

The Forum

December 2006



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Help celebrate the Guild of Metalsmiths at our annual Christmas meeting!

The Guild of Metalsmiths traditionally celebrates a year of successful events, elects officials for next year, shares our talents, and EATS A FANTASTIC FEAST at our annual Christmas meeting, held this year on Sunday, December 10 at the Czecho Slovakian Protective Society Hall at 385 Michigan Street in St. Paul. Getting there is easy! It's on 7th Street at the corner of Michigan Street and Western Avenue.

For full details and schedule, please turn to pages 11, 12, 13, and 14 (the centerfold), where you'll find a removable program guide showcasing the day's planned events and a personal invitation from Program Committee member Tom Phelps.

The business meeting begins at 1:30. After the business meeting has finished, further activities this year include our traditional "show and tell," a superb auction of valuable items you'll not want to miss, and really the BEST potluck meal you'll ever eat!

Items included in the auction include:

- * Tuition for a Little Giant Workshop at Little Giant Power Hammer (Nebraska)
- * T Shirt
- * Slitting Chisel
- * Scrolling Tongs
- * Tongs (5/16 x 2 1/4)
- * Books
 - * Francis Wittaker – Beautiful Iron
 - * Francis Wittaker - My life as an Artist Blacksmith
 - * Alexander Weygers – Complete Modern Blacksmith
 - * Rauno Lehtonen Demo Pieces
 - * Clay Spencer Flatter/Fuller tool

Be sure to circle your calendar RIGHT NOW, remove the centerfold from this issue of *The Forum*, and bring it to the meeting as your program. If you haven't attended our Christmas meeting in the past, you'll be totally delighted when you arrive to the warm greetings of your Guild of Metalsmiths friends. Nowhere will you find a more welcoming bunch of folks.

Forum deadline for January: Monday, Dec. 18, 2006

The deadline for The Forum is always the third Monday of the month. If you have activities that will be occurring in the next few months and wish to have them published in the next Forum, please send them by Monday, Dec. 18, 2006 to **Georgia Myers**, editor, by e-mail to:

forum@metalsmith.org

(e-mails will be forwarded to Georgia Myers), or to

gmyers@rconnect.com

or mail them to:

Georgia Myers
313 Dakota St
Lake City MN 55041



The Guild of Metalsmiths, St. Paul, MN, publishes the GoM Forum monthly. It is intended as a tool to further our educational mission, to keep members up to date on current happenings, to publicize projects and workshops, a place for all members to express their opinions, concerns, learn more about each other—in short, to help us run our organization.

For address change, or to submit comments, please mail to:

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Guild educational grants

There is grant money available for Guild members to study intermediate and advanced metalworking techniques.

The Guild educational grant program is designed to bring new skills into the metalworking community. Participants are given money to pay for a portion of their expenses and are expected to learn some new or poorly understood skill, and then to share what they have learned with other members and the public through an article in our quarterly magazine, “The Metalsmith.” They’re also expected to lead a workshop on the topic (or other educational service approved by the board).

Application forms are available from the president or treasurer at a regular meeting, or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

The Guild of Metalsmiths
PO Box 11423
St. Paul MN 55111

Spare Tire Power Hammer Workshop

This workshop is being organized as a response to interest expressed during the Clay Spencer demonstration at the GoM 2006 Fall Conference. The goal of this workshop is to organize a group of interested people to collect parts and build a working Spare Tire Power Hammer. In order to hold the workshop, we will need to have a minimum number of participants to make sure we have enough people to complete the project and to ensure we can buy materials in quantities large enough to get volume discounts. Clay Spencer has indicated this minimum number is 12 people. There is also a maximum number of participants that would be restricted by how much work could be done in the final assembly weekend, this number is 18.

The cost to be a participant will be dependent on what the final material costs for building the hammers. Any extra funds that remain at the end of the project will be refunded equally to the full participants. The estimated cost is expected to be somewhere between \$850 and \$1250. I have decided it is best to collect the maximum estimated amount to ensure there is adequate funds to purchase materials. In order to minimize the impact on personal budgets, a payment plan will be established. Following is the minimum payment plan to be accepted:

Payment	Amount	Total Paid	Date
Deposit	\$250	\$250	ASAP
First Pmt	\$250	\$500	December 15
Second Pmt	\$250	\$750	January 15
Third Pmt	\$250	\$1000	February 15
Fourth Pmt	\$250	\$1250	March 15

If for any reason a participant decides to drop out of the workshop, the deposit amount of \$250 will not be refundable unless a replacement person is found. Any payments made above the amount of the deposit will be refunded.

