



29th Annual Ozark Conference

April 30th - May 3rd , 2020

Missouri State Fairgrounds
Sedalia, MO

pre-registration must be postmarked by April 1st



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We will meet again at the Missouri State Fairgrounds (MSF) in Sedalia, MO. Located just 19 miles South of I-70 on US-65 at the junction of US-65 & US-50.

Don't forget our traditional fund raisers: Benefit Auction, Raffle, and BAM Boutique—as these are BAM's major source of income for the year. Items deemed to be valued at more than \$25 should be donated to the Auction.

Please be courteous to our instructors and fellow attendees by keeping your personal conversations outside the demo areas and remain seated so that others are able to see.

Due to safety concerns, safety glasses are required at all events. Please keep a safe distance from forges and demonstrators unless invited to move closer.

Thank You.
Conference Committee

Questions? Contact:

Mike Gorzel
(636) 336-6347

mo.blacksmith.conference@gmail.com

VENDORS AND TAILGATERS

Sites are still free to registered participants in designated areas. Vendor spaces will be assigned and tables will be available from the Fairgrounds at \$8 / table. To make arrangements please contact:

Karen Bouckaert
1-636-673-1996

BAM BOUTIQUE

Please remember to help support BAM by donating something to the BAM Boutique. Items need **not** be blacksmith related. All proceeds go directly to the BAM treasury. Remember to label your donation with your name and a suggested price. Please drop off donations at the Boutique as early as possible during the conference. Patti Tappel or any of the other ladies working there will be glad to take them.

CONFERENCE BENEFIT AUCTION

Please donate any item—tools, books, forgings—that you feel would be of interest to your fellow blacksmiths. Please drop off donations at the Auction Collection Table as early in the conference as possible; buyers like to peruse the table during breaks in the action. This is the major source of revenue for BAM,

OZARK CONFERENCE RAFFLE

(Drawing times to be announced at conference)

Tickets available at the BAM Boutique.

~ Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5 ~

3 Conference Tool Boxes

hand-made items included

BASKET CLASSES

with Mary Jo McCarty

Friday, Small Waste Basket \$30.00

8" x 8" x 11" tall w/ wrapped handles
Choice of colors

Limit 20 people.

Saturday, Jelly Jar Basket \$30.00

8" x 4" w/ 4" iron handle
Choice of colors

Limit 20 people.

~ Demonstrators ~

Roy Adams

Roy resides in Harrisville, Michigan with his wife and three children. Roy's interest in blacksmithing began in childhood when he watched a blacksmith at work in Carriage Hill Metropark. He began forging in 2008 after receiving an antique coal forge as a gift from his wife. Roy studied under prestigious blacksmiths such as Thomas Latane, Peter Ross, Clay Spencer, Douglas Pryor, and Wayne Apgar.

In 2012, Roy officially opened his business Christ Centered Ironworks and online store. Roy has taught blacksmithing classes at the Tejas Art Gallery, Southern Ohio Forge and Anvil, and Goshen Blacksmith Society. Additionally he has done blacksmithing demonstrations at the Western Reserve Artist Blacksmith Association's 2018 blacksmith conference, Dayton's Urban Nights and Arts Week, Taste of the Arts in Piqua, Preble County Art Association, and Boy Scouts Summer Camp. In 2017, Roy received the Ohio Heritage Fellowship Award from the Ohio Arts Council.

For this year's conference, Roy will be demonstrating the forging of a french baroque style sign bracket. The sign bracket will feature traditional joinery including forge welding. The primary focus for the conference will be the computational forging process of the sign bracket. The processes to be demonstrated include: project design, forging acanthus leaves, offset 90 degree scrolls, finial ends, mid bar collars, assembly of multi component forgings and finish work.

You can check out his YouTube channel "Christ Centered Ironworks". With over 1,300 videos there's something for everyone.

~ *Demonstrators* ~

Allen Newberry J.S.

Allen lives in Lowell, Arkansas. He has been making knives for about 13 years. After making stock removal knives for a few years, Allen began forging many of his knives.

In the fall of 2016 Allen had the opportunity to be on the History Channel's Forged in Fire. Allen says that it was quite hot in the studio and there are always things that go wrong, but in the end, Allen became a Forged in Fire Champion.

About a year later in 2017 Allen fulfilled a goal that he had been working towards for years and became a Journeyman Smith with the American Bladesmith Society.

In recent years, Allen has begun teaching bladesmithing and has found a lot of joy in sharing the craft, which is not surprising as he is a former school teacher. Allen also shares his passion for bladesmithing is through his YouTube channel. Here he shares techniques such as Silver Wire Inlay, which he has been doing for 9 years.

Steve Parker

Steve has been working full time as a blacksmith for Clifford Jacobs forging company since 1994. "I learned a great deal of what I know from working with Clifton Ralph since I first met him in 1987. I have tried very hard to take that knowledge that I learned from him as well as countless other smiths over the years and expand upon it in the work I do daily. My customers are the men I work with for the most part. They need tools that work for them. So, I work with them on what will work best for them."

Steve makes all the tools that are used in the plant for handling steel both hot and cold. Tongs, lifting devices of all shapes and sizes, pry bars etc. Steve has been described as one of the premier power hammer-blacksmiths in the world.

BEGINNING BLACKSMITHING¹

with Matthias Penn

The BAM sponsored class, teaching the basic skills such as tapering, hot cutting, punching holes, slitting, and forging shapes.

Limit 10

Friday Class : \$30.00

INTERMEDIATE BLACKSMITHING¹

with Bernie Tappel

Adjustable Candleholder.

