

# New Jersey Blacksmiths Newsletter

## Blacksmithing

### Workshops and Classes:

**Peters Valley Craft Education Center**  
19 Kuhn Rd., Layton, NJ 07851 (973)948-5200  
pv@warwick.net www.pvcrafts.org

**Academy of Traditional Arts  
Carroll County Farm Museum**  
500 South Center St. Westminster, MD 21157  
(410)848-7775 (410)876-2667

**Touchstone Center for Crafts**  
R.D.#1, Box 60, Farmington, PA 15437  
(724)329-1370 Fax: (724)329-1371

**John C Campbell Folk School**  
One Folk School Rd.  
Brasstown, NC 28902  
1-800-365-5724 www.folkschool.com

**Brookfield Craft Center**  
286 Whisconier Road  
P. O. Box 122  
Brookfield, CT 06804-0122  
203.775.4526

## Open Forges

If any members have a forge at home and work in the evenings or weekends and want to open it up to help a few local guys, let me know, Larry Brown, editor, as we get requests from members who have a hard time traveling to some of the open forge locations.

Please contact, Larry Brown, Editor.  
*We want to encourage all to join us at:*

### Monday Night Open Forge in N.J.

Marshall Bienstock is hosting an open forge in his shop at 7 pm almost every Monday night ( Please call ahead on holidays to make sure , (732)780-0871 )

### Open Forge in Long Island

Sunday from 10:00 am to 6pm.  
Starting the 1st Sunday in November until the end of April. Please call ahead to confirm and get directions. Ron Grabowski, 110 Burlington Blvd. Smithtown, NY (631) 265-1564  
Ronsforge@aol.com

## Business Members

We would like to thank those who joined with our new Business Membership category .

Business dues are \$40

Please show them our support

**John Chobrda, Dragon Run Forge**  
P.O. Box 315 Delaware City, DE, 19706  
302-838-1960 jchob@verizon.net

**Eric Cuper Artist Blacksmith**  
109 Lehman Lane, Neshanic Station, NJ 08853  
908 642-6420 ericuper@msn.com

**Bruce Hay, Jr.**  
50 Pine St., Lincroft, NJ 07738

**Jayesh Shah, Architectural Iron Design**  
950 S. 2nd St., Plainfield, NJ 07063  
jay@archirondesign.com

**Louise Pezzi, Blacksmith**  
1241 Carpenter St  
Philadelphia, PA 19147  
215 336 6023 pezziandjr@gmail.com

**Mark Balzarette, Blue Sun Customs LLC**  
124 Greenwood Ave. STE.C Suite C  
Midland Park, NJ 07432

## BLACKSMITH TOOLS FOR SALE!

John Chobrda

Has a large selection of tools for sale.  
Anvils – Forges - Leg Vices—Blowers  
Tongs – Hammers  
and/or resurfaced Anvils

Call John for prices and availability  
(302) 838-1960 cell (609) 610-3501

**In Southern NJ contact**  
Joshua Kuehne, 543 Amos Ave.  
Vineland, NJ 08360  
(856) 503-5297 iforgeiron88@yahoo.com  
**In Northern Delaware and Southern NJ,  
contact Kerry Rhoades or John Chobrda**  
Kerry (302) 832-1631 John (302) 838-1960  
(609) 610-3501 (cell)

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## RESOURCE DIRECTORY

Resources included are from previous NRBA newsletters, ABANA resource guide, and NRBA members. Entries are in alphabetical order. Please notify editor of any errors: [lund1907@hotmail.com](mailto:lund1907@hotmail.com)

### BOOKS & PUBLICATIONS

Archetype Publications 6 Fitzroy Square, London, England UK W1P 6DX 00-44-171-380-0800

Artist-Blacksmith Quarterly 1229 Bee Tree Lake Road, Swannanoa, NC 28778  
[www.artist-blacksmith.org](http://www.artist-blacksmith.org)

Artisan Ideas 505 Kimball Avenue, Westfield, NJ 07090 908-232-3755 [www.artisanideas.com](http://www.artisanideas.com)  
E-mail [info@ArtisanIdeas.com](mailto:info@ArtisanIdeas.com)

