

The Forum

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April 11 Guild meeting set at Mississippi Welders Supply in Hudson, WI

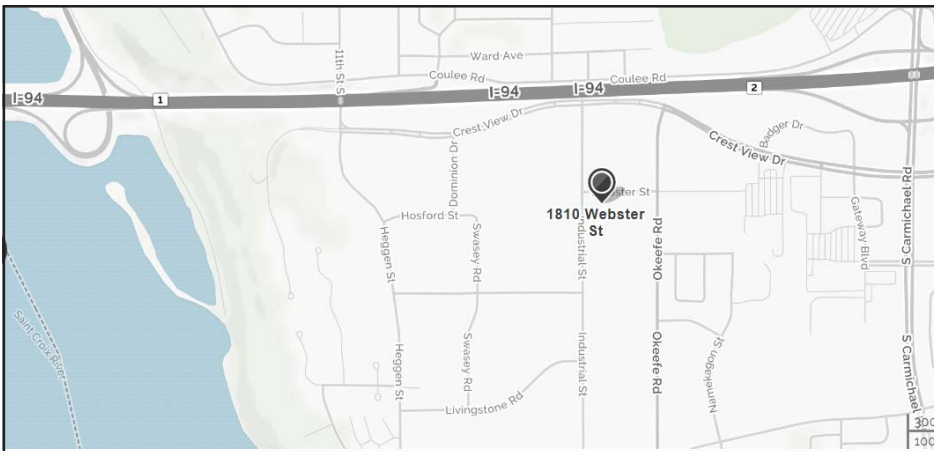
The Guild of Metalsmiths will meet on Wednesday, April 11 at Mississippi Welders Supply in Hudson, Wisconsin. MWS staff will be there to demonstrate their equipment, and you will be able to make purchases if you choose.

Potluck starts at 6:30 pm. Please bring a dish to pass. Parking is ample either in the lot, on the street, or across the street at Fleet Farm. If you're able to arrive early, please plan to pitch in and help set up tables, chairs, and various other items we use for the meeting. Taya and Jesse Gavin are champions but won't be able to attend, so we need lots of help with their normal tasks.

Address: 1810 Webster St
Hudson WI 54016

Directions: I94 to exit 42;
right on S Carmichael Road
right on Crestview Drive
left on Industrial
left on Webster
right into lot

If you have questions about this meeting, contact Jesse Gavin at jagavin6273@hotmail.com or 715-808-5891.



'Grate' event: TGOM Spring 2018 Hammer-In June 15, 16, 17 at Nowthen

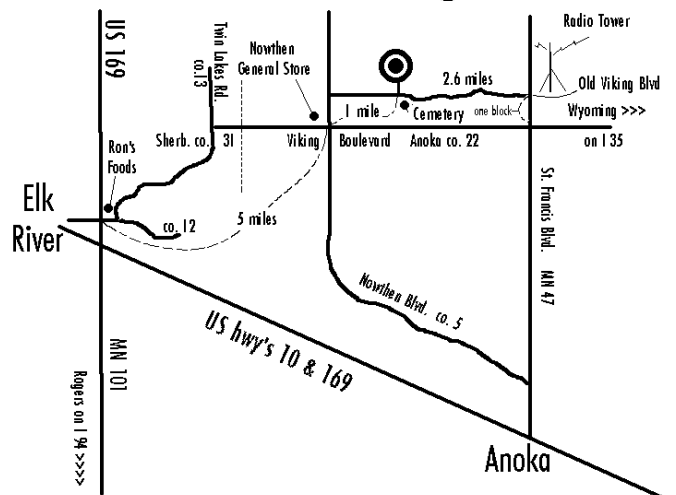
Have you heard about the "grate cheese" event being planned at the annual Spring Hammer-in at the Nowthen Historical Power Association Blacksmith Shop. Come and hang out with a bunch of old friends, new friends, and some cheese heads to share/learn some new skills. Get started on your cheese slicer to enter in the Fall Conference contest. Prizes will be given to the top 3 as part of the annual auction.

