

# The Forum

July 2014



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## Time to prepare! The Madness is coming!

On the weekend of Sept. 19, 20, & 21, 2014, The Guild of Metalsmiths proudly presents our 37th annual Fall Conference, The Madness! Our familiar location is once again the Little Log House Antique Power Show grounds near Hastings, MN. Plan to attend all three days. Two nationally known metalsmiths, Gordon Williams from Camp Verde, AZ, and Ernie Dorrill III, from Canton, MS will share their talents and knowledge during demonstrations on Saturday and Sunday. Welcome them and spend some time discussing your own talents with them.

To register for the Fall Conference, fill out the form included in the conference brochure, soon to be mailed. If you don't receive a brochure, please contact Mike Frattalone or Martin Pansch.

To help make the conference a family-oriented event, Sheri Stanaitis has championed the family activities that will be going on simultaneously with demonstrations by our demonstrators. See page 5 for full details.

Bring an example of your work to exhibit in the Gallery. This is one of the highlights of the conference. Everyone loves to look. Feel free to bring previously displayed items to show our new members. Gallery items will be registered in and out.

Tailgating is encouraged! We request a donation to the Saturday night auction.

The Guild of Metalsmiths is fortunate to be able to hold the Conference in such charming surroundings. We extend our gratitude to Steve and Sylvia Bauer for the opportunity to hold our event at this location. Thank you!

### TGOM Registration

Conference: \$35.00 per family  
One Day Only: \$20.00 per family  
Meal Ticket: \$43.00 per person  
Meal tickets due by Sept. 1, 2014

For further information or to volunteer, call:

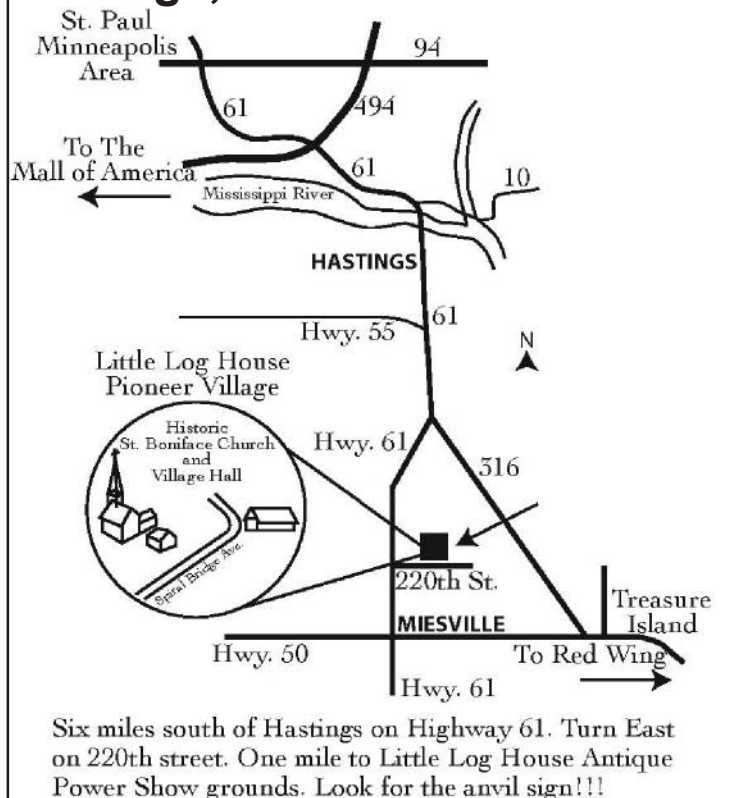
Martin Pansch: **612-599-4762**,  
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Mike Frattalone: **651-452-7740**  
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Mail registration and checks to:

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### Map to Little Log House, Hastings, MN



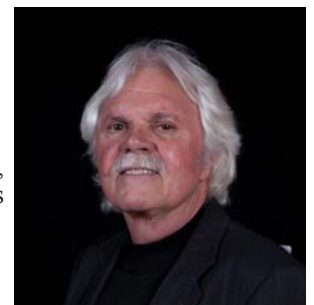
At the **Gordon Williams** Blacksmith School in Camp Verde, Arizona, there is a wide variety of classes at both the Pieh Tool "Bill Pieh Resource for Metalwork", and at their own production smithy, Victory Forge. Classes can range from a 4-hour introduction to blacksmithing, to 6-day classes that offer advanced techniques such as forge welding, heat treating, tempering and metal finishing. Gordon has had a production shop, and now has the two schools. A new shop will open soon at Zion National Park. "Teaching is my love."