Astragal Press (The) PO Box 239 Mendham, NJ 07945-0239 973-543-3045 [www.astragalpress.com](http://www.astragalpress.com)  
E-mail [info@astragalpress.com](mailto:info@astragalpress.com)

Blacksmith's Journal PO Box 1699, Washington, MO 63090 573-237-8882  
[www.blacksmithsjournal.com](http://www.blacksmithsjournal.com)  
No longer published but back issues available as pdf or hard copy thru the web site

Norman Larson Books, Booksmith (The) 5426 Hwy 246, Lompoc, CA 93436 800-743-4766  
E-mail [larbooks@impulse.net](mailto:larbooks@impulse.net)

Centaur Forge Ltd. 117 North Spring St, Burlington, WI 53105 800-666-9175 [www.centaurforge.com](http://www.centaurforge.com)  
E-mail [info@centaurforge.com](mailto:info@centaurforge.com)

Chester Book Company 8075 215th Street West, Lakeville, MN 55044 800-858-8515  
[www.chesterbookco.com](http://www.chesterbookco.com)  
E-mail [craftbooks@finney-hobar.com](mailto:craftbooks@finney-hobar.com)

Dragonfly Enterprises, Randy McDaniel  
[www.drgnfly4g.com](http://www.drgnfly4g.com)  
E-mail [rams4g@email.msn.com](mailto:rams4g@email.msn.com)

Lindsay Publications PO Box 538, Bradley, IL 60915-0538 815-935-5353 [www.lindsaybks.com/](http://www.lindsaybks.com/)

Slipjack Press 888-822-6657  
<http://www.finney-hobar.com/skipjack.htm>

Valley Forge & Welding 280 Franklin Ave, Willits, CA 95490 orders 800-367-5373

## SCHOOLS

Schools listed are from the ABANA website: <http://www.abana.org/resources/education/schools.shtml>  
The website also lists post-secondary schools and additional schools located in the eastern US.

Arrowhead Forge Shop of Instruction, 7 N. Lobban Ave., Buffalo, Wyoming 82834 307-684-2338, <http://www.arrowhead-forge.com/>  
Learn the use of coal forge, anvil, and hand tools. Classes limited to two students and held monthly.

Dallas Heritage Village, 1717 Gano Street, Dallas, Texas 75215, (214) 421-5141.

Website: <http://www.dallasheritagevillage.org/Blacksmithing.aspx>

Basic & Advanced Blacksmithing for both children and adults. Weekends.

Golden Pheasant Art Metal Shop, Nahum G. Her-som, 3011 Innis Street, Boise, ID 83703 (208) 345-9163. Repousse design and techniques. Previous blacksmithing helpful. 6 day.

Guild of Metalsmiths, P.O.Box 11423, Saint Paul, MN 55111, website: <http://www.metalsmith.org/>. Fifteen different classes including beginning blacksmithing.

John C. Campbell Folk School, One Folk School Road, Brasstown, NC 28902, 1-800-365-5724 or (828) 837-2775, email: [karen@folkschool.org](mailto:karen@folkschool.org), Website: [www.folkschool.org](http://www.folkschool.org) Basic skills courses, advanced and specialty classes are offered year round in one and two week courses, as well as some weekends.

Karl Schroen, 4042 Bones Road, Sebastopol, CA 95472, (707) 823-4057,  
Email: [kschroen@hotmail.com](mailto:kschroen@hotmail.com),  
Website: <http://users.ap.net/~schroen/>  
Two day workshops on traditional knifemaking with a forge, anvil, and hammer.

Mark Aspery School of Blacksmithing, Springville, CA, P.O. Box 523, Springville, CA 3265-0523, (559) 539-3351, Email: [blacksmith@ocsnet.net](mailto:blacksmith@ocsnet.net)  
Website: <http://markaspery.net>

McLellan Blacksmithing, 921 Lawton Ave, Roseville, CA 95678, (916) 786-0560 One and two-day workshops for beginning and intermediate levels of blacksmithing.

