

# 'The Forum'

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## Don't miss TGoM's April 12 membership meeting at Toll Gas & Welding, Plymouth MN

Our next TGoM membership meeting will be held Wednesday, April 12 at Toll Gas & Welding Supply, 3005 Niagara Lane N, Plymouth, MN 55447 (map below).

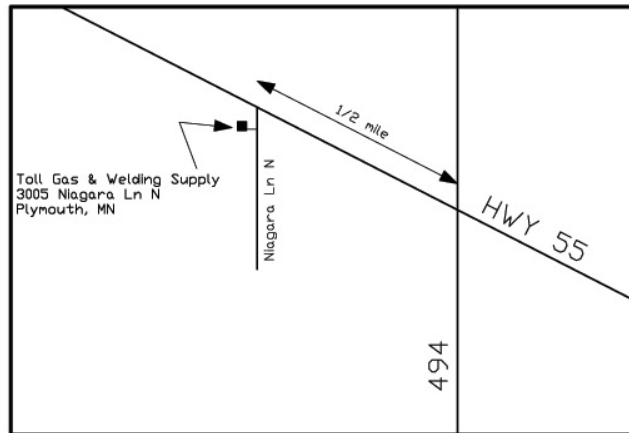
Join your fellow Guild of Metalsmith friends on Wednesday, April 12 at Toll Gas & Welding Supply, 3005 Niagara Ln N in Plymouth. Bryan Steckman and his crew have always been wonderful hosts and have agreed to host The Guild again.

### What's on tap for this meeting?

- 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.



## Annual TGoM Spring 2023 Hammer-In is June 16 and 17 at the Nowthen Blacksmith Shop!

**Days and times: Friday, June 16: 4:30pm-0dark:thirty.**

**Saturday, June 17: Odark: thirty to Odark: thirty (all day).**

**Due to lack of attendance on Sunday—No Sunday event this year.**

This year there may even be a regular business meeting scheduled at the same time! Details forth coming and what a way to jam pack a full day! Check the *May Forum*.

Hot stuff will be happening at the annual Spring Hammer-In taking place at the Nowthen Threshing Show grounds blacksmith shop, 7415 Old Viking Blvd, Nowthen, MN

The blind forging competition will return on Saturday afternoon. The goal will be a friendly forge-off. An object is placed inside a box and you must create (forge) the unknown object by what you can feel, no peeking! Prizes to be announced!

We will focus our efforts on the Fall Conference contest: Basic Key FOB's and advanced leafs and flowers. If you want to work on skills or another project, that's ok!

Come and hang out with a bunch of your friends, make new friends, and share/learn some new skills. Beginners/Newbies highly welcome to come and try your hand at smithing.

Camping on-site is available Friday & Saturday night on primitive sites. Port-a-potties on site. Five forges are open for use. Coal will be provided. I will also bring another forge and anvil for use.

Bring any examples you have to share with others. Bring your own tools if you have them. Some **limited** steel stock is available, but if you need specific sizes, feel free to bring your own steel. Scrap pieces ok. This event will give you inspiration to help you to with your own design for the Fall Conference contest and help you learn how to make it. If you don't know how to make something, ask ahead and we will try very hard to accommodate.

If you have some skills in the creation of fireplace tools and would like to demo or have any questions about the event, please contact Wayne Olson, event champion, at 320.280.0100. There is no charge to participate in this event. I plan on arriving around 3:30 pm on Friday for anyone who wants to help set up, and I will need some help to clean up very late on Saturday night. Your help is very much welcome. See ya there!

## QUICKNEWS...

### Joinery Class One Saturday & Sunday, April 22-23

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### Help Wanted: Audio Technician

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### Hammer Class: Making a blacksmithing hammer Saturday May 6, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Page 2 to register.

### Help Wanted!

The Program Committee is looking for a sweet corn cook for the August members' meeting. Everyone loves the cooks. Contact Kim Maas, [tgom.volunteer@gmail.com](mailto:tgom.volunteer@gmail.com)

### News!

The blacksmith shop at the Roundhouse made it on the channel 5 news!