Assembly of the hammers will be done in two steps. One or more meetings will be held to prepare for the main assembly workshop. In those meetings, parts will be cut, holes drilled, small assemblies may be put together. Participation in these meetings is expected but not required. Final assembly will be a three day weekend event, on a Friday, Saturday, and Sunday with active participation required. This final assembly will occur in sometime in late April or May, date to be determined. Clay Spencer will be attending this event and will provide skills and jigs to help assemble the hammers plus will be available to answer any questions.

Registration will be a first come-first serve basis based on when I receive your check in the mail. Postmarks will be used to determine the order of registrations. Registration is open until January 1st or until I have 18 full participants, whichever comes first. Checks can be sent to me at:

Rich Herman
12553 Danbury Way
Rosemount, MN 55068

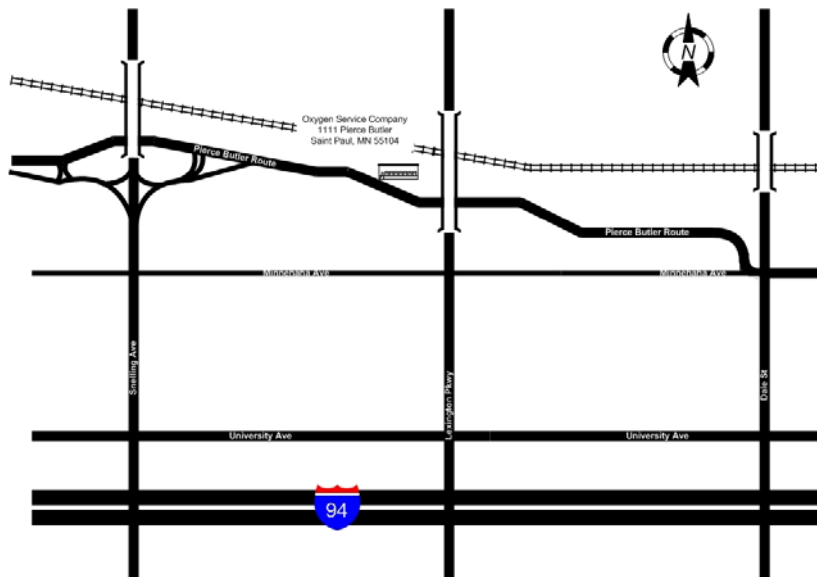
If there are any questions, I may be contacted at 651-322-1623 (home) or 612-618-9228 (cell- please call in evening). I can be contacted via email at racherman@frontiernet.net.

Plan now to attend February 14 Guild meeting at Oxygen Service Co.

Oxygen Service Company at 1111 Pierce Butler Route, St Paul, will host the February 14 Guild membership meeting. They are an employee owned welding supply company and will offer a safety presentation for gas welding, a plasma cutting demo, and the retail store will be open.

They didn't specifically mention any 'deals' that will be available in the store, but they usually treat us well. OSC was one of companies that donated to the conference auction.

So circle the date on your calendar and bring your sweetheart (it's Valentine's Day too)!



Anatomy of Scrolls

Saturday & Sunday, January 27 & 28, 2007

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (1/27)

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (1/28)

Judith Kjenstad, instructor (phone 612 721-2595,

judithen@earthlink.net

Cost: \$75 per student

Class limit: 20 maximum, 10 minimum

This class will be held on the U of M campus, 1985 Beauford Ave., St. Paul, MN, Room 258 in McNeal Hall. (map page 8)

Students will learn to how to dissect acanthus scrolls and vines and apply this knowledge to their own work. Lectures/slide PowerPoint presentations, drawing demonstrations and individual tutoring will be used to get the process started. Students are encouraged to bring ideas for a project or projects (large or small) so that this knowledge can be directly applied to a drawing for that project.

All skill levels are welcome.

Tools and Equipment:

Please bring drawing materials – pencils, erasers, rulers, paper pads and or graph paper according to the size of the particular project.

Safety Equipment : not necessary.

