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Back issues of The Metalsmith are available to Guild members for only \$3.00 each, postage included.

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Send it to:  
Pete Stanaitis  
2476 10th Ave.  
Baldwin WI 54002

If you have any questions about the service, contact Pete at 715-698-2895 or email him at: [spaco@baldwin-telecom.net](mailto:spaco@baldwin-telecom.net)

## Metalsmith back issue service order form

Read directions on the reverse side of this form.

Please send me these back issues: (vol:issue)  
Use additional sheets of paper if you need them.

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## Joining The Guild of Metalsmiths?

Please introduce yourself. Each month we welcome new members to the Guild and offer them a chance to tell us a bit about themselves. (who you are, your goals as a metalsmith, the services you provide, products you make, etc.) Whatever you want to share is fine. So, give us a statement of interests/services up to 254 characters long (letters and spaces). This statement is also printed in the member directory (optional).

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## The Guild of Metalsmiths on the web:

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

Looking for something? Try the search engine. On our main page, just below the index table, click on "Search this Site," and enter your query.

Join The Bellows, our email discussion forum.

Information at:

<http://www.metalsmith.org/bb/TheBellows.htm>

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Tapes requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Include \$3.00 for each "T" number requested. Make check payable to:  
The Guild of Metalsmiths

Send request and check to:

Rich Herman  
1253 Danbury Way  
Rosemount, MN 55068

email: [racherman@frontiernet.net](mailto:racherman@frontiernet.net)

phone: (651)322-1623

# Goings on...



## Events in August

- Aug. 5 & 6, Hammer-In at John Deere Historic Site, Grand Detour Illinois
- Aug. 5 & 6, Dow Corn Days, Dows Iowa
- Aug. 9, Guild membership meeting, Dave Olin's shop in Mendota
- Aug. 11-13, Almelund Power Show
- Aug. 18-20, Nowthen Threshing Show

## Events in September

- Sept. 15, 16, 17, GOM Fall Conference, Little Log House

## Events in October

- Sept. 30, Oct. 1, Tunnel Mill annual get-together
- Oct. 11, Guild membership meeting, TBA
- Oct 12, 13, 14, Tom Latane workshop

**"Rocketman" Exhibition**  
**August 4-September 8, 2006**  
**Bloomington Art Center**  
**1800 W. Old Shakopee Road**  
**Bloomington, MN**  
**Phone 952-563-8587**

Recently, down at Johnny's Discount in Northeast, I ran into a former Guild member who encouraged me to tell the Guild to come to the exhibition of his work at the Bloomington Art Center. Years ago I had the pleasure of renting studio space with his nephew and son, who also are brilliant inventors and metal workers.

Guild members who were members of the organization in the 1980's may remember Ky Michaelson "Rocketman" who took blacksmithing classes from Bob Walsh. Nowadays Ky's interest in creating rockets adapted for cars, motorcycles, toilets, (yes toilets) skates, hot rods and snowmobiles, etc. has caught the attention of the Bloomington art center. The famous Ky lives not so quietly in Bloomington, Minnesota. His creations are not only genius, but their aesthetic appearance in a marriage of form and function delights not only the mind but the eye.

I encourage all Guild members to visit the exhibition of this distinguished creator on the opening August 4, Friday at 6:00 to 8:00 and also his demonstration and Lecture on Thursday August 24, 7-9 p.m.

If you would like to learn more about Ky, visit his ingenious website:  
[www.the-rocketman.com](http://www.the-rocketman.com)

See you there! Marcia McEachron

# The Forum

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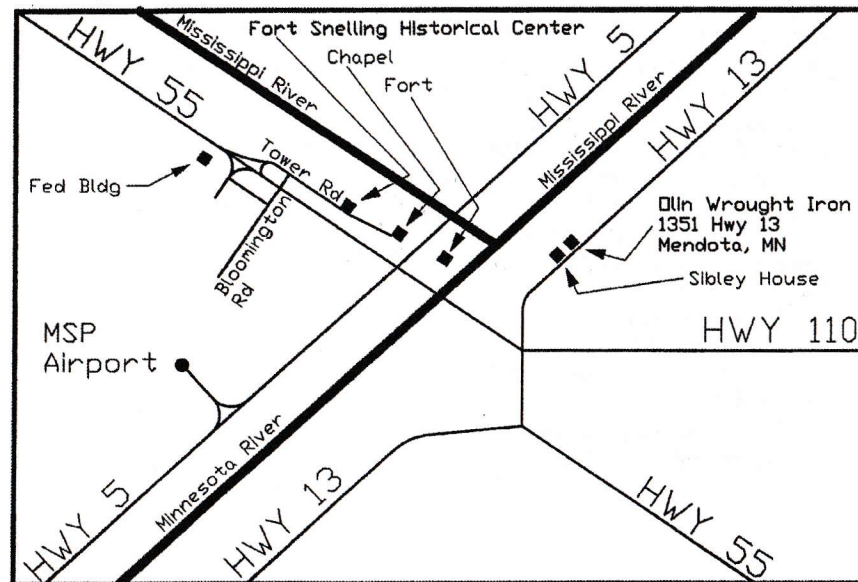
## August Guild meeting returns to Olin's Mendota shop

The August meeting of the Guild of Metalsmiths will be held at Dave Olin's shop in Mendota on August 9. This meeting will feature a corn feed with the Guild providing all the sweetcorn you can eat. If you consider yourself a master corn shucker, come early and lend a hand--you'll gain lots of experience! We'll also enjoy our traditional traditional potluck dinner, so please bring a dish to pass.