Gordon Williams

<https://www.facebook.com/gwblacksmithschool/info>

Ernie Dorrill III has been blacksmithing since 1992 and has focused his efforts on European motifs, especially Gothic and Renaissance. The use of hand tools with over a thousand years of history behind them for chasing, repousse' and piercing, much of which is in combination, along with layered effects produced visually rich intricate patterns.



Ernie E. Dorrill III

Ernie does this work as a mental and physical challenge. He said, "My goal is to inspire others to push themselves past their perceived limits of the possible to the impossible."

# Our neighborhood of smiths

## Guild of Metalsmiths

All membership meetings are the second Wednesday of February, April, June, August, and October, except December 14 for this year's holiday gathering. 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).

President: Martin Pansch Vice-President: Rick Wessling

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

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## Badger Blacksmiths meetings

Our contact information is as follows:

President: Jim Tweet

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[johngrump@att.net](mailto:johngrump@att.net)

## 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](mailto:CharleyRB@charter.net), 218-428-7906

Dave Hanson, Vice-President, [Daveforge1@aol.com](mailto:Daveforge1@aol.com), 218-721-4572

## 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 Keith Johnson for monthly specifics at [keith@greatriverforge.com](mailto:keith@greatriverforge.com). The NMM's website is [www.nmmetalsmiths.org](http://www.nmmetalsmiths.org)

## Central Minnesota Blacksmiths (CMB)

Meet on the first Monday of each month. Potluck followed by demo. Locations are different every month so please call or write for info

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## New Members, July 2014

Kirsten Weiss, Shoreview, MN

Robert Sodman, Minneapolis, MN

Andrew Hogetvedt, North Branch, MN

## Help needed!

The program committee is looking for help from someone with a digital movie camera. One of the fall conference demonstrators may be doing close up work, and we want to be able to project that onto a larger screen. We already have access to a digital projector, but we need the other bits. Anyone who can help can find me at the June meeting, or phone me 612 727 1752.

— Susan Wood

## 'Guild gear' is here!

The Guild has opened a "store" on Café Press, a website where we set up our logo to be printed on shirts, mugs, glasses, and other goods for purchase. It allows us to make Guild merchandise available to the membership without the major outlay of cash and volunteer effort needed to sell them in a more traditional way.



The Guild gets a small amount of money on each item, but mostly it is a way to make items readily available. Items you can order range from multiple shirt styles and mugs all the way to field bags, water bottles, and even pajamas! Here's the link to the online store:

<http://www.cafepress.com/TheGuildofMetalsmiths>



The Guild of Metalsmiths is an affiliate of ABANA: Artist Blacksmiths Association of North America

## The ABANA 2014 Conference will held at the Delaware State Fairgrounds in Harrington, Delaware August 13-16, 2014

### Registration Fees:

ABANA Members - \$225 after June 30 2014

Non-Members - \$275 after June 30 2014

Family Members - \$40 each for Spouse, and Children 12- 17,  
Children Under 12 Free

Day Passes - \$100 - Good for Thursday, Friday, or Saturday Available at the Gate

Follow this link to the ABANA website for full details:

<http://www.abana.org/Conferences/2014/Conference.shtml>

## TGoM now accepts Paypal and most major credit cards for annual dues payment

Mike Frattalone and Darryl Ponder have worked together to add a "Buy Now" button to the "Membership" page of our main website. See: <http://www.metalsmith.org/membership/>

This means the Guild can now accept 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.

If you have questions as to when your membership expires, that information is listed as part of the membership directory found on the online web forum in the "members only" section. Follow this link to log in:

<http://www.metalsmith.org/phpbb/viewtopic.php?f=143&t=162>

# 2014 TGoM Demo Calendar-Volunteers needed!



Summer is finally here! With that come numerous summer (and fall) events that are available to Guild of Metalsmiths members as opportunities to demonstrate their talents and share with the public the art and craft of metalsmithing. Check the list below and get in touch with the person in charge of an event if you're interested in demonstrating.

