

2026 NWBA SPRING CONFERENCE SCHEDULE ~ April 10-12

Preconference ~ Thursday April 9

8:am - 5:pm John Winer workshop audit in Mentoring Center \$30 at the door
2:00pm - dark Conference and vendor/ tailgate sales set up

Conference begins Friday April 10

Registration & Merch Table Open in Mentoring Center

8:00am – 10:00am // 1:00pm – 3:00pm // 8:00pm – 9:00pm

- 7:30am - 8:45am: Coffee and Potluck Breakfast at Demo Barn
9:00am - 12:00pm: **John Winer** Demonstration in Demo Barn
9:00am - 12:00pm: Youth and Beginners Forge and Open Forge in Vendor Barn
12:30pm - 1:45pm: Lunch Break
12:30pm: *Hands-on Workshop Participation Drawing announced in Demo barn*
2:00pm - 5:00pm: **Dan Bowyer** Hands-On workshop in MC
2:00pm - 5:00pm: **Lisa Geertsen** Demonstration in Demo Barn
2:00pm - 5:00pm: Youth and Beginners Forge and Open Forge in Vendor Barn
6:00pm - 7:00pm: Potluck Dinner at Demo Barn
7:00pm - 10:00pm: Blacksmoke Alley
7:00pm - 8:00pm Demonstrators slide show presentations in Demo Barn
8:00pm - Late: Forging Competition Starts in Mentoring Center
Flexible Throughout Friday:
- *Repoussé* Table with *Louie Raffloer* in Vendor Barn
 - Forge Welding Chain Links with *Berkley Tack* in Vendor Barn
 - Silent Auction in Demo Barn / Archives and Member Galleries in MC
 - Tailgate sales in the Vendor barn

Saturday, April 11th

Registration & Merch Tables Open in Mentoring Center

8:00am – 10:00am // 1:00pm – 3:00pm // 8:00pm – 9:30pm

- 7:30am-8:45am: Coffee and Breakfast potluck at demo barn
8:30am *Hands-on Workshop Participation Drawing announced in Demo barn*
9:00am - 12:00pm: **Joey Guerra** Hands-on work shop in MC
9:00am - 12:00pm: **John Winer** Demonstration in Demo Barn
9:00am - 12:00pm: Youth and Beginners Forge and Open Forge in Vendor Barn
12:00pm: **President's Challenge Entries due** for judging in MC
12:30pm - 1:45pm: Potluck Lunch at Demo Barn
12:30pm: *Hands-on Workshop Participation Drawing announced in Demo barn*
2:00pm - 5:00pm: **Paul Thorne** Hands-On Workshop in MC
2:00pm - 5:00pm: **Lisa Geertsen** Demonstration in Demo Barn
2:00pm - 5:00pm: Youth and Beginners Forge workshops and Open Forge
5:30pm: Potluck Dinner in Demo Barn!
6:00pm: **General Members Meeting in Demo Barn**
7:00 pm: Live Auction in Demo Barn
8:00pm - Late: Forging Competition! Open Forge at MC
8:00pm - 10:00pm: Blacksmoke Alley
9:00pm: Silent Auction Closes – Winners Announced, Collect Your Winnings!
Flexible Throughout Saturday:
- *Repoussé* Table with *Louie Raffloer* in Vendor Barn
 - Forge Welding Chain Links with *Berkley Tack* in Vendor Barn

- Silent Auction in Demo Barn / Archives and Member Galleries in MC
 - Tailgate sales in Vendor Barn
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Sunday, April 12th

Registration & Merch Tables Open in Mentoring Center

8:00am – 11:00am

7:30am-8:45am: Coffee and Leftovers in Demo barn

9:00am - 12:00pm: Hot tips with Master Blade Smith **Dave Lisch** in MC

9:00am - 12:00pm: Silent Auction Winners Collect Your Items!

12:00pm: Conference Concludes!

12:00pm - 4:00pm: Volunteers help with Conference Breakdown

***Schedule subject to change. Please view our Facebook Page and website for additional updates.

Thank You for Coming!