

'The Forum'

Celebrating Fifty Years of The Guild of Metalsmiths

"The lyf so short, the craft so long to lerne"

- Geoffrey Chaucer



October 2026

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Coming soon: October 14, 2026, Membership Meeting

Wednesday, October 14, 2026, bi-monthly membership meeting will be held at the Minnesota Transportation Museum, 193 W. Pennsylvania Ave, St. Paul, MN 55130 (map below). The potluck will start at 6:30 PM followed by a short business meeting, show-n-tell and a Martin Pansch demonstration in the blacksmith shop in the roundhouse.

Martin will be demonstrating making historic dovetail hinges. The process will include use of a simple jig in a leg vise to start turning the barrel, a non-critical forge weld, cold punching nail holes, and then cutting and fitting two hinge halves together. These techniques can be used for other light gauge hinges (strap, garnet, H, etc.) or hasps.

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 new members.

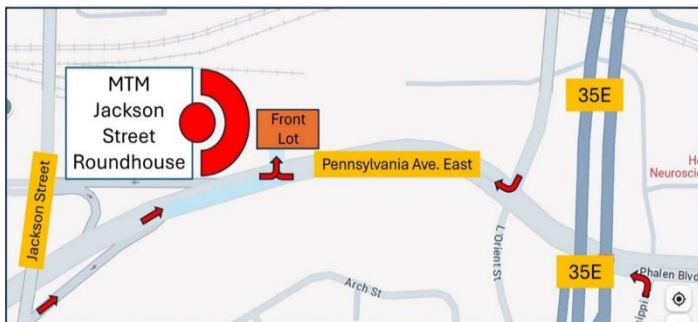
If you have never been to this location, it is a historical train museum. Volunteers have been at work restoring early and out-of-service steam locomotives. You'll also see and be able to tour actual train coaches on tracks in their museum.

Invite someone new who is interested in the world of metalsmithing to the meeting and introduce them to our wonderful community The Guild of Metalsmiths has to offer.

The champion is Kim Maas

(tgom.volunteer@gmail.com), and Gordon Barr

(agbarr@metalsmith.org) is the site contact. Contact either one of them if you have any questions.



Announcing New TGoM 'Print-on-Demand' Logo Store

The Guild of Metalsmiths now has an online store – just in time for the Holidays!

This is a "print-on-demand" store so we can offer a variety of items in multiple sizes and colors without TGoM having to buy and hold inventory. Our initial product offerings include a great selection of TGoM clothing (men's and women's), coffee mugs, wine glasses, tote bags, and so much more. All prices include shipping and tax so the price you see is the total price you pay. Typically, product(s) will arrive in 7-10 days.

Example product shown.



The store can be accessed via the Guild's website under "TGoM Store" or directly via this link:

[Guild of Metalsmiths Store](https://www.metalsmith.org).

Happy shopping!

--Harvey Steele, Treasurer

QUICKNEWS!

When a person becomes a member of The Guild of Metalsmiths, their spouse and minor children also become members of the Guild. Your membership is a "Family Membership!"

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Taste of Blacksmithing-SPPS

Nov. 21. Register with SPPS

Handled Struck Tools

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TGoM Annual Holiday Party!

Dec. 6. CSPPS Hall. Details TBA.

Open Forge Plus One Event

Dec. 13. Details page 2.

Items of 2026 Fall Conference coverage, aka "The Madness," are sprinkled throughout this issue of "The Forum"!

Volunteer Opportunities

The Guild is always looking for volunteers for numerous tasks that keep us in working order. Contact Kim Maas, our Volunteer Coordinator.

tgom.volunteer@gmail.com or text/call 651-328-7219.

Thank you!

The Guild extends our deepest gratitude to our loyal donors for their continued generosity and ongoing support of the Fall Conference Live Auction.

We invite our community to support the businesses that so generously support our mission.

- ♥ Mississippi Welding
1810 Webster St
Hudson, WI 54016
- ♥ Oxygen Service Co.
1111 Pierce Butler Rte.
St Paul, MN 55104
- ♥ Toll Gas & Welding Supply
3005 Niagara Ln. N.,
Plymouth, MN 55447

Fall 2026 Beginners Basic Blacksmithing Class

Date and time: October 3, 10 & 17, 2026; starts at 9 AM, ends between 3 and 5 PM

Location: MN School of Horseshoeing (Map page 7)

Class Description: The beginners' basic classes are designed to give everyone the same understanding of the basics, techniques and terminology. The basic classes or proficiency are 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, Scrolling, Bending, Forge welding.

