

'The Forum'

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February 8 Membership Meeting just around the corner!

The Wednesday, February 8, 2023, membership meeting will be at the Jackson Street Roundhouse, MN Transportation Museum, (193 W. Pennsylvania Ave, St. Paul, MN 55130).

For the meeting, we will have blacksmithing and tool sharpening demonstrations in the blacksmith shop.

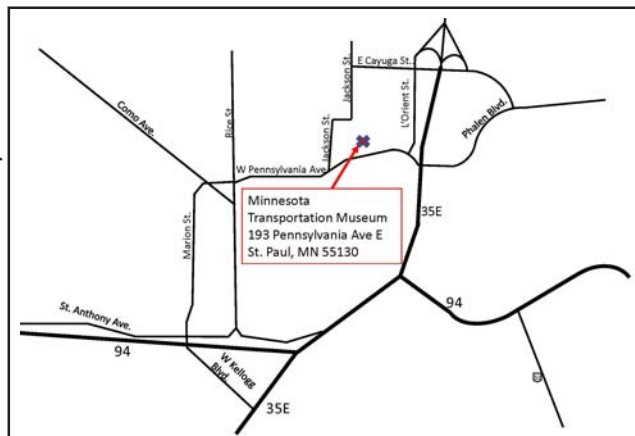
We invite all the members to bring items for show and tell. Please remember items that you have shown in the past may not have been seen by some of the newer members.

The usual potluck will start at 6:30 followed by a short business meeting, then show and tell. The champion is Kim Maas (TGoMvolunteer@gmail.com), and Gordon Barr (agbarr@metalsmith.org) is the site contact, so contact either one of them if you have any questions

If you have never been to this location, it is loaded with history and activities for the entire family. Check out their website at <https://www.transportationmuseum.org>. If you look at

<https://mtm.my-free.website/blacksmith-forge>, you may see some of the pictures of what the blacksmith shop looked like when Nick Heinen, Charlie Bateman and Gordon Barr created it in 2012.

Invite and bring someone new who is interested in the world of metalsmithing to the February Membership Meeting. Show them the wonderful community The Guild of Metalsmiths has to offer.



Congrats to the latest graduates of TGoM's beginning blacksmithing class!



Class and Instructors (L-R) Pieter Maas (Instructor), Austin Klein and his Mom, Max Stewart, Eric Olson, Ricky Smith, and his Dad, Marty Masters (Lead Instructor), Thomas Kraay, Tristan Kabanuk (Instructor), Tristan Mantooth, Isaiah Shah



Gordon Barr lecturing on metallurgy.



Rick Wessling demonstrating scrolling.

QUICKNEWS...

Mark your calendars now!

April 12 TGoM membership meeting will be held at Toll Welding in Plymouth. Details coming soon.

Spring Beginning Blacksmithing Classes

Registration now open for beginners classes March 11, 18, and 25 in Ramsey MN. Page 4 to register.

Help Wanted: Audio Technician

Page 4 for details.

Zombie Killer/Chopping Knife Class

Saturday & Sunday, March 4 and 5, 2023. Paul Widenhoefer, instructor. Page 2 to register.

Explore Brass & Copper Decorative Techniques

Saturday, March 25, 2023
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Put your metalwork in The Guild of Metalsmiths' website gallery!

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Volunteer?

Are you looking for volunteer opportunities and not sure whom to talk to? Contact: Kim Maas, Volunteer Coordinator at: tgom.volunteer@gmail.com or call 651-328-7219.

Go to page 5 for the detailed 2023 schedule of summer demo opportunities.

Zombie Killer/Chopping Knife Class

Saturday & Sunday, March 4 and 5, 2023

Location: MN School of Horseshoeing (map page 6) 9 am to 5 pm both days

Instructor: Paul Widenhoefer

Cost: \$140 (covers metal, coal, handle material & some abrasives)

Minimum of 4 students. Maximum of 8 students (More if there are parent/child participants) Minimum age 14-Must be accompanied by an adult.

Lunch: local restaurants or bring your own

Do you fear the zombie apocalypse? Do thoughts of a worldwide economic collapse and pandemics send you scurrying for your bug-out bag? Or perhaps you just want a good chopping knife capable of doing some hard work? If so, we are offering a knife making class for you! It is designed for someone with little forging experience, but can accommodate those with a more advanced skill set.

We will be covering basic knife forging, knife design, heat treatment, grinding, sharpening and attaching handles. Participants should leave with a finished (or nearly finished) primitive style knife ready for rough use. Due to time and facility limitations this is NOT a class to make a kitchen knife.

