Saltfork Craftsmen Artist-Blacksmith Association

November 2018



Mandell Greteman and Ron Lehenbauer at the Forge During the Fairview Tractor Show

If you are interested in hosting a regional meeting in 2019, secure your date as soon as possible. The 2019 Regional Meeting Calendar is enclosed on page 9.

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Editors notes...

The 2018 Annual SCABA Conference is now just a memory. If you were able to make it, I hope it was a good one for you.

It takes a lot of work to put on a good conference and we are lucky to have dedicated volunteers who always seem to go above and beyond to make sure everything gets done. Thank you to everyone who gives their time and effort so freely.

We had two great demonstrators this year and rave reviews from the students in the after conference workshops for both instructors. For a variety of reasons, I wasn't able to watch all of the demonstrations so I am thankful for our video crew! I will have to watch much of the conference demos from the video. Once those are available, we will have an announcement in the newsletter.

Like last year, I wasn't able to do justice to the numerous photos we have in this newsletter since it has to be completed so soon after the conference. But look for more wrap up info and photos in the December issue.

- Russell Bartling - Editor

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President's Notes:

The 2018 conferences is over and I think we had a good one. It was hard to shift gears from Pep Gomez in overdrive to Bob Bergman's compound gear but both demoes had a lot to offer it was really interesting to watch different ways to us a power hammer.

I would like to say Thanks to everyone that helped set up and tear down. It wouldn't be possible without everyone's help and it meant that we had a great conference. I would like to thank the cooks and other lady's that helped very much too. You know a bunch of men don't go too long with empty bellies.

We weren't planning very well when we had two demo people that used power hammers for both styles of work. It took a lot of extra equipment for two classes. I would like to Thank a special member for his donation of all that equipment. If it all works out next year we will have a traditional blacksmith and a power hammer demo person.



Old Mother Nature wasn't very nice to us, but it all worked out well. I hope the tail -gaiters had good luck selling their product. I would like to thank the Murray County Tractor Association very much for letting us have our conference at their facility. Thanks again for everyone's help and for use of the grounds.

Hit like a striker.

Thanks, Mandell

"Conference Cook's" Notes:

We made it through another year of meals at conference this year. Where do I start to say how grateful and proud we are of our club members that step up to help set up and tear down and help cook or ran errands. A huge Thank You to all the women that helped with the cooking and cleaning and running to town and back. Thank you also to our men that stepped up and helped us in the kitchen. I have learned that it takes all of us to pull a good conference off. Thank you to the Murray Tractor club, and Bennie McGill for the wonderful set up that we are allowed to use. We have already started planning for next year so to see you there! Thanks again to everyone. - Cook (LaQuitta Greteman)

All Regional Meetings are Free to Attend and are Always Open to Any Member or Guest...

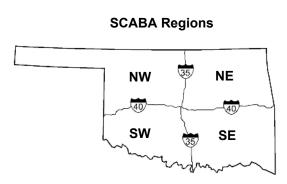
New to Saltfork or just want to check out Blacksmithing but don't know where to start? These meetings are a great place for new members or guests who just want to see what it is all about to come network with like minded people. If you want some pointers on how to get started, there is always someone happy to help get you started hammering. And guests are always welcomed.

Want to host a meeting? The meeting hosting form can be found on the last page along with membership application form. If you want to host a meeting in any area please fill out one of the host forms on the website under the calendar section or in the newsletter and e-mail the information or mail the hard copy form in as soon as possible. If you mail a form, please call or e-mail to verify that it is received. E-mail is the most convenient for me but you can also phone in the information if you prefer. The sooner the meeting is scheduled, the more time there is to get the word out to potential attendees. -Russell Bartling 918-633-0234 or rbartling@ionet.net

What's My Region?

The four main regions are currently defined within the state by being separated by I35 and I40. (For example, the NW region is anything north if I40 and west of I35.)

All meetings are encouraged. These boundary definitions and regional meeting dates are a suggested framework to facilitate orderly meeting scheduling, planning and promotion with a minimum of overlaps and a maximum exposure to the greatest number of members. Not all meetings fit precisely within a rigid boundary definition and members in an area may want to hold meetings on a date that doesn't match their physical region or at a location other than their own region. This may be especially true in the center of state for areas that are close to the I35 and I40 boundary crossing. Special events such as shows, fairs, etc. may also dictate adjustments to the meeting dates within a region.



The regions are meant to be a simplification and clarification to the regional boundaries rather than a rigid restriction to any meeting scenario. *Saltfork members all belong to one club*. Regional boundaries are not intended to imply division within the club, but are intended to help spread distribution and promote monthly meetings.

Safety

Blacksmithing can be an inherently dangerous exercise. There is no substitute for personal responsibility and common sense and no list of safety rules can adequately cover every situation. Every person who attends a meeting, demonstration or event sponsored by the Saltfork Craftsmen Artist Blacksmith Association (SCABA) or its members does so at their own risk and assumes all responsibility for their own safety needs. The SCABA organization, its officers, members, demonstrators, volunteers and guests disclaim any responsibility for any damages, injuries, or destruction of property resulting from the use of any information or methods published or distributed by SCABA or demonstrated at workshops, meetings, conferences or other events. SCABA recommends proper attire and safety gear and standard shop safety procedures appropriate for blacksmithing and shop work during any event where blacksmithing and other related methods are involved. Safety attire includes, but is not limited to, appropriate clothing, eyewear, hearing protection, gloves, and face shields when appropriate. It is every individual's responsibility to provide for their own safety, to determine what safety gear is appropriate for each situation and to provide, maintain and use that gear as appropriate for each individual situation.

** SCABA Board of Directors Meeting **

There is a Board of Directors meeting scheduled for **2:00 PM** Sunday, **November 18th**, **2018** at Byron Doner's shop in Norman.

Board meetings are open to any member to attend. This is the best place to offer any comments, ideas or criticisms you have on how your club operates.

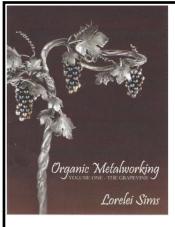
Feel free to attend. If you plan to attend and have an issue that needs addressed, please send your topic(s) to the Secretary, Carol Doner, to get on the agenda prior to the meeting date. - Editor

2018/2019 Workshop Schedule

There are currently no workshops scheduled.

Have an idea for a workshop or class? If you have an idea for a workshop that you would like to attend (or teach), please let the workshop coordinator know so that details for time and place can be worked out.

Mandell Greteman is the SCABA Workshop Coordinator. Contact Mandell at 580-515-1292.



Organic Metalworking Vol. 1 by Lorelei Sims Limited Copies Available

Lorelei Sims has a great new book illustrating her methods for organic metalworking. (See details in the October 2016 newsletter, Page 35.) Volume 1 is first in a series of planned books on different aspects of organic forging. This is a very good how-to book heavily illustrated and has something for beginning and advanced smiths alike.

Lorelei's methods are easy to understand and execute but the finished work is beautiful (at least hers is beautiful!) You will probably want a copy of this book in your library. I highly recommend it.

Due to continued demand, we have a second shipment of this book and many have already sold. The price of the book through SCABA is the same as the price directly from Lorelei and proceeds from sales benefit SCABA. **Contact Josh Perkins (918) 269-3523** if you would like to purchase a copy. - *Editor*

2018 RE	GIONAL MI	EETING SC	HEDULE
NE Region (1 st Sat)	SE Region (2 nd Sat)	SW Region (3 rd Sat)	NW Region (4th Sat)
Jan 6 th (Open)	Jan 13 th (Open)	Jan 20 th (Open)	Jan 27 th (Monte Smith)
Feb 3 rd (Bill Kendall)	Feb 10 th (Open)	Feb 17 th (Open)	Feb 24 th (Rory Kirk)
Mar 3 rd (Open)	Mar 10 th (Bruce Willenberg)	Mar 17 th (Open)	Mar 24 th (Mandell Greteman)
Apr 7 th (Open)	Apr 14 th SCABA Picnic	Apr 21 st (Open)	Apr 28 th (Bob Kennemer)
May 5 th (Dan Cowart)	May 12 th (Open)	May 19 th (JJ McGill)	May 26 th (Don Garner)
Jun 2 nd (Josh Perkins)	Jun 9 th (Ronnie Smith)	Jun 16 th (Ricky Vardell)	Jun 23 rd (Terry Kauk)
Jul 7 th (Open)	Jul 14 th (Byron Doner- Conference Toolbox Tool Making Day)	Jul 21 st (Open)	Jul 28 th (Chris Zornes)
Aug 4 th (Josh Perkins) (Unless Other Host Interested)	Aug 11 th (Open)	Aug 18 th (Open)	Aug 25 th (Roy Bell)
Sep 1 st (Josh Perkins) Unless Other Host Interested)	Sep 8 th (Open)	Sep 15 th (Ricky Vardell - JJ McGill - Sulphur Tractor Show)	Sep 22 nd (Don Garner)
Oct 6 th (Conference Set up Work Day)	Oct 13 th (Conference Weekend!)	Oct 20 th (Open)	Oct 27 th (Corey Spieker)
Nov 3 rd (Jim Carothers)	Nov 10 th (Bill Phillips)	Nov 17 th (Anthony Griggs)	Nov 24 th (Mandell Greteman)
Dec 1 st (Josh Perkins) (Unless Other Host Interested)	Dec 8 th (Open)	Dec 15 th (Open)	Dec 22 nd (Open)

2018 Fifth Saturdays:

March 31st (Beginner Blacksmithing Workshop - Norman, OK - See Workshop Schedule)

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June 30th (Tool Making Workshop at Mandell Greteman's Shop in Foss. See Workshop Schedule)

September 29th (Open)

December 29th (Open)

In an effort to increase meetings in the NE region, Josh Perkins is offering up a regular meeting place at his shop just to get together and open forge <u>unless someone wants to host a normal meeting on that date</u>. Where noted, the meetings are just informal get togethers and those dates are still open to anyone who wants to schedule a meeting in the NE.