Instructor: David Skaurud 218 849-4630

skaurud.gom@gmail.com

Class Manager: Kim Maas, 651-328-7219,
tgom.volunteer@gmail.com

Cost: Members: \$200, non-members: \$230. Covers everything you need: the facility, coal, metal tools, and workbook.

Class size: Maximum students: 8 Minimum students: 4

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

Safety Equipment: Eye, ear and skin protection. This includes safety glasses, earmuffs 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. Bring plenty of water to keep hydrated.

Lunch Arrangements: We have a break for lunch. Bring lunch or go to a local restaurant.

To register online: go to The Guild of Metalsmiths website,

<https://www.metalsmith.org/education>

Or to mail in a check, contact class manager's name below, email address and phone number for additional information.

Kim Maas: 651-328-7219 tgom.volunteer@gmail.com

Minors (under 18) must have a parent present. Minors under 14 need one adult per child. There will be no sharing of forges.

Acceptance will be in the order submitted, based on the online transaction date or the date of phone contact. Each person will be notified individually.

Open Forge Plus One October 4 and again December 13

Sunday, October 4 & Sunday, December 13 from 9 am to 4 pm

Location: Minnesota School of Horseshoeing, 6250 Riverdale Drive NW, Ramsey, MN 55303. Map page 7.

The Education Committee is offering a Free Open Forge for Guild Members alone or with a Plus One. If you bring a "Plus One" you will share a forge/anvil station. There are eight forges available for our membership to use. There is no lesson or agenda except to get some iron hot and hit it with a hammer. You can reserve a forge via our website sign-up or by sending Harvey Steele an email, and we will hold a forge for you until 10:00 am. If you just want to stop by and hang out, you are welcome to do so. If there's space at a forge, have at it. This is an excellent opportunity to hang out with and learn from fellow smiths. Beginners are welcome and there are generally people around that can answer questions or provide assistance.

Instructor: Harvey Steele

Class Manager: Harvey Steele, 239-671-8887

hsteele@handeecleat.com

Cost: Free

Tools and Equipment or other items participants are to bring to the class: The Guild provides the space (forges, anvils, etc.) and coal. Please bring your own steel, hammers, tongs, chisels, etc.

Safety Equipment: The usual for forging with coal: Safety glasses (required), hearing protection (recommended), clothing of natural fiber with no cuffs or fraying, gloves, leather boots or shoes.

Other Equipment: Folding chair, if desired.

Lunch Arrangements: Bring your lunch or there are several restaurants in the area.

To register online go to The Guild of Metalsmiths website,

<https://www.metalsmith.org/open-forge/>

or email the class manager listed above to reserve your place.

Minors (under 18) must have a parent present. Minors under 14 need one adult per child.

Intro to Arc Welding 2026

October 17, 2026, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Location: MN Transportation Museum-Jackson Street Roundhouse, map page 3

Instructor: Marty Masters

Class Description: If you've ever wanted to know more about welding, but didn't have a way to do it, here's your chance. There's something mysterious and magical about welding. Welders sit so close to this fountain of sparks that most people would jump back from. They join steel (and other materials) together as if they were one.

This one-day class will be a survey of three common modern arc welding techniques which are appropriate for hobby welding:

- Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW/Stick)
- Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW/MIG)
- Flux Cored Arc Welding (FCAW)

Each technique will be explained and demonstrated. Then the student will have hands-on time to practice.

Class price: \$125 members, \$150 non-members

Class size: max 4, min 2

Class manager: Peter Ellison, peter@matrixrunner.net

Safety Equipment – Wear clothing made of natural fiber with no cuffs or fraying, and leather boots or shoes.



Other Equipment: Proper welding gloves, welding leathers or coat, welding helmet if you have them (We will have loaner equipment if you don't want to buy)

Lunch Arrangements: Bring bag lunch or eat at local restaurant.

To register for Intro to Arc Welding class:

To register online go to The Guild of Metalsmiths website,
<https://www.metalsmith.org/education>

To pay by check, email the class manager (Peter Ellison) to reserve your place in the class and receive additional information on where to mail the check.

Minors (under 18) must have a parent present. Minors under 14 need one adult per child.

Acceptance will be in the order submitted, based on the online transaction date or the date of phone contact. Each person will be notified individually.

Oxy/Acetylene Welding Class 2026

October 17 & 18, 2026, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

Class level: Intermediate To have the best chance of success with an Intermediate class, prospective students should have practiced and achieved proficiency in the skills taught in the Beginners Blacksmithing Class.

