

Rocky Forge News

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Next Meeting – June 8 At Illiana Shop in Rainsville

As I'm writing this script, on Tuesday evening. It was good to see so many Rocky Forge members at the IBA conference in Tipton last Saturday. Not the usual number of tailgaters, but good demonstrators, Iron-in-the-Hat, and auction. The gallery was a true example of the exemplary talent of Blacksmithing in Indiana. Then there was the 11-year-old Noah who won Rookie Blacksmith for the year. WOW, congratulations to Noah.

Kurt Fahrenbach's group had a very nice grill made by all his members. So many fine items on display!

The Illiana show is fast approaching so we need to get our act together and present a good show. If we're going to sell items, then we need to really prepare items for sale.

Darrel Schulze has a large lot of blacksmith tools to sell on a 50/50 basis. He will bring those items Saturday. Of course, our members will have first buying option. Ted will set the prices.

Hopefully, by show time, we will have a credit card option for sales. Also, Ted will bring a bonanza of metal from the blacksmith shop that he recently acquired. We can either put it in inventory or Iron-in-the-Hat. (or both). Rob Durrett is also donating some metal to our group.

Saturday's meeting will be 9:00 at the Illiana shop.

Lunch will be hamburgers cooked by Charles on his Blackstone grill. Charles will also provide the buns and cheese, so if you want anything else like topping or condiment, please bring that to share. Dominick will bring his now famous baked herbal potatoes, and Mathew is bringing some dessert. The rest of you can bring whatever goes well with this meal.

Hopefully, I'm not forgetting any important details.

Looking forward to another good day of fellowship and beating hot iron. See you all Saturday.

Ted Stout

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Coal Available by Order

If you need a bag of coal, please call Marty Mears [765*201*2836], and he will bring a bag to our meeting. He will no longer bring bags unless he is contacted prior to our meeting.

Dates to Remember

[ABANA Conference](#): June 6-9, 2024, Johnstown, PA

[SOFA Quadstate Blacksmith Conference](#): September 27-29, 2024, Troy, Ohio

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