

Rocky Forge News

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Next Meeting (6/14/14)

Even though we had the Indiana Blacksmith Assoc. annual conference the last weekend, we will still have a Rocky Forge meeting at Ted's shop on June 14th. After being at the conference we should all be pepped up and ready to try some of the new techniques we saw demonstrators do.

It is always an exciting time after the conference with ideas floating around in our minds. We have new books to look at, probably some new tools to play (I mean work) with, some metal from the vendors or iron in the hat drawing and most of all a lot of enthusiasm from seeing the demonstrations and talking with our peers.

Bring your coal, tools, metal and ideas to Ted's shop on the 14th. We will have an Iron-in-the-Hat drawing so bring goodies for that event. As for lunch we will cook hamburgers, so bring a covered dish to compliment the burgers. Please bring food to help on the lunch, it is not fair for those who always bring a nice dish and others bring nothing. Think a day ahead.

Let's make this a fun meeting and get some neat items forged. If you are new to metal-smithing, just ask and we will help you. If you are a "seasoned" metalworker, don't be afraid to ask for advice.

See you all on the 14th.

Ted

Interesting Web Sites

Demonstration Notes for Rural Smiths of Mid-America: www.thomasironworks.com/demo/nobnotes/NOB%20demo.htm

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Dates to Remember

June 14, 2014: Rocky Forge meeting.

June 20-22: Rural Smiths of Mid-America meeting and demonstration, The Johnson County Antique Tractor Show, Johnson County Park near Edinburgh.

July 12, 2014: Rocky Forge meeting.

July 18-20: Illiana Antique Power Association Show, Rainsville, IN.

August 13-16, 2014: ABANA 2014 Conference, Delaware State Fairgrounds.

September 26-28, 2014: SOFA QuadState

October 4-5, 2014: Feast of the Hunters' Moon

Images from IBA Conference of 2014



Demonstrator **Tom Latané** works on door knocker.



Side view



Front view

More Images from IBA Conference of 2014



The **Alan Kress** demonstrations covered much ground including making a scotty dog.

Two raw patterns, one finished scotty dog and one dog half finished. Can you figure out how to make it?



Close-up of the symmetrical pattern cut from angle iron. Only one side is cut away.

Woof!

These little guys make nice gifts.