



# N.J.B.A. Newsletter

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<http://njba.abana-chapter.com>

## Editors Soapbox

### We need some more activity from our members!

As editor I would appreciate some help in writing up events for the newsletter. Recent events in the lives of some of our directors have made it hard for NJBA to be all it can be. We need more people to help out other than the same few doing everything. It would be great if we could have some of you helping scheduling meets that are local to you. You can see we do not have much to list here. Please talk to one of the directors to find out what you can do to help!

We are also looking for members who have a pickup and would be interested in helping bring the NJBA trailer to meets. If you are interested in helping please contact one of the board members listed on page 2. Larry Brown, Editor

### Upcoming events for 2011

Get you calendars out and mark these events down. Please bookmark our web site and check for updated meet information. Remember most of our meets have an "Iron in the Hat" drawing, so be sure to bring something. Meet information starts on this page and continues on page 3.

**May 7th** Walnford Park, David Macauley will be doing a demonstration See page 3 for more info

**May 15th** 10am to 5pm, Set up 9AM Tuckerton Seaport, 5th Annual Bluegrass & Barbecue Festival and Traditional Arts Show, see page 3 for more info

**June 11th - 12th** Cold Spring Village, See page 3 for more info

**June 18th** Mini Press Workshop See page 4 for more info

**July 16th** Delaware City Day See page 4 for more info

**July 17th** Cold Spring Village See page 4 for more info

**August 1st - 7th**, Middlesex County Fair 3 of the days See page 5 for more info

**August 20th** Canal Day Wharton NJ See page 5 for more info

**August 27th and 28th** Seafarer's Weekend in Historical Cold Spring Village. Cape May NJ See page 5 for more info

**September 11th**, Sunday, 10:00am - 4:00pm Red Mill Tool Swap/Picnic, See page 5 for more info

**October 1st** Walnford Park See page 6 for more info

## NOTICE!

The NJBA Renewal and Board of Directors Ballot is on the last page. Please fill this out and send in as soon as you can.

The date of your last renewal is on the mailing label.

If your date is 2009 or older this is your last newsletter.

**Act Now!!!**

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## **The NJBA Web Site!**

The NJBA Web Site is:

<http://njba.abana-chapter.com/>

The Newsletter is at:

<http://members.bellatlantic.net/~vze25jcc/index.htm>

or use the link on the NJBA web site  
for the newsletter.

## **Official NJBA Address**

**NJBA**

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**Farmingdale, NJ**

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**Rather than use room in the newsletter,  
All correspondence between  
ABANA and NJBA is now being posted  
on the NJBA web site.  
If you cannot access it there, contact me  
and I will send you copies.  
ABANA is communicating again so  
check it out**

## **NJBA Board of Directors**

Directors are available on request or  
on the hard copy version

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## Walnford Park, May 7th

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Coordinator David Macauley,  
drmacauley@att.net , 732-310-1300

**Directions:** Please note: If you choose to do an internet search for directions to this address, be aware that the parking lot on site is not accessible from the Walnford Rd/Hill Rd intersection. Directions below. From the East Via I-195: Take Exit 11 (Imlaystown/Cox's Corner) and turn left onto Rt.43 (Imlaystown/Hightstown Rd). At the first intersection, turn right onto Rt. 526/Red Valley Rd. At the first light, turn left onto Sharon Station Rd and follow approximately 2 miles. Turn right onto Rt. 539 North. Travel a short distance and turn left onto Holmes Mills Rd. Make first right onto Walnford Road which leads directly into the park.. From the West: Follow I-195 to Exit 8 (Allentown), Rt. 524/539. Turn right and follow Rt. 539 through Allentown. Turn right onto Holmes Mills Rd and then right onto Walnford Rd, which leads directly into the park. From the North: Take Rt. 9, 79, or 34S to 537W to Rt. 539 in Upper Freehold. Turn right onto Rt. 539 (Forked River Rd), then left onto Burlington Path Rd. Turn right onto Holmes Mills Rd and then left onto Walnford Rd, which leads directly into the park.

## Tuckerton Seaport

5th Annual Bluegrass & Barbecue Festival  
and Traditional Arts Show

**May 15th** 10am to 5pm, Set up 9AM  
Open Demonstration

On Sunday May 15 NJBA will be doing a demo at Tuckerton Seaport, at their Annual Bluegrass & Barbeque Festival. We did this event a few times before and always had a good time. So come on down, or up, depends where you live, and spend some time with us. Do a little blacksmithing, enjoy the music the food and the seaport.