<https://kstp.com/special-coverage/minnesota-live/minnesota-transportation-museum/>

### Show your metalwork in The Guild of Metalsmiths' website gallery!

Page 6 for details on how.

### Volunteer?

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

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

## Joinery Class One--Still room for more students!

**Date and time:** Saturday & Sunday, April 22-23, 2023, 8:30 am to 4 pm, both days

**Instructors:** Derrick Phillips, and others

**Phone number** 651-230-2363 **e-mail address** [derrickphillipsa3o3@gmail.com](mailto:derrickphillipsa3o3@gmail.com) ( 3 oh 3 not 3zero3)

**Cost:** \$150.00

**Class size:** Maximum students: 8 Minimum students:4

**Location:** MN School of Horseshoeing (map page 7)

**Class Description:** This is Part One of three in a Joinery class series. The overall courses are skills based, to incorporate all that was learned in a class taken by the instructors and taught by Mark Aspery. 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 ½" slot punching and drifting with ½" round and square drifts. The class is open to all students that have taken the beginners class. Understand that if the student has not had a year or so of reasonably consistent practice, this class will be extra challenging.

**Tools and Equipment or other items participants are to bring to the class:** Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), hammers (rounding & flat face/peen), tongs to firmly hold (inline and perpendicular) ½" round, and square, and ¾" round, files (hot rasp & 12" bastard), center punch, hot cut chisel, measuring device (non-flammable), worn or broken grinding wheel or a sharpening stone (for polishing for heat treating).

**Safety Equipment:** Proper clothes and shoes, safety glasses, gloves if desired, hearing protection

**Lunch Arrangements:** On one's own

### To register for this class:

Send a check for \$150 written out to The Guild of Metalsmiths, including your contact info to:

Derrick Phillips

2461 Como Ave

St. Paul MN 55108

Contact Derrick with questions. [derrickphillipsa3o3@gmail.com](mailto:derrickphillipsa3o3@gmail.com) (3 o 3, as in the letter not zero)

**Acceptance priority for this class will be determined by postmark.**

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## Hammer Class: Making a blacksmithing hammer

**Date and time:** Saturday May 6, 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

**Instructors:** Derrick Phillips and others

**Price of Class:** \$75.00

**Class size:** Maximum students: 8 Minimum students: 4

**Location:** Minnesota School of Horseshoeing (map page 7)

**Class Description:** 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 tool steel, punch the eye, shape both striking ends, heat treat and add the handle. You will go home with your own hammer. There will be an assortment of weights to choose from so you can make a hammer to fit your size and needs. **This is an intermediate skill level class.**

**Tools and Equipment or other items participants are to bring to the class:** Bring your favorite hammers; one for striking hot metal and one for striking punches and drifts. A tongs for holding 1-1/2" stock if you have that size

**Safety Equipment:** : the usual for forging with coal: safety glasses, hearing protection, respirator or dust mask for grinding, clothing of natural fiber with no cuffs or fraying, and leather boots or shoes.

**Lunch Arrangements:** Bring your own lunch or eat at one of the local establishments. We will take an hour break around noon.

**Class Champion:** Derrick Phillips

### To register for this class:

Send a check for \$75 written out to The Guild of Metalsmiths, including your contact info to:

Derrick Phillips

2461 Como Ave

St. Paul MN 55108 Derrick Phillips

Contact Derrick with questions. [derrickphillipsa3o3@gmail.com](mailto:derrickphillipsa3o3@gmail.com) (3 o 3, as in the letter not zero)

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## LATE BREAKING NEWS: FARM BABIES!



We have been invited back to demonstrate at the MN Zoo for four weekends in May with is the MN Zoo's Farm Babies event. This is a venue we have demonstrated at before and it is a really great setup. The demonstrations are May 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, May 27<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup>. The coal is provided, and we will have two and perhaps three forges set up. All you need is your hammer and some stock. You do not need to come all weekends or even all day. First time demonstrators are welcome and encouraged. If you are interested please contact Rick Wessling. [rgwessling@gmail.com](mailto:rgwessling@gmail.com). We will need to coordinate who is coming and what days, so we do not have everyone at the same time. Looking forward to being back at this great venue.