The featured demonstrator for this event is Tom Latane'.

The potluck dinner and corn feed starts at 6:30, general business meeting starts at 7, and Tom's demonstration will begin after the end of the business meeting.

## Map to Dave Olin's shop in Mendota





## Forum deadline for September: Monday, July 17, 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, August 21, 2006 to **Georgia Myers**, editor, by e-mail to:

[forum@metalsmith.org](mailto:forum@metalsmith.org)

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

[gmyers@rconnect.com](mailto: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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*Georgia Myers*

*313 Dakota St*

*Lake City, MN 55041-1869*

*or e-mail to*

*[forum@metalsmith.org](mailto:forum@metalsmith.org) or*

*[gmyers@rconnect.com](mailto:gmyers@rconnect.com)*

## 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:

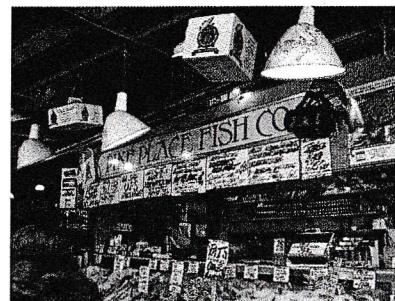
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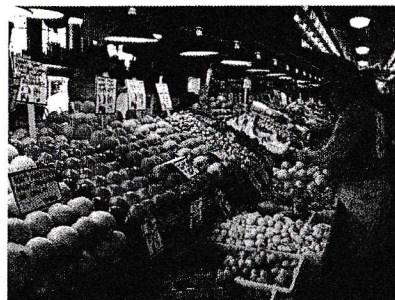
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We could see Mt. Rainier from our dorm window when the sky cleared! The University of Washington campus is beautiful, and our dorm (MaMahon Hall) was comfortable.



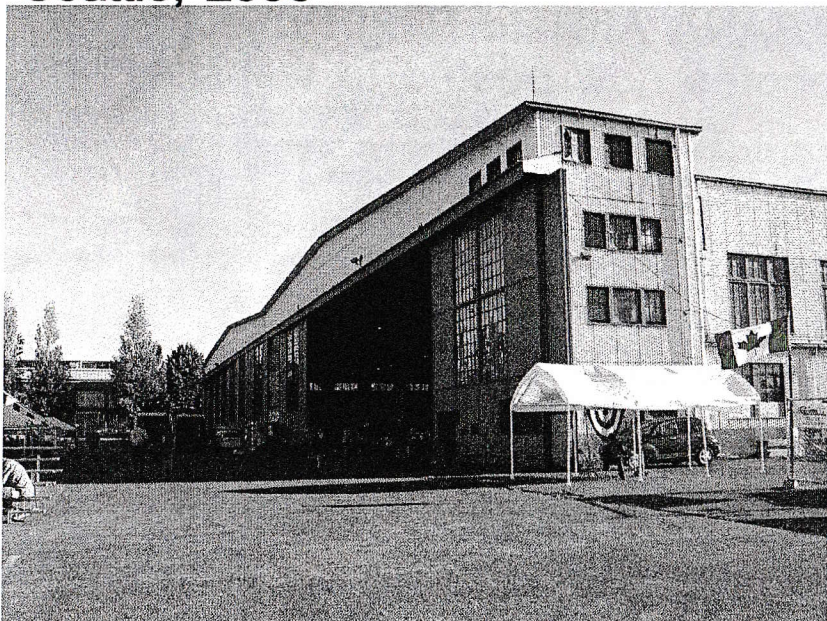
When in Seattle, it's a must to visit the Pike Place Fish Company at the market on the wharf. We watched the fish-throwing show, and then Gary Myers picked out the best Rainier cherries for the train trip home.



A Seattle band, "Spin Cycle" entertained us one evening.



## Seattle, 2006



Hanger 27 at Magnuson Park, and the beer tent were the places to be in cold and warm weather during the Seattle ABANA Conference. We endured temps ranging from 55 degrees to about 75 degrees. The weather was beautiful most of the time!



## Making and Heat-Treating Tools (from coil springs)

Saturday, Sept. 9

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Minnesota School of Horseshoeing (Map next page)

6250 Riverdale Dr

Ramsey MN 55303

Instructor: Jim Scott [elnjws@paulbunyan.net](mailto:elnjws@paulbunyan.net) or  
phone 218 328 5018

Cost of class: \$25 per member

Class size limited to 8

Class requirements:

Must have had Basic Blacksmithing Class. We will make simple tools (chisels, punches, etc.) out of 5'8" coil springs. We will heat treat them (anneal, harden, and temper). Each person will make a couple tools and get them annealed before lunch break. After lunch, we will finish shaping tools (grind, file, etc) and then heat treat. Bring your ideas of what tools you might want to make. We will have some extra annealed tools, so everyone will have something to heat treat, if they don't finish theirs.