Instructor will be Paul Widenhoefer, longtime member of the Guild and the American Bladesmith Society and all-around knife nerd.

To register, please send your contact info including email address and phone # where you can be contacted and a check for \$140 made to "The Guild of Metalsmiths" to:

Paul Widenhoefer

3618 Robin Lane

Minnetonka, MN 55305

Questions? Contact pwidenhoefer@gmail.com Phone: (952) 930-0070 (home) (612) 408-5007 (cell)

Acceptance priority for this class will be determined by postmark.



Brass & Copper Decorative Techniques

Saturday, March 25, 2023, 9 am to 4 pm

Instructor: Sara Gries

Cost: \$70

Class size: Maximum students: 8 Minimum students: 6

Location: Guided Salvage Antiques, 4430 Lyndale Avenue North, Minneapolis, MN 55412 (map below)

Description: Sara Gries will share what she's learned from years of exploring/experimenting with brass and copper, specifically for this class the decorative potential of various processes: etching, creating patina (coloring) by means of chemical or heat reaction ("flame coloring"), plating and removal/abrasion. In addition, she will share tips for design (how to transfer your idea to the metal, how to make curves and fine areas appear visually smooth and balanced) and will demonstrate the practical application of cutting, piercing, and contouring techniques.

This is not a project class, but you'll have several "samplers" to take home as you, too, explore the potential to apply these techniques to your jewelry, knife-making, tinwork, or copper smithing. There are no pre-requisite of skills for this class. Just bring your curiosity and safety glasses. We'd like to limit it this first time to adults, as chemicals and a micro-torch will be used for a few techniques.

Tools and Equipment or other items participants are to bring to the class:

None

Safety Equipment: Safety glasses

Lunch Arrangements: Please bring your own

Acceptance will be based on the postmark date of the tuition check and membership status — Guild members have priority for registration— and will be confirmed by a letter.

To register for this class, send a check for \$70 written to The Guild of Metalsmiths, along with your phone number and email address, to:

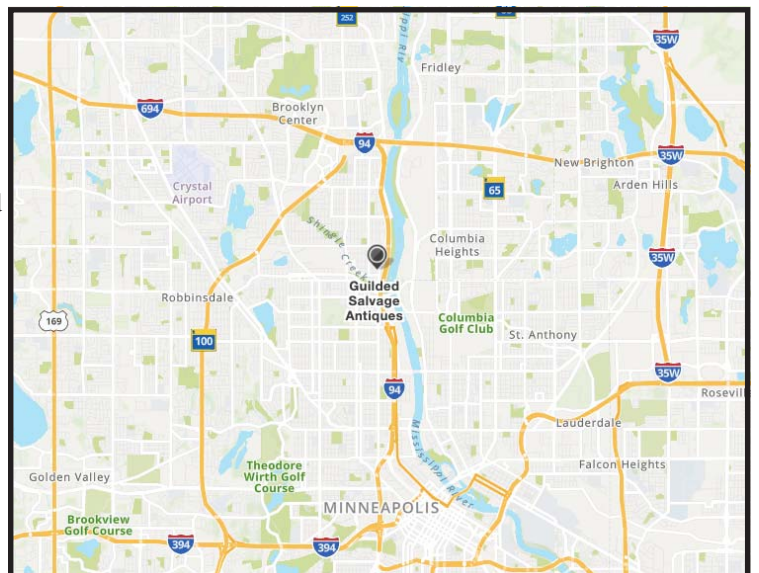
Christina Dodge

christina.guilmbr@gmail.com

17645 Baugh St NW

Ramsey, MN 55303

Acceptance priority for this class will be determined by postmark.



GUILD OF METALSMITHS' BOARD MEETING

January 11, 2023

Called to order at 7:01 by President Larry Wasmund.

Members present: Gordon Barr, Taya Gavin, Mark Lockwood, Marty Masters, Kim Maas, Derrick Phillips, Paul Widenhoefer, Richard Zielike, Larry Wasmund and Paula Wasmund.

Absent Jesse Gavin. **Guests:** There were no guests present.

Minutes; Approved motion by Derrick, second by Marty. Passed unanimously.

Treasurer's report: Taya

Business #6965 \$ 8769.35

Business #7138 \$ 3470.57

Savings #7520 \$ 64696.32

Taya is still working on year end, which will be covered in March.

Membership Gordon: As far as membership Gordon relayed we are consistent with approximately 250 members. The exact same number of publications are sent out as last year.