Dates	Event	Location	Guild Champion	Email	Phone	Notes
31 May - 1 June	<a href="#">TC Makers Minne-Fair</a>	Minneapolis, MN	Martin Pansch	<a href="mailto:blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com">blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com</a>	612-599-4762	
15-20 July	<a href="#">Rice County Fair</a>	Faribault, MN	Lou Groth	<a href="mailto:loug_33@yahoo.com">loug_33@yahoo.com</a>	952-895-1515	
21-27 July 2014	<a href="#">Olmsted County Fair Farm Day</a>	Rochester, MN	John Adams	<a href="mailto:ic-adams@msn.com">ic-adams@msn.com</a>	507-289-5246	
23-26 July 2014	<a href="#">Rock County Fair</a>	Luverne, MN	Larry Wasmund	<a href="mailto:poundedtreasures@Gmail.com">poundedtreasures@Gmail.com</a>	651-322-6626	Wednesday through Saturday.
25-27 July 2014	<a href="#">Little Log House Antique Power show</a>	Hastings, MN	Dick Carlson	<a href="mailto:Blacksmith@onlinecarlson.com">Blacksmith@onlinecarlson.com</a>	651-437-3329	
1-3 August 2014	<a href="#">Scott-Carver Threshing Show</a>	Jordan, MN	Jerry Felton	<a href="mailto:eucattleco@frontiernet.net">eucattleco@frontiernet.net</a>	952-873-6754	
8-10 August 2014	<a href="#">Almelund Threshing Show</a>	Taylor Falls, MN	Jim Moenck	<a href="mailto:jirmoenck@yahoo.com">jirmoenck@yahoo.com</a>	651-735-4461	
15-17 August 2014	<a href="#">Nowthen Threshing Show</a>	Nowthen, MN	Bob Fredell	<a href="mailto:bfredell@msn.com">bfredell@msn.com</a>	763-389-5119	
15-17 August 2014	<a href="#">Butterfield Threshermen's Assn. Steam &amp; Gas Engine Show</a>	Butterfield, MN	Arden Hanson (casting) Larry Wasmund (smithing)	<a href="mailto:heinmn@yahoo.com">heinmn@yahoo.com</a> ; <a href="mailto:poundedtreasures@gmail.com">poundedtreasures@gmail.com</a>	Arden - 507-279-0443 Larry - 651-322-6626	Blacksmithing and Bronze casting
29-31 August	<a href="#">Rice County Steam and Gas Engine Show</a>	Dundus, MN	Myron Hanson	Yeah, right.	507-362-4653	
30 Aug - 1 Sep	<a href="#">The Landing</a>	Shakopee, MN	Martin Pansch	<a href="mailto:blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com">blacksmithingyeti@gmail.com</a>	612-599-4762	Open for blacksmith demoing most weekends from April to September
5-6 Sep 2014	<a href="#">Lamberton Hot Iron Days</a>	Lamberton, MN	Bob Brown	<a href="mailto:Bbrown474@msn.com">Bbrown474@msn.com</a>	651-457-0086	
13-14 Sep 2014	<a href="#">Laura Ingalls Wilder Days</a>	Pepin, WI	Tom Latane	<a href="mailto:tlatane@centurytel.net">tlatane@centurytel.net</a>	715-442-2419	Not open to casual demonstration but go and watch Tom.
4-5 and 11-12 Oct 2014	<a href="#">Minnesota Zoo</a>	Apple Valley, MN	Rick Wessling	<a href="mailto:rgwessling@gmail.com">rgwessling@gmail.com</a>	612-875-4420	
Wednesdays, Saturdays, Sundays	<a href="#">Jackson Street Roundhouse</a>	St. Paul, MN	Gordon Barr	<a href="mailto:agbarr@aol.com">agbarr@aol.com</a>	952-894-4821	Year round.