Please note that there is no trade item for these meetings and lunch is not provided (bring your own lunch.) And since Josh doesn't have a lot of extra tongs or hammers, it would be best to bring your own.

November 2018

NE Regional Meeting November 3rd: Will be hosted by Jim Carothers at the Pawnee Bill Ranch Site Museum. 1141 Pawnee Bill Rd., Pawnee, OK 74058 (west side of Pawnee, just off Hwy 64.)

The trade item is any piece of cowboy art.

We should be on hand at the site by 9:00 AM to start setting up a forge or two and getting the coffee ready. Bring your portable forge, hand tools, project steel, etc. and lawn chairs.

I'll have a cowby lunch cooked on site in the Dutch ovens and drinks will be provided. Bring a side dish or dessert if you can. - Jim Carothers, Co-Host with the Museum Staff. Contact Jim at 580-307-5152 or frontiershop@wildblue.net. Museum contact: 918-762-2513 or pawneebill@okhistory.org.

SE Regional Meeting November 10th: Will be hosted by Bill Phillips at his shop at 14360 State Hwy 113, Indianola, OK 74442.

The trade item is a nail. Lunch is provide but please bring a side item or dessert to help out. Contact Bill Phillips at 918-200-4263 or <u>bullissac@yahoo.com</u> if you have questions.

SW Regional Meeting November 17th: Will be hosted by Anthony Griggs at his shop located at 345387 East Hwy 18B, Sparks, OK 74869. Rock house on the south side of the road on the hill. (See map).

The trade item will be a fancy flux spoon. Lunch will be fully provided. Guests don't need to bring any food items. Please bring extra chairs if you want to sit and visit outside.

Contact: Anthony Griggs at 918-866-2252.

NW Regional Meeting November 24th: Will be held by Mandell Greteman at his shop in Foss, OK.

The trade item will be anything you make the day of the meeting. Lunch will be provided but please bring a side dish or dessert to help out. Contact Mandell at 580-515-1292 if you have questions.

December 2018

NE Regional Meeting October 6th: Will be hosted by Josh Perkins at 9620 N 427, Chelsea, OK 74016 (see Map on next page.)

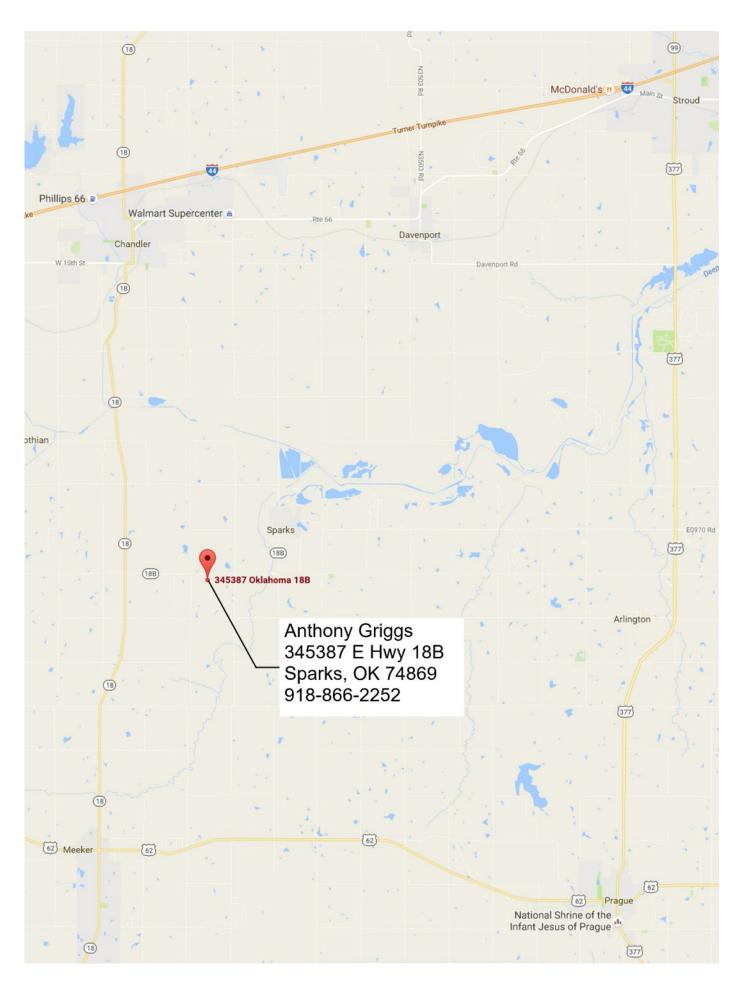
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SW Regional Meeting December 8th: Open.

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NW Regional Meeting December 22nd: Open



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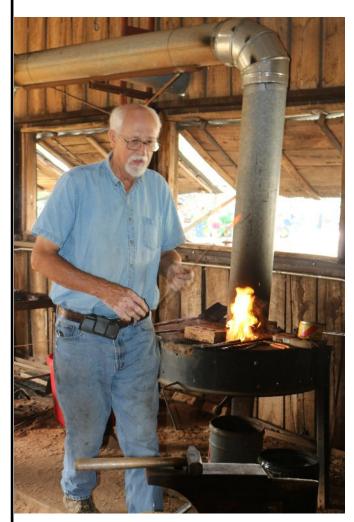
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Around the State...

NW Region September Meeting: The northwest region September meeting was hosted by Don Garner at the Fairview Tractor Show.



Rory Kirk and Chris Zomes did the demo at Fairview tractor show on Friday 28^{th} . They had several groups of school classes most with 20 to 25 in each, normally there are 250 to 300 on Friday.

They demonstrated from 9:00 to 4:30. On Saturday 29th we had our September meeting with 15 to 20 smiths showing and total of 30 with spouses and family. Three forges were busy most of day and it was really great to have Ron Lehenbauer be there sharing with all who came by watch.

The trade item was a pair of 25 inch hinges and we had 6 sets. All were great and several commented

that they were more of a challenge then they had anticipated.













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I would like for all of our new members to understand that the trade item is not meant to embarrass you but to provide a challenge and get you to try new skills and ask for help if you need to. We all will be more than glad to help you learn a new skill if needed.

(Photos submitted by LaQuitta Greteman)

NE Region October Meeting: No meeting was held in October. This date was reserved for Conference setup in Sulphur.

SE Region October Meeting: No Meeting was held in October. The SE Region meeting date was taken up by the 2018 Annual Conference. Look for Conference wrap up info in the December Newsletter.

SW Region October Meeting: No Meeting was held in October.

2018 Oklahoma State Fair

We had great weather this year to demonstrate at the OK State Fair. We had a few new faces demonstrating this year and a few of the regulars. Thank you to each one that participated and represented the club. The schedule was slow to fill up and I was a little worried but you guys came through. I especially want to publicly thank Byron Donor for going to Wann, Ok to pick up the trailer. Byron made a mid-week coal delivery. He then had to turn around and take it to Tulsa for their fair event. Please give him a big thank you when you get a chance!! He logged a lot of miles for the club with that trailer.

Thank you to the following people who demonstrated this year; Roy Bell (Clinton), Lloyd Turner (Chickasha), Tony and Carol Cable (Blanchard), William Cook (Moore), Raymond Franklin (OKC), Terry Jenkins (Blanchard), Hagen Hedrick (Binger), Anthony and Cheryl Griggs (Sparks), Mark Carter (Stillwater), Eric Jergensen (OKC), Danny Duncan (Marlow), Marc Carson (Midwest City), and Richard Blasius (Yukon).

I would like to send an Honorable Mention shout out to the Friday, September 21 demonstrators,













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Anthony and Cheryl Griggs, Danny Duncan and Marc Carson. When I arrived out at the fair it was raining quite heavily and everything was wet and beginning to flood. We closed down early and left dripping wet. Luckily the next day was a perfect day according to Tony Cable.

Thank you to the guys who helped Richard tear down and repack everything to go to Tulsa, Terry Jenkins, Marc Carson, Raymond Franklin and Tony Cable.

Mark your calendar for September 12-22, 2019 for next year and look for details a few months before in the newsletter!

