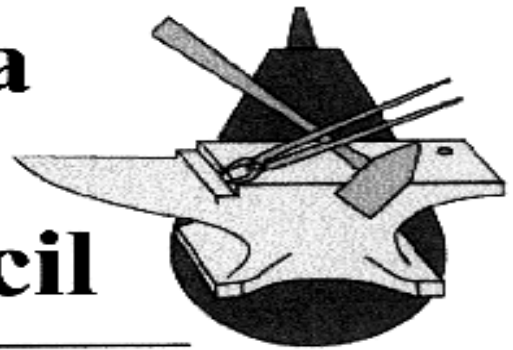




# Alabama Forge Council



**ATTEND**  
The  
Twenty-Fifth Annual

**SILVER ANNIVERSARY**

## **Batson Bladesmithing Symposium & Knife Show**

**April 5-7, 2013**

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 that 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](mailto: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**-----**JERRY RADOS**  
**HANDLES & GUARDS** -----**TERRY VANDEVENTOR**  
**RENDEZVOUS & BUCK SKINNER KNIVES**-----**MICKEY WISE**  
**BLADE FORGING, GRINDING & HEAT TREATING** -----**JOE KEESLAR**  
**SAN FRANCISCO KNIVES & SHEATHES**-----**ALEX DANIELS**  
**LINER LOCK FOLDERS**-----**MEL PARDUE**  
**ABS KNIFE JUDGING**-----**B R HUGHES**  
**KNIFE BUSINESS** -----**CAROLYN HUGHES**  
**HANDS-ON FORGING**----- **NEIL FAULKENBERRY & DEMONSTRATORS**  
**YOUTH HANDS-ON FORGING** ----- **RAYMOND HEAD & KEN DURHAM**  
**CUTTING COMPETITION**-----**B R HUGHES & JOE KEESLAR**  
**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 4, 2013**

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

**Friday, April 5, 2013**

7-8 am.....Check-in  
8-12 noon.....Demonstrations  
Lunch.  
1-5 pm.....Demonstrations  
5-6 pm.....Cookout  
7-9 pm.....Cutting Competition

**Saturday, April 6, 2013**

7-8 am.....Check-in  
8-12 noon.....Demonstrations  
Lunch  
1-3 pm.....Knife Show & Collectors Exhibition  
3-5 pm.....Auction  
5-7 pm.....Glenn Holmes Stew  
7-9 pm.....Bladesmith Surprise

**Sunday, April 7, 2013**

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 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, \$114.99+tax for two double beds, 4910 Civic Lane @ exit 108 off I-20/59 about 11 miles from Tannehill.

**Best Western**, 205/481-1950, \$79.99+tax for two double beds, 5041 Academy Lane @ exit 108 off I-20/59 about 11 miles from Tannehill.

**Quality Inn**, 205/428-3194, \$68.99+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 6, 2013 from 1 to 5 pm.

The **AUCTION** will begin immediately after the **KNIFE SHOW**.

Collectors and knife enthusiasts are encouraged to attend the Symposium and learn firsthand 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 the Knife Show and Items to Donate for the Auction  
Tools & Materials for Tail Gate Sales**



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