Location: East Eagan Shop (Myron Hanson) Map below

Class Description: New to gas welding? Just want to brush up on your basic skills? This class focuses on safety and hands-on learning. Students will be working at individual stations on a shared workbench, with equipment and stock provided. If time permits, bonus demonstrations will show advanced techniques and uses of the oxy/acetylene torch. Tools and equipment will be supplied.

Cost: member: \$200, non-member: \$230

Instructor: Myron Hanson **Class size:** Max: 8 Min: 5

Class Manager: Kim Maas: 651-328-7219

tgom.volunteer@gmail.com

Lunch Arrangements: Pack a lunch or restaurants in the area along with fast food and convenience stores. Bring plenty of water to keep yourself hydrated during the class.

To register for this class:

To register online go to The Guild of Metalsmiths website,

<https://www.metalsmith.org/education>

To pay by check, email the class manager listed above to reserve your place in the class and receive additional information on where to mail the check.

Minors (under 18) must have a parent present. Minors under 14 need one adult per child. There will be no sharing of forges.

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Trivet Class 2026

Saturday, October 24, 2026: 9 am to 5 pm

Location: MN School of Horseshoeing- map page 7

Instructors: Derrick Phillips & David Skaurud

Cost: Member: \$90 non-member: \$110

Class size: Max: 8, Min: 4

Class Manager: Christina Dodge: christina.guildmbr@gmail.com

Class Description: This class is a “Beginner Plus” class. Students will hopefully have finished the Guild’s beginners’ class, as this class will draw on those skills and add some more. The trivet is an introduction to joinery: forging tenons and using a monkey tool and hot riveting. During this class, each person will be making a basic trivet. If you think you might be interested in joinery this is a starting project in that direction.

Tools and Equipment or other items participants are to bring to the class: Tongs to hold ½” square stock and your favorite hammer

Safety Equipment: The usual for forging with coal: gloves, safety glasses, hearing protection, clothing of natural fiber with no cuffs or fraying, and leather boots or shoes.

Special Instructions: We’ll be using coal forges. Please contact Derrick if experience with coal is limited – we might be able to help with fire management so you could still ‘smith with us.

Lunch arrangements: eat at a local establishment or bring a lunch. We’ll break for about an hour. The facilities include a refrigerator and microwave in the classroom area.

To register for this class:

To register online go to The Guild of Metalsmiths website,

<https://www.metalsmith.org/education>

To pay by check, email the class manager listed above to reserve your place in the class and receive additional information on where to mail the check.

Minors (under 18) must have a parent present. Minors under 14 need one adult per child. There will be no sharing of forges.

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Myron Hanson

Take I 494 to Dodd Rd/ MN 149 exit and go South, turn left onto MN 55 and turn right back onto MN 149. Continue South to the sign that says Dodd Road and points right. Turn right, cross the tracks and make an immediate left turn onto Dodd Road. Myron's house is about .7 mi on the right. Coming North on Dodd Rd from Cliff Rd its about 1.8 mi (~.75 mi North of Diffley Rd.

4015 Dodd Rd
Eagan, MN 55123-1612
Home phone: 651-454-3984

Copper Jewelry Class

Date: October 24, 2026

Location: MN Transportation Museum-Jackson Street Roundhouse (Map below left)

Instructors: Stephen and Alissa Olivo.

Register by contacting St. Paul Public Schools at this link:

[St. Paul Public Schools Adult Programs](#)



Happy 90th Birthday,
Dick Carlson!

Cheers & Beers

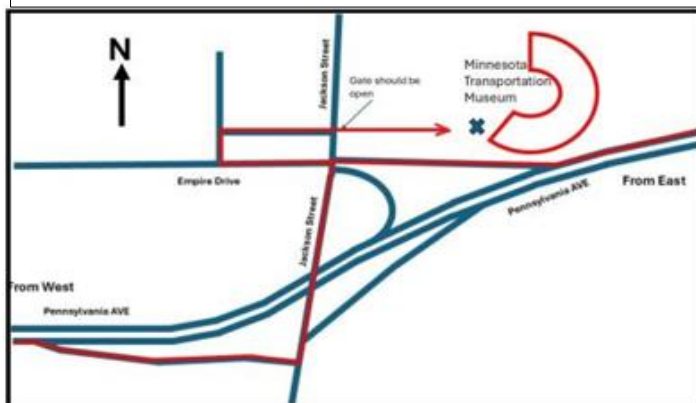
To 90 Years!