The knowledge gained from this class will enable you to create or recondition any of the multitude of hand-held tools that you will need and use throughout your blacksmithing career.

(see back of this form for materials to bring and special instructions)

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### Sign up now!

Reserve your spot now in this "Making and Heat-Treating Tools workshop to be held on Saturday, Sept. 9, 2006. Fill out the form on the next page, clip, and mail, with check for \$25 written out to the Guild of Metalsmiths.

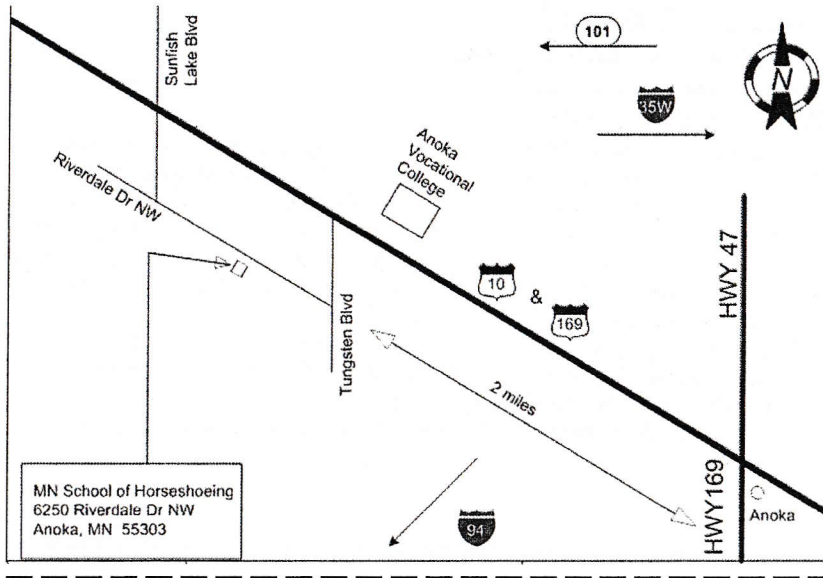


## Making & Heat-Treating Tools Workshop

### Equipment or other items to bring

Safety Equipment - safety glasses & ear plugs are mandatory. Other safety equipment may include: gloves, apron, cotton clothing, leather shoes. Also bring tongs for firmly holding round stock if you have them. We will have some on hand. Bring your favorite hammer, files, round file, hot rasp, if you have them.

Lunch arrangements: Bring your own bag lunch or eat at nearby restaurant.



Register for "Making & Heat-Treating Tools" workshop. Fill out form below and mail, along with check for \$25 made out to "Guild of Metalsmiths" to:

**Jim Scott**  
**35782 Lake Street**  
**Cohasset MN 55721**

For questions, call Jim at 218-328-5018 for email elnjws@paulbunyan.net

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## ABANA Affiliate Ring Project photos now posted to website

The "Ring of Fire Project" photos, all 128 of them are now posted to the URL listed here. Many thanks to all who participated!! A special thanks to Tom Clark who headed this project and selected the "Ring of Fire Project" team.

There are some very special and talented smiths who sent "Affiliate" rings. You all should be proud of your work. Go to this URL and login using the info below:

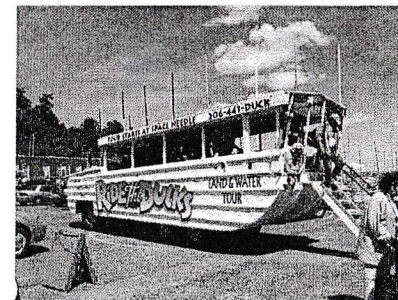
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Login: blacksmithblacksmith@hotmail.com

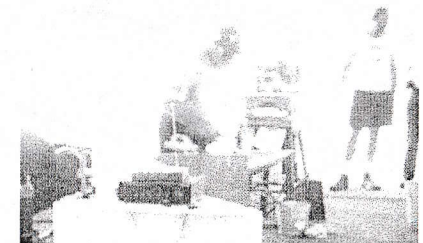
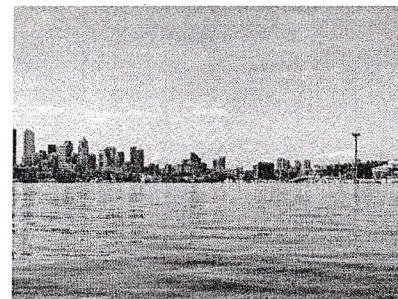
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Regards,

Rome Hutchings  
 The Prairie Forge  
 13633 Ferman Ave NW  
 Clearwater, MN 55320  
 (763) 878-1694



Some of us took a tour of downtown Seattle on one of the "famous" ducks. The skyline from the Seattle harbor is beautiful on a sunny day!



Australian blacksmith Doug Mosley demonstrated forging gum tree leaves and nuts, among many other items. A large Australian contingent was sponsored by the Northwest Blacksmiths Association



Meals were catered in the hangar and eaten in the giant white tent beside the water at the ABANA Conference. Pictured here are John and Carol Adams (left), John Yust, and Bob and Mary Fredell.

