

# Rocky Forge News

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## Next Meeting (7/11/2015)

### At the Illiana Show Grounds

The Illiana Antique Power Show is approaching real fast, and we need to get our act together to have a good showing for the Rocky Forge group. There is work to be done at the building to make it look presentable. I was hoping we could nail boards on the half wall between the machine shop and the blacksmith shop. I can provide weathered barn boards for that addition. If you are able to help, give Ted a call. We will need to make a trip to the farm near Alamo to get the boards, then cut them to length and nail them to the stringers.

I am sure there are lots of leaves to rake and blow out of the way and other chores that need attention. Let's plan to meet for a workday on our regular meeting time, Saturday, July 11<sup>th</sup>, at the blacksmith shop at the Illiana Show Grounds in Rainsville. Bring tools to clean up the landscape. Hopefully, we can arrange the machine shop tools in some orderly row along the building length. If you have any heavy equipment movers bring them along. The show will be the following weekend, so you may want to set up some of your shop tools.

For lunch let's do a wiener roast with some healthy covered dishes to go along with the hot dogs.

If you have any ideas for crafts people to fill the east side of the building, please let me know. I hope to have the wood carvers back and am trying to get a cane and walking stick maker.

Carol is on her second phase of chemo treatments and is doing as expected. She is tired, sleeps a lot and has little energy. Considering her treatments, she is doing well. If all goes well, she is hoping to spend a little time at the show.

Rob Durrett is having elective surgery just prior to the show so he will not be able to attend. Deanna recently had back surgery, and it is my understanding she is doing okay. We all wish Rob and Deanna speedy recoveries.

See you July 11<sup>th</sup> at about 9:00.

Ted

## 2015 Indiana State Fair

Once again it is time for the Indiana State Fair, August 7-23. The Rocky Forge Blacksmith Guild will man the blacksmith shop in Pioneer Village on Monday and Tuesday, August 10-11. If you can make it, please let Dominick know (765-404-2817).



Ted Stout and Bill Newman at the 2014 state fair.

## Rick Keith Injured

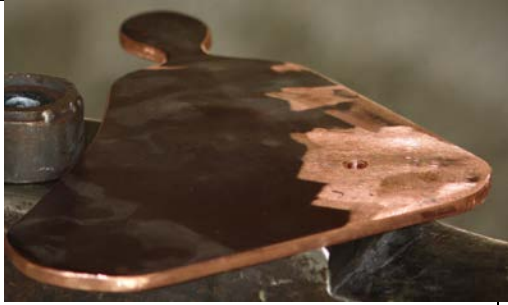
Jim Keith reports that his brother, Rick, had a serious motorcycle accident, and among other injuries he fractured his skull. He is recovering at Rosewalk Village of Lafayette, 1903 Union St, Lafayette, IN 47904, Room 125. Rick is now getting around with the aid of a cane or walker. Please send Rick your prayers and good wishes.

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## Mike Bendele at IBA Conference: Forging an Odd Shaped Bowl



Starting piece of raw cut bronze



Bronze piece at end of demo.



Example of Odd Shaped Bowl



Fuller rounded two ways



Fuller mounted in the power hammer



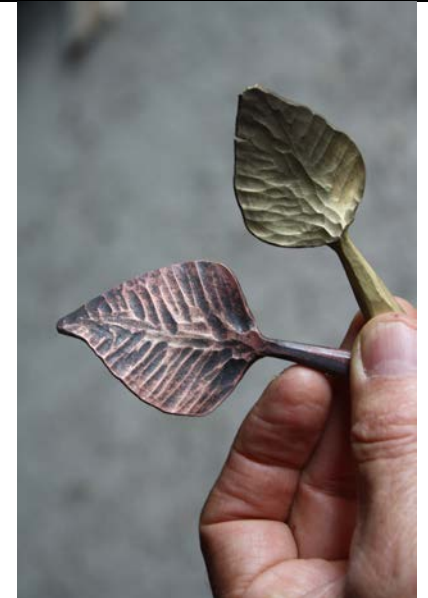
Working the piece under PH



Mike after power hammering.



Tongs with soft welded copper on jaws



Copper (red). Bronze (yellow)

### Interesting Web Sites

**Location of the Illiana Show Grounds (the place we often meet and will meet this week):**

<http://www.illianaantiquepower.com/map.htm>

### Dates to Remember

**July 11, 2015:** Rocky Forge meeting at Illiana Show Grounds.

**Illiana Show:** July 17-19, 2015.

**Indiana State Fair:** Rocky Forge mans the blacksmith shop on August 10-11, 2015.

**ABANA 2016 Conference:** July 13-16, 2016, Salt Lake City, Utah