

ROCKY FORGE NEWSLETTER

Notes from the Forgemaster

We've had a whirlwind of weather these past couple of months. So, based on the forecasts it looks like we might have a reasonable day on Saturday, February 8th. A little chilly, but bearable.

We will meet at 9:00 A.M. with coffee and doughnuts available.

We have a lot of chain links to make for Illiana, but we best wait for a warmer day. Trying to forge weld 1/4" would be much easier on a warmer day.

Thanks to Dan Michael, we now have 50 bags of coal at a cost of \$750. Also, thanks to Matt Haven for helping Dan unload those 50 bags.

This hammer-in will be an open forge time, so bring your tools, brown bag lunch and items for iron in the hat.

At the business meeting we will discuss:

- our obligations to the IBA and Illiana.
- projects for Illiana.
- Rocky Forge newsletter changes
- Rocky Forge shop projects

Looking forward to getting together once again. Dress warm, pull your stuff together and come over.

See you all on Saturday.

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Upcoming events

2/8/25 RFBG meeting at Illiana
2/15/25 IBA Hammer in at Kenny
Dettmer's

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PROJECTS FOR ILLIANA

1. Chain and posts for quonset building
2. Scoop for valve pit
3. Rope posts for threshing demo

PROJECTS FOR RFBG

1. Clean up vices and blowers for use in shop. Several have went home with members, but not many have returned yet
2. Complete forge fabrication. We need at least one more fire pot.
3. Remove stations 1 & 2 and replace with new forges
4. Adjust forge stations 5&6 to provide more room on south end
5. Organize metal storage.
6. Clean up west end
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