Lunch: Bring a bag lunch with you. We will take a short break at noon and then resume class.

Judith is well known for teaching rosemaking. If you compare rosemale to scrolls, you will see very little difference. We are fortunate to have this class offered. Come and learn more about laying out scrolls and incorporating them into your blacksmithing from one of the best teachers in the U.S.A.

**Don't delay! Register now for this
"Anatomy of Scrolls" class.
Registration form is on page 8.
Minimum of 10 students, 20
maximum.**

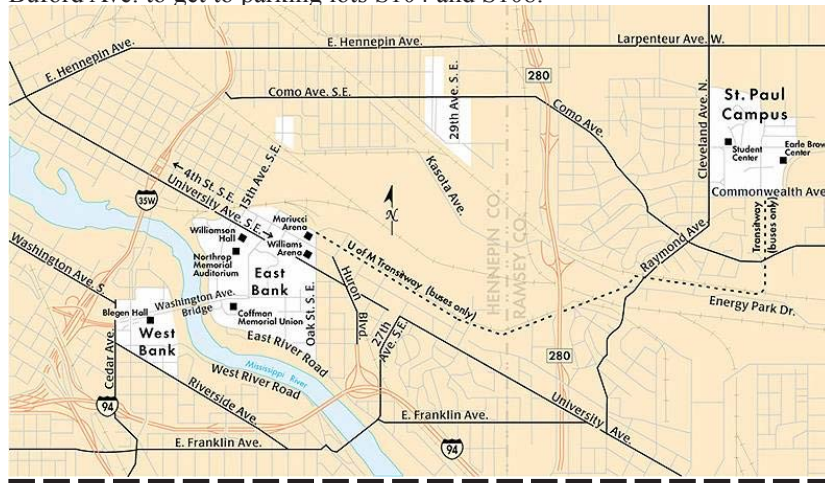
Anatomy of Scrolls class

Directions to UM – St. Paul Campus:

I-35W north through the cities: Follow I-35W north to the Cleveland Ave. exit. Follow Cleveland Ave. south past Larpenteur Ave. Take a left onto Buford Ave. Parking lot S102 on left - continue straight on Buford Ave. to get to parking lots S104 and s108.

I-35W south into the cities: Follow I-35W south to the Cleveland Ave. exit. Follow Cleveland Ave. south past Larpenteur Ave. Take a left onto Buford Ave. Parking lot S102 is on the left - continue straight on Buford Ave. to get to parking lots S104 and s108.

I-94: Take Snelling Ave. north to Como Ave. Go west on Como Ave. to Cleveland Ave. Take a right onto Cleveland Ave. and follow it to Buford Ave. & take a right. Parking lot S102 is on the left - continue straight on Buford Ave. to get to parking lots S104 and S108.



Register for “Anatomy of Scrolls” class. Fill out form below and mail, along with check for \$75 made out to “Guild of Metalsmiths” to:

Jim Moenck
661 Dorland Road S
Maplewood, MN 55119
jrmoenck@yahoo.com

For questions, call Jim at (651) 735-4461

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Repousse Class

Saturday & Sunday, Feb. 10 & 11

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (both days)

Cost: \$50 per student

Location: Myron Hanson's shop in Eagan (map pg 10)

Instructor: Kirsten Skiles, Phone 608 780-6209

kassmiles@hotmail.com

Class description:

High Relief Chasing, as I teach it, is derived from the Japanese style of High Relief Chasing used in sword ornaments and kimono pins. The technique is inspired by, but not true to, the full Japanese tradition. In this workshop, students will work on a bronze chasing that incorporates extreme elevation shifts, foldovers, undercuts and highly textured surfaces. We will talk about how to make chasing tools, but tools will be provided for use during the class.

Class size: 4 minimum, 8 maximum

Tools and Equipment or other items to bring to class:

- Heat gun (the kind used to strip paint). We will need a maximum of one gun for every 2 students
- Ear & eye protection
- Apron, non-synthetic clothing, closed toe sturdy shoes
- Something to tie back long hair
- Forging hammer & tongs for holding the W1 tool steel
- Any small or medium weight ball peen hammers & chasing hammers that you already own.
- chasing tools thta you already own
- Metal forming stakes if you've got some that you are willing to share

Plan now to attend this repousse class on Feb. 10 & 11.