We have a few demos in the planning stages but we are looking to have more. Cheese slicer-related demos would be wonderful, but if you have any other really cool tips or techniques you are anxious to share, they would also be welcome. Please call Rich Herman at 651-322-1623 or email at richherman651@gmail.com if you would like to demo or have any questions.

- Plans for the event:**
- Camping on-site is available Friday night and Saturday night on primitive sites
 - Five forges are open for use
 - Coal will be provided
 - Beginners welcome
 - Port-a-potties on site
 - Bring any cheese slicers you have made to show

There is no charge to participate in this event. The Nowthen Power Show grounds are located at 7415 Old Viking Blvd, Nowthen, MN. Time/Date: 7:30-11:00pm on the evening of Friday, June 15, then June 16 and June 17 from 8am till 4:00 pm at Nowthen Blacksmith Shop.

Nowthen Threshing Show



Our neighborhood of smiths

The Guild of Metalsmiths (TGoM)

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President: Martin Pansch Vice-President: Rick Wessling
blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com rgwessling@gmail.com
612-599-4762 612-875-4420
Our website is: <http://www.metalsmith.org>

Badger Blacksmiths meetings

Our contact information is as follows:

President: Don Hogenson Newsletter editor: John Grump
715-265-4701 715-835-0894
johngrump@att.net

Lake Superior Metalsmiths

Lake Superior Metalsmiths (LSM) meet the fourth Saturday of the month. Potluck at noon with meeting to follow.

Contacts are:

Charley Brown, President, CharleyRB@charter.net, 218-428-7906
Dave Hanson, VP, duluthblacksmith@yahoo.com 218-391-4466

Northern Minnesota Metalsmiths

The NMM meets the first Monday of the month at Lake Itasca Region Pioneer Farmers (LIRPF) show grounds, 1/4 mile east of the north entrance to Itasca State Park.

Contact Keith Johnson for monthly specifics at keith@greatriverforge.com. The NMM's website is www.nmmetalsmiths.org

Central Minnesota Blacksmiths (CMB)

Meet on the first Monday of each month. Potluck followed by demo. Locations are different every month so please call or write for info

President: Ken Zitur Brian Johnson
320-746-8161 16777 Co Rd 75 NW
mail@kensiron.com Clearwater MN 55367
320-558-6898

Chicago Avenue Fire Arts Center (CAFAC)

Quarterly blacksmithing classes, exhibits, and open house events
www.cafac.org email: info@cafac.org

Tunnel Mill Crafts

Blacksmith shop, traditional iron work, classes
4505 Highway 63 North, Rochester, MN 55906
507 289-4189 or 507 289-5246
John & Carol Adams jc-adams@msn.com,
<http://www.tunnelmillcrafts.com/>

Sandy Lake Forge on Raspberry Island

Blacksmith shop offering classes, workshops and more. See raspberrylakefolkschool.blogspot.com for details or call: 218-851-6085

Gary and Janet Hill Raspberry Island
50569 218th Place Mcgregor, MN 55760

Wire Inlay Class April 14 is full!

April Demo Op:

Farm Babies at the Minnesota Zoo

The MN Zoo has invited the Guild of Metalsmiths back to demonstrate this spring. They have asked if we could demonstrate the three weekends of April 14-15, 21-22, and 28-29 during their Farm Babies event.

This has been a popular demonstration venue in the past and we are happy to be returning. Given that the demonstrations occur over the course of three weekends, we will need to coordinate our efforts to make sure we all don't show up on one day or leave a day/weekend completely uncovered.

If you could please contact me and let me know your interest and the dates you can commit to it would be very helpful. If you are able or willing to take the lead on one of the three weekends that would be helpful also. Please contact me at rgwessling@gmail.com. Looking forward to a great time at the Zoo.

— Rick Wessling

NMM Annual Conference

Northern Minnesota Metalsmiths Conference is April 28 and 29. Demos by Roy Bloom, Butch Sheely, and Janet Haugan. Contact Keith Johnson keith@greatriverforge.com for details.

