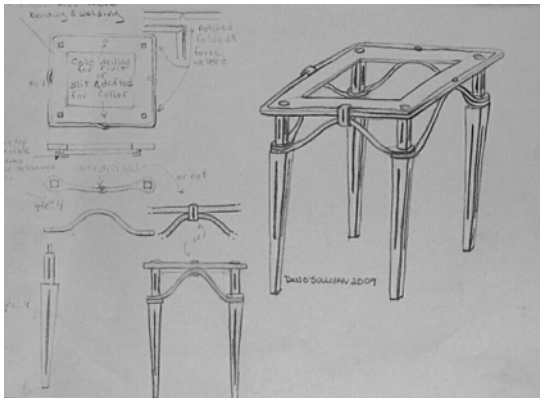


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NJBA and Paba Joint Meet
Eric Cuper's Shop in Easton, PA
Saturday January 31st 2009

Table design and fabrication
by Dan O'Sullivan and Eric Cuper

The meet started by Dan showing a design he had made for a table and explaining the various parts.



Dan had notched a piece of flat stock that would be the table top before the meet. He then scarfed the insides of the notches and then folded them together. Dan and Eric then welded the corners forming the frame.

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The frame was then grooved near the edge and a hole was punched in each side to collar the leg supports to.



Eric started the legs by tapering the stock on the power hammer. Eric then used a striker and a smithing magician to butcher in for the shoulders on the legs and then drew the stock to that size on the power hammer. Dan worked on the cross supports that go under the frame to support the legs on the power hammer and the anvil. Although they tried they were unable to complete the table (They said they may not at the beginning) and that they will get together at a later date and finish it and donate it to an auction, perhaps at Peters Valley.



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"Between Fences"

Delaware City, Delaware

Saturday April 19th, a group of semi-local smiths fabricated and erected a section of fence in the park in Delaware City, DE. This was done in conjunction with the Smithsonian Institution's traveling exhibit "Between Fences" which is presently in Delaware City. Over 20 individual pickets were made with no constraint except they be 36 in. long and not over 3 1/2 in. wide.

These are photos of what resulted;



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