

'The Forum'



August 2024

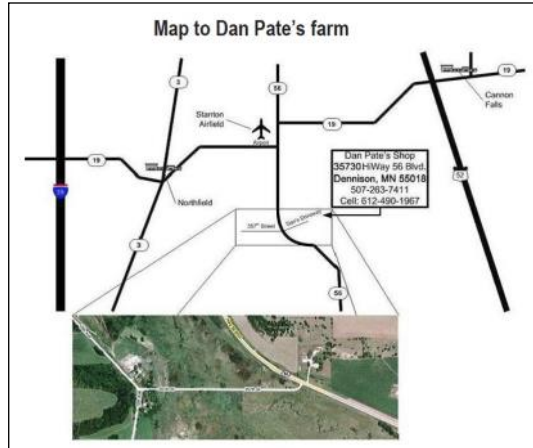
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Visit our website at <https://www.metalsmith.org>

Corn Feed & Hog Roast Wednesday, August 14

TGoM members and families will gather at the country home of Dan and LuAnn Pate, 35730 Highway 56 Blvd, Dennison MN 55018 on Wednesday, August 14 at 6:00 p.m. for annual bash to partake of our corn feed and hog roast. Show up any time during this day to watch and/or participate in demonstrations.

- Herb Fick has the hog ordered will have his mobile hog roaster on site, along with his dedicated prep crew.
 - Roger Degner, backed up by Dick Carlson, has the sweet corn "ordered" and will have it there, peeled and ready, along with the paraphernalia required to cook it.
 - Additional help is required for set up and clean up.
 - Bring your show n' tell items and a dish to pass. Herb suggests salads and desserts!
 - Myron will supply a forge for demonstrations. Brendan Stevens will demonstrate.
- See you there! Demos all day.



QUICKNEWS



Sign up ASAP to help at the August Corn/Pig feed

Contact Kim Maas at

tgom.volunteer@gmail.com
651-328-7219

Helpers needed:

1. Set-up Crew Aug. 14, 8 am
2. Clean-up Crew Aug. 15, 8 am

Pre-Conference Class

September 19 & 20

Class with Mark Aspery. Register page 2.

2024 Fall Conference is

September 20, 21, 22

Plan now to attend TGoM's 47th annual Fall Conference held once again at the Pierce County Fairgrounds in Ellsworth WI. Featuring blacksmithing demonstrations by Mark Aspery from Springville, CA and Peter Braspeninx from Grand Rapids, MI.

Help needed for registration desk at Fall Conference!

Contact Taya by email:

Gavin1137@hotmail.com and sign up to assist with registration.

2024 Summer Volunteer Ops

Posted on page 5, summer 2024 events for which you can volunteer! There is a wide variety of opportunities to help out and/or learn!

Also: are you looking for other volunteer opportunities and not sure whom to talk to? Contact: Kim Maas, Volunteer Coordinator at:

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

Upcoming Classes

Watch for details in the September Forum

1. Engraving Class, register page 2
2. Oct. 4-5, O/A Welding
3. October 5, Beginners Class A-1
4. October 29, Betty Lamp-register page 2



TGoM's 47th Annual Fall Conference September 20, 21, 22

Featuring Blacksmithing Demonstrations by:

Mark Aspery from Springville, CA and Peter Braspeninx from Grand Rapids, MI

Including pre-conference class with Mark Aspery, gallery, live auction, tailgating, onsite camping, great food, and events for the entire family!

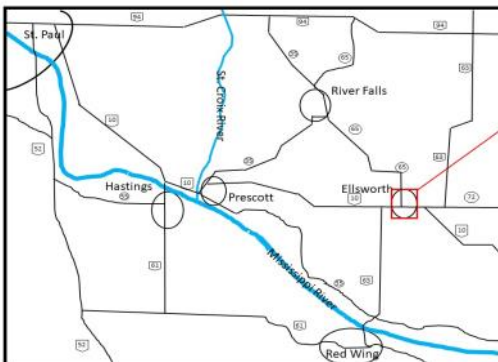
Submit your best "Bottle Opener or Picture Frame" to the live auction for the chance to win cash prizes! (additional details at right). Free attendance for members and non-members on Saturday after 5 pm for viewing of the gallery & participation in the live auction.

