piano Technicians Guild

June 2011

Chapter Meeting: May 2, 2011

The meeting was held at AZ Piano and was called to order at 7 o'clock by Peg Browne. There was no old business, other than a mention again wondering where the contents of the chapter library has disappeared to. ***Please***– if you have materials, let us know. There are members who are trying to restore and expand this resource for the benefit of all. New business consisted of a brief discussion about the Westpac seminar that our chapter will be hosting in March 2013. Peg announced that she has secured the downtown Hyatt Regency as a venue. Stay tuned...much more information to follow.

Next, we held **elections**. There were no nominations from the floor. With the exception of Pete Coleman, all officers agreed to fulfill another term and I, Lyle Cherry, was persuaded to take over as Recording Secretary. There was a motion and a second to adopt the slate of officers as presented, and with a resounding nod was so ordered. Congratulations! Thanks to Pete for his service, and to Peg Browne, Lucas Hathcock and Wendell Smock, who will continue on as President, VP and Treasurer, respectively.

The Technical- 'Tips, Tools and Techniques' was presented by Scott Helms RPT. Scott shared some interesting info tapped from his wealth of experience in the field, including some clever uses for such items as soda straws, coffee stirrers and even bamboo skewers! Some unique specialty tools he showed were an impact coil setter, luthier's diamond file for surfacing the capo bar and a jig for referencing jack to knuckle position, just to name a few. Some group discussion covered such topics as how to safely use an upright tipper and ways of dealing with those pesky spinet stickers when removing the action. In closing, Scott voiced his hope that all of us will continue to post to the email list with questions/answers & problems/solutions. Thanks, Scott

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Peg Browne, RPT

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Lucas Hathcock, RPT

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Wendell Smock

Secretary & Newsletter Editor:
Lyle Cherry

Our Next Meeting: June 6, 2011—7:00 PM

The next meeting will be at the home of Eliot Lee RPT (see map). Eliot will give us some 'computerese' with his presentation of **'Websites and Databases'**. Also, there will be discussion concerning the upcoming National Convention, and a vote will be taken on the proposals presented by the Council so that our delegate, Scott Helms can effectively represent our chapter **. See you June 6th!**

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Map to our next meeting
Monday, Jun. 6th at **7:00 PM**
Eliot Lee's Home
4131 E. Pinchot Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85018

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