Upcoming Metal Meet May 3-5

Dan Pate and Herb Fick announce a "metal meet" to be held at Dan Pate's workshop May 3 through May 5. Dan welcomes blacksmiths to set up and show off their crafts and possibly lure in more members for the Guild. Contact Herb Fick with questions at herb@phyque.com or Dan Pate at route56wingnut@yahoo.com

Demo op:

Armed Forces Day in Dundas

Demonstrators needed Saturday and Sunday, May 19 and 20 to man the blacksmith shop at the Rice County Steam and Gas Engines grounds at Dundas MN for the third annual Armed Forces Day. In the past Cliff, Lou, Wayne, Adam and Herb have done the job and enjoyed it. It is a nice shop, but bring your own tools and material.

For sale:

25 lb Little Giant, running condition, \$2500. Mike Rochford, Dresser Wi. 715-755-3520 mrrochford@centurytel.net.

Mississippi Forge Council Conference

Memorial weekend, May 26 and 27, in Jackson, Mississippi. Demonstrator will be Bob Patrick. They're also featuring an opportunity to learn how to make a hammer with Lyle Wynn. To learn more about their event, go to <http://msforgecouncil.com/home/>

Jackson Street Roundhouse Ongoing Demo Ops

Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9 am to 4 pm

You can enter through the back gate. We now have a second forge set up inside the shop. People that would like to work in the blacksmith shop these days are welcome to drop by. Any questions, call Gordon Barr 612-242-5827

WHEAT STALKS CLASS

Saturday, April 14, 9:00 am

Dave Gavin's Place: N6768 720th Street, Beldenville, WI

Cost: \$65

Class size: 8 max, 5 minimum

Instructor: Dave Gavin

Learn to make wheat stalks w/leaves as elements of a sculpture (see photo) full sculpture can be completed depending on time.

Required tools: gas forge, anvil, leg vise, hand files, scrolling tongs, tongs to hold 1/8" – 3/8" round stock and 1/8" flat stock, forging hammers, small sharp cross peen hammer, grinder w/ grinder wheel, cut off wheel and sanding wheels, wire brush, brass brush, veining tool for leaves, diverging 'V' tool, needle nose pliers or vise grip 6LN, hand held torch (oxy propane or acetylene) & other favorite tools. **Optional tools** (bring if you have them): touch mark

Safety Equipment: cotton clothing, gloves, hearing protection, safety glasses, leather boots, gas welding goggles

Lunch: bring your own or go to town ~4 miles away.

To register for this class, send a check for \$65 made to "Guild of Metalsmiths" and your contact info to:

Jesse Gavin

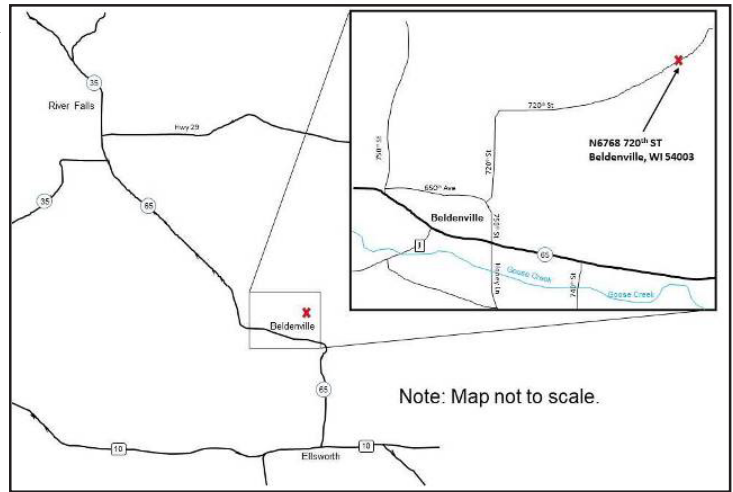
N8214 330th street

Spring Valley WI 54767

Call Jesse with questions at: 715-808-5891

NOTE from Jesse Gavin!

There are still several open spots for the wheat stalk class. The number of required tools is pretty long and specific. Some are used extensively while others are used for a few minutes and could be shared. If there are questions on any of the tools required please contact me directly. As the champion who will be out of town when this class happens - we will need to do the checks a little differently. If you want in the class, email or call me directly at jagavin6273@hotmail.com 715-808-5891 and you can turn your check in to Dave Gavin at the class.



