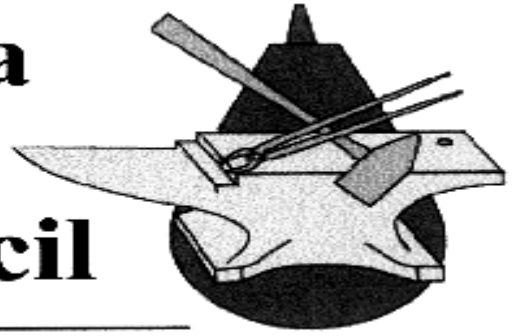




Alabama Forge Council



ATTEND

The Twenty-fourth Annual

Batson Bladesmithing Symposium & Knife Show

On April 13-15, 2012

At

TANNEHILL IRONWORKS at Exit 100 off I-20, 11 miles West of Bessemer, Alabama

The Registration fee is \$75 for AFC members & \$100 for others which includes a one year Membership in the Alabama Forge Council. Knife Show Table fee and Tannehill State Park Fee are included in Registration.

Please pre-register. Send your name, address, and phone number with registration fee and how many people that will attend the Demonstrators Dinner on Thursday evening to Judd Clem, 111 Yorkshire Dr, Athens, AL 35613, or contact by phone 256/232-2645, or by e-mail, clem.judd@att.net. Your Park fee is paid by the Alabama Forge Council.

Youth Hands-On Forging Sites for Boy Scouts and other youths with adult, free to youths under 16. We should have the best Knife Show ever. Your table fee is free to paid participants.

Bring your best knife for the **Cutting Contest** and a knife for the Railroad Spike Knife Contest.

There will be **Knife Suppliers, Tail Gate Sales** and **Tool Venders**

Bring items for the **Auction** .

FEATURING

DAMASCUS STEEL-----STEVE DUNN
HANDLES & GUARDS -----JOSEPH KEESLAR
FORGED BLADES & QUILLON DAGGERS -----KEVIN CASHEN
PERIOD KNIVES-----STEVE MARSHALL & NEIL FAULKENBERRY
SHELL POMMELS & SHEATH FITTING-----ALEX DANIELS
LINER LOCK FOLDERS-----MEL PARDUE
ABS KNIFE JUDGING -----B R HUGHES
KNIFE BUSINESS -----CAROLYN HUGHES
HANDS-ON FORGING-----HARRY BROCK & GLENN HOLMES
YOUTH HANDS-ON FORGING ----- RAYMOND HEAD & KEN DURHAM
CUTTING COMPETITION-----B R HUGHES & JAMES BATSON
HAMMER & GRAVER ENGRAVING-----BILLY BATES
LEARN TO SCRIMSHAW-----MARY BAILEY
SILVER WIRE INLAY-----RON "BOWIE" CLAIBORNE
LEATHER SHEATHS-----KENNY ROWE
AUCTION----- COLONEL TIM RYAN

AGENDA

Thursday, April 12, 2012

2 to 6 pm.....Check-in
6 to 8 pm.....Demonstrators Dinner

Friday, April 13, 2012

7-8 am.....Check-in
8-12 noon.....Demonstrations
Lunch.
1-5 pm.....Hands-on Seminars
7-9 pm.....Cutting Competition

Saturday, April 14, 2012

7-8 am.....Check-in
8-12 noon.....Demonstrations
Lunch
1-3 pm.....Knife Show & Collectors Exhibition
3-6 pm.....Auction

Sunday, April 15, 2012

8-12 noon.....Demonstrations

TANNEHILL IRONWORKS

The Alabama State Historical Park consists of an Iron & Steel Museum, Tannehill Furnaces, Craft Cabins, 195 improved campsites, Gristmill, cotton gin, 45 historical buildings, etc-

DIRECTIONS

Tannehill Ironworks is located at McCalla, Alabama about 11 miles west of Bessemer. From I-59 & I-20, take exit 100 and follow signs to Tannehill (about 2 miles). From I-459 take exit 1 and follow signs (about 7 miles). <http://www.tannehill.org>

BY AIR

Fly into the Birmingham Jetport which is located 40 miles from Tannehill. Transportation can be provided. Request in advance from Judd Clem (256/232-2645).

LODGING & ACCOMMODATIONS

FOOD is available at the Furnace Master Restaurant, Country Store, & Snack Bar.

CAMPING is available at Tannehill Ironworks near the Demonstration Area on Mill Creek. Improved (water & electricity) & Primitive camping. For reservations call 205/477-5711. Check in at Country store.

MOTELS, there are many motels & restaurants off I-459 and I-20/59 toward Bessemer and Birmingham.

Sleep Inn, 205/424-0000, \$59.99+tax for two double beds, 1259 Greenmor Drive @ Ala-52 at exit 6 off I-459 about 15 miles from Tannehill. Demonstrator's Motel.

Hampton Inn, 205/425-2010, \$89+tax for two double beds, 4910 Civic Lane @ exit 108 off I-20/59 about 11 miles from Tannehill.

Best Western, 205/481-1950, \$70+tax for two double beds, 5041 Academy Lane @ exit 108 off I-20/59 about 11 miles from Tannehill.

Jameson Inns, 205/428-3194, \$73+tax for two double beds, 5021 Academy Lane @ exit 108 off I-20/59 about 11 miles from Tannehill.

AUCTION

The Alabama Forge Council is a non-profit organization with over 300 members. The proceeds from this auction will go to the AFC Building Fund. The Clarence Kilby Scholarship will be awarded to a lucky paid participant.

BE AWARE!

No Alcoholic Beverages are allowed at Tannehill Ironworks

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Participate in the CUTTING COMPETITION on Friday night. Bring a sharp knife with forged blade 10 inches or under & total length not over 15 inches. Handle must be pinned with a wrist thong for safety.

Bring examples of your work for the KNIFE SHOW, COLLECTION EXHIBITS & AUCTION that will be held on the afternoon of Saturday April 14, 2012 from 1 to 6 pm.

The AUCTION will begin immediately after the KNIFE SHOW.

Collectors and knife enthusiasts are encouraged to attend the Symposium and learn first hand how modern knives are forged and made.

Participate in the Railroad Spike Knife Contest. Bring a unique railroad spike knife

**REMEMBER to BRING
KNIVES FOR KNIFE SHOW-----ITEMS TO DONATE FOR THE AUCTION
TOOLS & MATERIALS FOR TAIL GATE SALE**



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