Fill out registration form on page 10.

Repousse Class with Kirsten Skiles

Special instructions:

Safety Equipment – safety glasses & ear plugs are mandatory. Other safety equipment may include: gloves, leather apron, cotton clothing, leather shoes.

Pitch pot and chasing tools will be provided and optionally offered for sale after class.

If possible, send an actual picture of the project that the students will be making. If a picture is not available, draw a picture as accurately as you can for publicity purposes.

Lunch Arrangements: Students may bring a bag lunch or eat at one of the many nearby local establishments.

1 Myron Hanson

Take I 494 to Dodd Rd/ MN 149 exit and go South, turn left onto MN 55 and turn right back onto MN 149.

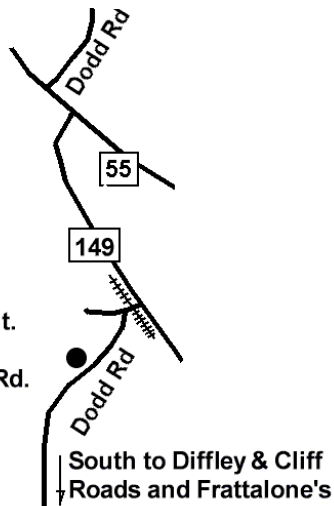
Continue South to the sign that says Dodd Road and points right.

Turn right, cross the tracks and make an immediate left turn onto Dodd Road.

Myron's house is about .7 mi on the right.

Coming North on Dodd Rd from Cliff Rd its about 1.8 mi (~.75 mi North of Diffley Rd.

4015 Dodd Rd
Eagan, MN 55123-1612
Home phone: 651-454-3984



Register for "Repousse" class. Fill out form below and mail, along with check for \$50 made out to "Guild of Metalsmiths" to:

Dan Kaschner
3860 Big Timber Trail
Eagan, MN 55123
dkaschner@comcast.net

For questions, call Dan at (651) 681-7979

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Christmas meeting program: Please remove centerfold and attach to your calendar, bulletin board, or frig art gallery!

**2006
Guild of Metalsmiths
Christmas Meeting
and Potluck Dinner**



**Sunday, December 10,
2006**

**CSPS Hall
385 Michigan Street, St. Paul,
MN**

**On 7th Street at the corner of
Michigan Street and Western Avenue**





Schedule of Events

- 11:00 a.m. Volunteers meet at establishment next door for “a round” on Tom Phelps
- 12:00 p.m. Doors open at the CSPA Hall
Volunteers set up and prep for meeting
- 1:00 p.m. Members arrive
- 1:30 p.m. Business meeting begins
 - * Committee Reports
 - * Election of Officials
 - * Awards
 - * Show & Tell
 - * Auction
- 4:00 p.m. Let the feast begin!



A note from the Program Committee

It's that time of year again. Everyone is busy running errands and figuring out what days on the calendar are left open to get everything done by Christmas.

I hope that Sunday, December 10th is still open on your calendar for our final gathering and basically only true business meeting of the year. I have a couple of things I look forward to on that day, including seeing people I probably haven't seen since the last Christmas meeting, and some good food.

At this year's meeting we, the program committee, want to try to get the business portion of the meeting over with quicker so we can get at the bountiful feast which will be filling the room with its tantalizing aroma, and so we can get back to chatting with the people we haven't seen since the last Christmas meeting.

This will also be the last "show and tell" for the year. I would like to see something from everyone this year. Show and tell for me is seeing the different ideas and skills of our members. It gives us the chance to see and talk about new techniques, tools, and materials.

Seeing everyone's work truly gives me some much needed motivation and inspiration to continue my pursuit of reaching the goals that I have set, or like a good swift kick in the ass mentally.

Bring something new or old, look through the stuff in your shop that you made and still don't know what to do with, maybe someone will have an idea for you if they see it.

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Some truly beautiful work by our recent and past demonstrators will be in the auction at the meeting:

- a nice flatter/fuller tool from Clay Spencer,
- 2 sculptures
- a unique and beautiful wall hanging from Rauno Lehtonen
- tuitions for a Little Giant Power Hammer workshop in Nebraska.

The auction is also open to the membership for donations. Remember our auctions are a large contributor to the many things that the Guild of Metalsmiths brings to its members, so I hope all who can donate an item will.