Thank you, Michele Blasius



Shop Hints and Tips by Joe Madrid

This "Chalk Talk" shop tip is reprinted courtesy of the Arizona Artist Blacksmith Association, The Anvil's Horn, Sep. 2018



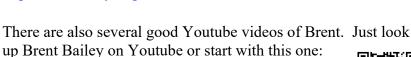
Brent Bailey Workshops and Conference Demo at the NTBA 2018 Conference

The North Texas Blacksmith Association is having Brent Bailey back for a week of one day workshops and the Saturday annual conference for 2018. The NTBA had Brent for hammer workshops in 2016. (See the December 2016 Saltfork Newsletter.)

By the way, Brent makes some of the best hammers going and sells them for

about the best prices going to boot. He can also swing a sledge hammer with one arm like most people swing their normal 2 ½ pound forging hammer. If you haven't seen his work, visit Brent's website at:

http://brentbaileyforge.com/



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1NIG7k50OW0





NTBA classes will start on Monday the second week of November and each one-day class will run until the Conference on Saturday. Classes are \$150 Each. You must be a member to attend (\$25 for one year membership.) The Saturday Conference is \$45. The NTXBA is waiving memberships for non-members who sign up for the conference and giving a free one-year membership with the paid conference fee.

The Conference and workshops will be at Will Frary's shop in Denton, TX off of Hwy 380. If you would like to attend, keep an eye on the NTBA Facebook page or website:

https://www.facebook.com/ntxba/



http://www.ntxba.org/2018hammer-in.php



Registration is open now!

You can also check with the Treasurer, Fred Cole, for more detailed information:

Fred Cole 972-834-4066 ficole@gmail.com

Reflections of Peter Ross Demo

My thoughts following the BGOP Spring Fling 2018 By Drew Alexander

Peter Ross is in my mind one of the best blacksmiths alive today. With regards to 18th century colonial ironwork, he excels. So having the opportunity to not only witness his work, but be in a teacher/student setting with Peter this past weekend is something that I place a lot of value in. It is something that I don't take for granted. Without diving into all of the details of what was taught this past weekend, you can read my notes if you're interested, I wish to reflect upon what I learned from Peter.

There is no secret tool, or secret technique that will make you a successful blacksmith.

This was consistently reiterated over and over all weekend by Peter in many different ways. One woman asked him how he kept the piece of iron from twisting as he hammered it. His answer, "Well, I have a special technique that I use which you won't find in any textbooks, I watch where I hit with my hammer, and if it starts to twist I stop doing that and correct my swing." Someone else asked him how he forged his tenons. His answer was simple, "With a hammer and anvil." He remarked that he didn't use a guillotine, which I think surprised a few people. Over and over again his solution to every problem was to use your eye, use your brain, and use your hammer and anvil without special tools. Often times I find myself online ogling over an expensive new rounding hammer or a "Smithin' Magician," or even wishing I had the money to take an expensive class, or buy an expensive book. But what I learned this weekend is that what can be done with simple tools is limitless and is only limited by practice, perseverance, and willingness to try difficult things. A new tool won't make you a better smith, but practice will. Use what you have and don't make excuses. Get out in the forge! Try hard things and you will get better.

Don't let the popular trend dictate your work. Peter uses a cross peen hammer. This was something that jumped out at me right away. Although I started my blacksmithing experience 15 years ago with a cross peen, I have since been swept up by the popularity of the rounding hammer. I think this was generated in part by the strong influence in the blacksmithing community of Brian Brazeal. Brian does great work with his rounding hammer, but does that mean that it should be used by everyone? Not necessarily. I decided to ask Peter what he thought about this. He said that rounding hammers were traditionally used about 5% of the time and all other work was done with a cross peen. If you want to imitate 18th century iron work you need to use a cross peen. What I took from this was: Use the hammer that is appropriate for the style of ironwork you are trying to achieve. 18th century work is best performed with a cross peen. It also showed me that it's easy to be caught up in what the popular trend is. Just because everyone is doing it, doesn't make it right for you. I love my rounding hammer and will continue to use it, but I have a feeling I'll be dusting off my old hammer now to see with a fresh perspective what it can do.

Just because blacksmithing is popular right now, doesn't mean that there are more

craftsmen. In recent years blacksmithing and bladesmithing have reached national popularity. But what I've found is that the number of craftsman is not actually increasing. Instead we now have hundreds of thousands of enthusiasts who are intrigued by blacksmithing, they may even have a forge, but they are not craftsmen. For me it is a continual struggle to stare through the fog of popular blacksmithing trends and culture to find the pure unadulterated artists and craftsman. There is a whole world of misinformation out there. Let's latch onto the teachings and mentors that we know are sound, like Mr. Ross, and learn from them.

Regards, Drew Alexander April 2018

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PETER ROSS



Peter's interest in early ironwork developed accidentally as the result of part time employment at a local living history museum. He spent weekends and summers working in the blacksmith shop, watching the pieces he had just made be put to use in correct historic context. After attending the Rhode Island School of Design and a year studying with blacksmith/whitesmith Dick Everett in East Haddam, CT, he opened his own shop.

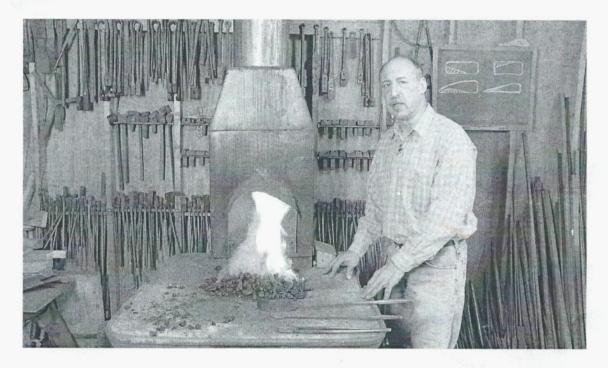
In 1979 Peter was hired as a journeyman blacksmith by the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. Two years later he took over the shop as Master; a position he held for 23 years. In addition to reproducing hundreds of different pieces of 18th century hardware, utensils, tools, etc, Peter and staff helped re-discover pre-industrial methods long out of use.

For the last 30 years, he has been a frequent demonstrator at ABANA national blacksmith conferences, given hundreds of classes and workshops on historic tools and methods at prominent Craft schools, regional blacksmith conferences, and museum sites.

Peter now operates his own business in Siler City, North Carolina making museum quality reproductions of 18th and 19th century hardware. Recent projects include hardware for the distillery at Mount Vernon, door locks for Monticello and Montpelier, and other private restorations.