Hammer Class: Making a blacksmith hammer

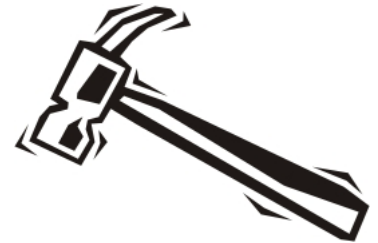
Saturday, May 5, 2018, 9 am to 4:30 pm

Location: Minnesota School of Horseshoeing (map page 7)

Cost: \$50

Instructors: Jim Moenck, Steven Olivo and Rob Murray

Class size: Maximum students: 8 Minimum students: 6



This class will teach you the skills you need to make a hammer. With this knowledge you will then be able to expand your tool chest with other handled tools. All handled tools such as top fullers, punches and flatters start with this same process. We will begin with a piece of steel, punch the eye, shape both striking ends, heat treat and put the handle on. You will go home with your own hammer. There will be an assortment of weights to choose from so that you can make a hammer that fits you and your needs.

Tools and Equipment or other items participants are to bring to the class: Bring your favorite hammers with you to class, one for striking hot metal, one for striking punches and drifts, and a sledge for striking if you have one. All other tools will be furnished.

Safety Equipment – The normal safety equipment is required. Wear cotton clothing, leather boots above the ankle, pants that fit over the top of your boots. Eye protection and ear protection is mandatory. Gloves for protection from the heat while punching may be useful. A leather apron is encouraged for extra protection.

Lunch Arrangements: We will take a break at noon for lunch. Bring your own bag lunch or eat out at one of the local establishments.

NOTE: This class fills up fast. Students will be accepted in the order of contact, Email is fine, but your check for \$50 made out to the Guild of Metalsmiths is needed to reserve your spot in class. Send your check and your complete contact info to Jim Moenck at the address below.

Jim Moenck

2078 120th Ave

Dresser, WI 54009

Contact Jim if you have questions: jrmoenck@yahoo.com or 715-483-5054

June Guild meeting teaser...Party-time!

On Wednesday, June 13 Guild members and their families will meet at the home of Mike Alm. Mike encourages everyone to plan on spending at least the day but he also welcomes campers, tailgaters, anyone with a forge who wants to demonstrate their craft, cook something up on the "barby"—basically plan on a party!

Mike's place will be open all day. The usual evening potluck will begin at 6:30 pm, followed by a business meeting and lots of show and tell.

Address is 23260 Lawrence Way, Hastings, MN 55033. Champion is John McDonald. Watch for further details coming up in May, along with a map to Mike's place.



TIG Welding Class

Saturday, June 2, starting at 8 am

Instructor: Jim Erickson

Location: Super Radiator Coils, 104 Peavey Rd, Chaska, MN 55318

Cost: \$90

Max students: 6

TIG (shorthand for Gas Tungsten Arc) welding has become the industrial standard when precise, neat welds are required. You will find it used on everything from bicycle frames to nuclear reactor coils. In this class Jim Erickson will try to bestow as much of his many year of experience with TIG into a day. After a little bit of basic theory we will jump right into welding coupons of stainless steel using some top-of-the-line equipment. No previous welding experience needed but the number of types of welds we learn will be determined by how fast people pick up on what is being taught (i.e. if you have some relatable experience going in, you might get further along). Note: If you are on the fence about signing up, know that this might be the last time we have this class at this venue, and we don't know when we might find another place with the resources to support this class.

Tools and Equipment or other items participants are to bring to the class: Nothing but basic safety equipment.

Safety Equipment: safety glasses, ear plugs, natural fiber clothing (nothing that will melt), long sleeve shirts or a welding jacket, pants, and leather shoes. Welding helmets, skull caps, and TIG welding gloves will be provided.

Lunch Arrangements: You can either bring lunch or grab something from one of the local dining establishments.