Program Derrick: February 8 is the general membership meeting at the Minnesota Railroad Museum. There will be a potluck starting at 6:30. Myron Hanson will be doing demos on tool and bit sharpening. There will be open forging time at this meeting. We will also try to video the demo for later dispersal.

The April meeting is planned at Toll Welding pending verification. June has an event planned at the landing in Shakopee. August meeting is the hog roast at Dan Pates farm. September 15-17 is the Madness. Watch for further details from future meetings. There was some discussion of changing the June membership meeting to coincide with the Saturday Hammer-in at Nowthen, with a potluck and all-day demonstrations. Watch for further details in the Forum.

Education: As for Education; in the absence of Wayne and Christina, who have stepped down from the committee, these notes are a composite of other committee members present: Marty Masters will assume the chairmanship in July. Currently the Beginner's 2nd group has had day 1 of 3. Upcoming classes will include:

Jan 28 Tongs class which is filled with 8 students.

March 3 Beginners Class C.

April Joinery 1 class. It still has openings.

May Hammer class.

The beginner and May hammer class will be advertised soon.

Communications Kim: The December *Metalsmith* has been sent to the publisher. The March copy of *Metalsmith* has been started. If you have articles, material, or pictures of your projects you would like us to see, they can be submitted for publication. Bryan Herman is working on an alternative discussion forum and message board for The Forum. It is called "Discord." The board is interested in a demonstration. Kim will try to set up a demo with him. Kim helped Georgia set up her new Guild computer.

Long Term Planning Committee A separate committee meeting was held in conjunction with this board meeting. A discussion was held on extending the use of the MTM.

Old Business Discussion was held about holding in-person meetings. We will continue zoom meetings during the winter. Hopefully we will be meeting in person in May. Larry is going to check to see if the DANBO is available. The subject of the new computer Georgia received came up. She now has it and likes it.

Iron Menagerie update: Peter Bettenberg and Mark Lockwood have recruited several smiths to do animal heads. They have started scheduling times for photographing the process.

Coal Status Several instructors felt there was plenty of coal left to finish out the year of classes. A tentative plan was made for a Sept delivery.

Archive Storage: The board determined that it would be more reasonable and easier to use if it were digitized.

New Business: Larry suggested doing an insurance comparison to see if there are any more reasonable premiums available. The discussion is tabled for now. There was discussion held about creating a dedicated funding account, to fund a permanent location for the Guild. It was felt that there was no reason we could not open an account. This will be taken up at a future meeting.

There was a short discussion on grant writing. It was reported to us that The Round House and the Chicago Fine Arts survive on grants. There was also a discussion on how to find grant writers at a reasonable cost.

Gordon indicated that he had another group of Scouts needing merit badges. Also, that he has been contacted to do a similar program with the Girl Scouts. He is looking for female volunteers to help and be role models.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:18.

Respectfully submitted by Paula Wasmund, recorder.

You won't want to miss this meetnig! April 12 membership meeting to be held at Toll Gas & Welding

Our next TGoM membership meeting will be held Wednesday, April 12 at Toll Gas & Welding Supply, Plymouth (map below).

Join your fellow Guild of Metalsmith friends on Wednesday, April 12 at Toll Gas & Welding Supply, 3005 Niagara Ln N in Plymouth.

Bryan Steckman and his crew have always been wonderful hosts and have agreed to host the Guild again.

~ Cobot Demo! See the latest technology!

~ 20% discount that night INSTORE!

(some restrictions apply)

~ Special bargains

~ Popcorn

~ And more

Please bring a dish to share. Potluck begins at 6:30 pm followed by the business meeting and show and tell.

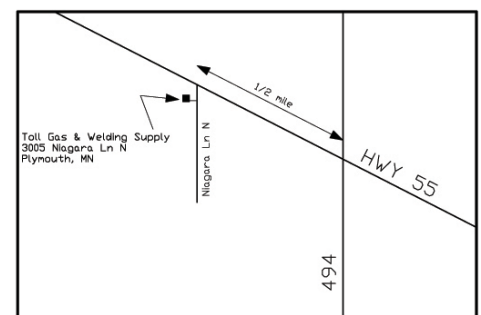
If you have questions, please contact meeting champion Mark Lockwood 763-639-9646. Hope you can make it!

Hirebotc Robots Multiply your Welding Workforce



The maximum speed of the cobot is approximately 1 meter per second. Visit the Toll Welding website (link below) for full details.