I joined the Guild in 2000 and joined the program committee in 2001 as well as restarting the t-shirt operation and have hauled and stored them since. The reason I joined the committee is to make sure I have a say in what the Guild does next.

I have received many compliments on the membership meeting at Foci Glass and want to continue helping the members of the Guild and myself so it improves. If you add up the members of the board and all the committees, you will find that it is a small percentage of the total membership and some of those are on more than one committee.

In 2007 I hope that all committees see more members helping out. As a matter of fact, we have three new members on the program committee: Asa Hoyt, Dan Kashner, and Brian Dahl. My thanks to them for joining the battle!

I hope to see all Guild members at the December 10th meeting.

— *Tom Phelps, Program Committee/T-Shirt guy*



Minutes: THE GUILD OF METALSMITHS, Board Of Directors, NOVEMBER 6, 2006

Held at the home of: Myron Hanson, 4015 Dodd Rd., Eagan, MN 55123

CALL TO ORDER:

Roll Call – Attendants are Olson, Fick, Moenck, Carlson, Hanson, Myers. Missing, Mariette, Beck, Herman, Frattalone.

AMENDMENT / APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING’S MINUTES:

Motion by Carlson to approve the minutes.

Moenck second, unanimous approval.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance Committee-Mike Frattalone

Discretionary Funds	\$10,922.96		
Remaining Grant	\$7,075.00		
Cert. of Deposit	\$10,246.88		
Cash Total	\$17997.96	(up \$1176 from 1 year ago)	
Expenses	\$10,804		
Deposits	\$12,771		
Major Expenses were:			
Conference	\$7121		
Metalsmith	\$1337		
Forum	\$1286		
Workshops	\$390		
Website	\$246		
Shirts	\$179		
Coal Bin	\$76		
Back Issues	\$18		
Misc	\$151		
Membership count	286	(up 27 from 1 year ago)	
Est. tons of coal remaining	22.7 tons		
Conference Data	2006	2005	Variance
Pre-registered	57ea	53 ea	+4
Registered at the door	73ea	80ea	-7
Total registered	130ea	133ea	-3
Registration income	\$3800	\$3955	-155
Silent Auction	\$989	\$979	+10
Steel sale/lb	\$0	\$784	-784
Live auction	\$3623	\$4489	-866
Raffle	\$871	\$982	-111
Meals (caterer)	\$2495	\$2617	-122
Family activity	\$95	\$20	+75
Stickers/pins	\$52	\$42	+10
Coffee donation	\$33	\$45	-12
Electrical hookup	\$0	\$75	-75
Total Income	\$11,958	\$14,287	-2329
Total Expenses	\$7,831	\$8,312	-481
Amt of income after expenses	\$4,127	\$5,975	-1,848

Education Committee-Jim Moenck

The class calendar was reviewed and updated. Herb Fick stated that a sample of the “Enter at Own Risk” sign will be shown at the Board meeting on November 8.

Pricing

Board meeting minutes continued

If minimum of 5 signs at a time - deduct 20% from the price. The prices listed below are already discounted substantially from our retail pricing. There are no setup or art charges. ENTER AT OWN RISK SIGNS Includes "your name here" for individual use.

9x18 (size shown) = \$20 each

6x12 = \$12 each

12x24 = \$24 each

RULES SIGN

17x22 (size shown) = \$30 each

8.5x11 = \$12 each

A class document was reviewed, and discussion was heard regarding verbiage about the new lock box that holds the coal bin key. The revised document will be available to anyone teaching classes, and also available on the Guild website. A new document was also reviewed, titled "How to Price a Class, A Guideline". Some revision will be made to this document, and then become part of the class packet.

Possibilities for a location to hold Judith Kjenstadt's class were heard. Jim Moenck will pursue to find a facility that we can hold this class at.

Pete Stanaitis will be retiring from his position on the Education Committee. All other present members agreed to serve another year.

Discussion was heard about how to keep new students active in the Guild once they are done with the basics. The committee discussed the possibility of holding a two-day workshop within 60 days after the Basics are done. This workshop would be only open to the current year's Basics student, and would concentrate on helping them get some of the basic equipment made so they can continue at their home.

Rich Herman updated the committee on the tire hammer workshop. This class has enough interest, and specific info is being accumulated for publication.