To register for this class, send your contact info and a check for \$90 made out to Guild of Metalsmiths to:

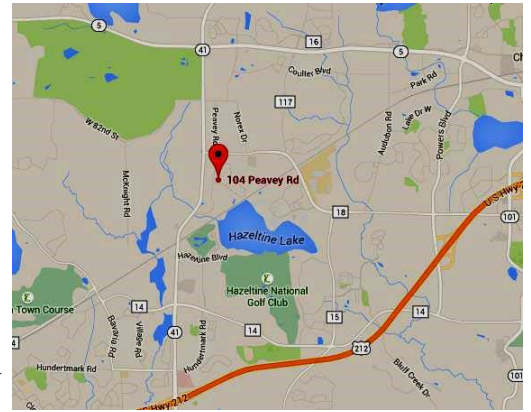
Martin Pansch

201 Nevada Street

Northfield, MN 55057

Questions: 612 599-4762 or blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com

Acceptance for this class will be prioritized by postmark.



JOINERY CLASS – PART ONE

Saturday & Sunday, June 2 & 3, 2018, 8:30 am to 4 pm, both days

Location: MN School of Horseshoeing

Cost: \$150.00 per student

Maximum 8, minimum 4

Instructors: Wayne Olson, Dan Osadchuk, Jim Ricci

This is *Part One* of three of the Joinery class series. The overall course is project based to incorporate all that is learned in this three part series. The final project is a hanging bracket. One part of the final project will be introduced during each course. In this first 12 hours of instruction the student will learn the importance of proper tool making to accomplish successful joinery. We will concentrate this portion on forging tooling to perform 1/2" slot punching and drifting with 1/2" round and square drifts. On the second day we will concentrate on Upsets and Heeled Tenons. Intermediate blacksmithing skills required.

Tools & Equipment: Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), hammers (rounding & flat face/peen), tongs (rivet 1/2" & bolt jaw 3/4"), files (hot rasp & 12" bastard), center punch, hot cut chisel, measuring device (non-flammable), hardy tool (anvil block 1 1/2" square recommended), worn or broken grinding wheel (for polishing).

Lunch: Pack one or go out.

To register for this class, make check out for \$150, payment to "The Guild of Metalsmiths" with your contact info sent to:

Jim Ricci

654 Short St.

St Paul, MN 55106

Call Jim with any questions at: 612-247-1525 or email jedricci@gmail.com.

AS ALWAYS, acceptance for this class will be prioritized by postmark.



Build a Gas Forge

Saturday, June 9, 9:30 am until done (about 3 pm)

Location: Jim Moenck's place at 2078 120th Ave, Dresser, WI 54009

Cost: Approximately \$200. At the time of this publication, all the parts have not been procured yet. Final price will be determined in the May issue of the Forum, and/or by contact with participating members.

Class size: maximum of 6 students

Instructor: Jim Moenck

This is a one day workshop during which we will make a venturi burner style gas forge, single burner model. The body will be approximately 10" diameter by 12" deep, made from a round steel tube. It will be insulated with a 1" blanket of ceramic fiber, coated with a cementitious finish by participants at home after the class. Fire brick will be used for the floor and sliding doors on each end, making it possible to pass the stock through, to heat the center of a work piece. The forge is fastened to a saddle and can be bolted to a table surface for stability. Most of the fabrication for these forges will be done prior to class by the instructor. This forge is a simple, economical forge that is easy to transport and fun to use.

To register, send contact info to Jim Moenck at the address above. More details will be available in the May Forum.

Acceptance for this class will be prioritized by postmark.

THE GUILD OF METALSMITHS, Board of Directors – March, 14th, 2018

Held At: Danish American Center, 3030 West River Parkway, Minneapolis. Call to Order: 7:05pm by Martin Pansch
Members in attendance: Barr, Bettenberg, Dodge, Gavin, Lockwood, Pansch, Phillips, Sheely, Wasmund, Widenhoefer
Missing: none Visitor(s): none

Approval of previous meeting's minutes: Motion to accept by Bettenberg, second by Wasmund. Motion passes.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer Report: Grace Sheely: See separate detailed report.

It was noted that the coal sign needs to be updated to \$7.50. We will be getting a system in place to check money coming in from Education/ classes as compared to expenses

Membership Services Committee: Chair Barr.