Join us in Celebrating
Dick (Blacksmith) Carlson's
90th Birthday!

Sunday, October 11th
at the American
Legion in Downtown
Hastings
from 1-4 pm.

Light snacks will be provided.
No gifts necessary.

Map to Jackson Street Roundhouse at MTM
(Back door opens at 8:30 am.)



Making a Viking Axe 2026

Nov. 14 & 15, 2026, 9 am to 4 pm

Location: MN School of Horseshoeing, -map page 7

Cost: \$180 members, \$210 non-members Class size: Max 8, min 3

Class Description:

This class's goal is to work with wrought iron and make a Viking-style folded asymmetrically welded axe as it would have been done in the past. This is a two-day class. **Day one** will be working with wrought iron to make a small hook to get a feel for wrought iron, and then in the afternoon working with a partner to create the preform of the axe. **Day two** will be creating the eye, forge welding it and welding in the steel for the edge. Then shaping the axe, drawing out the lugs on the eye, the distinctive historical shape. Finally heat treating the axe. Most of the tools and techniques will be from the Viking time, with a few exceptions to make the class more approachable, options will be given to make the entire project using very basic tools.

Forge welding and striker experience is not required. We will learn those processes as part of the class. Note: this class is tong intensive, iron and steel were expensive at the time so working with smaller pieces and controlling them with tongs gives a better experience. The skill level for the class assumes the smith can maintain a coal fire, work with tongs to draw out material, minimal scrolling, moderate hammer control, and forge welding experience is not required. The class should not be your first smithing experience; there is a lot of metal to move.

Instructor: Peter Ellison 763-458-0696

Class Manager: Peter Ellison, peter@matrixrunner.net

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

- 1/2" or 5/8" V bit tongs (able to grab 3/8" to 5/8" round or square stock)
- 1/4" V bit tongs (able to grab 1/4" round or square stock)
- Flat jaw tongs for around 3/4" thick bar
- Forging hammer (1.5-2.5lbs)
- Lightweight forging hammer (.5 lbs.)

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

Other Equipment:

Optional if you have them:

- Adjustable tongs for grabbing angled material (last year's conference class)
- A striker hammer – 6 lbs. to 10 lbs.
- Pickup tongs for fishing out bits that get dropped and delicate placement of steel.
- Parrot jaw tongs (for grabbing the axe eye)
- Hot rasp
- Hot cut chisel (the longer the better or a handle struck version)

Lunch Arrangements: No lunch planned, there will be a one-hour break from noon to one.

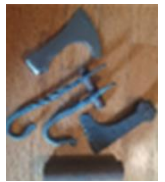
To register for this class:

To register online go to The Guild of Metalsmiths website, <https://www.metalsmith.org/education>

To pay by check, email the class manager listed above to reserve your place in the class and receive additional information.

Minors (under 18) must have a parent present. Minors under 14 need one adult per child. There will be no sharing of forges.

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Handled Struck Tools Class 2026

Saturday, Dec. 5, 2026, Time: We gather at 8 AM at the MN School of Horseshoeing, Ramsey Minn. We do introductions, safety, and review the literature that gets sent out when people register. Then at 9 AM we are in the shop.

Location: MN School of Horseshoeing (map page7)

Class level: *Intermediate

*To have the best chance of success with an Intermediate class, prospective students should have practiced and achieved proficiency in the skills taught in the Beginners Blacksmithing Class.

Instructor: Bob Brown with others; **Class Manager:** Jesse Gavin, 715-808-5891 jagavin6273@hotmail.com

Cost: Member: \$100.00, non-member: \$130.00

Class size: max 8, min 4

Class Description: We will use 4140 AN steel; 5/8 and 3/4 diameter. We use this alloy because it is well known, makes a good tool and makes a good example for teaching heat treating. The handle will be whatever Bob wants it to be as long as it uses 1018 rod. Special quench oil is supplied courtesy of the Northfield VFW. The instructor's goal for the workshop is to make students comfortable with the process of forging and heat-treating tools from nominal tool steel. A secondary goal is to have the students comfortable with the use of treadle hammers. We expect to have three treadle hammers of different styles available. **Full instructions for this class will appear in the November "Forum."**

Tools and Equipment or other items participants are to bring to the class: Your favorite hammer, tongs to hold 3/4 stock and 1/4-5/16 stock.

Safety Equipment: The usual for forging with coal: gloves, safety glasses, hearing protection, clothing of natural fiber with no cuffs or fraying, and leather boots or shoes.