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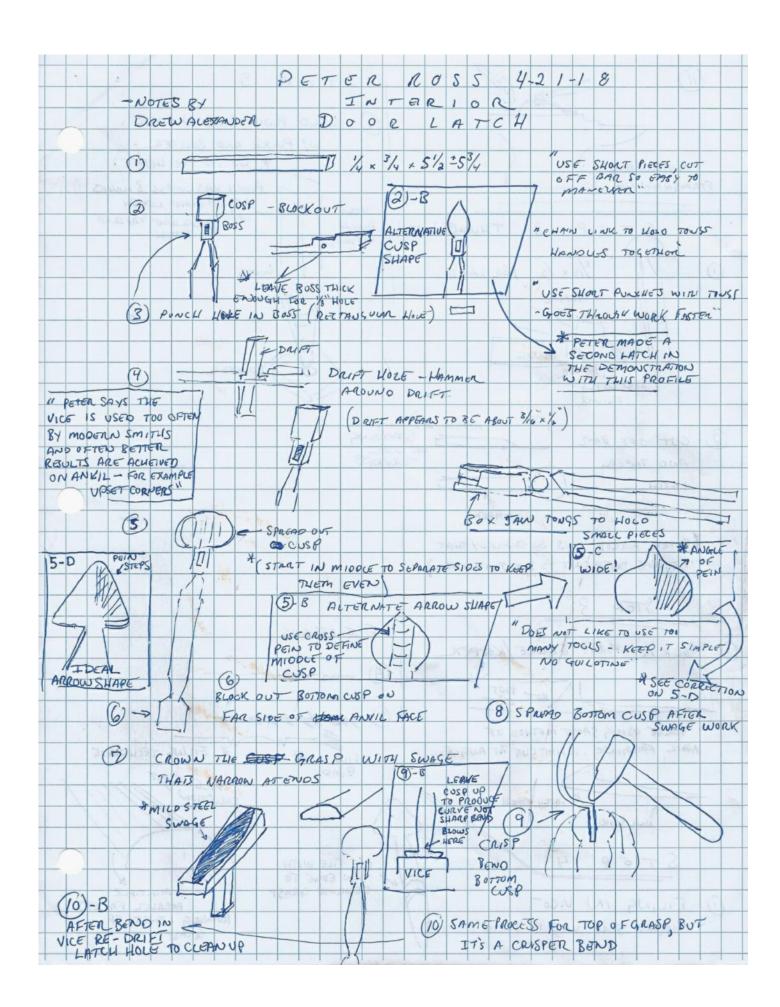
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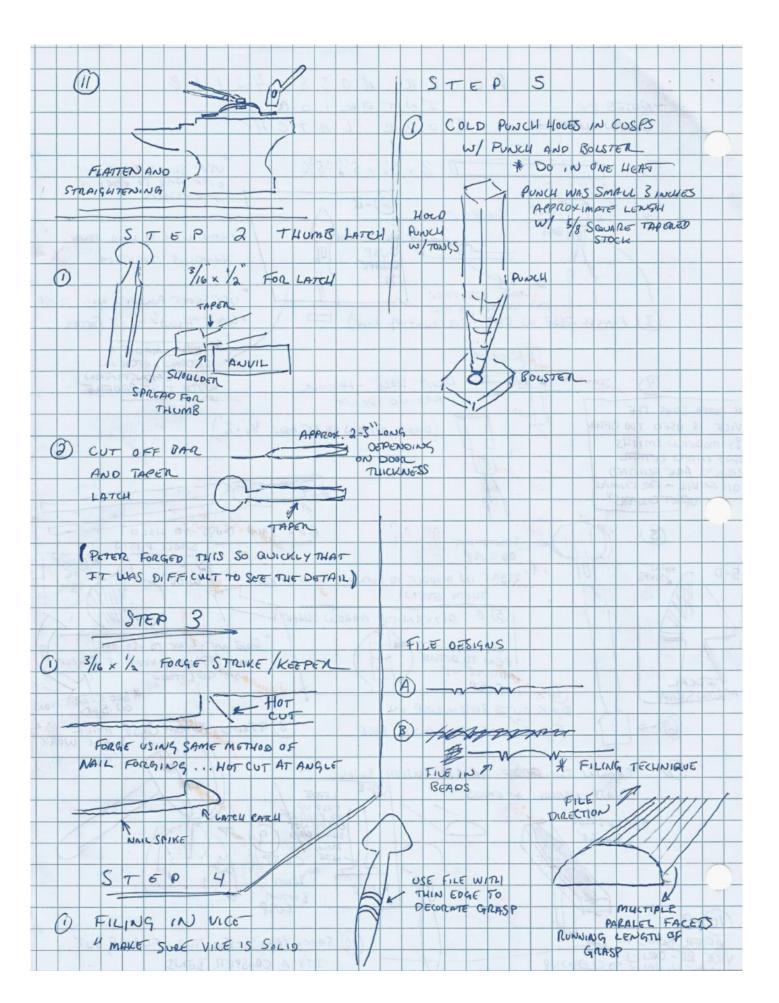


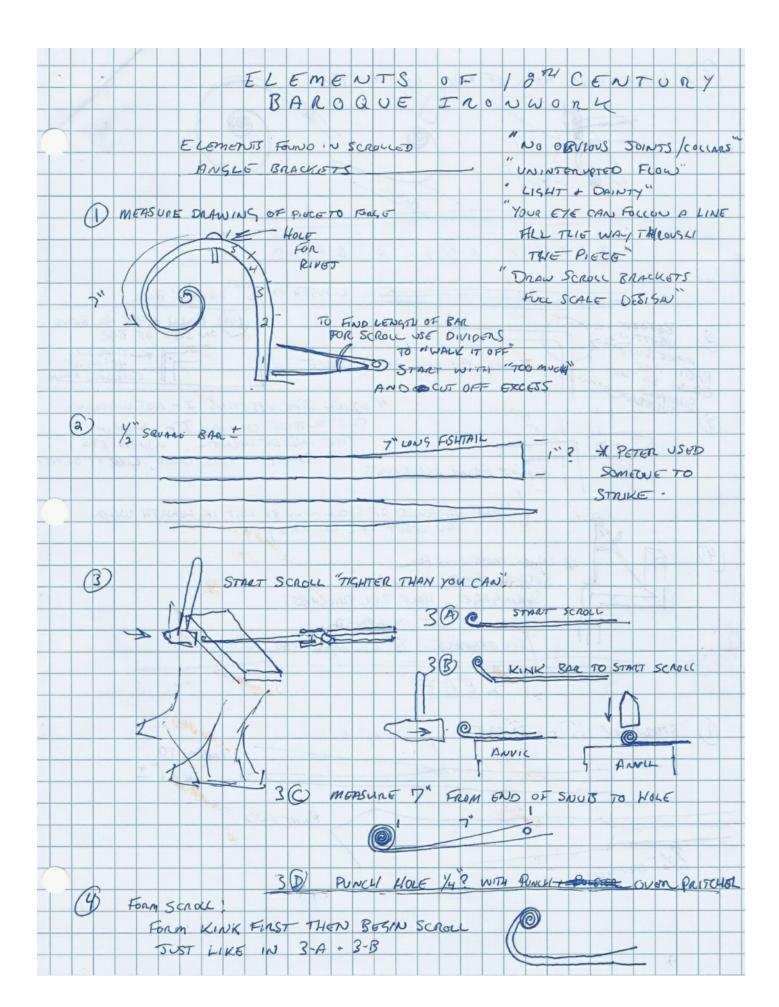
My program will consist of two different subjects. One will be the forging and finishing of a common 18th century style thumb latch. While latches are simple objects, they involve some of the most intensive forging per inch of any traditional hardware, and include hot and cold punching, open face die forging, and general anvil work. I will demonstrate a couple of different styles, and make all the parts necessary to install a functioning latch.

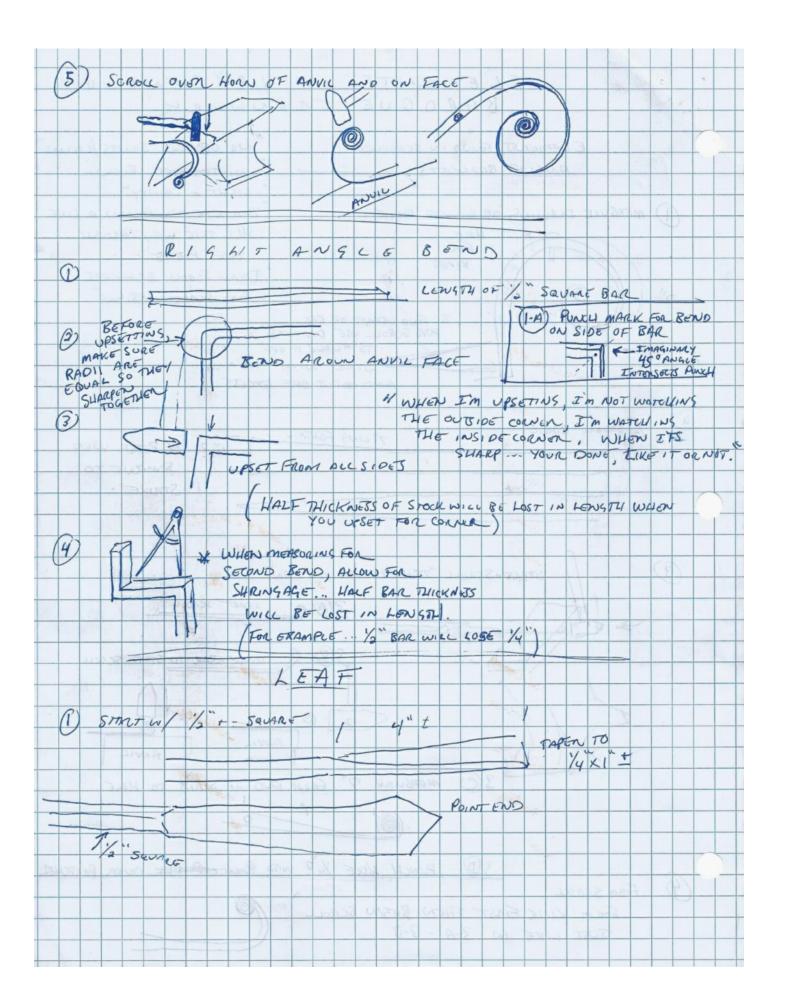
The other session will focus on discussion and forging of typical elements from 18th century English architectural work. This style of work, commonly overlooked in the recent revivals of historic styles, includes several basic scroll and leaf types, light and delicate forms, riveted construction. The individual forms are made freehand at the anvil without scroll forms or jigs, and involve forge welding to assemble into the larger components. I will do this demo using wrought iron, and discuss its special working characteristics as well. I will have a small but elaborate table bracket on display as an illustration of the style and workmanship associated with this period.