Migration to Neon CRM: Discussion tabled for now due to postponed meeting w/Ryan. There was some mention of difficulty signing into system. Need to meet w/ webmaster and coordinate what needs to happen to get this up and running.

Education Committee report: Chair -Wasmund, Vice Chair- vacant

Discussed a system to make sure that we are getting payed back for grants awarded. 2018-2019 Calendar: Basic classes have been put in, hopefully schedule will be finalized and out in April. Pre-conference class: Some of the board will be taking a test class of the joinery class to see how it will be taught, Nowthen Hammerin: The hammer-in will be on June 15, 16, 17 with a focus on cheese cutters

Program Committee: Chair-Lockwood, Vice Chair- Derrick Phillips

April – Mississippi Welding supply in Hudson, WI- Jessie Gavin-champion. June – Mike Alm's-Hastings area-John McDonald-champion
August – Dan Pate's? Oct. meeting-possible at USA knifemaker. Fall Conference: Demonstrators. Contest-Jim Poling, knifemaker, will be one of the demonstrators.

Communications Committee: Chair-Bettenberg, Vice Chair- Vacant

Metalsmith? The December issue will not be out on time. Money from the t-shirt and DVD sales along with donations/grant from Super Valu have brought in \$1000. Our guest editor got out the March issue of the Forum

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

2018 Committee budgets.

Discussed committee budgets: Membership services-\$850, Program services-\$14,000. Communications-\$10,700. Educations-\$8,800. Treasurer-\$1780

Discretionary budget is set at \$36,180-Barr moves to approve budget, Lockwood 2nds, Motion passes.

Discussed forge repair at SOHS-tabled until next meeting-will have board members examine and evaluate condition of forges at next class held there, coal purchase should happen this year. Status of long range future with Little Log House (Wasmund)? No change. Discussion of Guild positions that need to be filled: Treasurer, Program committee chair, recorder, mail person. Will ping people to see if interested in filling positions. Chair and trailer. Any progress? Discussed some options for trailers. Phillips motions to empower Wasmund to inspect trailer and purchase a trailer at \$4700. Barr 2nds. Motion passes. Numbers and figures to come concerning tables, chairs and racks.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion of volunteer rewards-possibilities suggested: tags, Forum list, T-shirts with "staff", drawing for volunteerism at conference
ABANA datacall.

The opening for Tom Sheely's senior show will be held on Friday 13th in LaCrosse

Wasmund motions to pay gas money of \$25/meeting for towing trailer. Phillips 2nds. Motion passes.

ADJOURNMENT: 9.59pm

Antikythera Mechanism Lecture

Saturday, June 23, 9 am to 11 am

Jackson Street Roundhouse

Cost: \$10 per person

Join us for a discussion, slide show, and videos of the historic first model built of the world's oldest analog computer and orrery, the Antikythera Mechanism. Included will be a brief history of its discovery, explanation of its analysis, description of the functions and features it includes, as well as details on the methods used for construction.

I was fortunate enough to spend a day in London with builder Michael Wright, as he shared his model with me describing the unique features of how it operates, explaining how he analyzed the fragments and then constructed the model, plus showing me his workshop and the tools he used for the build

— Dean Ziegenbein

To register for this lecture, send a check for \$10 made out to "Guild of Metalsmiths" to:

Christina Dodge
17645 Baugh St NW
Ramsey, MN 55303

Questions: christina.guildmbr@gmail.com or 612-741-9292



Note: The information below is provided as a service for TGoM members. Members may submit items for sale and upcoming events that are considered relevant to our group, and they will be published as space permits. The Guild of Metalsmiths is not responsible for these items or events.

Tunnel Mill Crafts 2018 Classes

We are located in southern Minnesota near Spring Valley

Spring is just around the corner and you're invited to Tunnel Mill!

With National Arbor Day coming up on April 27, Carol Adams of Tunnel Mill cordially invites everyone to come down to the mill for a special tree planting weekend on Saturday and Sunday, April 21 and 22. She would like this weekend to also be a time for the gate created by John and moved due to road construction to be reinstalled.