Students **MUST** be proficient in the basic skills.

Limit 10

Saturday Class : \$30.00

STAINED GLASS Window

2-day class

with Tami Bagley

11¼" x 14¾"

Limit 5

Friday & Saturday Mornings : \$60.00

¹ Due to insurance liabilities, BAM membership is required for all blacksmithing classes, as well as safety glasses & other safety equipment for working around HOT metal.

* Minimum age 14 years.

* Blacksmithing class are limited to 10 people. You must call in advance to ensure a spot.

Contact: **Kent & Deanna Harbit 660-647-2349**

OZARK CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Thursday, April 30, 2020

9:00 amSetup Begins
 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm.....Open Forging
5:30 pm' ish.....Potluck Dinner
 EveningOfficial Opening

Friday, May 1, 2020

8:00 am - 12:00 pm.....Demonstrators
 8:00 am - 12:00 pm.....Beginning Blacksmithing (MTS)
 8:00 am - 12:00 pm.....Family Programs

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm.....Lunch Break

Catered Lunch available – reservations ONLY

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.....Demonstrators
 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.....Beginning Blacksmithing (MTS)
 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.....Family Programs
5:30 pm' ishPotluck Dinner

7:00 pmBusiness Meeting
Traditional Forging Contest

Saturday, May 2, 2020

8:00 am - 12:00 pm.....Demonstrators
 8:00 am - 12:00 pm.....Family Programs
 8:00 am - 12:00 pm.....Intermediate Blacksmithing

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm.....Lunch Break

Catered Lunch available – reservations ONLY

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.....Demonstrators
 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.....Intermediate Blacksmithing
 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm.....Family Programs

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm.....Banquet Dinner Served

7:00 pmAwards, Drawings, Auction

Sunday, May 3, 2020

9:00 amClean Up (all hands appreciated)

(Schedule subject to change / see website for any updates)

LODGING

Camping

Campsites are available at the Missouri State Fair Grounds. Fees will be collected by MSF after you set up. Full RV hook up \$25 /night. Tent sites \$12 /night.

~ No Camping in the Swine Pavilion. ~

Motels *Make reservations early. The rooms are going fast.*

Comfort Inn Sedalia Station	660-829-5050
Motel 6	660-827-5890
American Inn	660-826-2488
Best Western	660-826-6100
Holiday Inn Express & Suites	660-826-4000
Hotel at State Fair	660-827-5890
Hotel Bothwell	660-826-5588
Stardust Motel	660-826-8662
Sunset Motel	660-826-1446
Super 7	660-827-0215

Catering by:

Miller & Sons BBQ
 Nob Noster, MO

Saturday Night Banquet \$13.00

Pulled Pork, Sliced Brisket, Baked Beans,
 Potato Salad, Dinner Roll

Lunches \$8.00

Friday Lunch

Ham Sandwich
 Bag of Chips
 2 Cookies

Saturday Lunch

Turkey Sandwich
 Bag of Chips
 2 Cookies

Dr. Iron's Slackwater Gallery

It's time once again to start thinking about what to put in Dr. Iron's Slackwater Gallery. This is our chance to show off, to inspire each other and, to be inspired.

This is not a juried show. You get to decide what's good enough to share. Any category of blacksmith work is welcome. You may, if you wish, offer your work for sale, and work shown in the gallery may also be donated to the auction if you wish.

Please don't be shy or modest. The whole point of this organization is for us to learn from each other. If we don't see your work, how can we learn from you?

Once again we will try to arrange a shipping address for those who either can't come to the conference or who would like to get their work here early. We had a great response last year, and will try to come up with a little more display space so everyone's work can be shown to the best advantage. We think we're getting better, but we're still learning. Any advance information you can give us about your piece would be helpful.

Contact:

Walt Hull

Gallery Coordinator
walthulliron@gmail.com
785-766-9405

OR

John Sherwood

JBSEMS@sbcglobal.net
314-717-5293

TRADITIONAL FORGING CONTEST

What it is, how it is judged and the time limit as well as other details will be announced at the time of the contest. Bring your own hammer and skill set.

Sign up before 7:00 pm. on Friday.

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LATE REGISTRATION (postmarked after 4/1/2020)
Whole conference #_____ x \$60.00_____ /family
Fri ONLY #_____ x \$30.00_____ /family
Sat ONLY #_____ x \$30.00_____ /family

EARLY REGISTRATION (postmarked before 4/1/2020)
Whole Conference #_____ x \$45.00_____ /family
Fri ONLY #_____ x \$25.00_____ /family
Sat ONLY #_____ x \$25.00_____ /family

CATERED MEALS (pre-registration required)
Friday Lunch #_____ x \$8.00_____ /person
Saturday Lunch #_____ x \$8.00_____ /person
Saturday Banquet #_____ x \$13.00_____ /person

WORKSHOPS (WITH PAID REGISTRATION)
Beginning Blacksmithing*
(Requires membership) #_____ x \$30.00_____ /person
Intermediate Blacksmithing*
(Requires membership) #_____ x \$30.00_____ /person
Basket Weaving Friday* #_____ x \$30.00_____ /person
Basket Weaving Saturday* #_____ x \$30.00_____ /person
Stained Glass Window #_____ x \$60.00_____ /person
2-days Fri & Sat

BAM membership dues \$30.00 _____
Total Enclosed \$ _____

**See requirements under class description*

Make Check out to **BAM** and mail to:

Kent & Deanna Harbit
627 Poplar Drive
Windsor, MO 65360
660-647-2349

Name: _____

Others Attending: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____