## Welcome, new smiths!

In the photo below you'll see The Guild of Metalsmiths graduates from the March beginners classes. Congratulations, new smiths!



Left-to-right: Danny Hetchler, (Paul Hetchler), Rob Bullis, (Kevin Masrud), Soren Masrud, Isaac Knutsen, (Jonathan Knutsen), Greg Lind, Lauren Dew, Gordon Barr\*, Troy Holkestad, Thomas Kraay\*, Jeff Westphal.

Not pictured: Christina Dodge\*, Rick Wessling\*

\* = instructor; (name) = parental guardian

## Proud students from 2023 zombie chopper/knife class



Left-to-right: Mike Fischer, Zach Christiansen, Ben Carpenter, Trace Wasnick, Rebecca Hrobek, Tristan Kabanuk, Derrick Phillips, Paul Widenhoefer\*, Brendan Stevens\*, Justin Klejeski\*

Not pictured: Tom Lambert, Dave Jahn

## 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:

## Volunteer Opportunities

- Contact Gordon Barr at [agbarr@metalsmith.org](mailto: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](mailto: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.

## 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](mailto:tgomvolunteer@gmail.com), 651-328-7219

or Peter Bettenberg, [bettenberg@hotmail.com](mailto:bettenberg@hotmail.com), 651-777-5300

## Volunteer Opportunity Available

The Program Committee is looking for a cook for the August Members Meeting.

**Position available:** Cook for the Sweet Corn

**Requirements/Qualifications:** Able to clean sweet corn and cook the sweet corn on an outdoor fire.

**Specific Tasks and Responsibilities:** Clean and cook 10 dozen ears of corn. Will need to have equipment to cook the sweet corn, a large kettle and fire source. Or contact Dick Carlson and make arrangements to borrow his equipment.

**Why Should You Join the Team?:** Everyone loves the cooks. Take over the task from Larry Sorenson.

**Contact:** Kim Maas, Volunteer Coordinator

[tgom.volunteer@gmail.com](mailto:tgom.volunteer@gmail.com)

651-328-7219



## Assistance / Tutoring for Cell Phones, Laptops and Tablets

Saturday, May 27, 2023

Location: Minnesota Transportation Museum aka: Jackson Street Roundhouse

Tech Support Instructor: Jesse Green

Cost: \$25 for one hour appointment. Appointments are one-on-one with the Tech Assistant.

Are you having trouble understanding how to use or would like to know more about your Android cell phone, laptop computer or tablet supported by Windows? Jesse Green (son of Kim Maas) will be available to assist with your questions and frustrations. There will be six, one-hour appointments available at Minnesota Transportation Museum aka: The Jackson Street Roundhouse. Appointment times available will be: 10 - 11 am, 11 am - 12 pm, 12 - 1pm, 1 - 2 pm, 2 - 3 pm & 3 - 4 pm. These appointments are for adults only. You will need to bring your electronic and questions to the appointment.

To register for an appointment, please send your contact information including email address and phone number with best time to contact you, along with a check or money order for \$25 payable to:

Kim Maas. Include, prefer appointment time (no guarantees) and a brief note of what you're needing help with.

Mail to: Kim Maas, 965 Gorman Ave., West St. Paul MN 55118

Questions: Call 651-328-7219 or email [kimmaas63@gmail.com](mailto:kimmaas63@gmail.com)

# GUILD OF METALSMITH'S BOARD MEETING March 8, 2023

Called to order at 7:05 by President Larry Wasmund

MEMBERS PRESENT: Gordon Barr, Taya Gavin, Mark Lockwood, Marty Masters, Kim Maas, Derrick Phillips, Jessie Gavin, Paul Widenhoefer, Richard Zieleke, Larry Wasmund, and Paula Wasmund.

ABSENT: No one.

GUESTS: Bryan Herman.

MINUTES: Approved motion by Derrick, second by Marty. Passed unanimously.