Carol will have chili available for all, and she asks that you also bring something to share and your own eating utensils. Be sure to dress appropriately, and bring tools that can be used for planting small trees.

Plan to stay overnight if you wish. All are welcome. Please call Carol at 507-289-4189 before 5 pm weekdays, or email her at jc-adams@msn.com to let her know if you can make it for either or both days. If you call on Friday, April 20 after 7 pm, call her at Tunnel Mill at 507-378-4983.



Upcoming classes at Tunnel Mill

Note: There are still openings in both the Peter Ross and Doug Pryor Classes!

Bench Vise, Part 2, Tom Latane', May 4, 5, 6, 2018

Students continue work on a bench vise with three inch wide jaws.

Peter Ross will teach two 3-day classes:

May 14, 15, 16, 2018 -Tools

This first session will cover hand tools, such as socket chisels, draw knives or other hand tools,

May 18, 19, 21, 2018- Hinges

This second session will concentrate on hinges.

Master of Repousse and Chasing, Douglas Pryor, June 1, 2, 3, 2018:

In this 3 day workshop we'll be exploring the plasticity of sheet metal (copper and steel) through material appropriation using raising and chasing. All tooling is provided! All experience levels are welcome! All you need to bring is your curious mind! Visit his blogspot here:

<http://douglaspryor.com/>

Make Damascus, Ric Furrer, August 17, 18, and 19, 2018 (tentative date):

Ric Furrer will return to show us more Damascus. We have and will continue using the \$500# Little Giant Hammer.. Check out Ric Furrer at

<http://www.doorcountyforgeworks.com/>

Hack Saw Class, Tom Latane', October 12, 13 & 14, 2018

Students will construct a hacksaw based on seventeenth century examples.

Registration details at: <http://www.tunnelmillcrafts.com/> Email jc-adams@msn.com, or call 507-289-4189, Carol Adams.

Check out classes at Chicago Avenue Fire Arts Center (CAFAC)

CAFAC: 3749 Chicago Avenue, Minneapolis MN 55407 612-294-0400 info@cafac.org www.cafac.org

Raspberry Island Folk School 2018 Classes

Gary and Janet Hill are the only human residents of Raspberry Island on beautiful, historic Big Sandy Lake, about 2 1/4 hours straight north of the Twin Cities. They will offer workshops in blacksmithing, knife making, spoon carving, painting and more in the spring and summer of 2018. See details at <https://raspberrylislandfolkschool.blogspot.com/>

Door Knocker Scroll, Tom Latane', May 22, 23, 24.

Students will learn a number of decorative techniques to apply to a basic scroll shaped door knocker.

A Beginner's Class in Forging Pattern Welded Steel Billets (Damascus), Jeff Harper, June 2 & 3.

This 2-day introductory class will take you through the basics of pattern welded/damascus steel to make either a blade or small tool. Students will go home with a couple billets of their own creation to use in other courses and projects, as well as the knowledge to make more.

Traditional Norwegian Knife and Sheath Making, KJ Groven, June 15,16,17

Acclaimed Norwegian knife-maker Kjetil Groven will be teaching a 3-day class, forging traditional Norwegian 3-layer knife blades. You will heat-treat and grind the blades, then set them in a wood handle that you will shape and stain. If time allows, you will make a traditional leather sheath.

Limited free lodging in guest cabins (dorm style) on a first come first served basis or bring your tent. Catered meals are provided at cost, or bring your own preprepared food. Sign up and registration: contact Gary Hill hillx001@umn.edu or 218-851-6085



Goings on...a listing of TGoM events at a glance



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- Education Comm. meets first Wednesday of each month. Contact Larry Wasmund, chair: poundedtreasures@gmail.com
- Program Comm. meetings are 7 pm the third Thursday of each month. Mark Lockwood is chair: mark.lockwood@daikinapplied.com
- All board meetings are the second Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November. Potluck meal begins at 6:30, with meeting starting at 7 pm.

