### **Rocky Forge News**

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#### Next Meeting: (10/9/10)

During our meeting on October 9<sup>th</sup> at Ted's shop we will have a workday to prepare for the IBA 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party on October 15, 16, and 17th. I have a list of things our members can help accomplish. One important item is getting the forges and anvils ready. Some forges need minor repairs and we need to match anvils to stands or stumps. The forge at the show grounds needs to come home and coal buckets will need filling. (We need 5 gallon buckets to fill with coal.) Signs need to be made. Just a number of tasks that our members can do to prepare.

Coffee and sweets will be ready at the usual 8:30 AM time and we will have a short meeting to outline the coming event, plan the workday, and to chat. Also, we will have an Iron-in-the-Hat drawing so bring some valuable junk. Carol is going to fix a pot of soup so if you can bring something to go with that it would be nice.

Carol and I would appreciate all the help we can get to prepare for this large event. We hope to see many Rocky Forge members at the IBA Party, after all it is the "Rocky Forge" hosting their 30-year anniversary. And remember we have a special project for a very special friend that weekend. There will be some famous blacksmiths at the Party and you may be able to work with them on various projects. Two examples are Lorelei Sims, author the "The Backyard Blacksmith" (Bring your book for her signature.) Another person of fame is Clay Spencer, known for his ingenuity to fabricating

blacksmithing tools. One of more recent innovations is the tire-driven power hammer. There will be others that you will enjoy meeting.

Thank You. See you on the 9<sup>th</sup> and on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Ted

## Last Meeting: Wizards (9/11/10)



Greg points out the how to make one of nine special tools required for completing a wizard head.

# IBA 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party: (10/15-18/10)

This party is going to be really cool! If you can attend any blacksmithing event this century you should attend this party. There will be lots of excellent blacksmiths in attendance and the mood will be festive. The food will be excellent and the camaraderie will be endearing. The big meal will be Saturday noonish. Please RSVP to Ted and Carol if you can, as it will be a big help in planning the food.

Dominick

#### SOFA (9/24-26/10)



Caleb Kullman demos forging a copper spoon.



Marsha Nelson embeds bronze into iron.



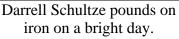
A modern weathervane displayed in the gallery.



Floral arrangement made from forged iron.

## Feast of the Hunter's Moon (10/2-3/10)







Dominick as Jean Tijou LaForge.

#### **Interesting Web Sites**

<u>Caleb Kullman:</u> kullmaniron.com/ (This blacksmith has done some exceptional work).

<u>Marsha Nelson:</u> (Marsha embeds bronze in iron) www.popularwoodworking.com/article/Handmade\_ Hardware/?print=1

#### Dates to Remember

October 9, 2010: **Rocky Forge** meeting at Ted's October 15, 16, 17, 2010: **IBA 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party** at Ted's.

October 31, 2020 (Sunday): Halloween
November 13, 2010: Rocky Forge meeting.
June 3-5, 2011: IBA Conference, Tipton.
2012: ABANA Conf., Rapid City, South Dakota.

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