To register online, go to The Guild of Metalsmiths website, <https://www.metalsmith.org/education>

To pay by check, email the class manager listed above to reserve your place in the class and receive additional mailing information.

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Thank You to The Guild of Metalsmiths

A heartfelt thank you to the TGoM group for the wonderful hospitality this past weekend!

It was so nice to reconnect with a few familiar faces, meet some new folks, and enjoy a great weekend together.

Thank you for making us feel so welcome and for putting together such a wonderful Fall Conference. Kudos to all those who organized and volunteered their time.

Until next time!

Terry and Cheryl Good Sheridan



2026 Rice County Steam and Gas Engine Show

Martin Pansch was the smith in charge of this summer's Rice County event held during Labor Day weekend. The three photos on the left are good illustrations of The Guild's smiths volunteering at the well-equipped blacksmith shop at the show in Dundas. **Top** is Dan Kral who was forging stakes and steak turners. We were both blacksmiths at Fort Snelling, only 25 years apart.



Middle is Wes Peterson and Dean Ziegenbein who were there on one of the hottest Fridays I can remember out there. Dean was turning tiny cannons for his battleship. **Bottom** is Rick Wessling forging a leaf.

Martin says, "Unfortunately, I didn't get a photo of Lou Groth who was also there in his natural environment, forging tiny spoons and swords for the masses."



August 2026 Touchmark Class

Front row: Rob Bullis, Christina Dodge, Zach Christiansen. Back row: Stephen Olivio – Lead instructor, Derrick Phillips – assistant instructor, Mike Masters, Don Hallgen. Not photo'd: Laurel Larkin and Kim Maas – class champions.

New attraction at 'The Madness!'



Greg and Terri Lind helped introduce The Guild's new popcorn wagon during the fall conference on September 18, 19, and 20, 2026. They popped the first batch and bagged it up...a popular feature at "The Madness!"

2026 Fall Conference Contest Auction Winners: *Unique Towel Holder*



As a result of The Guild's annual Fall Conference Contest auction, three entries earned prizes as listed below. Designers and buyers of these donated works of art were (left to right):

- **First prize: Martin Pansch and Mary Ann Moenck, "Dragonfly" \$170**
- **First prize: Myron Hanson and Georgia Myers, "Metal Stand" \$170**
- **Third prize: Jesse Gavin and Kathleen Miest, "Floral Paper Towel Holder" \$120**

You might notice that there were two first prizes! That's because they each earned the same selling price during the auction. The proceeds were split between the two blacksmiths: Myron and Martin! Each received \$80 cash, and Jesse received \$40.

2026 TGoM Fall Conference Happenings

Terry Sheridan demos for Guild's Fall Conference



The Guild welcomed self-employed machinist, welder, and blacksmith Terry Sheridan and his weaver wife, Cheryl, from Collingwood, Ontario, Canada. On a very rainy Saturday, we not only watched Terry's demonstrations of tools and items related to heavy industry and ski resorts across Ontario but also watched, the night before, a well-illustrated slide show of his personal tool collections and his home facilities in the Collingwood area built by Terry himself. His demos attracted dozens of onlookers during his 2-day stint at the conference in Ellsworth.

The photos below show Terry describing slides of features at his home base in Collingwood, and two favorite anvils, the larger of which weighs a half ton.

Cheryl Sheridan is a weaver who works in her own shop with multiple looms and sock machines. She is the clerical and publicity support for herself and for Terry.



2026 Pre-Conference Class: 'Two-Lily Necklace' by Ellen Durkan



Front row: Peter Ellison, Bob Brown, Wayne Olson Back row: Cody Myers, Rob Bullis, Martin Pansch, Rick Wessling, Derrick Phillips, Ellen Durkan - Instructor, Janice Sime, Mike Garrett. Photo by Jesse Gavin.



Artist blacksmith Ellen Durkan shared her unique talents with Guild members both as a conference demonstrator and as a teacher for our two-day pre-conference class. Assisting Ellen was Guild member Rick Wessling.

Ellen Durkan demos for Guild's Fall Conference

The Guild welcomed Ellen Durkan from Iron Maiden Forge in Wilmington Delaware. She shared her unique talents during both the pre-conference class and the two-day conference.