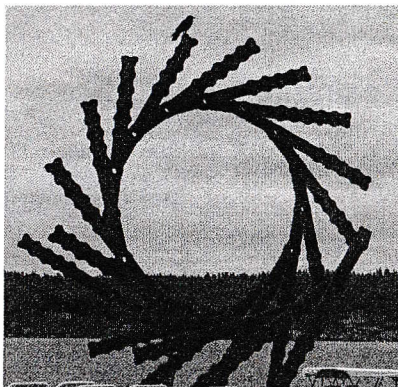


## Guild members attend 2006 ABANA National Conference in Seattle

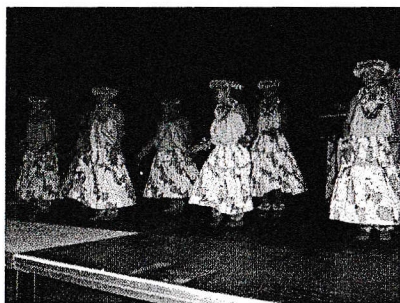
A contingent of 27 Guild members and spouses traveled to Seattle to participate in the 2006 ABANA Conference held July 5-8. Some of us traveled by plane, some by car, some by truck, and some by AMTRAK! Below is a list of Minnesota/Wisconsin members who went, and a series of photos illustrating the sights we saw. A grand time was had by all!

### Attendees from the Guild

Dick & Irma Carlson  
Myron Hanson  
Charlie Bateman  
John & Carol Adams  
John Yust  
Bob & Joan Werner  
Monty & Judy Bygd  
Jerry & Maidie Felton  
Bob & Mary Fredell  
Roger & Debbie Degner  
Gary & Georgia Myers  
Rich Herman  
Bill & Deanna Tannenberg  
Rome Hutchings and his mom  
Jim Scott & Beth Newton  
Jim Sage & his wife



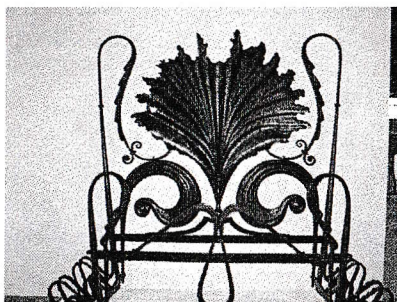
A huge sculpture by the late Russell Jaqua that he had dedicated to his wife was featured during opening night ceremonies at the ABANA Conference.



A luau, followed by a fine performance by Polynesian dancers entertained us the first night of the ABANA conference.

*All photos by Georgia Myers.*

The gallery at the ABANA conference contained a special exhibit of Russell Jaqua's work, including this bed.



## The Madness is Coming!!

So, have you marked your calendar yet for the Fall Madness – the Guild of Metalsmiths Fall Conference? The conference will be held this year on September 15<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup> at the Little Log House Power Show grounds, located six miles south of Hastings on Highway 61.



There are some changes from last year. Heck, there are even changes from what we said last month! First change is parking – the entire grassy section beside the Great Hall has been set up with an automatic sprinkler system. This means that absolutely **NO PARKING** in any of the grassy area east of the Great Hall.

Friday afternoon is the Gallery setup; bring your best works to show off all of the great stuff you have made. This is a non-juried show; all items registered will be included in the gallery. If you have items that you showed in the past, please bring them again since there are always new members each year for which the items will be fresh. If you cannot make it Friday, gallery registration is open on Saturday also. Friday night is the Grand Opening of the gallery. Come early for the potluck dinner and join your friends to tour the wonders of the Conference gallery.

Friday is also the opening of the tailgate area. If you need to buy or sell some equipment, the tailgate sales area is a great opportunity to exchange those hard-to-find smithin' tools. Sales are open all weekend, but the best deals usually go early.

Saturday is the main event with registration starting at 7:30 AM and demonstrations starting at 9 AM. This year we have two wonderful demonstrators – Clay Spencer (a legend in the world of blacksmithing) will be demonstrating using his new Tire Hammer and Rauno Lehtonen is being brought in from Finland to demonstrate sculptural pieces. In addition to the demonstrators, other family activities for the weekend include Found Art creation, Altoid Tin Repousse, door hanger creation, hoola hoop rugs, and magnetic art. All of the family activities will be free of charge this year.

**UPDATE:** In the last month's forum it was stated that the Broom Making activity was to be a free activity. Since then it has been determined that there will be a materials fee of \$15 charged for this activity. In addition, there is a very limited number of openings for this class. Advance registrations are available by contacting Sheri Stanaitis (2476 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. Baldwin, WI 54002-7204 ph – (715) 263-2628).

If that isn't enough to keep you busy, browse the silent auction area to pick up that piece of steel you need or the other doodad you can't live without. And if you have an extra chunk of steel or a thingamajig you don't need, consider donating it to the silent auction.

And let's not forget the highlight of the conference, the Saturday Night Live auction. This is a major event of the year and provides you an opportunity to pick up some wonderful items for either your shop or your living room wall.

Now you may expect an opportunity to experience all of this would cost lots of bucks – well we will take it if you want to give it to us, but all we ask is a measly \$35 per family for the entire weekend or \$20 per family for a single day of the conference. Camping is available on the grounds for no charge except for a nominal fee if you connect your camper to the electricity.