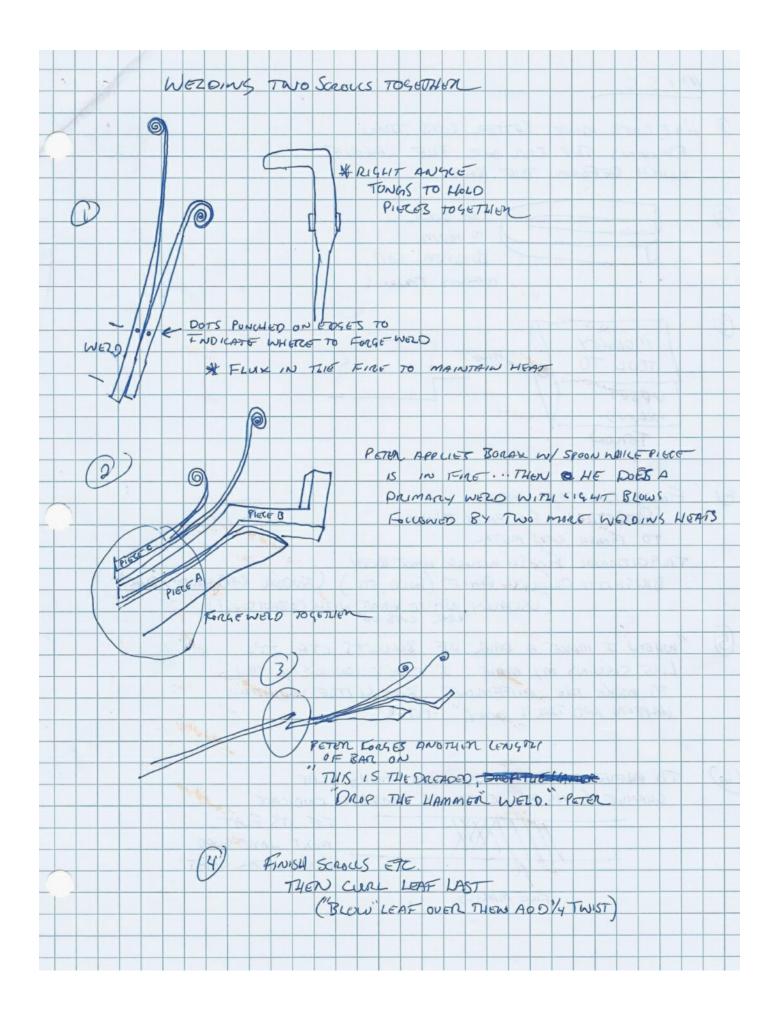


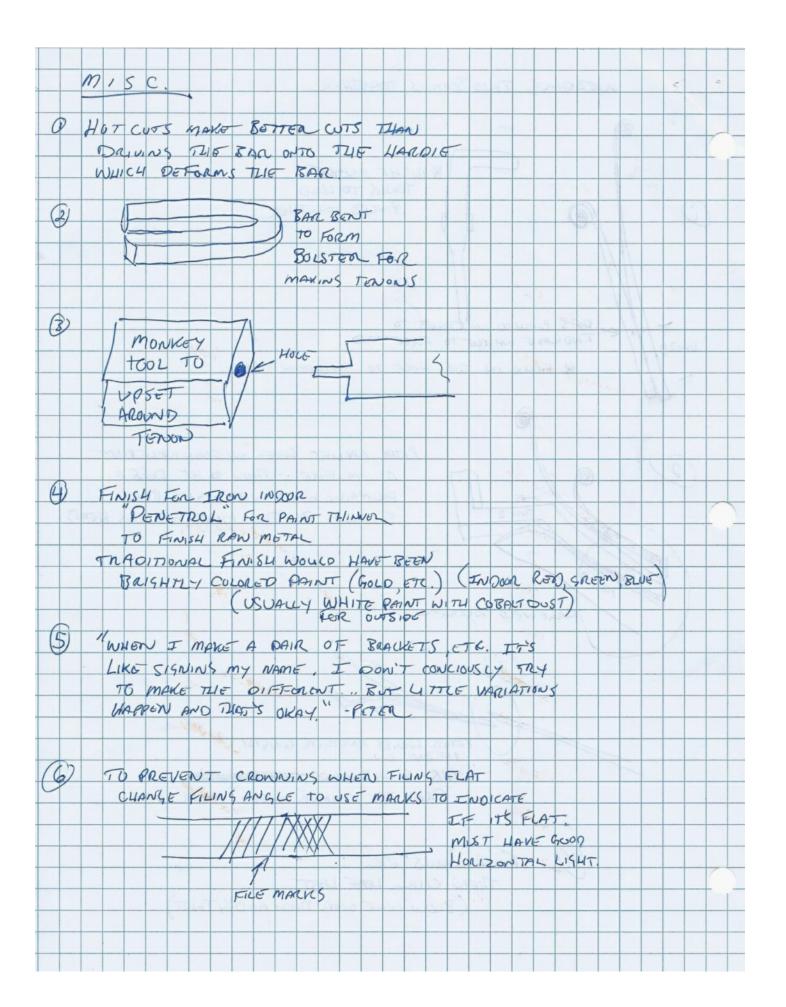


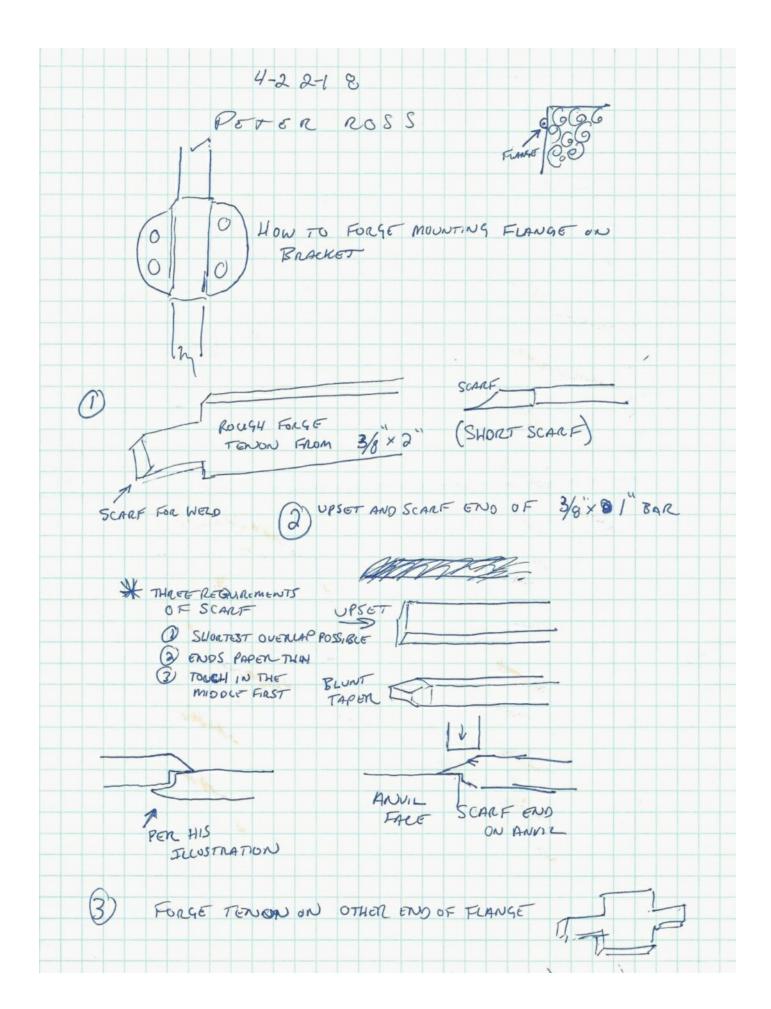


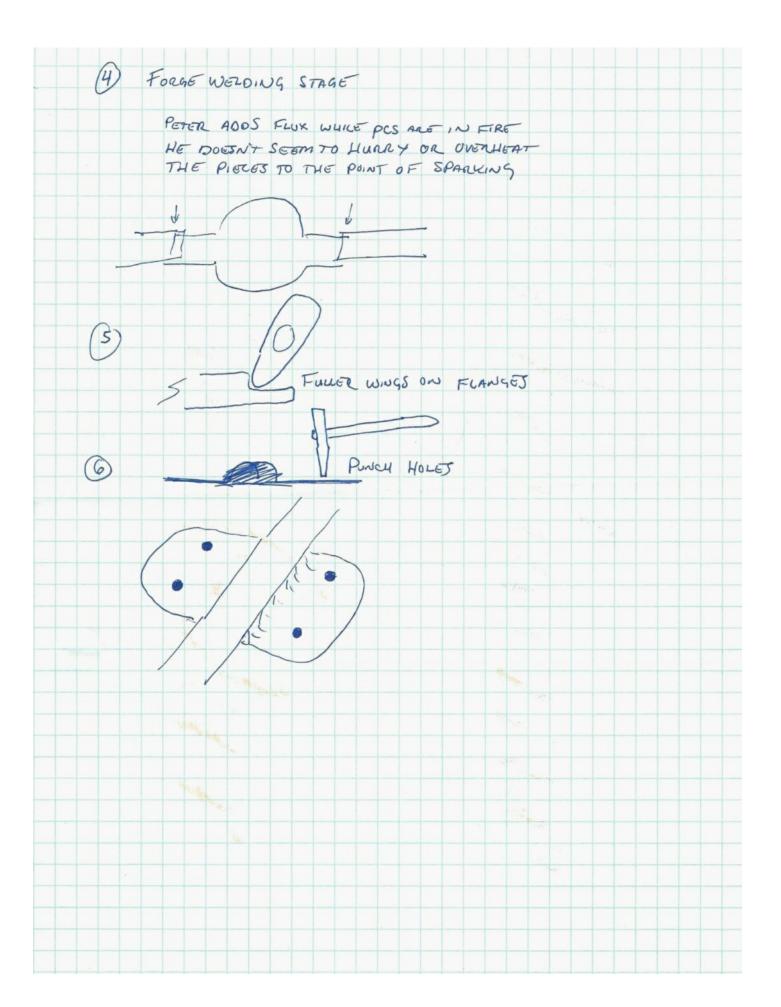


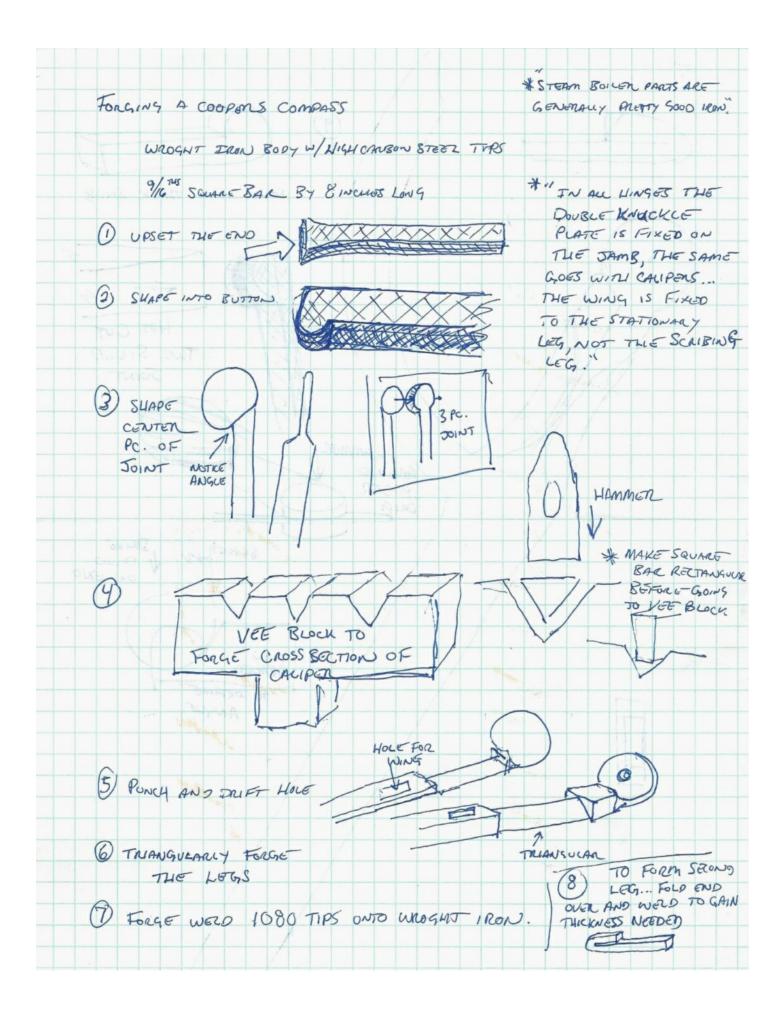


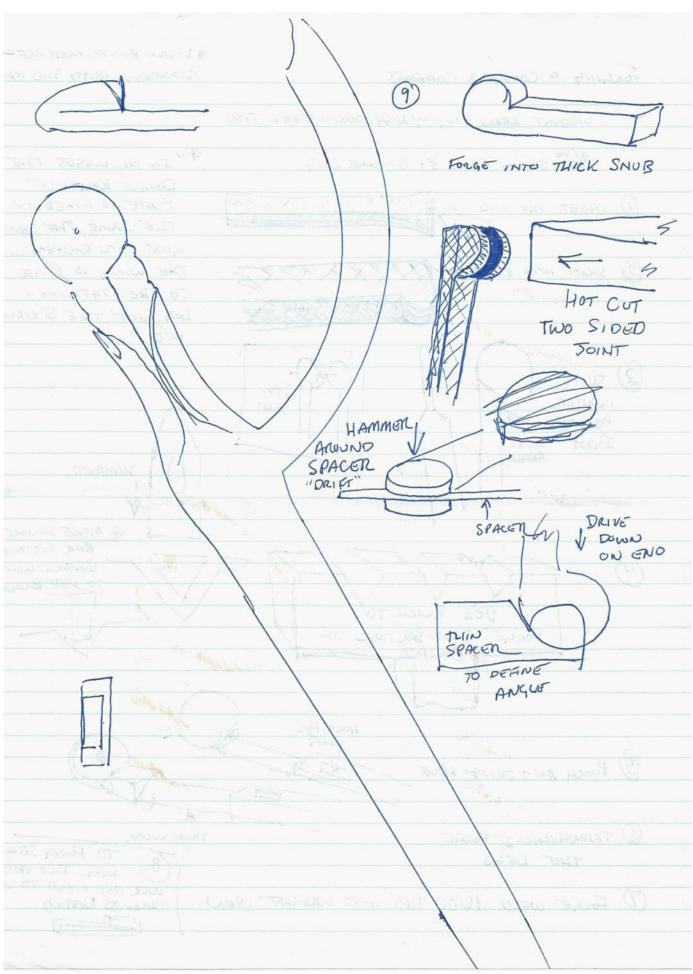


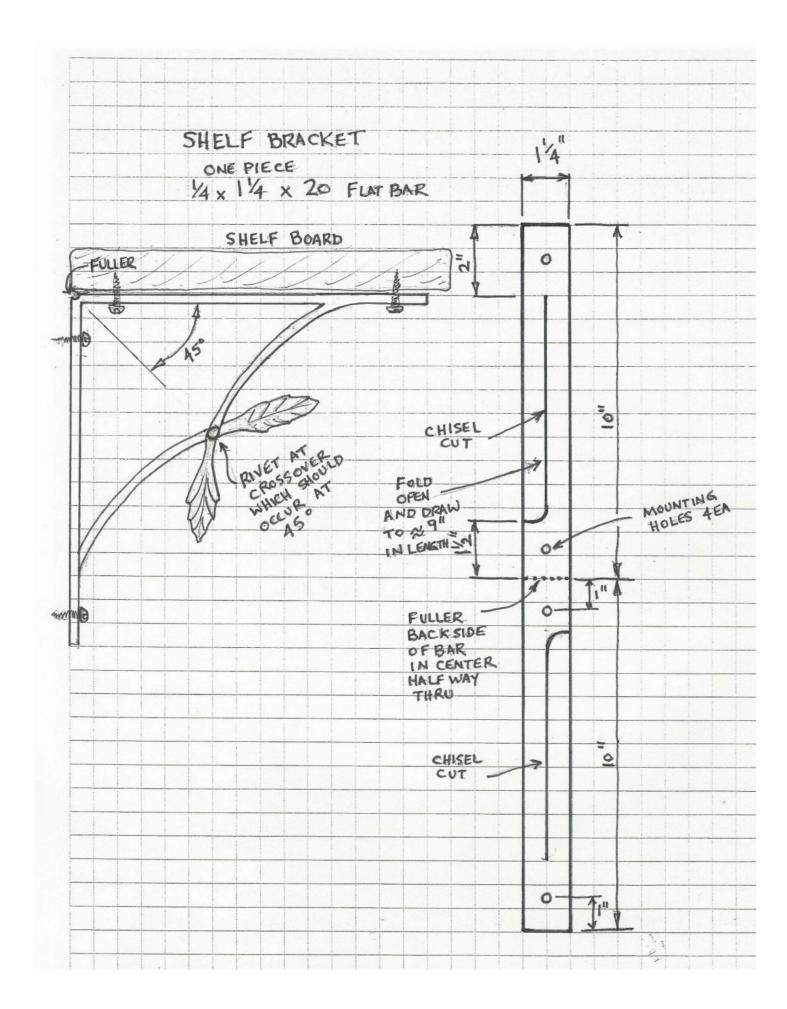


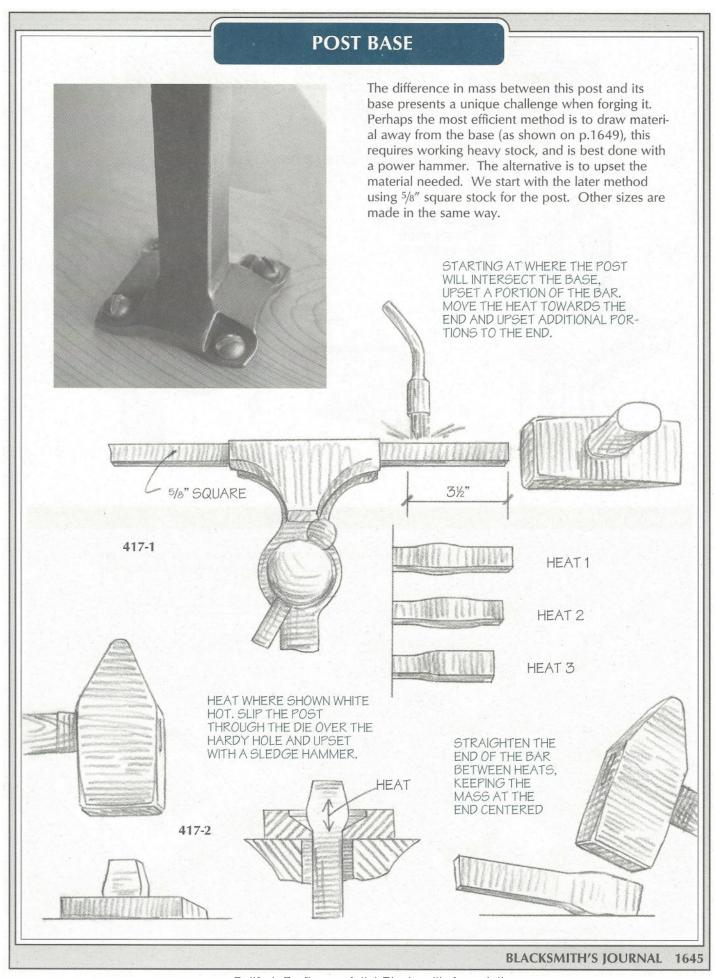


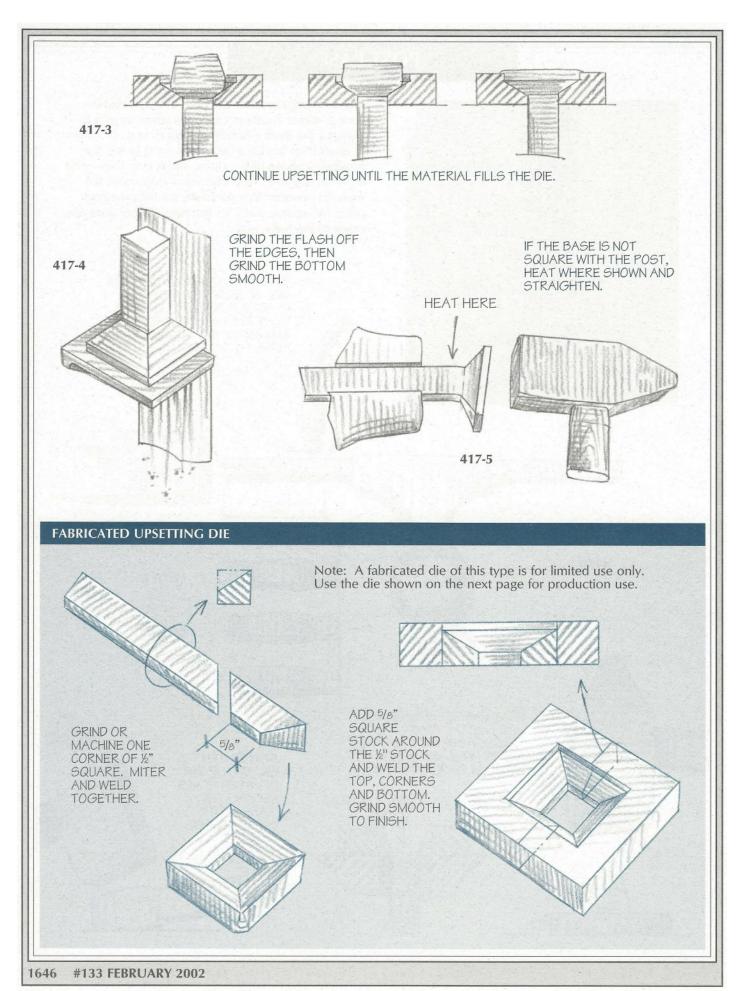


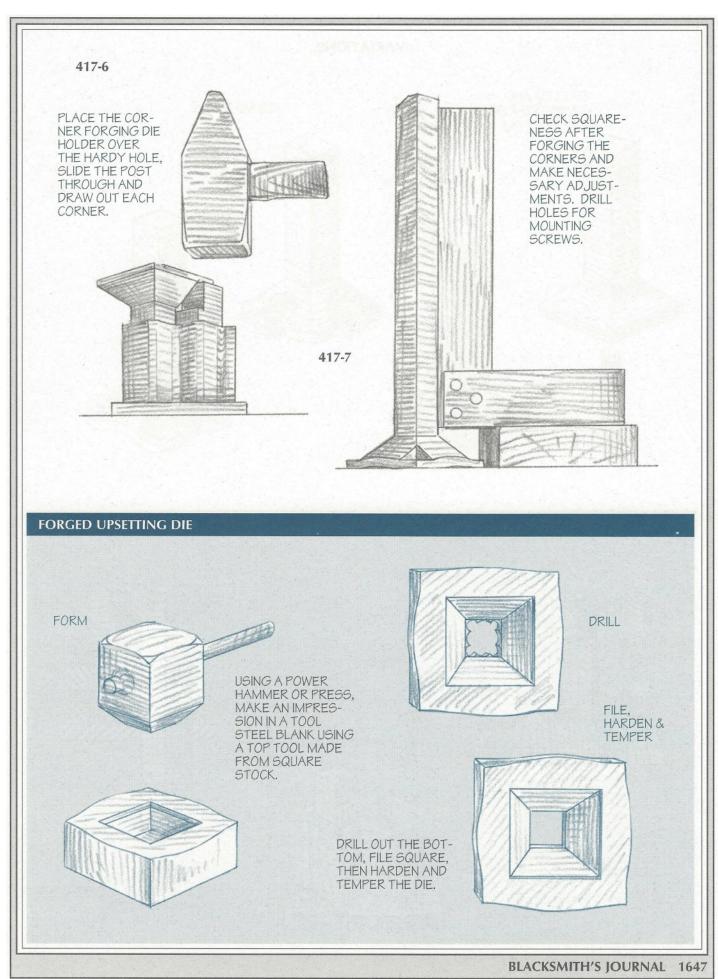


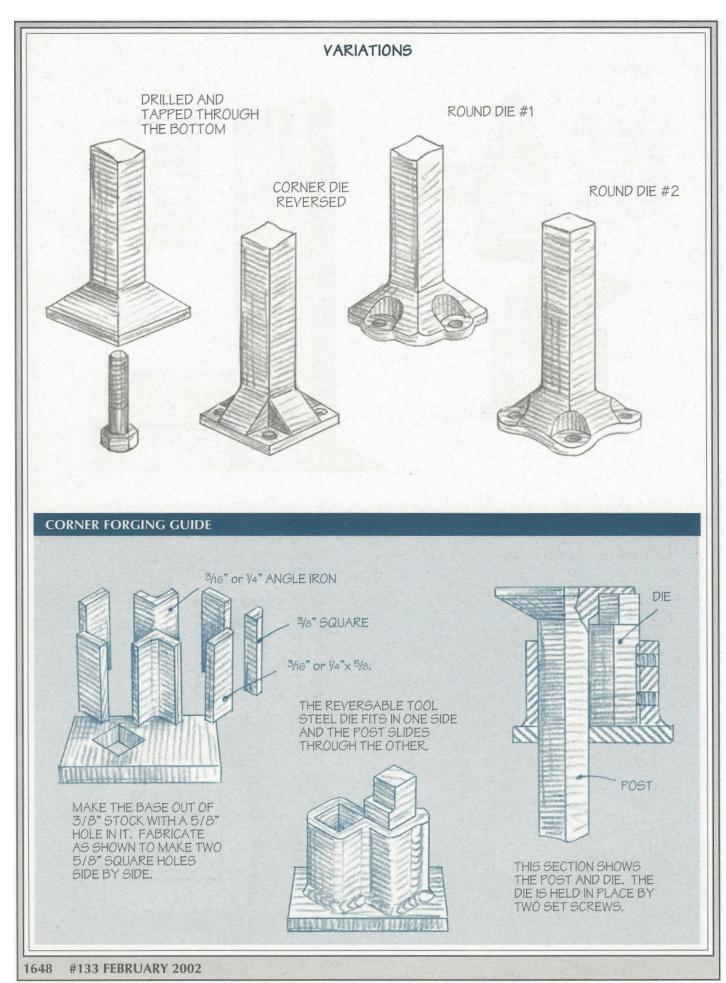


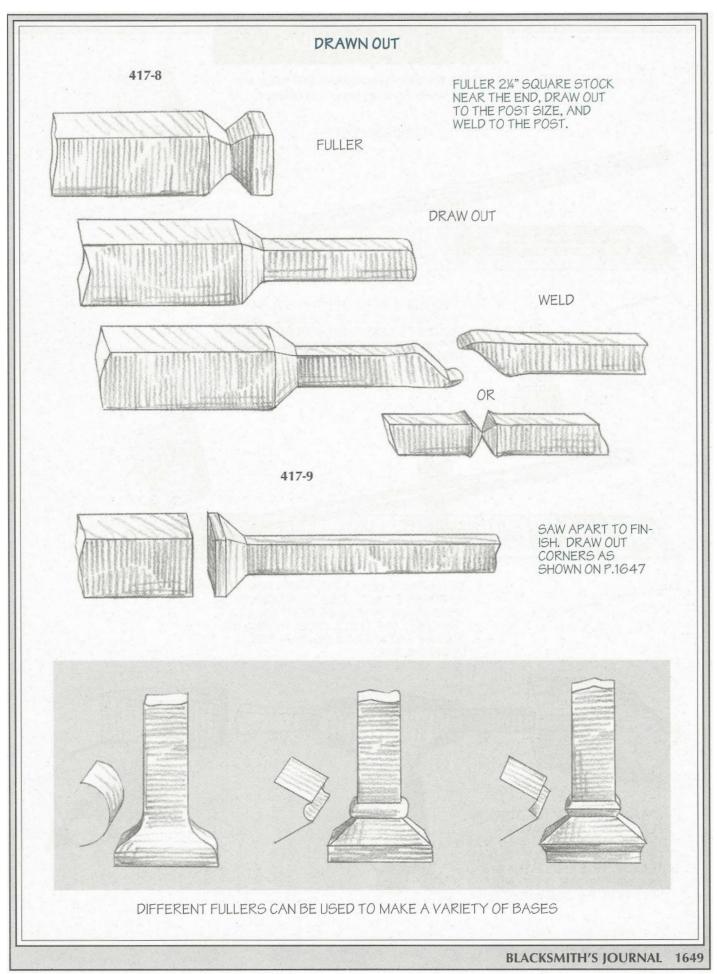




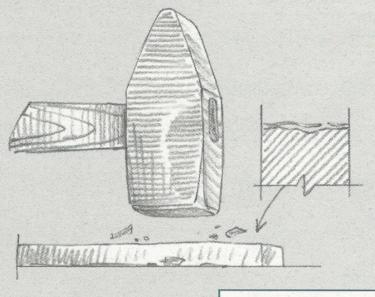