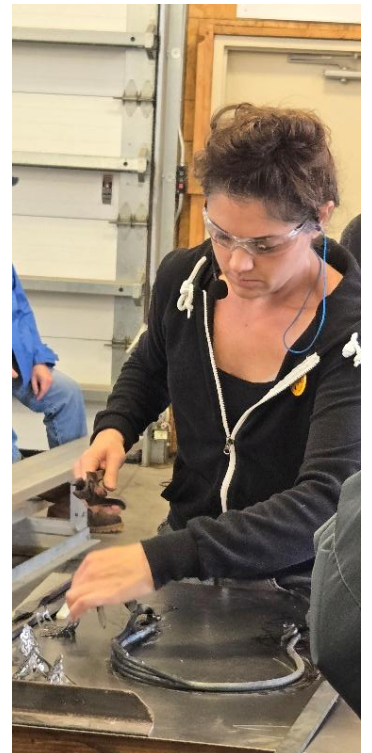
Ellen's talents are multi-faceted. She shares her wearable art in exhibitions on her website and via runway style shows, among other settings.

Guild members were engrossed in Ellen's Friday evening slide show where she pointed out examples of her distinctive talents. She noted that her preference is to create wearable metal art for women, whose figures she considers most inspirational.

Ellen conducts workshops and classes and has been in the business for over 22 years. She holds a Master's degree in Fine Arts, Sculpture and a Bachelor's degree in Fine Arts.

Visit her website:

<https://www.ellendurkan.com/home.html>



Ellen Durkan did a step-by-step demo of a piece of her wearable art during The Guild's Fall Conference.

Two-Lily Necklace Video with Guild Members!

If you are a Facebook user, go to Ellen's page to view a video of the Pre-Conference Class where Guild members forged AND modeled their own two-lily necklaces!

Guild Members: Are You Aware?

Most membership meetings are the second Wednesday of February, April, June, August, and October. Date for December will be announced. **Watch each Forum for date and location changes.** 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).

You as a Guild member may attend any of the Guild's Committee meetings and Board of Directors meetings. You do not need to be a member of the committee or the board to attend any of these meetings. All are done on computers using *Zoom*. Meetings are from 7:00pm - 9:00pm. You may attend these meetings from the comfort of your home.

To attend any of the meetings, email a request to the following people and request to be invited to the meeting. They will then email you an invitation with a link to the meeting.

Board of Directors meeting, contact: Martin Masters email at: martin.masters@metalsmith.org

Meetings are held every other month on the second Wednesday of the month, January, March, May, July, September, and November.

Communication Committee, contact: Kim Maas by email at: tgom.volunteer@gmail.com. Meetings are held monthly on the fourth Thursday of the month.

Education Committee, contact: Kim Maas by email at: tgom.volunteer@gmail.com. Meetings are held monthly on the first Thursday of the month.

Program Committee, contact: Derrick Phillips by email at: derrickphillipsa3o3@gmail.com

Meetings are held monthly on the third Thursday of the month. The best way for you to know what is happening within the Guild is to attend these meetings. This is where all the decisions are made. You have ideas and suggestions for the Guild, come to the meeting that pertains to your ideas or suggestions and share. Ideas and suggestions are welcome.

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

October 2026

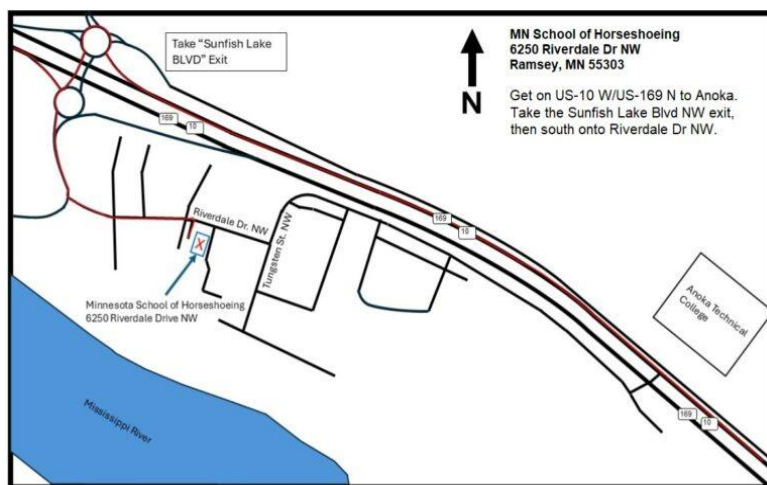
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Map: MN School of Horseshoeing

Join The Guild of Metalsmiths

Send \$50 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
193 Pennsylvania Ave E
St. Paul MN 55130

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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.**



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."

To reach our website quickly, just scan the QR code below.

October 2026



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 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:

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