## Warming by the forge...

The June program committee meeting was held as the sun continues to warm us and the rains try to drown us. The meeting at Cliff Larson's was very well attended and it seemed to go without too much of a hitch. The iron in the hat went off pretty well, but I am biased as a participant. The August corn feed is shaping up, with only a few things to yet be settled.

The biggest part of this month's meeting was continuing to nail down the last details needed for the Fall Madness and getting the brochure ready for mailing. We had some quite lively discussions about how we might try to improve the viewing of the demonstrators but much more research needs doing before we are ready to change anything. The planning all seems to be going well and the weather is warm enough (nearly too warm some days) for shop time.

Again, for those involved it's time to start working on your meat fork project, or a project for the Gallery at the Madness (I can never seem to start early enough). May your forges be hot and some sparks be flying.

— Derrick Phillips



# August TGoM Family Corn Feed, Hog Roast Coming Soon!

**When:** Wednesday, August 6 (NOTE DATE CHANGE)

**Where:** Dan Pate's shop on Minnesota Highway 56. See the map on page 5. Dan's place is Just three miles south of the Stanton Airport at 357 th street.

Dan Pate does auto development and restoration. Last year while we were cleaning up the mess on Thursday morning I asked Dan if he was willing to give it one more time. He was very willing. This will be the sixth time Dan and LuAnn have hosted the August meeting. This makes them some super hero team. If this announcement seems redundant; well, it just might be. Five times this meeting has been a serious treat, weather and all. We should test the odds once more.

**Starting time:** Dinner at 6:30. Set up starting is any time before noon. Show up early if you can because there is plenty to do.

**Features:** This is family night. We have had some wonderful evenings at Dan and LuAnn's park-like setting. Show and tell will be good. Do everything you can to be there.

Dan has a unique collection of ways to form metal sheets into almost anything you desire. He can demonstrate all of these and offers to take requests. Dan's equipment mix has changed again this year, so do not think that you have already seen it all. He can demonstrate shrinking and stretching of anything through 10 gage sheet steel.

Perhaps Gene Olson will demonstrate on the PullMax. He is good with it. Dan often allows members to experiment with a machine. (Your liability, you might learn to handle a machine that will shrink, stamp, fold or mutilate 10 gage steel very carefully. Someone usually demonstrates the effect of an "English Wheel" on a finger.) I'm thinking this year we might use liability release forms printed on "toe" tags to get your attention. Safety officers take note!

We will also have blacksmithing demonstrations starting late afternoon. Bring a friend to introduce to the craft. We are betting that Myron will again offer to bring a coal forge.

This meeting features a corn feed. Dick Carlson has put his heart into this for years. Some of us have humbly joined in the effort.