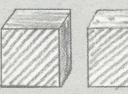






Scale (iron oxide) on the surface of heated steel causes pitting, hinders forge welding and is generally considered a nuisance for blacksmiths. However the effect it has on iron is an unmistakable texture that defines hand forged ironwork. The trick is controlling it and not letting it ruin your work. Following is a guide to managing scale broken down into three headings: Full Scale, Faux Scale and No Scale. Follow these simple guidelines and you will stay one step ahead of the harmful effects of scale.

FULL SCALE







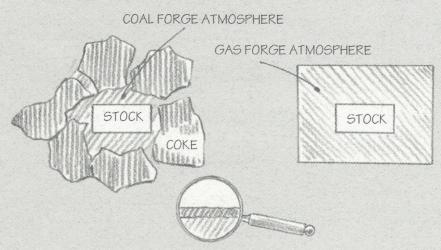






			HEAT COLOR			
Straw-Gray	Dull Red	Red	Bright Red	Orange	Yellow	White
		CAN STANKED	SCALE			
Smooth	Fine Texture	Medium Texture	Rough Texture	Flaking	Deep Flaking	Liquid

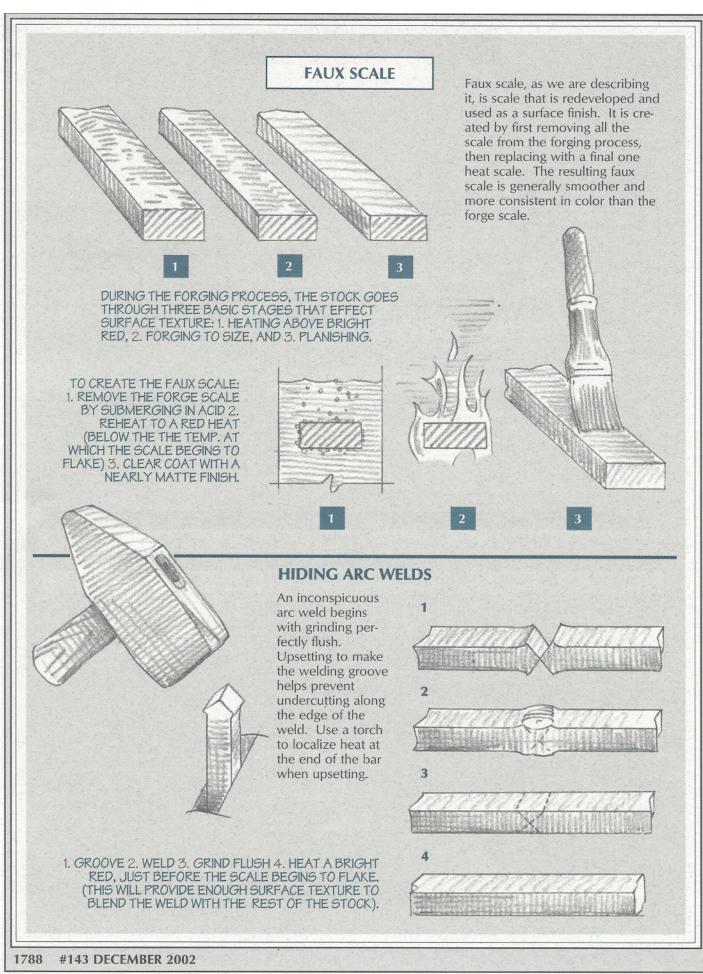
The hotter iron becomes, the more severe the effect of surface oxidation becomes. Iron should only be forged above bright red if there is sufficient mass allowed for drawing down to finished size. Drawing down smooths the surface damage done by overheating.

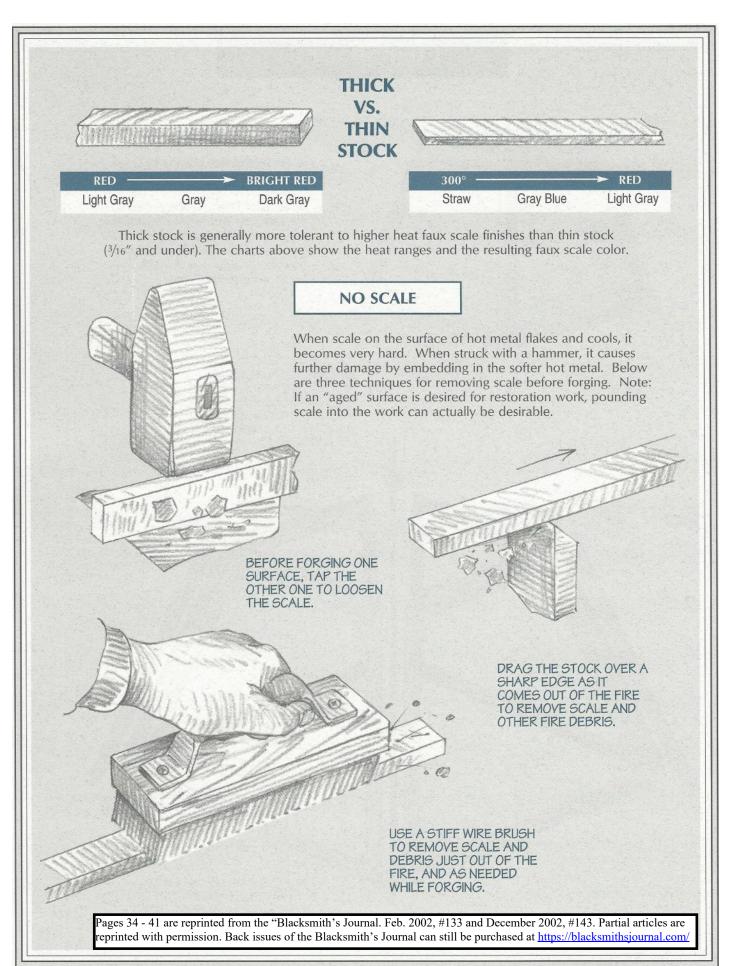