Events in April 2018

- April 11, Guild meeting, Mississippi Welding, Hudson WI
- April 14 Wheat Stalks Class, Beldenville WI (Gavins)
- April 14, Wire Inlay Class, Jackson Street Roundhouse (FULL!)

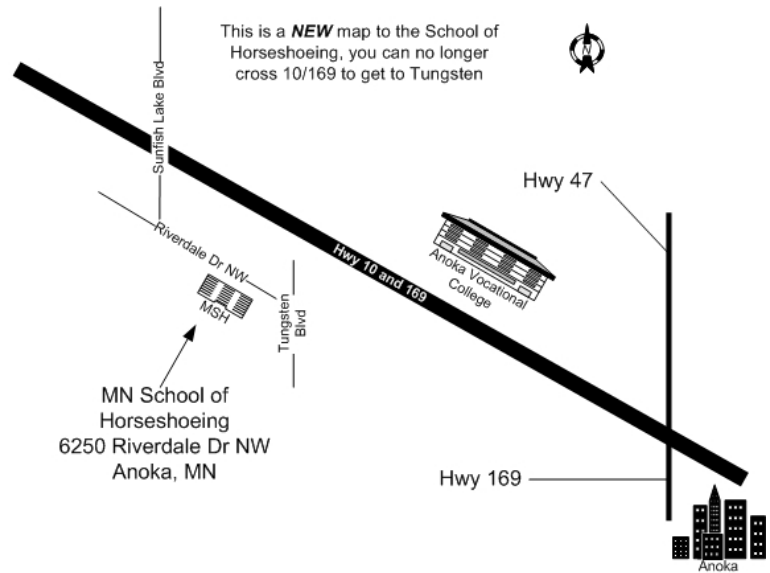
Events in May, 2018

- May 5, Hammer-Making class, MN School of Horseshoeing

Events in June, 2018

- June 2, TIG Welding Class, Super Radiator Coils, Chaska
- June 2 & 3, Joinery Class-Part One, MN School of Horseshoeing
- June 9, Build a Gas Forge, Jim Moenck's shop, Dresser WI
- June 13, Guild meeting, Mike Alm's in Hastings MN
- June 15, 16, 17, Spring Hammer-In, Nowthen
- June 23, Antikythera Mechanism lecture, Jackson Street Roundhouse

Map to MN School of Horseshoeing



Zombie Killer/Chopping Knife class



Saturday and Sunday, February 24 and 25, a very successful knife class finished with 8 students taking home their creations.

Students left to right: Judd Nelson, Jeremy Farber, Craig Snyder, Michael Will, Payton Morris, Loren Pribyl, Richard Zielike, Pat Jerich.

In front, Instructor Paul Widenhoefer and helper Justin Klejeski.

Not pictured: helpers Martin Pansch, Gordon Barr and Christina Dodge.

(Photo by Christina Dodge)

Join The Guild of Metalsmiths

Send \$30 dues to the address below. Please circle if you want to be listed in our membership directory and/or check items you don't want listed.

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

List Me
in the directory
but don't list

Don't List Me
in the Directory

address - phones: home - work - fax - cell - email - web page
(circle items above you DO NOT want published)

Name: _____

Email address: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Primary phone: _____ Secondary phone: _____

All memberships are family memberships. Persons of all ages, professionals and hobbyists, are invited to join. We do not sell our mailing list.

ELECTRONIC FORUM

If you have not been receiving an email notification that The Forum is available, please verify that we have your correct email address. Contact Gordon Barr at agbarr@aol.com.



Address Service Requested

If you have items to be included in The Forum, please send them to Georgia Myers, editor, by email to: gldmyers@embarqmail.com by the third Monday of the month, if possible.

The Guild of Metalsmiths on the web

Visit our website at <http://www.metalsmith.org>

Looking for something? Try the search engine. On our home page, at the top of the right sidebar, enter your query and click on "Search."

April 2018

Your membership expiration date will show on the address label of your quarterly Metalsmith magazine.

TGoM now accepts Paypal and most major credit cards

The Guild accepts Paypal and most major credit cards, in addition to paper checks, for the payment of annual dues. This should make it more convenient for members to pay dues.

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.

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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:

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