TREASURES REPORT: Taya

Business #6965 \$10,402.05

Business #7138 \$ 4,709.69

Savings #7520 \$64,722.47

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

MEMBERSHIP: Gordon

As far as membership goes, Gordon informed us we are up to 325 paid memberships. Up 75 from two months ago.

PROGRAM: Derrick

The April meeting will be at Toll Welding, with a potluck. They will be demonstrating robotic welding at the end of the business meeting.

June meeting will be at 'The Landing' in Shakopee. Tom Latane' will be doing a demo.

August is the hog roast that will be held at Dan Pate's farm.

September 15-17 is the Madness. Watch for further details.

EDUCATION: Marty Masters will be assuming the chairmanship in July.

Currently the classes that are scheduled are:

April 22-23<sup>rd</sup> Is the Joinery 1 class. It still has openings.

May 6 is the Hammer class. This class still has openings. Derrick is lead instructor for both classes.

The Hammer-In, at Nowthen on Father's Day weekend, will be Friday June 16 and Saturday June 17. There will be no Sunday event. Watch for possible announcement.

COMMUNICATION: Kim

The March *Metalsmith* is ready to go to the publishers. The committee will again be having a T-Shirt design program. Kim is going to be checking into the cost of preordered long sleeve denim shirts and hoodies.

Kim invited Bryan Herman to do a talk on "Discord." Discord has streaming, voice communication, texting, help channels and technical help documentation, along with several other features. This can be used as a message board similar to our Bellows. It sounds interesting.

There is a lot of potential to get younger and computer savvy members involved. The board is looking deeper into it but will probably give it a trial run.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

"IRON MENAGERIE" UPDATE: Mark Lockwood has started experimenting with copying photos for the magazine.

COAL STATUS: Coal needs to be bought and delivered before September. It comes from Pennsylvania and like everything else the coal itself and the shipping has gone up exponentially. Minor adjustments may have to be done to 'per bucket' pricing.

ARCHIVE STORAGE: Gordon is going to check with Mike Frattalone to see what is worth keeping and copying.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Land prices are up along with building supplies and labor. There is still interest in building for the future, the consensus of the board discussion was that the best option is to affiliate with an existing entity, such as Nowthen, the MTU or similar. Depending on our goals and wants, a committee should do more investigation. Paul W. had a brief discussion with the central Blacksmith group on how their shop, that they are now building at the Albany Pioneer Days show ground, came to be. We may need to start putting money away in a building account if we want to pursue it.

Advertisement will begin for open seats on the long term planning committee. Young ideas would be amazing.

The computer that our treasurer uses is having some issues. We are having it checked for virus and cleaning up the files. A new computer may be in the works for next year.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:05.

Respectfully submitted by Paula Wasmund, Recorder.

