

# Guild of Metalsmiths. Monthly discussion FORUM

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Here we are again. Pull up a chair, get your coffee, reading glasses, and writing tools. It is time to discuss the news. The Guild currently has 304 members. Your renewal date is on the mailing label as 20XX.Q (year.quarter).

Gene Olson, editor

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## Attention Please!

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**The Guild of Metalsmiths**

PO Box 11423

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## How to Join

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Gene Olson, editor

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### Metalsmith articles:

Those of you working on those informative articles for our quarterly magazine. **The copy deadline for the issue 1 of 2002 is Feb 1.**

Send them to:

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Please!

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

**Special Thanks to Toll Welding for donating the gases used in our Welding class a month ago.**

**This was greatly appreciated by all the students and the Guild.**

Toll, thanks again for your support.

## Coal Pricing - correction

The per ton price remains at \$200/T as it was last time around.

Somehow the copy sent to the Forum was wrong. The Price is on the Sheets at the School of Horseshoing.

### The Sept Board Meeting:

submitted by Tod Erdmann

### Minutes

Amend minutes from last meeting: \$250.00 for student tongs.

Timing is why we bought them instead of making 8- 1" box tongs.

#### A. Financial - Mike Frattalone

\$17167 in checking with 332 members

#### B. Education - Bob Johnson

Instructors work shop a success

Fall Conference "Open Forge" set  
Schedule filled

Next meeting wed @ Bob and Mary's house

Classes: Intermediate to be added

Looking for non-ferrous instruction

Fold forming was suggested by Mike  
- Joan Mankus?

#### C. Program - Al Olson

Conference planning is going well

Elizabeth Brim needs welding tips:

O, OO, rosebud for a Victor torch

Jack daSilvas tools for Demo

Stock 3/8" round, 3/8" square for Demo

The school is ready, but 1 forge will be repaired before classes start.

Carpet squares to sit on - delivered by Don Halverson.

Any infrared heaters? - Gene Olson has one.

Pot Luck on Friday for set-up

Corky needs approval for \$400.00 for a P.A. and mike stand

Don has a reel to reel that works for a P.A. and will bring it.

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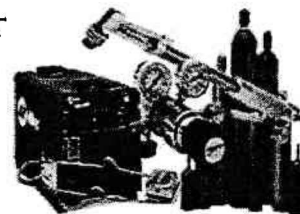
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## D. Publicity - Gene Olson

The Forum went to press last Tues. (not received yet)

Tunnel Mill info in Forum

Gene will print extra copies / Conference  
- 24copies for new members

Intermediate class info from Bob will be sent to Gene

Directory - in process will be published shortly.

## Old Business:

George Sutton, who was our contact at the Science museum for the Leonardo da Vinci Days and is now a member of the state Arts Board has been looking for a lawyer to do 501c3 project pro bono. Bob Fredell took a call for us saying a lawyer had been found for the job.

5 weeks after talks with:

Mike F., Gene O., Dave F. will meet with the lawyer to finish the application.

Grant info missed

## Guilds library idea:

A couple of donated books could be put into a chest or box in trailer

Transportation museum needs to be visited

Coal is being purchased @ old prices - the horseshoeing school books have old prices on them.

Dave F. will check on slips @ school and with Richard Dugan. and get the prices corrected.

Grants?

Metal Smiths Editor computer. Marcia is using her computer as a type setter & then, by hand, cut and paste! Gene and a friend are going to do a work shop with her to get her up to speed. They will also attempt to install a new drive with Office 2000 on it. Gene proposed a new monitor and graphics card also for the office of editor to make editing easier. Card and monitor would be compatible for both pc and mac.

A 17" or 20" monitor would replace Marcia's MAC G3 small screen.

The motion was tabled for next meeting until prices could be quoted.

Raffle tickets need to be inventoried.

Now Then Property Purchase:

Brian, Jim, Bob

The forges, "Arm breakers", need work. *investigate*  
Motion to buy back contents of shop to own.

Now Then will own the building.  
\$1125 has been invested @ Now Then

We could use building for classes April - Nov. with one wk notice.