Additional information is available in the conference flyer that should already have been delivered to your mailbox.

— Rich Herman, Guild Publicity Chair



Join the crowd at the Fall Conference...

## Altoid Tin Repousse class - family activity!

Tired of getting burned? Tired of lifting that heavy blacksmith's hammer? Come join Jesse Gavin and Jim Breczinski at the Altoids repousse family activity for some cold iron working at the Fall Conference both Saturday and Sunday mornings.

This still leaves you with time to enjoy the other activities and demonstrators. We have all the supplies and tools. All skill levels are welcome, and if you have never done Altoids repousse before we will help you the basics. Best of all it is a free activity and you get to take home the Altoids tin to show off what you made this year at the Fall Conference.

Location to be determined, so just follow the signs when you get there.

— Jesse Gavin

## Demonstrating opportunity in Iowa from Guild President Al Olson

All:

Here's a great demonstrating opportunity for someone! I visited this museum a couple weeks ago. It's the fun and interesting, 100 year old shop of blacksmith Frank Quasdorf. He also did horseshoeing, wagon & wheel, and machining work. His family has kept the shop in place. The museum/shop is on the National Register of Historical Places. It's in Dows, IA, which is a 2.5 hour drive from the cities, just off of Interstate 35. Easy to find. Drive south until you see the Dows exit, and follow the signs for 2 miles, west. Actually it's part of a bigger historic district that includes the town's old depot. Dick Carlson has demonstrated there for a few years, but can't do it this year. They do pay a stipend. I think enough to pay for your gas and meals. Definitely an interesting place to stop even if you can't demonstrate.

Their big weekend "Dows Corn Days" is always the first weekend in August. Call Gordon for specifics, at 515-852-3595. I would bring your own bucket of hand tools, some steel, and ask about coal and camping or hotels because I forgot to ask. It's a huge masonry forge, with an electric blower added. You can also see more about them at [www.dowsiowa.com](http://www.dowsiowa.com)

Have fun!

Al

## Finial repair on Landmark Center

As some of you know, Lew Chown and I worked on repairing the peak finial for the north tower of the landmark center. It was reinstalled over the weekend.

I posted a few pictures of it on the metalmeet.com site.

<http://www.metalmeet.com/forum/showthread.php?t=5572>

Lew straightened and patched the top section, and then we laid out and built a new bottom section from photo studies and looking at the original plans. (as drawn, not nec. as built)

— Gene Olson

## 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](http://www.umbaonline.org), 135 DVD-Rs \$5 each \$2 postage lifetime rental

### Central Minnesota Blacksmiths meeting schedule

Mon 8/7 Ken Zitur's Studio, 37634 Co Rd 9, Avon, MN 320-746-2557

Mon 9/11 Brian Johnson's Studio, 16777 Co Rd 75 NW, Clearwater, MN, 320-558-6898

Mon 10/2 Al Garber's Studio, 2566 90th St NE, Monticello, MN, 763-295-4632

Mon 11/13 Russ Karasch's Studio, 640 Chinook Av SW, Avon, MN, 320-356-7125

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

### Badger Blacksmiths meetings

For information, call Don Henson at 715-265-4701 or email Richard Prigge at [rcprigg@centurytel.net](mailto:rcprigg@centurytel.net)

### Lake Superior Metalsmiths

Lake Superior Metalsmiths (LSM) meet the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. from May through September. The meetings are potluck at 6:00 p.m. 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](mailto:keith@greatriverforge.com)

### Central Texas Blacksmiths

To read their online newsletters, go to

<http://balconesforge.org/newsletters/feb06/feb06.pdf> If that does not work, then just head to [www.balconesforge.org](http://www.balconesforge.org) and the newsletter section is easy to find.



## FRIENDS OF THE GUILD OF METALSMITHS

THE GUILD OF METALSMITHS IS A 501C3 CHARITABLE TRUST, MAKING ALL CONTRIBUTIONS OR DONATIONS, TAX DEDUCTABLE. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO JOIN OUR LIST OF FRIENDS, PLEASE CONTACT OUR PRESIDENT, AL OLSON.

### DISCOUNTS:

The following companies are extending discounts to card carrying members of our organization. **You will need to ask for their Guild of Metalsmiths discount, and show them your membership card.**

#### Abrasive Resource

1-763-586-9595, 1-800-814-7358, [www.abrasiveresource.com](http://www.abrasiveresource.com)

**Discount:** 25% discount for Guild members. Orders under \$100 must be called in to receive discount.

#### Fastenal

1-651-452-7600, [www.fastenal.com](http://www.fastenal.com)

**Discount:** 10% discount on their published website prices, except power tools, whether you shop online or at a store, for Guild members.

#### Garelick Steel Company

1-612-521-8857, 1-888-521-8857, [www.garelicksteel.com](http://www.garelicksteel.com)

**Discount:** 10% discount for Guild members.

#### Oxygen Service Co.

1-320-252-5494, 1-800-252-3275, [www.oxygenservicecompany.com](http://www.oxygenservicecompany.com)

**Discount:** 15% discount on gases and most items that are not already marked as a sale item for Guild members.

#### Smith-Sharpe Fire Brick Supply

1-612-331-1345, 1-866-545-6743, [www.ssfs.com](http://www.ssfs.com)

**Discount:** The quantity of product purchased dictates the normal "Level" of discount. Smith-Sharpe Fire Brick Supply is offering one discount "Level" better to Guild members. It will vary with types of products, but may average about 10%.