Come join us!

Location: The Pierce County Fairgrounds
364 N. Maple St., Ellsworth, WI (Map below)

Full details in your conference brochure mailed out recently and also available on our website at the link below:

<https://www.metalsmith.org/fall-conference/#>



Map to Pierce County Fair, Ellsworth, WI

2024 Fall Conference 2-Contest Theme

Design & create a unique item for one of two contests.

- Basic contest will be a **Bottle Opener**.
- Advance contest will be a **Picture Frame**.

You may enter *one* contest, not both. Contest is open to all. Must be made of metal. All entries must be donated to the Saturday auction.

Auction sale price will determine winners.

Basic Contest cash prizes will be awarded.

First Place: \$50
 Second Place: \$30
 Third Place: \$20

Advance Contest cash prizes will be awarded.

First Place: \$100
 Second Place: \$60
 Third Place: \$40

TGoM Online Store Held Over a Week!

Check details on page 4

2024 Pre-Conference 2-Day Class: Latch Hook & Fire Poker

Thursday and Friday, September 19 & 20, 2024, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm each day

Instructor: Mark Aspery, one of our 2024 Fall Conference demonstrators

Location: Pierce County Fairgrounds, 364 North Maple Street, Ellsworth WI (map page 3)

Class limit: Max 12 Cost: \$225 members; \$265 non-members.

Class Description: This year's pre-conference class attendees will be working on items from the Level I and Level II national curriculum. They will be making a latch and hook and a fire poker. Mark will be working with students to progress through the Level I and Level II skills required to create each piece.

The class will generally follow the ABANA National Curriculum as the syllabus. Check out the ABANA website under education for more information on the Level I and Level II curriculum. [National Curriculum for Blacksmiths & Instructors – ABANA \(www.abana.org/education/national-curriculum\)](http://www.abana.org/education/national-curriculum)

Tools & equipment students should bring to class: Anvil and forge, tongs for 3/4" x 1/4" bar stock, tongs for 1/4" round, tongs for 3/4" round, cross peen hammer and wire brush. Additional tools may be added to the list later.

Safety: Ear protection and goggles.

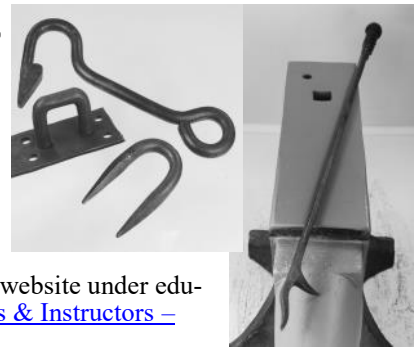
Lunch: bring a lunch or dine at one of the local establishments in Ellsworth.

To register for this class online: <https://www.metalsmith.org/education/pre-conference-class/>

To register for this class by check: Send a check written to The Guild of Metalsmiths and your contact info to: Rick Wessling, 3442 Washington Ave N, Minneapolis, MN 55412. Please include your email address so I may notify you of acceptance to the class.

Questions? Email rgwessling@gmail.com

Acceptance priority for this class will be determined by postmark, and each person will be notified individually.



Engraving Class 2024

Date & time: September 28 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Location: MTM-Jackson Street Roundhouse, 193 Pennsylvania Ave, St. Paul MN 55130

Instructor: William Breczinski brecwill@gmail.com

Cost: \$75 **Class size:** max 8, min 4

Description: This is a class on how to add decorations to your metal project. Engraving is a time-honored art form that can be as simple as a few scratches to as intricate as a fowling piece fit for royalty.

Personally, I've wanted to add this skill to my collection for a long time, which is why I've organized this class. William Breczinski was the recipient of an educational grant from the Guild and this is his first opportunity to share the knowledge that he gained. The class requires no previous experience.

Class Manager: Martin Masters mastersmw@yahoo.com 651-285-8731

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

Safety Equipment – Eye and ear protection

Lunch Arrangements: Bring your own food. There are restaurants in the area.

