

# Rocky Forge News

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## Next Meeting: 1/14/2017

We will have a meeting of the Rocky Forge blacksmiths at Ted's heated shop on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>. Coffee and munchies will be available at 8:30 AM. So come early so we have time to socialize and catch up on each others doings. The weather may influence attendance, but do your best to be here with safety in mind. Be sure to bring quality Iron-in-the-Hat items. Ted has several neat things to put in the drawing. Carol is preparing roasted chickens and scallop potatoes for lunch so bring whatever you can to go with that meal. Salad or vegetables anyone?



We can share a coal forge and a gas forge inside so think of an item or items you may want to make. I doubt it will be warm enough to work outside, although we do have some pretty hardy smiths in our midst. Searcy, where are you?

There are many other toys in my shop if you so desire, i.e., sheet metal tools and the best teacher around (Gene H.), welding equipment, knife handle work, repoussé, fold forming and many more potential projects. I have lots of videos on blacksmithing you can relax, learn and enjoy. There is now a theater popcorn popper in the shop so you can pretend to be at the theater without spending a dime. Also, I have laid out over 100 pairs of tongs and many hammers for you pick through for sale.

See you all on Saturday....

Ted

## Interesting Web Sites

**Michigan Artist Blacksmith Association:**

<http://www.miblacksmith.org>

**Friction Welding:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=03FioPzhEBM>

**The Devils Blacksmith Documentary:**

<http://thediavilsblacksmithdocumentary.blogspot.hu>

## Last Chance:

### Rocky Forge Address Book

Rocky Forge is putting together an address book of our members for our members. There is a web site for you to provide your contact information and it is at the following URL.

<http://www.rockyforge.org/members.shtml>

Please click on this link and give us your contact information. It takes less than 60 seconds.

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Our good friend, Marty Mears, won the drawing at the SOFA meeting (September, 2016) for a toolbox made by the members of the Michigan Artist Blacksmith Association. This photo shows the contents. Congratulations Marty!

Ironwork of Volos, Greece, by Dominick Andrisani