<https://www.tollgas.com/hirebotc-cobot-welder/>



Beginners Blacksmithing Classes Spring 2023

Registration is now open for the three day Beginners Blacksmithing classes March 11, 18, 25 in Ramsey MN.

The beginners basic classes are designed to give everyone the same understanding of the basics, techniques and terminology. The basic classes or proficiency is required before taking any of the many other classes the Guild offers. This enables those classes to concentrate on advanced techniques without having to spend time on basic concepts.

This 3 day class covers the basics of: Safety, Tools, Fire Control, Forging Dynamics, Tapers (ribbon, fishtail, point), Twisting, Riveting, Shouldering, Upset, Cutting, Splitting, Punching, Heat Treat, Scrolling, Bending, Forge weld.

Cost:

Covers everything you need: the facility, coal, metal tools and workbook.

\$180 for members, \$190 non members

Minors (under 18) must have a parent present. There will be no sharing of forges.

Dates and Location:

The classes are held on Saturdays at the Minnesota School of Horseshoeing, 6250 Riverdale Dr NW, Ramsey MN 55303, just off Hwy 10 near the Anoka Vocational College.

What you need to bring:

Eye, ear and skin protection. This includes safety glasses, ear muff or plugs and suitable clothing which includes hard shoes, cotton or leather. Synthetic and polyester clothing will burn and melt. There will be sparks and brushes against hot metal.

Tools:

Tools are provided but if you have a favorite hammer, punches, chisels and tools, bring them along. A small 1 to 2 pound ball peen hammer would work. We have various hammers for you to try and get a feel for what is comfortable.

Typical day:

Classes start at 9 but people usually show up earlier to swap stories or show off recent projects. Feel free to bring projects you are working on to show. We break for lunch. You can either bring a brown bag or go out to a local fast food restaurant. Classes end between 3 and 5.

To sign up for the three day Beginners classes:

Send a check made out to The Guild of Metalsmiths with contact info and email address to:

Gordon Barr

11021 27th Ave

Burnsville, MN 55337

agbarr@metalsmith.org

(\$180 for members, \$190 non members)

Help Wanted: Audio Technician

Requirements/Qualifications:

- Ability to lift 50lbs.
- Possess basic knowledge of audio equipment, or interest in learning.
- Ability to store (temperature/humidity-controlled) and transport approx. 24 cubic feet of audio equipment.
- Must attend entire Fall Conference.
- Must attend majority of membership meetings and the Christmas Party.

Specific Tasks and Responsibilities:

- Bring enough/proper audio gear to each membership meeting.
- Bring all audio gear to Fall Conference.
- Set-up and personally manage all audio operations.
- Audio liaison to demonstrators and their helpers.
- Clean, maintain, and test audio gear on a regular basis.
- Determine audio needs for coming year and work with board on purchases.

Contact either: Kim Maas, Volunteer Coordinator,

tgomvolunteer@gmail.com, 651-328-7219

or Peter Bettenberg, bettenberg@hotmail.com, 651-777-5300

Volunteer Opportunities

- Contact Gordon Barr at agbarr@metalsmith.org or 952-894-4821 if you would like to volunteer to help throughout the year with Boy Scout blacksmith merit badge at the MN School of Horseshoeing.
- Contact Patrick Sullivan at smokiemilo@gmail.com or 651-894-3765 if you would like to volunteer to help throughout the year with Boy Scout welding merit badge in Chisago MN.

FYI:

The Jackson Street Roundhouse (at the Minnesota Transportation Museum) is now open for blacksmithing! Contact Gordon Barr for details at agbarr@metalsmith.org

TGoM Membership Perks: Discounts

The Guild of Metalsmiths members enjoy the special benefit of discounts offered by various companies. Please see The Guild of Metalsmiths website for information regarding these discounts and products available:

<https://www.metalsmith.org/about/friends-of-the-guild/>

You will need to ask for their Guild of Metalsmiths discount, show your membership card (found on the back of your "Metalsmith"), and a Picture ID.