To register online: [click here to our website Education page](#)

To register for this class with a check: Send a check for \$75 written to The Guild of Metalsmiths to:

Martin Masters

395 Bucher Ave.

Shoreview, MN 55126

Contact Marty with questions. mastersmw@yahoo.com or 651-285-8731

Acceptance will be in the order submitted, based on the online transaction date or postage date, and each person will be notified individually.



Betty Lamp Class 2024

Date and Time: 19 October 2024, Start time 8:00am

Location: MN School of Horseshoeing (map page 7)

Instructor: Martin Pansch, 612-599-4762 blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com

Cost: \$60 **Class size:** Maximum 5 students

Class Description: A Betty lamp is an 18th century oil lamp of Germanic origin that could use any number of household oils (fish oil, fat trimmings, bacon grease, etc.) In this class we will be making Betty lamps by cutting, filing, and bending pieces from thin sheet metal. Pieces will be held together by small rivets while we braze the bottom in the coal forge to make it water (oil) tight. The top will include a light hinge. The forging in this class is minimal and light, making rivets and the spine. Some students may not finish the lamp during class time.

Class Manager: Marty Masters Contact Marty with questions: mastersmw@yahoo.com or 651-285-8731

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

A forging hammer, a small (8 oz or so) cross peen, a medium size flat mill file, small/jewelers square files, a hacksaw with fine blade (18 or 24 TPI), small cold chisel, vernier calipers, long flux spoon, borax flux, tongs for 1/8", center punch, scribe, fine Sharpie. For making small rounds and square holes (1/8" or so) you can either bring a drill and bits or small punches. If you have a vise with good jaws that you can bring that would be helpful.

Safety Equipment – safety glasses, ear plugs, natural fiber clothing (nothing that will melt).

Lunch Arrangements: You can either bring lunch or grab something from one of the local dining establishments.

To register online: [click here to our website Education page](#)

To register for this class with a check: Send a check for \$75 written to The Guild of Metalsmiths to:

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47th Annual TGoM Fall Conference Info

Events Schedule

Friday, September 20

10:00 am General Conference Setup

11:00 am Gallery Setup

Tailgate Corral Opens

Around 5:00 pm

Potluck Supper!

Pot Luck starts when set-up for the conference is completed

After Supper: Gala Party/Gallery

Opening Demonstrator's Slide Show

Saturday, Sept. 21

7:30 am Registration Opens

7:30 am - 9:00 am Breakfast

9:00 am - 12:00 pm Demonstrations

9:00 am Family Activities:

Simple Necklace and Bracelet

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Found Art

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch

1:30 pm Family Activities:

Stampin' Up Greeting Card

Creations

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Demonstrations

5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Supper

6:30 pm Auction Begins

Sunday, September 22

7:30 am Registration Opens

7:30 am - 9:00 am Breakfast

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

Demonstrations

9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Family Activities:

Altoid Tin

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch

1:00 pm Gallery Closes

1:00 pm-3:00 pm Demonstrations

3:00 pm Mini Auction Begins

3:15 pm Closing/Cleanup

Fall Conference Registration Form can be found in the brochure you received in the mail, or [online here](#):

Conference entrance is cost per family

Full weekend pass = \$45 One day pass = \$30

Conference meals = cost per person. They include:

Saturday breakfast \$10, Saturday lunch \$12, Saturday dinner \$15, Sunday breakfast \$10, and Sunday lunch \$12. See your brochure for full menu.

Meals catered by:

Ptacek's IGA, Prescott, WI.

Camping

Primitive camping is available free of charge.

Electrical hook-up = \$25 per day

Annual membership—new or renew = \$30

When you fill out your form, please include names of all attendees, your address, and phone number.

Early registration will be greatly appreciated.

Mail registration in by September 1, 2024 to:

The Guild of Metalsmiths

P.O. Box 72

Hudson, WI 54016

For questions or late registration options contact:

- Larry Wasmund, Guild President (507) 469-0205
poundedtreasures@gmail.com
- Derrick Phillips, Program Committee Chair (651) 230-2363
DerrickPhillipsA3o3@gmail.com
- Taya Gavin, Treasurer (715) 781-4389
Gavin1137@hotmail.com

Auctions

Please bring items for the Saturday auction.

We will be holding our traditional auction Saturday evening. We are asking our Guild members to bring items they have made or items that have fallen out of favor. These items may become another's treasure.