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Pilgrim Soul Forge, Grant R. Marcoux, Artist Blacksmith Shop: 450 West Atlantic Avenue Alameda, CA 94501, Mailing: 1715 Grand Street, Alameda, CA 95401-1221 (510) 865-5328, Email: mailman@grantsforge.com, Website: www.grantsforge.com Basic and intermediate blacksmithing and bladesmithing.

Meridian Forge Blacksmithing School, 36914 Meridian East, Eatonville, WA 98328-9031 (253) 318-1842. Classes for beginner and experienced smith with occasional visiting artist/blacksmith.

New England School of Metalwork, 7 Albiston Way, Auburn, ME 04210, 1-888-753-7502, www.newenglandschoolofmetalwork.com E-mail: dglaser@newenglandschoolofmetalwork.com Guest instructors from April thru September teaching beginning and advanced metalworking skills.

Old West Forge School of Blacksmithing, Tim Middaugh, PO Box 2105, White Salmon, WA 98672, (509) 493-4418, Email: tim@oldwestforge.com Web: <http://www.oldwestforge.com/> Classes at the beginning and intermediate level: blacksmithing, tool making, traditional joinery, leaf making and scrolls.

Penland School Penland Rd, Penland, NC 28765, 704-765-2359. Email: office@penland.org Website: www.penland.org

Penland School offers courses in iron work ranging from summer sessions of one to two weeks as well as eight week sessions during the fall and spring concentrations.

Pratt Fine Arts Center, 1902 S. Main St, Seattle, WA 98144, (206) 328-2200, <http://www.pratt.org/> E-mail: info@pratt.org. Offers a diverse array of classes of interest to the metal, sculpture and blacksmithing community.

T&E Forge, Mark Schramm, 3068 West Lehi Drive, West Valley City, UT 84119, (801) 968-0986, Email: atongmark@aol.com Offers both beginning blacksmithing and forge welding. Friday thru Sunday.

Texarkana College/Bill Moran School of Bladesmithing, 2500 N. Robison Rd, Texarkana,

TX 75599, (903) 838-4541 Ext 3236 website: <http://www.americanbladesmith.com/school.html>

Continuing education classes offered from February-October. Scholarships.

The Crucible, 1260-7th Street, Oakland, CA 94607, (510) 444-0919

Email: info@thecrucible.org

Website: <http://www.thecrucible.org/>

Instruction in fire arts: foundry work, blacksmithing, metalsmithing, jewelry, ceramics, welding and glass.

Turley Forge Blacksmithing School, 919-A Chicoma Vista, Santa Fe, NM 87507 (505) 471-8608, Email: frank@turleyforge.com Website: <http://www.turleyforge.com/> Three-week classes emphasize toolsmithing, hardware, and scrollwork.

White Hart Forge, Daniel Klug, 1821 SE Creighton, Milwaukee, Oregon 97267, (503)353-6695 Email: whitehartforge@yahoo.com Website: www.whitehartforge.com Instruction in basic blacksmithing, advanced techniques and bladesmithing. Two-day classes.

## ORGANIZATIONS

ABANA Artist Blacksmith's Association of North America PO Box 3425 Knoxville, TN 37927-3425 www.abana.org E-mail: abana@abana.org Central office: 865-546-7733 Dues are \$55, which includes quarterly publications: Anvil's Ring and The Hammer's Blow. A list of resources available.

ABS American Blacksmith Society, Inc. PO Box 1481. Cypress, TX 77410-1481 www.americanbladesmith.com E-mail: info@americanbladesmith.com Dues are \$60

American Farrier's Association 4059 Ironworks Pkwy, Ste 1, Lexington, KY 40511 www.americanfarriers.org E-mail farriers@americanfarriers.org 859-233-7411 Dues are \$150.

NOMMA National Ornamental & Miscellaneous Metals Association 888-516-8585 www.nomma.org E-mail: nommainfo@nomma.org 1536 Pennsylvania Ave, McDonough, GA 30253 Industry association of light structural and com-

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mercial ornamental fields. Dues are \$415, which includes industry discounts, technical support, insurance, resource directory, and publications: Ornamental & Metals Fabricator, Fabricator's Journal, and Tech Notes.