These discounts are a gift to us and can be taken away if they are abused. If you have a hobby shop, no problem. If you are a professional with a few employees, no problem. What is not fair, is turning yourself into a dealership by reselling/trading products that you have purchased with our discount or being a big company and using our discount for your bottom line. Please don't ruin this for everyone. These businesses deserve our recognition and patronage:

2023 Demonstration Opportunities

<u>Date 2023</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Champion, contact info & additional info</u>
6 May	Scouts - Welding & Metalsmithing Merit Badge	Taylor Falls, MN Almelund Threshing Show Ground	Patrick Sullivan, smokiemilo@gmail.com 651-894-3765
27-28 May	Dundas Armed Forces Day	Dundas MN	Martin Pansch, blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com 612-599-4762 – bring hand tools
19 – 23 July	Rice County Fair	Faribault, MN	Lou Groth, loug_33@yahoo.com , 952-895-1515 Volunteers Needed!!
25 – 30 July	Rock County Fair	Luverne, MN	Larry Wasmund, poundedtreasures@gmail.com 651-322-6626 Wednesday – Saturday
28 –30 July	Little Log House Antique Power Show	Hastings, MN	Dick Carlson, Blacksmith@onlinecarlson.com 651-437-3329
11 – 13 August	Almelund Threshing Show	Taylor Falls, MN	Patrick Sullivan, smokiemilo@gmail.com 651-894-3765
11 – 12 August	Corcoran Country Daze	Corcoran, MN	No Guild representative. Contact site directly at corcorancountydaze@gmail.com 612-314-3232 Demo is 10 – 6. Set up starts at 9.
10 – 13 August	Pierce County Fair	Ellsworth, WI	Jesse Gavin, jagavin6273@hotmail.com
18 – 20 August	Nowthen Threshing Show	Nowthen, MN	Christina Dodge, christina.guildmbr@gmail.com All experience levels welcome. Bring your own hand tools and a project. Early signup is encouraged to get an admission pass by mail.
25 – 27 August	Pioneer Power Show	Le Sueur, MN	No Guild representative. No contact information. Not open to casual demonstration, but go watch Wyatt, Jim, and others demo.
26 & 27 August	Donnelly Threshing Bee	Donnelly, MN	Larry Wasmund, poundedtreasures@gmail.com 651-322-6626
1 – 3 September Labor Day wknd	Rice County Steam & Gas Engine Show	Dundas, MN	Martin Pansch, blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com 612-599-4762 Bring your hand tools and a project.
8–10 September wknd after Labor Day	Lamberton Hot Iron Days	Lamberton, MN	Bob Brown, Brown474@msn.com , 651-260-2749 Friday: mold making Noon–7pm. Strike Iron pour Friday night. Saturday: mold making 9 or 10, 6 or 7pm. Iron pour after sunset. Times may vary slightly.
9–10 September	Laura Ingalls Wilder Days	Pepin, WI	Tom Latané, tclatane@gmail.com , 715-442-2419 Come watch Tom Latané demo. Additional demonstrator space is available for someone willing to set up and demonstrate forge work in late 19 th century fashion. Other period craft demonstrations are welcome. Call/email Tom or Kitty for details.
TBA	Pumpkin Train	Dresser, WI	Gordon Barr, agbarr@aol.com , 952-894-4821 10 – 4pm each day at Dresser Depot.
Most wknds Memorial Day through Labor Day	The Landing / Three Rivers Park District	Shakopee, MN	No Guild representative, Contact site directly. Zachary.Mohlis@threeriversparks.org , 763-694-1139 Michael.Murray@threeriversparks.org , 763-694-7788 Main number for Three Rivers 763-694-7784. Costume needed (overalls and white button up shirt okay).
Various dates throughout the year.	Boy Scout Blacksmith Merit Badge at the School of Horseshoeing	Ramsey, MN	Gordon Barr, agbarr@aol.com , 952-894-4821
TBD	Boy Scout Fall Camporee	Carver, MN	Contact & contact information -TBD. Looking for demonstration and limited hands-on experience, preferably on merit badge tasks.
Various dates throughout the years.	Jackson Street Roundhouse, Minnesota St. Paul, MN Transportation Museum		Gordon Barr, agbarr@aol.com , 952-894-4821 Forges and anvils available for use by Guild Members every Wednesday and Saturday. Occasional visitors to demonstrate to.

New display for demonstrations and the workplace

There is a display now available for members to have while demonstrating or at your workplace. The displays have:

- ◆ two issues of Metalsmith - sample of the quarterly magazine
- ◆ three copies of the current Forum - sample of the monthly newsletter
- ◆ 10 Guild pamphlets - information about the Guild
- ◆ 20 membership applications

Display is a mesh file holder 3 tier vertical/free standing or mount/hanging office wall folder organization, Dimensions: 3. 6 (L) x 12. 75 (W) x 11. 5 (H).3

To get a display for your demonstrations or for your workplace, contact:

Kim Maas, Volunteer Coordinator

Email:

TGoMvolunteer@gmail.com

Call or text: 651-328-7219



Put your metalwork in The Guild of Metalsmiths' website gallery!