#### Toll Gas and Welding Supply

1-763-551-5300, [www.tollgas.com](http://www.tollgas.com)

**Discount:** 10% discount on gases and most in-store items, for Guild members.

#### Mississippi Welders Supply

1-800-657-4422 [www.mwsco.com](http://www.mwsco.com)

**Discount:** 15% discount on gases and most in-store items that are not already marked as a sale item or already at a discount from MSRP for Guild members.

**NOTE:** For more information, go to [www.metal smith.org](http://www.metal smith.org)

## Found Object Art

We need steel scrap for the Found Object Art family activity at the Fall Conference. An especially good source is under your band saw. You may not know it, but those 1/2 inch end pieces that lie buried in the metal shavings make really good teeth, claws and eyeballs. Another good source is under your forge.

So clean up your shop and support Found Object Art at the same time!



## What to Bring to the Conference (first printed in 2005)

September weather in the upper Midwest is unpredictable. It might be summer and then again, it might be winter. Have clothes in the car for all seasons. A rain slicker has come in handy the last couple of years, too.

Those bleachers can get awfully cold if it is 45 degrees outside. And they are not exactly soft, either, so bring something insulating to sit on.

Safety glasses! These are absolutely necessary if any of the demonstrators are using flux or a wire wheel. Hearing protection is also a good idea.

Gloves, especially for the kids. One of our conference activities is 'Found Object Art'. The raw materials may be sharp and/or dirty. (Don't worry, professionals will be around to do the actual welding. Contact Herb Fick, [fick@rconnect.com](mailto:fick@rconnect.com), if you want to volunteer to help with the welding.)

Auction item donation(s). The live auction focuses on hand made items and although it is preferred, it doesn't have to be metalwork. The silent auction focuses on raw materials, such as leftover stock, materials for forge building, etc.

Gallery item(s). The more the better! Bring drawings or photos of already installed items. Work in progress is fine, too. We have new members joining all the time, so feel free to bring something you might have displayed years ago, but many of us would not have seen.

Odd stuff for the Found Object Art – the odder the better!

Altoids Tins. We can always use more for the chasing/repousse activity.

Tail gate items. Make some money at the conference and spend it the same weekend.

Tie out stake. Dogs aren't allowed inside buildings anymore, but there is an area in the field set aside for them. Don't forget plastic bags for the doggy landmines. This wasn't as much of an issue in the past, but the grounds are now frequently used for wedding ceremonies and receptions. The grassy areas between and around the buildings need to be landmine-free. The idea of a wedding dress encountering a doggy landmine is too horrible to contemplate.

Money! There will be auction items you'll want to bid on and a tail gater or 2 will have something you just have to have. And, of course, you'll want to buy some raffle tickets and T-shirt or a hat.

— Sarah Delaney



## Minutes, July 19 Guild board mtg.

AGENDA – THE GUILD OF METALSMITHS – 19JUL06

Board of Directors, Postponed Meeting due to ABANA Conference

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

**CALL TO ORDER: 7:15**

Roll Call – Attendants are Olson, Fick, Frattalone, Hanson

Carlson, Moenck, Herman, Myers, Beck Missing, Mariette.

**AMENDMENT / APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING'S**

**MINUTES:**

Motion by Beck, second Moenck to approve the minutes.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Finance Committee-Mike Frattalone**

Discretionary Funds	\$11077.55
Remaining Grant	\$7075
Cert. of Deposit	\$10,000
Cash Total	\$18152.55 (down \$230 from 1 year ago)
Expenses	\$3679
Deposits	\$3440
Major Expenses were:	
Forum	\$792
Metalsmith	\$1427
Misc	\$133
Tax Prep	\$450
Workshops	\$495
Office Supplies	\$80
Bulk Mail	\$200
Membership count	277 (down 5 from 1 year ago)
Est. tons of coal remaining	12.9 (does not include Duggan's take)

**Education Committee-Jim Moenck**

Guild of Metalsmiths Education Committee Report July 12, 2006

A meeting date is being set to review the Instructors workshop sometime mid-August. We will review our process of readying the instructors for the Basics Classes. We will also review the agenda for the Basics classes and make any necessary adjustments. Also at this time, we will set the date for the Instructors Workshop and ready the registration process since Don Halverson has turned that responsibility over to Gordon Barr. The class announcement and registration application will be in the September Forum, and registration will begin at the Fall Conference in September.

The class schedule has been sent to Tom Barnett for publication on the website, Judy Allen for publication in the Metalsmith, and Rich Herman for co-ordination purposes. As always, classes and dates are subject to change.

Kirsten Skiles has committed to teaching a repose' class, and we are trying to co-ordinate a date and location for that class.

Judith Kjenstad has committed to teaching a basic scroll forms. Judith is one of the premier rosemalers in the U.S.

**Program Committee- Myron Hanson, July 20**

Thanks to Sarah.