## 2023 Demonstration Opportunities

<b>Date 2023</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Champion, contact info &amp; additional info</b>
6 May	Scouts - Welding & Metalsmithing Merit Badge	Taylor Falls, MN	Patrick Sullivan, <a href="mailto:smokiemilo@gmail.com">smokiemilo@gmail.com</a> 651-894-3765
27-28 May	Dundas Armed Forces Day	Almelund Threshing Show Grounds Dundas MN	Martin Pansch, <a href="mailto:blacksmithingveti@gmail.com">blacksmithingveti@gmail.com</a> 612-599-4762 – bring hand tools
19 – 23 July	Rice County Fair	Faribault, MN	Lou Groth, <a href="mailto:loug_33@yahoo.com">loug_33@yahoo.com</a> , 952-895-1515 Volunteers Needed!!
25 – 30 July	Rock County Fair	Luverne, MN	Larry Wasmund, <a href="mailto:poundedtreasures@gmail.com">poundedtreasures@gmail.com</a> 651-322-6626 Wednesday – Saturday
26 – 29 July	Faribault County Fair Sponsored by: Faribault County Historical Society (FCHS)	Blue Earth, MN	No Guild representative, Contact site directly. Randy Anderson, <a href="mailto:randwulfr@aol.com">randwulfr@aol.com</a> 507-525-0368. FCHS has a blacksmith shop, coal and various sized stock available to the smith.
26 – 30 July	Scott County Fair	Jordan, MN	Contact: Erika Ediger-Connolly, fair manager by May 1 <a href="mailto:fairofficestaff@scottcountyfair.com">fairofficestaff@scottcountyfair.com</a> , 952-492-2436 Demonstrator(s) needed Wednesday – Sunday. You will need to have your own tools and can sell your metalworks. Dick Carlson, <a href="mailto:Blacksmith@onlinecarlson.com">Blacksmith@onlinecarlson.com</a> 651-437-3329
28 –30 July	Little Log House Antique Power Show	Hastings, MN	
11 – 13 August	Almelund Threshing Show	Taylor Falls, MN	Patrick Sullivan, <a href="mailto:smokiemilo@gmail.com">smokiemilo@gmail.com</a> 651-894-3765
11 – 12 August	Corcoran Country Daze	Corcoran, MN	No Guild representative. Contact site directly at <a href="mailto:corcorancountydaze@gmail.com">corcorancountydaze@gmail.com</a> 612-314-3232 Demo is 10 – 6. Set up starts at 9.
10 – 13 August	Pierce County Fair	Ellsworth, WI	Jesse Gavin, <a href="mailto:jagavin6273@hotmail.com">jagavin6273@hotmail.com</a>
18 – 20 August	Nowthen Threshing Show	Nowthen, MN	Christina Dodge, <a href="mailto:christina.guildmbr@gmail.com">christina.guildmbr@gmail.com</a> 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, <a href="mailto:poundedtreasures@gmail.com">poundedtreasures@gmail.com</a> 651-322-6626
1 – 3 September Labor Day wknd	Rice County Steam & Gas Engine Show	Dundas, MN	Martin Pansch, <a href="mailto:blacksmithingveti@gmail.com">blacksmithingveti@gmail.com</a> 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, <a href="mailto:Bbrown474@msn.com">Bbrown474@msn.com</a> , 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 vary slightly.
9–10 September	Laura Ingalls Wilder Days	Pepin, WI	Tom Latané, <a href="mailto:tlatané@gmail.com">tlatané@gmail.com</a> , 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 <sup>th</sup> century fashion. Other period craft demonstrations are welcome. Call/email Tom or Kitty for details.
9-10 September	40th Annual Threshing Festival	Kiester, MN	Duane (Dewey) Roll, 641-590-3634 (leave a message.) 1736 600 St (2miles east & 2 miles south of Kiester, MN. <a href="http://www.FarmingofYesteryear.com">www.FarmingofYesteryear.com</a> Bring any personal hand tools & protective gear.
TBA	Pumpkin Train	Dresser, WI	Gordon Barr, <a href="mailto:agbarr@aol.com">agbarr@aol.com</a> , 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. <a href="mailto:Zachary.Mohlis@threeriversparks.org">Zachary.Mohlis@threeriversparks.org</a> , 763-694-1139 <a href="mailto:Michael.Murray@threeriversparks.org">Michael.Murray@threeriversparks.org</a> , 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, <a href="mailto:agbarr@metalsmith.org">agbarr@metalsmith.org</a> , 952-894-4821
TBD	Boy Scout Fall Camporee	Carver, MN	Contact information -TBD.
Various dates	Jackson Street Roundhouse, Minnesota St. Paul, MN		Gordon Barr, <a href="mailto:agbarr@metalsmith.org">agbarr@metalsmith.org</a> , 952-894-4821

## New display for your demonstrations and the workplace

There is a display now available for members to use 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](mailto:TGoMvolunteer@gmail.com)

Call or text: 651-328-7219



## 2023 Brass & Copper Decorative Techniques Class

Sara Gries once again led a session exploring brass and copper decorative techniques on Saturday, March 25 at Guided Salvage Aneiques in Minneapolis. Photos below show work being done by students, and information being shared by Sara. Students in the photos included Larry and Paula Wasmund, Craig Snyder, Wayne Olson, Mark Wilson, Harriet Gary. and Doug Penney.