## TOOLS & SUPPLIES

A Cut Above Distributors 16512 Arminita St, Van Nuys, CA 800-444-2999 [www.acutabove.com](http://www.acutabove.com)  
Grinding wheels/disc, chop saw blades, wire wheels and brushes.

Anhydrous Borax Gerome Weinand-distributor 406-543-0845 [gmwknives@aol.com](mailto:gmwknives@aol.com) Usually \$2.00/pound, by the pound.

Ashville-Schoonmaker Mica Company  
<http://www.ashevillemica.com/>  
900 Jefferson Ave, Newport News, VA 523067  
757-244-7311 Mica sheets for lamps and mica products.

Atlas Metal Sales 1401 Umatilla St, Denver, CO 80204 800-662-0143 [www.atlasmetal.com](http://www.atlasmetal.com), Silicon bronze, cda alloy 655, other alloys

Blacksmith Depot Kayne & Sons 100 Daniel Ridge Rd. Chandler, NC 28715  
[www.blacksmithsdepot.com](http://www.blacksmithsdepot.com) Tools, anvils, gas forge, Peddinghous tools.

Centaur Forge LLC 117 N Spring St, Burlington, WI 53105-0340 800-666-9175  
[www.centarforge.com](http://www.centarforge.com) Blacksmith and farrier tools, anvils, Kuhn air hammers, forges, swage blocks.

Cleveland Steel Tool Co 474 East 105th St, Cleveland, OH 44108 800-446-4402  
[www.clevelandsteeltool.com](http://www.clevelandsteeltool.com) Manufactures punches, shears and dies.

Colorado Water Jet Co 5186 Longs Peak Unit F, Berthoud, CO 80513-1378  
[www.coloradowaterjet.com](http://www.coloradowaterjet.com) 866-532-5404 Custom metal cutting. Water cut process for steels, alloys, non-ferrous metals.

Des Moines Bolt Co 2300 Delaware, Des Moines, IA 50317 515-265-7581 <http://www.dmbolt.com/>  
Square-head, non-galvanized, lag bolts.

Enco Manufacturing Co. 400 Nevada Pacific Hwy, Fernley, NV 89408 800-873-3626

[www.use-enco.com](http://www.use-enco.com) Machine tools and general shop supplies.

Galeton Gloves 800-221-0570 [www.galeton.com](http://www.galeton.com)  
Work gloves - factory direct.

Grizzly Ind Inc 1821 Valencia St, Bellingham, WA 98226 800-438-5901 [www.grizzlyimports.com](http://www.grizzlyimports.com)  
Tools

Hanson Rivets 13241 Weidner St, Pacoima, CA 90065-1318 800-777-4838 [www.hansonrivet.com](http://www.hansonrivet.com)  
Rivets and more.

Harbor Freight Tools 3491 Mission Oaks Blvd, Camarillo, CA 93011 805-388-3000  
[www.harborfreight.com](http://www.harborfreight.com) Brand name and import tools.

Hossfeld Mfg Co Box 557, Winona, MN 55987 507-452-2182 [www.hossfeldbender.com](http://www.hossfeldbender.com) Hossfeld Universal Bender for bending bar stock to angel iron, pipe, tube or conduit to flat; sharp angles to radii.

James Riser Metal spinning CD, lathes, anvils.  
[www.jamesriser.com](http://www.jamesriser.com)

Jere Kilpatrick's Valley Forge & Welding 280 Franklin Ave, Willits, CA 95490  
<http://saber.net/jere> 800-367-5373 Shop supplies, tools, jigs, treadle hammer kit, preformed sheet metal components for flowers, candle holders, shovels.

Justesen Industries 1090 Yew Ave, Blaine, WA 98230 800-624-5044 [www.justesen.com](http://www.justesen.com) Firescreen mesh drapery with/without rings

Little Giant 420 4th Corso, Nebraska City, NE 68410 402-873-6603 [www.littlegianthammer.com](http://www.littlegianthammer.com)  
Parts, supplies and services to rebuild Little Giant Power Hammers.