Please remember that this auction is how we garner most of our operating capital, so please be generous!

Sunday's mini auction will be of the demonstrators' weekend works.

Tailgaters!

Tailgating is encouraged! Every tailgater is requested to donate an item to the Saturday night auction.

TGoM Education Committee

Tailgate

Please bring items for TGoM Education Committee

Tailgate.

Proceeds will help fund the Rich Herman Memorial education fund (youth-focused classes).

- Managed by The Education Committee

New! Craft sale at 2024 Fall Conference

Plans are progressing for a new event at the 2024 Fall Conference

- Sale will be in registration building next to the Guild Gear Sale area.
- Will be open Friday during the "Gala," Saturday before and after the auction, and Sunday.
- Displays will be on similar tables for participants.
- A committee of volunteers is working on further details.

Check your Fall Conference brochure, filled with details.

Family Activities at the Conference

Simple Necklace and Bracelet

Saturday 9 am

Learn how to make a Simple Necklace and Bracelet. \$5 per piece.

Liz McLean, instructor.

Class limits - 10 people per class. Pre-registration is not required.

Stampin' Up Greeting Card Creations

Saturday 1:30 pm

Have fun creating custom greeting cards using stamps. \$5 fee.

Terri Lind, instructor.

No class limits. Pre-registration is not required.

Pay Liz & Terri on the day of class. Cash only, no checks or credit cards.

Altoid Tin Repoussé

Sunday 9:00 am - Noon

Learn fun ways to decorate Altoid tins.

Free class. Jesse Gavin, Instructor.

Found Art

9:00 am - 4:00 pm Saturday!

Herb Fick and company will weld whatever you find on the hay wagon into your very own art creation. **Free.**

Collect, donate, and bring scrap metal, flatware, auto parts, broken tools, etc. for the Found Art Wagon!

Magnetic Art

Design and build magnetic/ferrous creations.

Free all weekend!

Family Activities Contact:

Kim Maas

cell (651) 328-7219

e-mail:

TGoM.volunteer@gmail.com

Hotels & Motels

Ellsworth, WI

David Motel
Lodge

W7670 US Hwy 10
Ellsworth, WI 54011
715-273-3333

River Falls, WI

Best Western
100 Spring Street
River Falls, WI 54022
715-425-1045

Country Inn
1525 Commerce
Court
River Falls, WI 54022
715-425-9500

Econo Lodge
1207 Saint Croix St.
River Falls, WI
715-425-8388

Yoo-hoo!

TGoM Online Store held over a week!

Our Guild clothing shop is remaining open for another week! It was slated to close yesterday (July 31). While we will have a new t-shirt at the Fall Conference in September, this is your last chance to get the Guild logo on a variety of clothing besides t-shirts.

Check it out! To order last minute items, click the link below and enter this code

THEGUILD24

<https://larsonsprinting.itemorder.com/shop/>

Thank you, Little Log House Blacksmiths!

On the weekend of July 26, 27, & 28, the blacksmith shop at Little Log House in Miesville MN rang with the clangs of volunteer blacksmiths organized by Dick Carlson, the smith in charge. Check out the photos below that illustrate what visitors to the annual Little Log House Antique Power Show found when they stopped by. Thanks to Kim Maas for these photos.



Roger Degner fascinated spectators with his forging outside the shop.



Above: Myron Hanson showed off his umpteenth steak turner. Below: Bob Brown strived to organize the tools he needed.



Above: Gordon Barr and Gary Myers occupied the forge inside the shop.



Lou Groth demonstrating at the Rice County Fair.

Volunteers at Rice County Fair July 17-24, 2024

Photo by Bill West

Lou Groth has been demonstrating at the Rice County Fair in Faribault, MN for about twelve years.

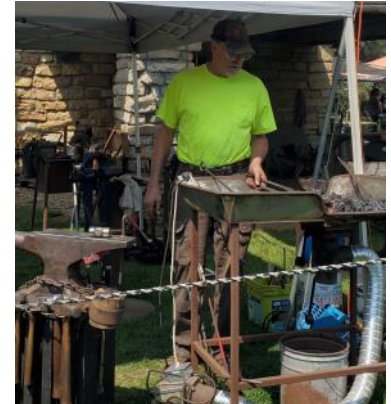
Bill West assisted with demonstrating a half a day on Thursday. On Friday Myron Hanson stopped by for a couple of hours.