Gordon Barr brought up the question, "do we allow an 'observing' student during a class, and how much do we charge them?" A price of \$20 per day was set, and will be added to the Price Guide document.

Pete Stanaitis suggested we restart a 1-day "Introduction to Blacksmithing" class to our curriculum. This class would be modeled after the original class, and not be as intensive as our current Basics class. The Committee will discuss this further at the next meeting.

Program Committee- Myron Hanson

The program committee took the month off. Last membership meeting at Chukar was considered by Fick, who organized it, to be successful. The demo prepared Smithin' Magicians using Blacksmith's Journal drawings reworked by Olson. Olson and Fick (Who together with Chukar made the investment in time and material) made a decision to use the product parts as door prizes at future meetings. The first was won at the meeting by Chris Wilson.

December 10

Champion: Phelps. Location: CSPA hall.

Need something in the Forum. Officer and Board Elections.

Feb 14, 2007

Champion: Olson. Location: Oxygen Service.

Safety presentation, Plasma cutting Demo, Retail store

Working on a map.

Board meeting minutes continued

April 14

Champion: John McDonald. Location: Fort Snelling.
John has made the contact and did lock in the day (Not a done deal yet!!!!!!!!!!)

Need to arrange to be out by 9:30.

Need Tables, they have chairs.

Wood will talk to the clock guild

Olson will talk to the Wood Workers

Double up with Woodworkers and wood turners and or Clock –

Susan Wood will check with Clockmakers Guild

Format of extended show and tell

Challenge to find a common thought for common presentation.

June 13

Considering alternate venues. Thinking perhaps North Oaks blacksmith shop (Carl Nordquist) or University of Minnesota

Next Madness: Jay Close is a demonstrator interest

Next committee meeting is 16 Nov at Hanson's

The question to prepare for the next meeting is "How should the Madness be changed?"

Publicity Committee- Rich Herman (not in attendance)

Cornerstone will do the next Metalsmith.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Danger/Safety signage was shown by Herb. Suggestion is that Guild name be taken off of signs prepared for member shops. We will offer them at the December meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Heather Doyle works for MCTC teaching beginning blacksmithing and wants the guild to play a part with 'guest instructors' for her program. Suggestion is that she advertise for the help in the Forum.

Make a Wish Foundation, looking to help a MN teen (14) with setting up a blacksmith shop. They are also in touch with Jim Sage.

Al will order the plaque for Juare-Hubler Award. R. Walsh to make hammer & hook.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next Prog Com meeting Nov 16th

Next Ed Com meeting Dec 6th ?

Next Membership meeting is at CSPS Dec 10th (agenda? schedule? map? Forum?)

Next Board meeting is at Myron's house, Jan 10th

Next Forum deadline is Nov 20th

MAIL REVIEW:

ADJOURNMENT: 9:30

Guild of Metalsmiths Library Books

The Guild has a collection of about 83 catalogued books, 30-plus newly donated books yet to be catalogued, and two boxes of unbound *Anvils Ring* and *Hammers Blow* magazines. This collection belongs to Guild members and needs to be more accessible.



In the past the books were carried in three heavy tote boxes to meetings where members could borrow books on the honor system. I had ambitions of writing small reviews of all the books to better advertise what is available then devise a way for members to borrow books without throwing my back out hauling them to meetings.

My ideas were bigger than I could follow through on. In other words I am sitting on this great resource of technical and creative knowledge of blacksmithing and doing nothing about it.

I need someone to become the new Librarian.

Contact Susan Wood (612-727-1752 anvilclock@netzero.net) or Al Olson (651-683-0906 alan_olson@hotmail.com).

Is your Guild membership up for renewal?

This is the last issue of *The Forum* for these people unless they renew their membership

TIMOTHY BERG
STEVE BERGER
LONNIE BLACKWELL SR
NONA BOATRIGHT
BRENT BRAZELL
JIM COWPER
DANIEL ERWIN
MICHAEL GOERTZ
DON HAMMER
MARK KIVETT
MICHELE LEMOINE
SHAROL NAV
CRAIG PARSONS
JOHN ROSSAKIS

NEW MEMBERS

Be sure to make these changes in your copy of the Guild directory!

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[www..metalsmith.org/gall](http://www.metalsmith.org/gall)

Marcia McEachron
Metalworks-Sculpture
612-345-5910

Some nonsense for readers of 'The Forum'!