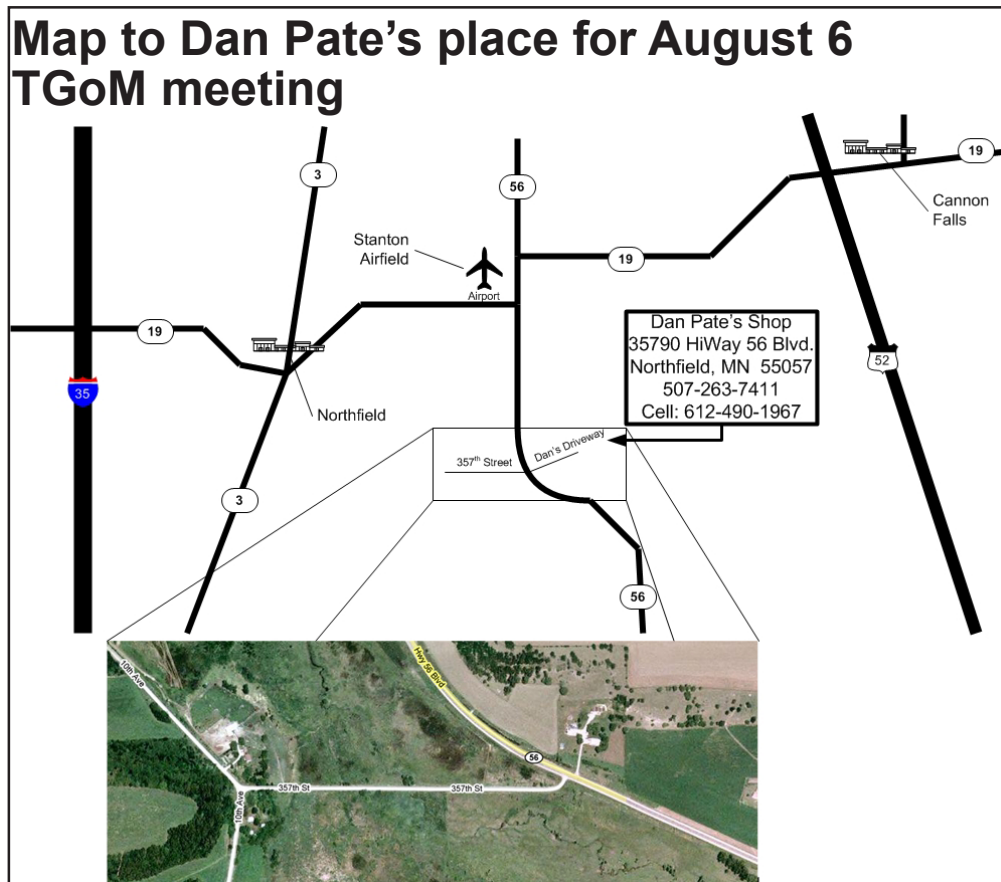
Cliff Larson will cook something magic. Herb plans to roast a hog. He again promises to cut back a little on the garlic and perhaps use some olive oil instead of butter for basting.

A few chickens will be prepared for those who avoid pork. Recognize the chickens will be prepared by smoking and secondary roasting in the cavity of the hog.

When planning your contribution to the potluck, please recognize that we will be a bit long on sweet corn and meat so think salads, breads, and desserts or whatever you think is special. The dessert table at Cliff's for the June celebration was fantastic. Do something like that if you need a hint. Myron especially likes oatmeal cookies with lots of raisins.

This is intended to be a very family friendly and social meeting. Contact me, Herb Fick, [herb@phyque.com](mailto:herb@phyque.com) or 507-649-1611

with your questions.



Rumor has it that these three members of the hog-roasting detail will be on hand again all day to demonstrate their cooking finesse with the pork and chicken. Left to right: Gary Myers, Jim Moenck, and head champeeene Herb Fick.



Thanks to Dick Carlson, the sweet corn is always perfectly prepared, hot, and amply juicy with butter.



## Madness Competition/ Challenge: Meat Forks!

It's time to get thinking/working. The Madness is only 2 1/2 months away. The Madness competition of "Meat Forks" is coming up all too quickly. Large or small, made of metal and able to hold a piece of meat (from a Vienna sausage to a large roast) is all that is required.

I'm pretty sure I've got mine all figured out. Now to make it. Judging rules the same as last year when we featured bottle openers (highest bid wins). All entries to be auctioned off. How else could they be scored? Any Guild member can join in the fun. You can even join just so you can enter.

Work, Plan, Scheme, show your stuff.

*Have Fun, Derrick Phillips*

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## 'Your Junk' needed for 'Found Art' at the Madness!

Yes, the Madness is only 2 1/2 months away, but this activity seems to get more popular every year. If you didn't see all the folks out there enjoying it last year, it was like a swarm of metal hungry piranha. More piranha, er, people means more materials needed.

I would encourage you to keep an extra 5 gallon bucket around the shop just for those interesting little bits that are too good to recycle. **If we start saving bits and pieces now**, there will be less of a mad dash in September to find stuff to fill the trailer.

If people have a tiny shop and can't waste space storing it between now and then, let me know. We'll figure out some place to store it and some way to get it there.

— *Martin Pansch, TGoM President*



Last year's found art wagon was loaded with potential artwork!

## 2014 Fall Conference Family Activities

Please join us for the family activities at the fall conference.

We have designed a group of special activities to give the spouses and children of the metalsmiths something fun and educational to do while those folks are watching the demonstrators. I hope these activities help make the conference a family oriented gathering.

Some of these activities are repeats because they are such long time favorites. But we also try to add something new each year for fun. Take a look through the list below and select the activity that interests you.