When demonstrating at this venue, the demonstrator needs to bring all the equipment they need.

Thank you Lou Groth, Bill West, and Myron Hanson.



Left: And here's John McDonald hard at work. Jesse Gavin (left, with hand on hip) merely chuckled. In the background, Bossman Dick Carlson and Dewey Roll conferred on a project in the works.



Above: Lou Groth demonstrated to this interested onlooker how he creates a horseshoe nail spoon.

2024 Volunteer Demonstration Opportunities

Date	Event	Location	Champion & contact information
3 August	Fisherman's Picnic	Grand Marais, MN	Contact champion for additional information Don Hammer, carshaper@yahoo.com , Bally's Blacksmith Shop 218-370-0122
2-4 August	Scott/Carver Thresher Show	Jordan MN	Steve Mitton, mittonps@gmail.com , 612-819-2693
8 - 11 August	Pierce County Fair	Ellsworth, WI	Jesse Gavin, jagavin6273@hotmail.com
9 - 11 August	Almelund Threshing Show	Taylor Falls, MN	Patrick Sullivan, smokiemilo@gmail.com 651-894-3765
10 August	Torii, Finland Heritage Ctr	Finland, MN	Don Hammer, carshaper@yahoo.com , 218-370-0122
17 August	Spelmansstämman	Gammelgarden Museum, Scandia, MN	Ann Rinkenberger, director@gammelgardenmuseum.org
16 - 17 August	Corcoran Country Daze	Corcoran, MN	No Guild representative. Contact site directly at corcorancountrydaze@gmail.com 612-314-3232
17 - 18 August	Nowthen Threshing Show	Nowthen, MN	Christina Dodge, christina.guildmbr@gmail.com
24 - 25 August	Pioneer Power Show	Le Sueur, MN	No Guild representative. No contact information.
24 - 25 August	Donnelly Threshing Bee	Donnelly, MN	Larry Wasmund, poundedtreasures@gmail.com 651-322-6626
30 August - 1 September	Rice County Steam & Gas Engine Show	Dundas, MN	Martin Pansch, blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com 612-599-4762
6 - 8 September	Lamberton Hot Iron Days	Lamberton, MN	Bob Brown, Bbrown474@msn.com , 651-260-2749
7-8 September	Civil War Days, LeDuc Historic Estate	Hastings, MN	Features 1860-era reenactors, family activities, and educational opportunities. Blacksmith wanted. Ryan Kuchta ryan.kuchta@co.dakota.mn.us
14 - 15 Sept	Laura Ingalls Wilder Days	Pepin, WI	Tom Latané, tclatan@gmail.com , 715-442-2419
?? September	41st Annual Threshing Festival	1726 600th St, Kiester MN	Dewey Rol, 651-590-3634 (leave message)
TBA	Pumpkin Train	Dresser, WI	Gordon Barr, agbarr@aol.com , 952-894-4821
Most wknds	The Landing / Three Rivers Park District	Shakopee, MN	No Guild representative, Contact site directly. Zachary.Mohlis@threeriversparks.org , 763-694-1139
Memorial Day			Michael.Murray@threeriversparks.org , 763-694-7788
Thru Labor Day			Main number for Three Rivers 763-694-7784
Various dates thru the year.	Boy Scout Blacksmith Merit Badge	Ramsey, MN	Gordon Barr, agbarr@aol.com , 952-894-4821
	At the MN School of Horseshoeing		
TBD	Boy Scout Fall Camporee	Carver, MN	Contact & contact information -TBD.
Various dates thru the year.	Jackson Street Roundhouse, Minnesota Transportation Museum	St. Paul, MN	Gordon Barr, agbarr@aol.com , 952-894-4821

Contact the Champions and see what you can do to help with any of these events.

If you know of an event where a Guild member is demonstrating but not listed, please email TGoMvolunteer@gmail.com to get it listed. Information needed for listing: event name, date(s), location, brief description of event, champion's name, and contact information. Thank You!!