Brian will check with Now Then Board to see if this is an option.

It will cost ~ \$900.00 to fix forges these funds will be asked for when we know who owns the forges.

West shop info will be passed on to Tom Sanders.

## ABANA Conference

The Guild will be asked to participate.

Bob and Mary are handling registration.

Gene was approached to borrow the center partitions from the Gallery along with the sculpture stands.

Gene is also working on building some stands.

Approval of use of guild property will be considered on a case by case basis.

Motion approved to allow ABANA to use partitions and stands.

#### New Business:

We need to check the U of M for presence there.

Education - send instructors to St. Paul TVI?

Next meeting @ Dave Olins shop

Next Board meeting Nov. 14th.

Bob and Mary are selling their house next year.

Meeting adjourned

#### A Short report on the Fall conference for those who missed it.

(See the lost and found at the end Please)

The GoM fall conference  
(a.k.a. Metalsmith's Madness).

We migrated our separate ways on down to the conference South of Hastings on Friday. Hustle, bustle, lift, carry, pound, . . .

All those volunteers made short work of setup. Al Olson did a marvelous job of putting this all together. Myron Hanson, Dick Carlson, Dave Fetrel, Dave Brown, Michelle Terwilliger, Jim Scott, and lots of other guys showed up and went off with the demonstrator station crews, while Jim Newgord, John Karpen, Chris Wilson and I worked on the gallery. And thankfully Irma Carlson and her crew of volunteers kept us well supplied with coffee and cookies. Corky's new lighting system was put together, bleachers delivered and placed by demonstrator's stations, wiring connected, forges installed, lighting, heat, gallery walls up and painted, lighting installed. . .

and then

if you build it, they will come.

This year some storage had moved into the main building and so a demonstrator had moved to another which left more room for the gallery so we repositioned the walls and hoped for more stuff than last year ..

Wow, by the end of the evening my jaw was hanging on my chest. Mary Fredell was busy writing labels and Chris and Judy Stein were hanging work as fast as they could. I had never seen that much fine work at the conference before. Beautiful gates, a whole series of beautiful faux flowers, a photo study of a power hammer project, hangers,

birds, a chair and table set, door knockers, cast bronze, fountains, an incredible forged bronze snapping turtle seven feet long, and another shell for a "smaller"(5ft?) one, a forged bare branch tree on a limestone boulder, mixed media sculpture, glass topped tables forged and/or fabricated, a few fine found old tools, new tools, . By the time the late arrivers had brought in their stuff the next morning we were real glad we had the space.

Jack daSilva showed us some forming over stakes and air and then a bit of detailing over pitch. Elizabeth Brim showed off some of the inflating techniques that have made her famous. (In that sweet southern drawl of hers), Walt Scadden showed a lot of traditional smithing skills and talked a lot about running a successful artisan business. All three of them were delightful commentators, peppering their discussions with anecdotes and jokes to fill the time annealing and heating, and each of them gave a slide presentation of work and recent projects. Don Hammer manned a new English wheel and demonstrated developing shapes with it.

The auctions were fun, the rain didn't dampen our spirits, five lucky people went home with the raffle prizes, Krawczeski took home the Anvils Ring issues, Vicky Brittain got the complete set of Metalsmiths, David Hanson from Duluth got the post vise, Dick Seaberg won the gas forge, and Clinton Salo took home the English Wheel.

And

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suddenly the weekend was over.

And the one of me  
that wanted to be four places at once  
was very tired.

But what a weekend.

Gene

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And from our wonderful, charming,  
efficient, and thoughtful Mary Fredell a list  
of those placing art in the gallery and the  
items they donated to the auction.