Need more info?

Contact me, Sheri Stanaitis

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[spaco@baldwin-telecom.net](mailto:spaco@baldwin-telecom.net)

### Tin Repoussé (Altoid)

Jim & Will Brezinski will lead this (free) hands-on workshop in making your design on the lid of an Altoid Tin. This usually is an ongoing activity, with instructors popping in and out as needed.

We will need volunteer teachers for 1 or 2 hour times to make this a success and allow others to see the demonstrators.

### Broom Making Class

Making a decorative broom to use by a fireplace or to hang as a decoration. 1PM Sat.

Mark Jackson (612-730-6246) \$20 material fee.

He supplies all the materials and brings plenty of the special tooling that is needed for this craft.

Mark will be teaching only one class beginning at 1PM on Saturday so that he can see the rest of the conference.

### Magnetic art

Design and build Magnetic/Ferrous creations (Blacksmith "Legos"?). We have a nice set of magnets and steel components that allow the artist to design and make almost anything. It's free and ongoing. This will be set up on a table near the gallery-show us your talent.

### Painting Faces on Pumpkins

Lisa Olson. Cost is \$10 All materials, including pumpkin will be supplied, 9AM Sunday Lisa is excited about this activity. She wants it to be fun. You will take your pumpkin home with you.



### Found Art

The hay wagon out back is always loaded with metal shapes just waiting for the "found art artist" in you to appear and put it all together!!! You find the parts and do the designing. Then Herb Fick and company will weld whatever you find on the trailer into your art creation. Open to all ages. Free! All day Sat. This activity is a favorite. Come and create something wonderful.

All in all, I think we will all have a great time, as we always do!. See you there..

— *Sheri Stanaitis*



# Fall Conference Events

## Friday, September 19th

10:00 am General Conference Setup  
11:00 am Gallery Setup  
Tailgate Corral Opens  
5:00 pm Pot Luck Supper!  
Gala Party/Gallery Opening after Supper

## Saturday, September 20th

7:30 am Registration Open  
9:00 am Silent Auction Opens  
9-12:00 am Demonstrations  
Family Activities  
12-1:00 pm Lunch Break  
1-4:00 pm Demonstrations  
4:30 pm Silent Auction Ends  
Items Paid by 5:00 p.m.  
5:00 pm Supper  
6:30 pm Live Auction Begins

## Sunday, September 21st

7:30 am Registration Opens  
Breakfast  
8:30-12:00 Demonstrations  
12-1:00 pm Lunch Break  
1-3:00 pm Demonstrations  
3:15 pm Closing/Cleanup

## Auction

PLEASE BRING ITEMS FOR THE AUCTION!!!

As is our tradition, we again will hold a live auction on Saturday evening. Please bring items that you have made or things that have fallen from your favor and are destined to become another's treasure. Please remember that at this auction, we garner most of our operating capital, so be generous. During the day on Saturday, the silent auction will be held. The silent auction will be oriented mainly toward older tools and materials.



*Tunnel Mill is located 85-100 miles south of the Twin Cities in the country five miles north of Spring Valley, MN on County Road 1.*

## News from Tunnel Mill

Contact for full class details, costs, and registration:

Carol and John Adams

507-289-4189 or 507-289-5246

Email: [jc-adams@msn.com](mailto:jc-adams@msn.com);

Website: [www.tunnelmillcrafts.com](http://www.tunnelmillcrafts.com)

## Classes at Tunnel Mill for 2014

### August 22, 23, 24: Making Damascus (layered steel), Ric Furrer, Door County metalsmith

We have invited master metalsmith and sword smith Ric Furrer to come to Tunnel Mill to help us create the damascus steel of the early eastern world. Recently Ric did a Nova presentation "-Recreating the Viking Sword".

For those of you who have some blacksmithing experience and want to do hands-on, let's do it. For those who would rather audit this class, we have a place for you too. We will be making steel Friday and Saturday.. Later Saturday, (Saturday evening) and on Sunday, we will continue by making tools from our steel. With the steel you have made you can make a tool of your choice, (send blue prints to us prior to class) a chisel, gouge, or cutting edge tool.