New demo opportunity

I am the site supervisor for the Leduc Historic Estate in Hastings Minnesota. On September 7th and 8th we are holding a community event titled "Civil War Days". The event features reenactors, family activities, and educational opportunities around the 1860s. We have had metal smiths on site in the past, but it appears our contact has retired. I was wondering if it would be possible to have someone to work on site for those days?

Thank you for your time,
Ryan Kuchta
ryan.kuchta@co.dakota.mn.us

TGoM Membership Perks

Discounts

Learn about the companies that are giving The Guild of Metalsmiths discounts. 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:

Please see The Guild of Metalsmiths website for information regarding discounts and products available:

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

Sneak Peak: October 9 Membership Meeting on Metals

Ellad Tadmor is a U of M aerospace professor, and he will be our program on October 9 at Christ the King Lutheran church (8600 Freemont Ave S in Bloomington).

He spoke to us years ago at the Historic Fort Snelling Auditorium with a combined meeting with the MN Clockmakers Guild.

I looked at his fall class load and he is teaching **Continuum Mechanics**-it's about "Concepts common to all continuous media; elements of tensor analysis; motion, deformation, vorticity; material derivatives; mass, continuity equation; balance of linear, angular momentum; geometric characterization of stress; constitutive equations."

If you are over 62, you can take the classes for the price of books and parking. It's course # is AEM5501. Don't know about you, but I don't think I would be his best student! Watch for full details in the September *Forum*.

Richard Zielike

New 'Iron Menagerie' book

The new version of The Guild of the IRON MENAGERIE work-book is available to purchase! Cost \$20 (+\$10 S/H if mailed). Contact person: Peter Bettenberg tgomeditor@gmail.com



TGoM now has a 'Discord Account'

What is Discord? Discord is an instant messaging and VoIP social platform. The service converts your voice into a digital signal that travels over the Internet. Users have the ability to communicate with voice calls, video calls, text messaging, media, and files in private chats or as part of communities called "servers"

Invitations went out in October 2023 to all our members by email. If you did not get an invitation and want Discord, please contact Kim Maas by email at tgom.volunteer@gmail.com and you will be sent an invitation by email.

Tunnel Mill Crafts

We are located in southern Minnesota near Spring Valley. All classes are taught at 28036 County Rd 1, Spring Valley, MN 55975



For more information on any of the classes or to register, contact us at jc-adams@msn.com, or call 507-289-4189 Carol Adams.

2024 Upcoming Classes and Events

Damascus with Rick Furrer
Damascus knife with handle
August 16, 17, 18

Swivel Jaw Tongs Class with Tom Latane'
October 25, 26 and 27, 2024

Students will forge a pair of tongs having one jaw that pivots allowing the tongs to grasp a range of sizes of stock and grip tapered items such as axes.



Check the Tunnel Mill website for full details on these classes:
<http://www.tunnelmillcrafts.com>

Our neighborhood of smiths

The Guild of Metalsmiths (TGoM)

Most membership meetings are the second Wednesday of February, April, June, August, and October, except December. For most 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). To check your membership expiration date, see the mailing label on your latest copy of "Metalsmith."

President: Larry Wasmund poundedtreasures@gmail.com
612-599-4762

Vice-President: Paul Widenhoefer pwidenhoefer@gmail.com
952-930-0070

Our website is: <https://www.metalsmith.org>

Badger Blacksmiths

President: Dave Weiss Newsletter editor: John Grump
715-379-5007 715-829-4559

diamondmetalworks13@gmail.com

johngrump@att.net

website: <https://sites.google.com/site/badgerblacksmiths/>

Lake Superior Metalsmiths

Lake Superior Metalsmiths (LSM) meet the fourth Saturday of the month. Potluck at noon with meeting to follow.