#### GALLERY Contributors:

Duane Roll Three cast anvils one with  
hardy hole and hammer  
(Anvil donated to auction=\*)  
Joe Willer Photos of air hammer project  
Marcia McEachron: photos of railing for  
Target  
Alan Olson repousse tool holder  
Cribbage Anvil \*  
Wooden Cone \*  
Andy Weilnski: pulley \*  
Shamrock candle holder\*  
John Yust Storage boxes  
Spatula by Tom Latané  
Charles Yust: Italian fruit pick  
Marlaine Cox: Chair  
Two tables (one \*)  
Dolls head door knocker  
Keith Johnson :2 antique bench vises  
rose \*  
Aluminum railing panel  
Sara Delaney: Copper fountain \*  
Mixed media sphere (4 ) \*  
Monty Bygd: Candle holder \*  
Bill Tannenber Cup Holder\*  
Table  
Bob Fredell Plate holder  
Dave Gavin Gazing ball and hanging ring  
Jesse Gavin candle holder  
Dave and Jesse G: Pine cone candle holder  
Clint Adams Flower Pot holder\*  
Dave Mariette: Fire Pace Screen  
Hanging candle holder\*  
Bill Fiorini Itasca Gate project drawings  
Roger Loyson: Turtle  
Turtle Shell  
Silver Cross  
Gate (design by Bob Walsh)  
Sam Campbell: Blacksmith print  
Judy Stein table  
Mixed media wall sculpture  
Dick Carlson: Banana  
4 candle hanging chandelier\*  
Rose  
Guy Paton Candle holder  
George Lancaster: edition of Guild of  
Metalsmiths bookends.\*  
Bill Krawezeski: pine cones  
Three small lady slippers on  
base \*  
Large yellow lady slipper  
Bare Branch tree on  
Limestone base (eagle by  
Myron Hanson)  
Jeff Benson traveler \* (measuring device)  
Print of sculpture  
Wall mount flower vase



Randy Purchase: Six wood carving tools  
Two knives in sheaths  
Spear Point

Tom Struble two knives penny knife &  
damascus

Lisa Elias Gate for backyard  
Chandelier \*

Valerie Weihman: Bronze Sculpture  
Mask (brass rod & rice paper)

Manuel Coulenga-Hernandez: Glass top  
Table \*

Walt Scadden: Gate Crest

John Adams Lilacs  
Orchid  
Rose  
Christmas Bell  
Scroll tongs  
LARGE nail

Dan Kretchmar: ant

Nathan Robertson: 4 Hammers (2)\*  
Two sledge hammers

Roger Degner: Mauser silage fork  
Shovel Bird\*  
Candle Holder

Mike Frattalone: Five Parrots in a row

Dave Hartwig: Lily  
Rose

Don Halverson: Cast door knocker

Myron Hanson: Bell \*  
Fireplace set for Elsa and Seth  
Eagle

Don Hammer St. Croix branding iron

Mary Fredell: Flower bot hanger

Bob Wilde Four original drawings of  
2000 demonstrators. \*

Tim Berg Hanging candle holder with  
antique glass chimney \*

Houston Cotton: Hand made whisk broom\*

Gene Wiedmuth: Rose

Steve Frykman: Copper trout on stained  
glass

Joe Kamolisch: Sculpture

Mark Widen Gate

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Thanks to All of you for sharing your time  
and talents and making this years Madness  
such a success.

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To whom it may concern,  
I and we (The Guild) are looking for the  
whereabouts and return of a small silver  
(approx 1/2"-3/4" long) cross pein type  
hammer that was part of a Gallery  
display at the recent Fall Conference.  
This hammer is very dear and important

to the person who is missing it.  
Please return it to me soonest and  
complete anonymity will be honored if  
you desire.

Thank you for your cooperation.  
David Feterl - President  
4701 Lenore Lane  
Eagan, MN 55122-2656  
(651)681-0625  
dfeterlorfds@worldnet.att.net

(Perhaps a child borrowed it to show  
someone and forgot to put it back.  
Please ask. - Ed.)

### Directory Updates:

We left space . Get out your pen.

### A hearty welcome to our new Members.

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to: GoM forum@mettleworks.com or FAX  
to 763-441-5846

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### Greetings,

We, (Tom and Kitty Latané,) will  
be participating in the third Coulee Country  
Art and Culture Tour in Pepin and Pierce  
Counties, Wisconsin, on October 5, 6, and  
7, and would like to invite all members of  
the Guild. We will be hosting an open  
house, with ongoing demonstrations of  
blacksmithing and cookie cutter making.  
We've been working hard to make some  
more inventory.