Nomenclature of New Discoveries

<u>Material</u>	<u>Characteristics</u>	<u>Recommended Use</u>
Unobtanium	Light, strong, difficult to procure	Any high-strength low-weight application
Manydentium	Very malleable, extra care required in handling	Forms well.
Urongdium	Inexpensive, rusts, stains, low tensile strength, difficult to machine	Applies to all situations incorrectly
Expensium	Strong like tool steel. Forms like lead, welds with a match traded equally with gold.	Very desirable for any application.
Allgonian	Very desirable, very cheap, supplier is always without	Used for high volume production runs.
Tyrantanium	What the boss suggests, usually almost as good as what you're using	Desireability fluctuates with your need of employment
Brittillum	Very rigid, extremely hard, cannot be punched, drilled, bent filed, or welded. Breaks easily	Any application where a 12" x 12" x 12" cube is needed. (Raw material standard size)
Uselessium	Perfectly good expensium that has been welded.	None known of at this time.
Obnoxium	Brownish green in color, smells when cut, attracts flies.	Substitutes for expensium in well ventilated areas.
Trendium	Most popular of the new materials. Comes in the most popular form of the new.	Any bandwagon approach or short-term application.

Our neighborhood of smiths

Check this page every month to see what's going on with our neighboring colleagues, and read about activities in their smithing groups.

UMBA

Visit <http://www.umbaonline.org/events.html>

UMBA library www.umbaonline.org, 135 DVD-Rs \$5 each \$2 postage lifetime rental

Central Minnesota Blacksmiths meeting schedule

Monticello, MN, 763-295-4632

Sat 12/9 Ken Zitur's Studio, 37634 Co Rd 9, Avon, MN 320-746-2557

Badger Blacksmiths meetings

For information, call Don Hogenson at 715-265-4701 or email Richard Prigge at rcprigg@centurytel.net

Lake Superior Metalsmiths

Lake Superior Metalsmiths (LSM) meet the fourth Saturday of the month at noon from October through April. The meetings are potluck at noon at Dave Hanson's house, 5873 Taft Road, Duluth, Minnesota, 218-721-4572.

Northern Minnesota Metalsmiths

The NMM meetings are the first Monday of the month. Often, but not always, at Keith Johnson's shop in Bemidji. Contact Keith for monthly specifics at keith@greatriverforge.com

Central Texas Blacksmiths

To read their online newsletter, go to

<http://balconesforge.org/newsletters/aug06/aug06.pdf>

If that does not work, then just head to www.balconesforge.org and the newsletter section is easy to find.

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Goings on...



Events in December, 2006

- Dec. 2, 3rd session Beginning Blacksmithing A Class•
- Dec. 10, Guild holiday membership meeting, CSPS Hall, St. Paul
- Dec. 16, 4th session Beginning Blacksmithing A Class

Events in January, 2007

- Jan. 6, Basics B1 class
- Jan. 10, Guild board meeting at Myron Hansen's home in Eagan
- Jan. 20, Basics B2 class
- Jan. 28-29, Anatomy of Scrolls class, Judith Kjenstad, to be held at U of M campus (details pgs 7-8)

Events in February, 2007

- Feb. 3 Basics B3 class
- Feb. 10 & 11, Repousse Class, Kirsten Skiles, to be held at Myron Hanson's shop
- Feb. 14, Guild membership meeting, Oxygen Service Co., safety presentation for gas welding.
- Feb. 17, Basics B4 class

Former Guild member tragically killed in 2-vehicle accident

Former Guild member Jamie Hilsgen, 24, of rural Maiden Rock, WI. was killed Wednesday, November 15 when his one-ton truck was hit by a fully loaded milk truck in the Town of Salem, Wisconsin.

The funeral was held at his parents' home on Tuesday, November 21.

The address is: W3104 190th Avenue
Maiden Rock, WI. 54750

Seasons greetings from Tunnel Mill!

We finished a class with Tom Latane' in October on some grave marker and embellishment techniques, and we are planning a two-part class in April & October, 2007 with Tom. The project will be a chest.

We already have a number of interested potential students. If interested, give us a call at 507-289-5246.

Also in the works, a cooper hammered vessel class.

— *John and Carol Adams*