To get your metalwork on the website is easy. Email Craig, our webmaster, and he will help you get your metalwork on the website. Email Craig at webmaster@metalsmith.org.

Members' metalwork in the website gallery is a wonderful way to promote the Guild by showing the talents of our membership. It is also an easy way for you to share your metalwork with your friends, family, and customers.

We need to enhance the gallery to promote the benefits of being a member of the Guild.

Thank you for considering my invitation.

Kim Maas, Volunteer Coordinator

Email: TGoMvolunteer@gmail.com

651-328-7219

Tunnel Mill Crafts 2022 Classes and Events

We are located in southern Minnesota near Spring Valley. For more information on any of the classes or to register, contact us at jc-adams@msn.com, or call 507-289-4189 Carol Adams.

2022 Upcoming Classes and Events

Community Education Classes; Beginning Blacksmithing

New instructor this year! Luke Venhuizen

3-night classes 6:30-9:30

Monday evening classes, April 17, 24 & May 1, 2023

Tuesday evening classes, April 18, 25 & May 2, 2023



Tunnel Mill Address:
28036 County Highway 1
Spring Valley, MN 55975

Call for information: 1-507-289-4189

Email Us: jc-adams@msn.com

Barn Quilt Block Class

April 20, 2023, 9:00 - 5:00

Quilt Retreat in the Country

Folding Pocket Candleholder with Tom Latane'

June 10th and 11th, 2023

Tin Smith Class with Kitty Latane'

June 10th and 11th, 2023

Mark Aspery 3-day Class at Tunnel Mill

Friday August 11th - Sunday August 13th 2023: Extra 1-day class Monday, August 14th.

This 3-day class is going to appeal to someone who has completed the basics and is looking for something more. at Tunnel Mill

To register for classes or find more information, go to our website at <https://www.tunnellmillcrafts.com>

Information in this publication is provided as a service for our 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.

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



- All membership meetings are the second Wednesday of February, April, June, August, and October. Date for December will be announced. For these meetings a potluck meal begins at 6:30 pm and the business meeting begins at 7, with a demonstration or activity starting around 8 (times approximate).
- Education Comm. meets first Thursday of each month. Contact Christina Dodge, co-chair: christina.guildmbr@gmail.com
- Program Comm. meetings are 7 pm the third Thursday monthly. Derrick Phillips, chair DerrickPhillipsA3o3@gmail.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.

February 2023 Events

Feb. 8, TGoM Membership Meeting, MN Transportation Museum, Jackson Street Roundhouse

March 2023 Events

March 4 & 5, Zombie Killer/Chopping Knife Class, MN School of Horseshoeing

March 11, Spring 2023 Beginning Blacksmithing Class 1 of 3, MN School of Horseshoeing

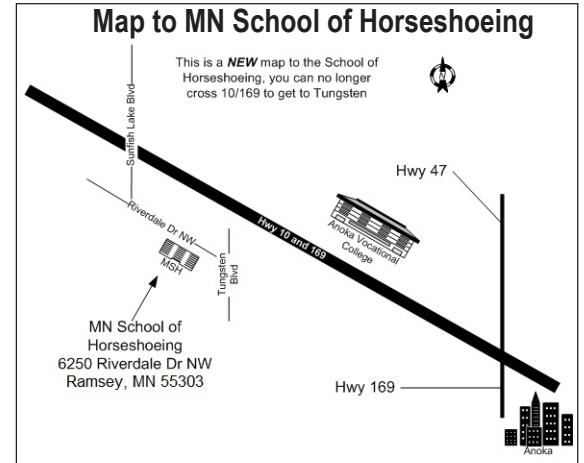
March 18, Spring 2023 Beginning Blacksmithing Class 2 of 3, MN School of Horseshoeing

March 25, Spring 2023 Beginning Blacksmithing Class 3 of 3, MN School of Horseshoeing

March 25, Brass & Copper Decorative Techniques, Guided Salvage Antiques, 4430 Lyndale Avenue North, Minneapolis

April 2023 Events

April 12 TGoM membership meeting Toll Welding, Plymouth



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 72
Hudson, WI 54016

List Me
in the directory
but don't list
address - phones: home - work - fax - cell - email - web page
(circle items above you DO NOT want published)

Don't List Me
in the Directory

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 <https://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."

February 2023

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 Forum

The Guild of Metalsmiths 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.

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, "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 72
Hudson, WI 54016