For more details, check  
www.accolagallery.com/arttour, or call us  
at (715)442-2419 for a brochure.

Eight open studios and galleries of artists  
from Pepin & Pierce County, Wisconsin

Friday, October 5 noon to 5pm  
Saturday, October 6 10am to 5pm  
Sunday, October 7 10am to 5pm

- Site # 1 Accola Gallery,  
Durand, WI  
Site #2 Linda Day & Bruce Dunlap Studio  
Cty SS, Arkansas, WI  
Site #3 Diane Millner Studio,  
Goatback Rd., Pepin, WI  
Site #4 Little Plum Pottery,  
Plum Valley Rd. Pepin, WI  
Site #5 BNOX  
404 First St, Pepin, WI  
Site #6 T&C Latané,  
402 2nd St., Pepin, WI  
Site #7 Dragonfly Gallery, LLC,  
Stockholm, WI  
Site #8 Great Oaks Vineyard,  
Maiden Rock, WI

(By the way, the Neptune Gate was finally  
completed and installed! It looks Great! )  
Tom and Kitty Latané

#### Want Ads:

Any notice **MUST** be in my hands by the  
end of the month.

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Tom Latané sent in these two:

#### For Sale

##### Several anvils

contact Mark Devitt in Minneapolis  
612-722-0151 work  
612-481-8570 home

##### Forge and tools

Kyle Greenberg would like to see them  
used by a blacksmith.  
21155 Nowthen Blvd, Elk River, MN  
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Gene Olson, 8600 NE O'Dean Ave, Elk  
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gene@mettleworks.com

#### Lost and Found

##### At the Madness

**Found** one Notebook, closest thing to a  
name on it is Johiem, contains what looks like  
budget layouts and some instructions on how  
to do stuff on a computer. See Mike Frattalone  
to claim

#### Coming in December

The annual banquet and elections  
Want to help run this place?  
We will be electing board members and  
officers at our annual banquet at the CSPS  
Hall in St. Paul.  
If you are interested in helping the Guild  
continue to be the vibrant friendly place it is  
contact one of the Officers or board  
members to get on the ballot.

#### Column Filler:

Found by Mary Fredell:

#### The Trip to Rome

A man was getting a haircut prior to a trip to  
Rome. He mentioned the trip to the barber  
who responded, "Rome? Why would anyone  
want to go there its crowded and dirty and  
full of Italians. You're crazy to go to Rome.

So where are you staying in Rome?"

We'll be staying at the downtown  
international Marriott"

"That Dump! That's the worst hotel in the  
city. The rooms are small, the service is  
surly, and they're over priced. So whatcha  
doing when you get there?"

"We're going to go to see the Vatican,  
and we hope to see the Pope."

"That's rich!" laughed the barber. "You  
and six million other people trying to see  
him. He'll look the size on an ant. Boy,  
good luck on this lousy trip of yours. You  
are going to need it."

A month later the man came again for his  
regular haircut. The barber asked him  
about his tip to Rome. "It was  
wonderful," explained the man. "The  
hotel was great! They'd just finished a  
\$25-million remodeling job, and now it's  
the finest hotel in the city. They were over  
booked so the apologized and gave us the  
presidential suite at no extra charge."

"Well," muttered the barber, "I know you  
didn't get to see the Pope."

"Actually we were quite lucky, for as we  
toured the Vatican, a Swiss Guard tapped  
me on the shoulder and explained that the  
Pope likes to personally meet some of the  
visitors and if I'd be so kind as to step  
into his private room and wait the pope  
would personally greet me.  
"Sure enough, five minutes later, the Pope  
walked through the door and shook my  
hand! I knelt down as he spoke a few  
words to me."

"Really?" asked the Barber. "What did he  
say?"

"He said, 'Where did you get the lousy  
haircut?' "

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Hey, that's all folks!