## Tunnel Mill Crafts 2023 Classes & 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](mailto:jc-adams@msn.com), or call 507-289-4189 Carol Adams.

### 2023 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

#### Barn Quilt Block Class

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

#### Quilt Retreat in the Country

Friday May 5, 4:00PM-, Sunday May 7, (mid afternoon) 2023

#### 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>

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:TGoMvolunteer@gmail.com)

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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](mailto:christina.guildmbr@gmail.com)
- Program Comm. meetings are 7 pm the third Thursday monthly. Derrick Phillips, chair [DerrickPhillipsA3o3@gmail.com](mailto:DerrickPhillipsA3o3@gmail.com)
- Most 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. Stay tuned for changes.

## April 2023 Events

April 12 TGoM membership meeting Toll Welding, Plymouth  
 April 22-23, Joinery Level I, 2-day class (skills)

## May 2023 Events

May 6, Hammer-Making Class  
 May 6, Demo Op Scouts, contact [smokiemilo@gmail.com](mailto:smokiemilo@gmail.com)  
 May 27-28, Demo Op: Dundas Armed Forces Days, contact [blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com](mailto:blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com)

## June 2023 Events

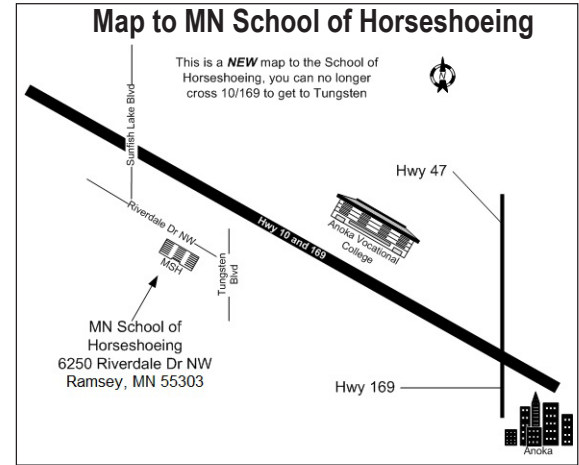
June 16 & 17, Hammer-In at Nowthen  
 June ??, TGoM membership meeting, date & location TBA

## July 2023 Events

July 19-23, Demo Op: Rice County Fair, contact [loug\\_33@yahoo.com](mailto:loug_33@yahoo.com)  
 July 25-30, Demo Op: Rock County Fair, contact [poundedtreasures@gmail.com](mailto:poundedtreasures@gmail.com)  
 July 26-29, Demo Op: Faribault County Fair, contact [randwulfr@aol.com](mailto:randwulfr@aol.com)  
 July 26-30, Demo Op: Scott County Fair, contact [fairofficestaff@scottcountyfair.com](mailto:fairofficestaff@scottcountyfair.com)  
 July 28-30, Demo Op: Little Log House Antique Power Show, contact [blacksmith@onlinecarlson.com](mailto:blacksmith@onlinecarlson.com)

## August 2023 Events

Aug 9, TGoM membership meeting, details TBA  
 Aug 11-13, Demo Op: Almelund Threshing Show, contact [smokiemilo@gmail.com](mailto:smokiemilo@gmail.com)  
 Aug 11-12, Demo Op: Corcoran Country Daze, contact [corcorancountydaze@gmail.com](mailto:corcorancountydaze@gmail.com)  
 Aug 10-13, Demo Op: Pierce County Fair, contact [jagavin6273@hotmail.com](mailto:jagavin6273@hotmail.com)  
 Aug 18-20, Demo Op: Nowthen Threshing Show, contact [christina.guildmbr@gmail.com](mailto:christina.guildmbr@gmail.com)  
 Aug 25-27, Not a Demo Op: Pioneer Power Show, no Guild rep but go watch Wyatt, Jim & others demo  
 Aug 26, 27: Demo Op: Donnelly Threshing Bee, contact [poundedtreasures@gmail.com](mailto:poundedtreasures@gmail.com)



## 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  
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 Hudson, WI 54016

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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](mailto: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](mailto: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."

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

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### 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.

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## 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.

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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, "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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