August 9 Frattalone: Arrangements are for corn roast and demo at Dave Olin shop in Mendota

Latane' Demo's

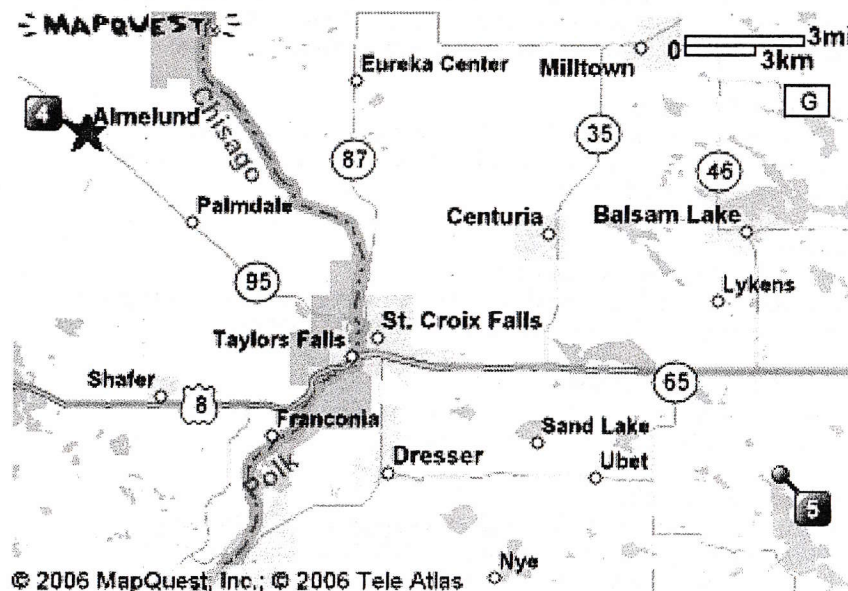
October 11 Fick, see old minutes on Chukar, St Michael MN. No changes

December 10 First round on Phelps, Sound by Pete

## Opportunity to demonstrate at Almelund Threshing Show August 11, 12, 13

Here's another opportunity to practice your blacksmithing skills by demonstrating at the Almelund Threshing Show on August 11, 12, and 13. Sign up by calling Carl Nordquist in Webster, Wisconsin at 715-866-8807.

Carls says, "We need demonstrators for any of the three days. I'll set up a schedule and let you know."



## ESTATE BLACKSMITH SHOP AUCTION

This is the shop of Karl Daleske, son and former partner of legendary Blacksmith, Otto Daleske. Karl passed away April 11, 2006. His daughters are liquidating all of the shop equipment and supplies...

**Saturday, August 5, 2006**

**Sale Begins at 9:30 a.m., sharp!**

**108 N Railroad St, Ceylon, MN**

Features: Huge Variety of Blacksmith Tools; Antique Metal Lathe; Photo-Shear Nibbler; Torches & Tanks; Miller DialArc Welder; Power Tools; Dvorak Model 3489H Hydraulic Iron Worker; New Little Giant Trip Hammer; 40-ton Press; Wellsaw Bandsaw; Antique Hand Tools

**PLUS - Hundreds of Pounds of Bolts, Nuts, Washers, and Metal Stock**

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## Opportunity to demonstrate at Nowthen Threshing Show August 18, 19, 20

Try your hand at demonstrating your blacksmithing skills at the annual Nowthen Threshing Show, August 18, 19, 20, 2006.

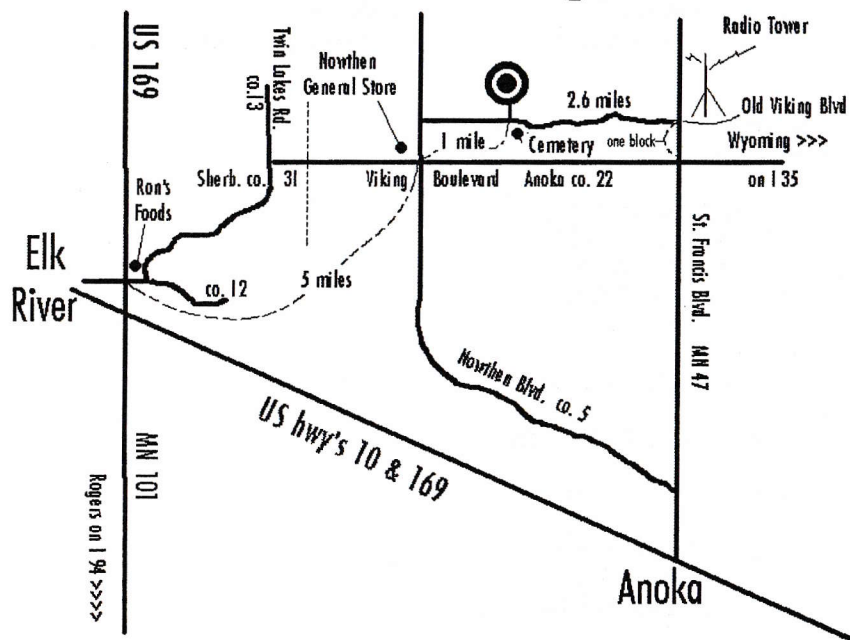
Bob Fredell will pass out a sign up sheet and maps to the show grounds at the August 9 Guild meeting. If you can't attend the August meeting, come on up to the show anyway!

