

Hot Iron News



Northwest Blacksmith Association

By Jack Slack

The big news this issue is, of course, the fantastic Pig Roast II, hosted by the family and friends of Daryll Nelson and Terry Carson at Fire Mountain Forge in Eatonville. Daryll's family raised the pig, and it was some of the sweetest eatin' ever.

The featured demonstrator was Tom Joyce of Santa Fe, New Mexico, whose swift and sure hand enthralled us all as he turned out a variety of items. Tom's technique is very direct, the obvious result of a lot of practice, and his demonstrating style left us all thinking we could do it too, if only we tried. We all felt that Tom's demonstration was one of the best we've yet had, and we plan to invite him back in the near future.

Saturday evening's festivities included a brief business meeting, chaired by President Jim Garrett. Items discussed were:

A proposal to raise the membership dues to \$12.00/year, with an option to go to \$15.00 starting next year at dues renewal time in May, was accepted by the membership. This is necessary to offset increased cost of the *Blacksmith Gazette*, which Fred Holder is planning to put into magazine format.

Howard Swanson gave the Treasurer's report. After all expenses from the Pig Roast are paid, we'll have about \$600.00 in the bank.

George Rolstad took the floor to tell us about the Northwest Crafts Exhibition, sponsored by Allied Arts, in Seattle. Four of our members — Jim Garrett, Berny Hosey, Russell Jacqua, and Jack Slack — had work accepted for this show. Berny Hosey won the Juror's Award for Forged Iron, with an Honorable Mention to Jack Slack.

Russell Jacqua rose to speak about

marketing techniques for member's work. He and Dick Thomas are interested in promoting ironwork to architects, designers, etc., so if you are interested in selling your work, give Russell a call.

The voting for the Logo Contest had been going on all day. When the votes were counted, Ed Koizumi was the clear winner, with a tie for second place. A show of hands was called for to decide the issue, and second place was awarded to Ray Giddings, with third going to Russell Maugans. Thanks to all those who submitted entries, and congratulations to the winners.

The floor was opened for nominations to next year's Board of Directors. There were 15 nominations for the 7-member board, which was a far cry from last year, when some chasing with a stick was necessary to find enough people willing to run.

Iron in the Hat brought in over \$70.00. The first pick was Ed and Dorothy Stiegler's fine forged picture frame, won by Marion Munson of Salt Lake City.

The results of the election were posted on Sunday morning. Those lucky souls chosen to serve are: Jim Garrett, Daryll Nelson/Terry Carson, Corky Storer, Jack Slack, Howard Swanson, Russell Jacqua, and Dorothy Stiegler, with George Rolstad and Berny Hosey as alternates. Congratulations to the new Board members, and a special thank you to outgoing Board members Russell Maugans and Dwight Irish.

Our next event will be an Open Forge at Don Kuehne's shop on Saturday, November 20. Don has just completed installation of a 100-pound Little Giant, so Jim Garrett and Grant Sarver will give a demonstration on making and using tools for the power hammer. Don's shop is in Des Moines, Washington at 1349 - 250th St. Pack a bag lunch and come on out. To get there, take the Kent-Des Moines exit from I-5, and head West to 16th Ave. S. Turn left to 250th, and turn right. Look for the two huge radio towers in the yard. Don's phone number is 878-4936 in case you get lost.

There is still plenty of anvil-fixing welding rod available to members at cost. This is the stuff demonstrated by Grant Sarver at the last Anvil Repair Workshop, so if you'd like some, contact Jack Slack at the Blacksmith Shop.

Welcome to the following new and returning members — please add their names to your roster.

Stiegler Forge
Ed & Dorothy Stiegler
4642 - 180th Way SW
Rochester, WA 98579

Norma Foss
9016 Red-Wood Rd.
Redmond, WA 98052

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1266 S. 140th
Seattle, WA 98168

Michael R. Linn
4127 Meridian Ave. N.
Seattle, WA 98103

Douglas Kuehne
4512 S. 290th
Auburn, WA 98002

Al Morgan
2128 Commercial NE
Salem, OR 97303

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Milwaukie, OR 97222

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SR3, Box 16
Lyle, WA 98635

Henry Curran
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Anacortes, WA 98221

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6849 - 25th Ave. E
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Saturday will be a day of education with talks by Olin Balch-Burnett, DVM, Spokane Veterinarian and former WSU farrier, on "Technical Area, Posterior Foot Problems and Their Shoeing" and "Reflections of a Farrier Turned

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