Contacts are:

Charley Brown, President, CharleyRB@charter.net
218-428-7906

Dave Hanson, VP, duluthblacksmith@yahoo.com
218-391-4466

Northern Minnesota Metalsmiths

The NMM meets the first Monday of the month at Lake Itasca Region Pioneer Farmers (LIRPF) show grounds, 1/4 mile east of the north entrance to Itasca State Park. Contact Jeff Olson for monthly specifics at olsonironworks@gmail.com. The NMM's website is <https://www.northernminnesotametalsmiths.com/>

Chicago Avenue Fire Arts Center (CAFAC)

Quarterly blacksmithing classes, exhibits, and open house events.
www.cafac.org email: info@cafac.org

Tunnel Mill Crafts

Blacksmith shop, traditional iron work, classes
Located 20 miles south of Rochester MN, near Spring Valley MN.
507 289-4189 or 507 289-5246
Email: Carol Adams jc-adams@msn.com,
<http://www.tunnelmillcrafts.com/>

Sandy Lake Forge on Raspberry Island

Blacksmith shop offering classes, workshops and more. See raspberryslandfolkschool.blogspot.com for details or call: 218-851-6085
Gary and Janet Hill
Raspberry Island
50569 218th Place
McGregor, MN 55760

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



- **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).
- Education Comm. meets first Thursday of each month. Contact Martin Masters, mastersmw@yahoo.com
- Program Comm. meetings are 7 pm the third Thursday monthly. Derrick Phillips, co-chair DerrickPhillipsA3o3@gmail.com
- Most board meetings are the second Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November via ZOOM.

August 2024 Events

See page 5 for all summer volunteer opportunities
 Aug. 14, TGoM Membership Meeting at Dan Pate's.

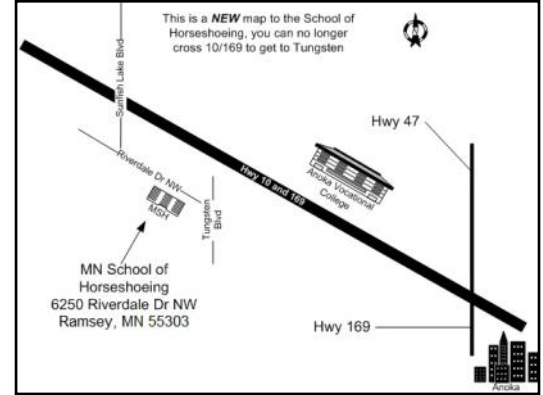
September 2024

Sept. 19 & 20, Pre-Conference Class, Mark Aspery
 Sept. 20, 21, 22, Fall Conference at Pierce County Fairgrounds
 Sept. 28, Engraving Class, Jackson Street Roundhouse

October 2024

Oct. 9 membership meeting, details tba
 Oct. 4 & 5, O/A Welding, details tba
 Oct. 5, Beginners Class A-1, details tba
 Oct. 19, Betty Lamp class, MN School of Horseshoeing

Map to MN School of Horseshoeing



Join The Guild of Metalsmiths

Send \$30 dues to the address below. Please circle if you want to be listed in our membership directory and/or check items you don't want listed.

The Guild of Metalsmiths
 PO Box 72
 Hudson, WI 54016

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

Name: _____

Email address: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Primary phone: _____ Secondary phone: _____

All memberships are family memberships. Persons of all ages, professionals, and hobbyists, are invited to join.

We do not sell our mailing list.

ELECTRONIC FORUM

If you have not been receiving an email notification that *The Forum* is available, please verify that we have your correct email address. Contact Gordon Barr at agbarr@aol.com.



Address Service

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.

August 2024



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

TGoM now accepts PayPal and most major credit cards

The Guild accepts PayPal and most major credit cards, in addition to paper checks, for the payment of annual dues. This should make it more convenient for members to pay dues.

The Forum

The Guild of Metalsmiths publishes *The GoM Forum* monthly. It is intended as a tool to further our educational mission, to keep members up to date on current happenings, to publicize projects and workshops, a place for all members to express their opinions, concerns, learn more about each other—in short, to help us run our organization

Guild educational grants

There is grant money available for Guild members to study intermediate and advanced metalworking techniques.

The Guild educational grant program is designed to bring new skills into the metalworking community. Participants are given money to pay for a portion of their expenses and are expected to learn some new or poorly understood skill, and then to share what they have learned with other members and the public through an article in our quarterly magazine, "Metalsmith." They're also expected to lead a workshop on the topic (or other educational service approved by the board).

Application forms are available from the president or treasurer at a regular meeting, or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

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