**Contact Bob Fredell for questions.**

Phone: 763-389-5119

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### Nowthen Threshing Show



## Minutes continued...

Feb 14, 2007

Herb talks to Dale Szlabo. Up in the air. I was looking for an invitation to Praxair in St Paul

April 14 Champion. McDonald. Location: Fort Snelling. John has made contact and will lock in the day. Need to be out by 9:30 pm. Need tables, they have chairs. Wood will talk to the clock guild. Olson will talk to the wood turners. Format of extended show and tell, Challenge to find a common thought for common presentation. Last at Ft. Snelling in April 2004. Possible Tools and or Colonial Hardware (hinges, pulls and such). Extended discussion about the suggestion of the Guild buying a projector.

June 13 Frattalone report on Caponi Art There is a place for plug in the coffee. We need to bring in tables & chairs. There is a canopy there. We might supply a carport type shelter in addition. May need to research getting a canopy either by rental or buying. There is no lighting. We may need to provide some lights. For a demo, have a presenter (Gene O?) talk about metal sculptures, perhaps have Tony talk about stone carving  
Conference: Task lists and assignments review Flow chart Family program update

Brochure review Budget, Is it still OK and current.

Donations secured by Dick Carlson at national conference:

The Book Smith - Norm Larson Books - 5426 E. Hwy. 246 - Lompoc, CA 93436

3 Books: THE COMPLETE MODERN BLACKSMITH, by Alexander G. Weygers. MY LIFE AS AN ARTIST BLACKSMITH, by Francis Whitaker. BEAUTIFUL IRON, THE PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE, by Francis Whitaker

Little Giant Co. - Harlan "Sid" Suedmeier - 420 4th Corso - Nebraska City, NE 68410

Tuition for Little Giant Rebuilding Class. Mar. 2007 (or whenever)

Kayne & Son - Custom Hardware, Inc. - 100 Daniel Ridge Rd. - Candler, NC 28715 Catalogs - 1 Tee Shirt - 1 Slitting Chisel

Ozark School of Blacksmithing - Tom Clark - 20183 West State Hwy. 8 - Potosi, MO 63664 1 Tom Tongs for 2" Flat bar Pieh Tool Co., Inc. - 661 Howard's Rd. Suit J - Comp Verde, AZ 86322 Catalogs - 1 Scrolling Pliers

New Business. Adjourn 9:18 pm

**Publicity Committee-** Rich Herman

Website - due to scheduling conflicts, the transfer of the web site to a new hosting service has not been completed. Chuck Yust had volunteered to work on a new web site for the group but is moving to New York this fall to attend grad school before the new web site was completed. We are now looking for someone else to help with the development of the web site.

Forum - Deadline for articles was two days ago, we are still looking for some more articles to publish. Alternatives were suggested for items to include in the next newsletter. Some missing articles that need to be submitted for upcoming events were mentioned.

Metalsmith - Marcia McEachron is stepping down as the editor of the Metalsmith. Appreciation for her many years of service to the GoM was expressed. Judy Allen has volunteered to be the new editor. We are looking for members to submit articles for publication.



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Need struck tools notice.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Danger/Safety signage by Herb Have a deal, but no product yet.

### NEW BUSINESS:

Olson moves to allocate up to \$100 in printing a new batch of membership forms. Motion before the Board by Fick\_\_\_\_Second Hanson\_who moves the following: Carlson moves that we spend up to \$100 for new information and application forms. Hanson seconds Passed  
An ex member, Gary Van Slyke, has offered a variety of tools to the Guild for the benefit of the group. Olson is wondering if this could be a start for a forge at the Gibbs Farm museum. There was a short discussion of what might be built at Gibbs Farm. The Blacksmithing tools and material needs a home, and Al needs to get it out of his truck.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Where are all of the Guild assets?? (Bring your spreadsheet updates)

Next Program Com meeting July 20<sup>th</sup>

Next Ed Com meeting

Next Membership meeting is at Dave Olin's shop on Aug 9<sup>th</sup>

Next Board meeting is at Myron's house, Sept 13<sup>th</sup>

Next Forum deadline was July 17<sup>th</sup>

Dows, Iowa demonstrating opportunity Aug 4-5

MN Zoo demonstrating opportunity July 22-23<sup>rd</sup>

Little Log House demonstrating opportunity July 28-30<sup>th</sup>

Gibbs Farm Museum demonstrating opportunity July 23<sup>rd</sup>

Foundry Education Fine Arts, FEFA, Iron Pour in Decorah, IA Aug 12<sup>th</sup>

Almelund demonstrating opportunity Aug 11-13<sup>th</sup>

Nowthen demonstrating opportunity Aug 19-20<sup>th</sup>

Your opportunity here. Holtz Farm in Eagan

American Iron (Scrap dealer) There is an opportunity to scrounge at American Iron where as many as 10 people at a session could dig in their piles. Al is working on the agreement.

Carlson tried a few vendors for donations to the Madness.

He made headway and has offers.

### MAIL REVIEW:

Thank you postcard to Marsha McEachron, Bob Walsh, Bob Johnson,

**ADJOURNMENT: 8:48**

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