Milwaukee Tool & Equipment Co 13135 W Lisbon Road, Milwaukee, WI 53005  
<http://www.milwaukeeetool.com/>  
800-729-3878 Tools.

MSC Industrial Supply Co 75 Maxes Road, Melville, NY 11747-3151 800-757-270  
[www.mscdirect.com](http://www.mscdirect.com) Huge catalog of tools.

Northern Tool & Equipment 2800 Southcross Dr W, Burnsville, MN 55306 [www.northerntool.com](http://www.northerntool.com)  
800-533-5545 Tools

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Plaskolite Inc 800-848-9214

[www.plaskolite.com](http://www.plaskolite.com) Acrylic sheet, patterned and frosted plastic sheet, lexan, plastic mirrors.

Professional Plastics 1810 E Valencia Dr, Fullerton, CA 92831 800-966-7767

[www.professionalplastics.com](http://www.professionalplastics.com) MT & WA stores 800-223-8360 High performance plastics

R E Caddy Co PO Box 14634, Greensboro, NC 27415 800-213-9224 [www.recaddy.com](http://www.recaddy.com) Broomcorn, brooms, broom typing supplies.

Superior Flux Mfg Co 6615 Parkland Blvd, Cleveland, OH 44139 440-349-3000

[www.superiorflux.com](http://www.superiorflux.com) Anti-Borax label for the blacksmith, forge, & farrier industry.

Sur-Fin Chemical Corp 1530 Spence St, Los Angeles, CA 90023 800-282-3533

[www.surfinchemical.com](http://www.surfinchemical.com) Patinas for iron, steel, brass, copper, aluminum.

Surplus Center 101.5 West 0 St, Lincoln, NE 68501-2209 800-488-3407

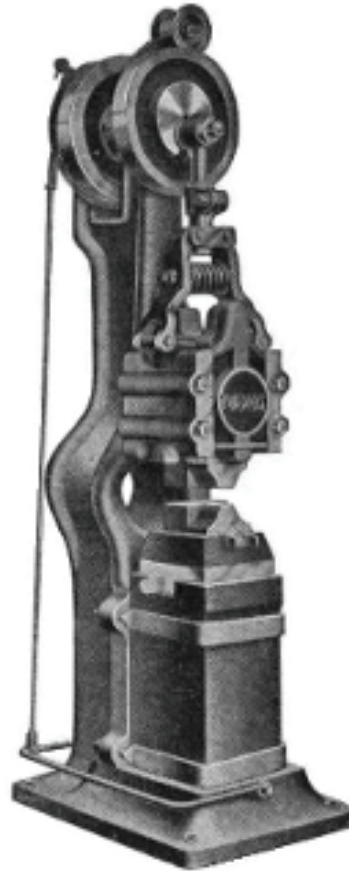
[www.surpluscenter.com](http://www.surpluscenter.com) Hyd pumps, cyl gear boxes, inverters, converters, blowers, valves, compressors, motor bearings, gear reducers, winches.

Tempil 2901 Hamilton Blvd, South Plainfield, NJ 07080 800-757-8301 [www.tempil.com](http://www.tempil.com) Temperature sensing crayons.

TP Tools & Equipment PO Box 649, Canfield, OH 44406 800-321-9260 [www.tptools.com](http://www.tptools.com) Sandblast-

ing and other tools.

The Broomshop PO Box 1182, Grants Pass, OT 97528 514-474-3575 [www.broomshop.com](http://www.broomshop.com) Custom brooms woven on your handles.



## SHOP THEORIES (Mississippi Forge Council)

### Ernies Law of Horizontal Surfaces

"The volume of clutter expands exponentially in relation to the combined sums of the areas of the horizontal surfaces in one's shop."

### Pigott's Theory of Work

"The volume of work accomplished in a given period of time can easily be determined by the amount of blood on the floor of the shop"