# Open Forge Workshop

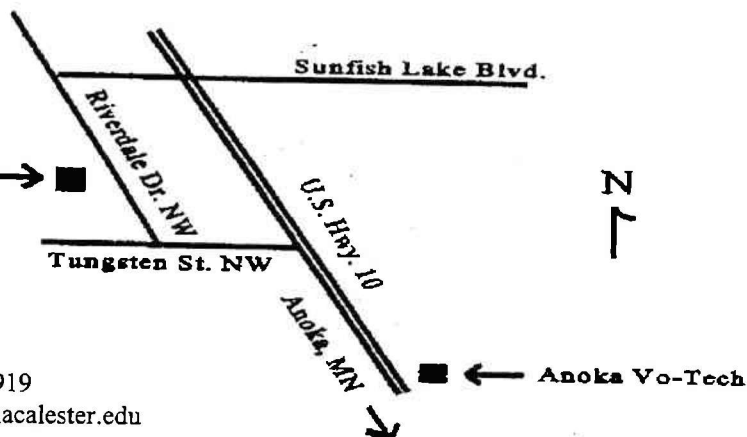
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Minn School of Horseshoeing  
Ramsey MN

Instructor: Bob Johnson  
1302 Osceola Av  
St. Paul, MN 55103

Phone: 651-699-3919  
email: johnson@macalester.edu

School of Horseshoeing →



Cost: \$15

Class size: 8

Description: An open Forge is and opportunity for those without a place to work. Bring your own project or Bob will demonstrate a form or two for those who just want some forge time.

You need to bring: Safety Equipment: safety glasses & ear plugs/protectors are mandatory, other safety equipment may include: gloves, apron, cotton clothing, leather shoes. Bring your favorite bucket of tools.

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## Open Forge

October 27<sup>th</sup> 2001

Mail to: Bob Johnson, 1302 Osceola Ave, St. Paul, MN 55103  
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# Fire Tools Workshop, a study guide project

November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2001 9: AM to 4: PM

Where: Minnesota School of Horseshoeing

Instructors: Bob Johnson  
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Mail registration to: Bob Johnson

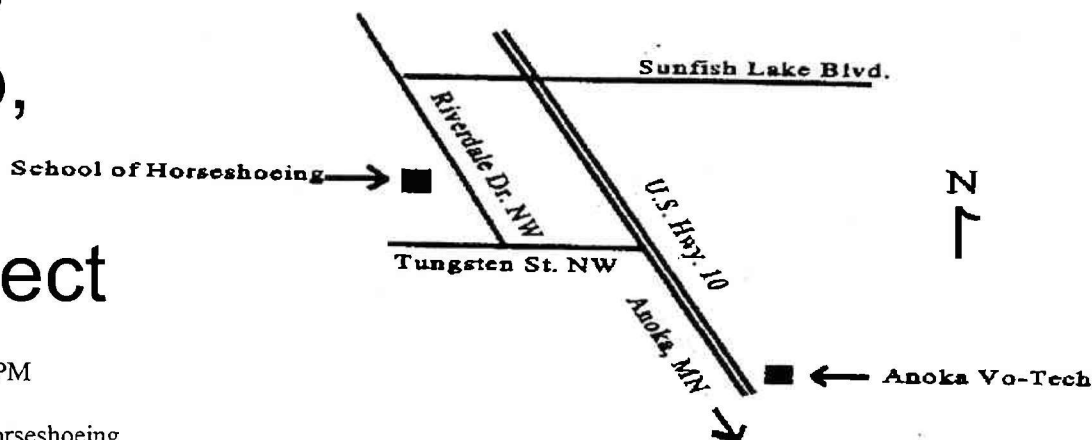
Cost: \$15

Class Size: 8

Description: We will make 1, 2, or 3 of the fire tools in the Blacksmithing Study Guide.

This workshop is for those who have completed the Guild Basics Workshops, or have some smithing experience.

You need to bring Safety Equipment: safety glasses & ear plugs/protectors are mandatory, other safety equipment may include: gloves, apron, cotton clothing, leather shoes. Bring your favorite bucket of tools and a your copy of the Blacksmithing Study Guide if you have one. (Copies avail to members at any meeting, just ask)



## Fire Tools , A Study Guide Project

November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2001

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