In addition to the class we will be working on the \$500# Little Giant Hammer. We will use it to forge and weld a heavy damascus billet..

#### Class cost:

3 day hands on workshop: \$300.00, or: -Audit the workshop: \$100.00

Contact us for more information...[www.tunnelmillcrafts.com](http://www.tunnelmillcrafts.com), [jc-adams@msn.com](mailto:jc-adams@msn.com) or 507-289-4189

Check out Ric Furrer at <http://www.doorcountyforgeworks.com/>

Watch the video at <http://www.youtube.com/user/RicFurrer>

**Registration for this class is open. To learn full details, costs, and how to register, contact Carol and John Adams:**

Email: [jc-adams@msn.com](mailto:jc-adams@msn.com) Phone: 507 289-4189 or 507 289-5246 Check out the website at <http://www.tunnelmillcrafts.com>

### Oct. 3, 4, 5, 2014, Tunnel Mill Fall Gathering

Yes, the date has been set! It's that time of the year...we would like to invite you to the mill. There will be plenty of interesting demos... (or just come and hang out; you are bound to learn something) More Later.

# Goings on...

## A calendar of TGoM events at a glance

- All membership meetings are the second Wednesday of February, April, June, August, and October, except December 14 for this year's holiday gathering. 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 Committee meeting dates vary. Contact Larry Wasmund, chair, for the next meeting.
- Program Committee meetings are the third Thursday of each month. Marty Hicks is chair.
- All board meetings are the second Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November. Potluck meal begins at 6:30, with meeting starting at 7 pm.



### Events in July, 2014

- July 9, Guild board meeting
- July 15-20, Rice County Fair, Faribault, MN.  
Contact Lou Groth
- July 21-27, Olmsted County History Center Farm Day, Rochester, MN. Contact John Adams.
- July 23-26, Rock County Fair, Luverne, MN.  
Contact Larry Wasmund
- July 25-27, Little Log House Antique Power Show, Hastings.  
Contact Dick Carlson.

### Events in September, 2014

- Sept. 10, Guild board meeting
- Sept. 5 & 6, Lamberton Hot Iron Days, Lamberton, MN.  
Contact Bob Brown
- Sept. 13 & 14, Laura Ingalls Wilder Days, Pepin, WI.
- Sept. 19, 20, 21, TGoM Fall Conference, Little Log House, Hastings, MN

### Events in August, 2014

- Aug. 6, Membership meeting (corn feed), Dan Pate's farm
- Aug 1-3, Scott/Carver Threshing Show, Contact Jerry Felton
- Aug 8-10, Almelund Threshing Show. Contact Jim Moenck.
- Aug 13-16, ABANA Conference, Harrington, DE
- Aug 15-17, Nowthen Show, Contact Bob Fredell
- Aug 15-17, Butterfield Show, Contact Larry Wasmund
- Aug 29-31, Rice County Show, Contact Myron Hanson
- Aug 30-Sept 1, The Landing, Contact Martin Pansch

## Important schedule change from TGoM's Program Committee

Because the ABANA Conference comes when our normal membership meeting would be in August, we have changed the date of the Corn Feed to August 6th. Mark your calendars. The venue will remain the same: Dan Pate's farm. Thanks,

— Marty Hicks, Program Chair

## 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.

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St. Paul MN 55111

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

**Forum deadline for August, 2014: Monday, July 21, 2014**

The deadline for content in The Forum is always the third Monday of the month. Please send items to **Georgia Myers**, editor, by email to: [gldmyers@embarqmail.com](mailto:gldmyers@embarqmail.com)

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Your membership expires at the date & month next to your name. Please send your renewal dues to the above address.

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Information in this publication is provided as a service for our members. Members may submit items for sale and upcoming events that are considered relevant to our group, and they will be published as space permits. The Guild of Metalsmiths is not responsible for these items or events.

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## **Guild educational grants**

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

The Guild educational grant program is designed to bring new skills into the metalworking community. Participants are given money to pay for a portion of their expenses and are expected to learn some new or poorly understood skill, and then to share what they have learned with other members and the public through an article in our quarterly magazine, "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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