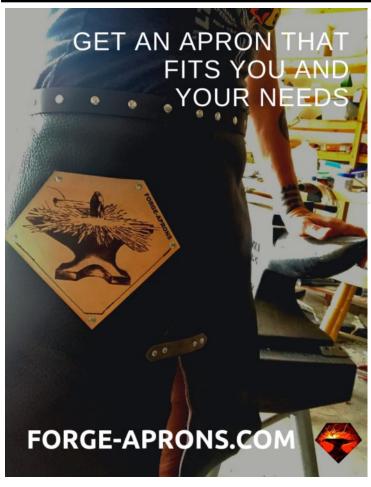
Coal forge atmospheres produce a deep, consistent layer of scale. Gas forge atmospheres produce a shallow flakier layer of scale. As long as the heat is kept below bright red, coal forge scale is better than gas when used as the finished surface treatment. (see Faux Scale next page).



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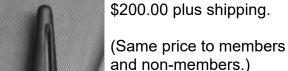
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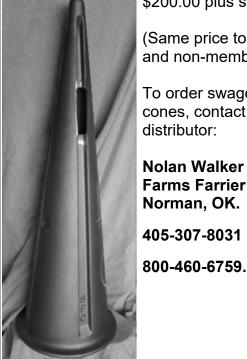
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