**Directions:** To get to the seaport take the Garden-state parkway to Exit 58 Rt 539 go east or follow the signs at the top of the ramp to Rt 9 ( Main st) in Tuckerton make a right the seaport is on the left. Hope to see you there.  
For information on the seaport go to  
[www.tuckertonseaport.org](http://www.tuckertonseaport.org)

## Cold Spring Village

**June 11th - 12th**

Jerry is not in the village David will interpret the shop. As always, these dates correspond to when his family vacations in Wildwood. For those with children, visiting Cold Spring Village is a great time, you can also visit Wildwood and Cape May - a lot of fun. For the July and August dates, we do demonstrations/ hammer ins. Since he is the one usually bringing equipment, he would appreciate knowing how many smiths plan on attending.

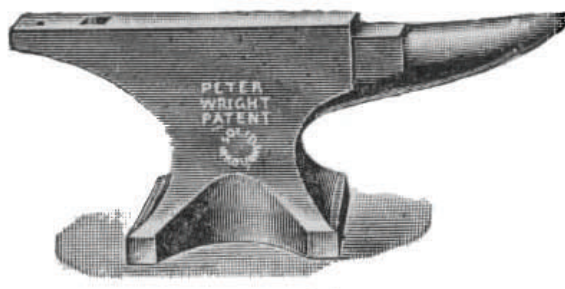
Generally we start set up around 9AM and break down by 5PM. Travel time from central NJ is about 2 hours and Cape May is a wonderful place to visit with your family.

If you need further information, please contact me at your convenience. The web site for HCSV is:  
<http://www.hcsv.org/>

Thanks,

David Macauley drmacauley@att.com

**Directions:** Take exit 4A south from the Garden State Parkway and follow the signs to Historic Cold Spring Village 720 Rt. 9 Cape May NJ 08204 (609) 898-2300.



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## Mini Press Workshop

**June 18th**

A workshop to produce a mini air press similar to one Mark already owns and was used in the damascus workshop. Almost 10 people already expressed an interest in the workshop.

Mark Morrow will be collecting a \$100 as a deposit due by June 1st. Please get your money to him or the next person on the list will be given the option.

One mini Press frame, one set of flat dies, one set of drawing dies and 20 ton air Jack for \$225. The Workshop will be held at Marshall's shop in Howell.

Contact Mark Morrow:

Mark's email address is sword-smith2001@verizon.net and his shop phone 732-458-5823. Mailing address is; Mark Morrow, 53 Beverly Beach Rd, Brick, NJ 08724

## Delaware City Day, Hammer-In and BBQ

**July 16th**

Kerry Rhoades and John Chobrda, along with the New Jersey Blacksmiths Assn. would like to invite all smiths, metal heads, and their families to the Annual forge in and BBQ on Saturday July 16th at Kerry's shop, "Forged Creations" in Delaware City, Delaware. This event is being held in conjunction with "Delaware City Day" a day of parades, games, and fireworks.

John and Kerry are going to be working on a seafood theme this year instead of the pig roast as in the past. If possible bring a side dish or dessert to help the event.

We will be setting up portable forges and display tables for you to display and sell your work, also to demo to the general public and teach some of us old dogs new tricks. We ask that you bring a covered dish or something to share with others. Space is available for tail gating so bring any tools, anvils or stuff you no longer use.

Kerry's shop is located at 124 Clinton Street in Delaware City, try to come early as the parade runs down Clinton Street and it will be closed at 9:00 AM. phone numbers are:

302-832-1631

302-757-0733

Come on out on the 16th of July, bring your family, your work, a hammer, your hunger and something (food) to share. Hope to see you then.

## Historic Cold Spring Village (HCSV)

**July 17th**

NJBA is holding a public demonstration/hammer-in at Historic Cold Spring Village (HCSV) in Cape May on July 17th NJBA has been holding this event at (HCSV) for several years now. I will be bringing the NJBA trailer and some personal portable equipment down to the site, so you don't need to lug any equipment If you are interested in demonstrating to the public or just hanging with the Smiths please join us. I can obtain free passes and meal vouchers for all demonstrators. I do need to know in advance if you are coming one or both days, so I can make arrangements. We have also been known to have a nice a lunch at the Grange on the property.

Generally we start set up around 9AM and break down by 5PM. Travel time from central NJ is about 2 hours and Cape May is wonderful place to visit with your family.

If you need further information, please contact me at your convenience. The web site for HCSV is: <http://www.hcsv.org/>

Thanks,  
David Macauley  
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## Middlesex County Fair

August 1st - 7th

We have been invited back to Middlesex County fair which runs from August 1st through the 7th in East Brunswick. We demonstrate 3 of these days, check back for a schedule, We will have the NJBA trailer at the site for the entire time and we will probably have additional forging stations. We will be under a tent with other crafters. The site has easy access to water and power and we will have tables to display our forged items. All smiths are encouraged to attend. This is a wonderful fair to attend and is great opportunity for the entire family.

Here are the driving instructions:

The Middlesex County Fair is located on Cranbury Rd. where it intersects Fern Roads in East Brunswick. Take Route 18 into East Brunswick, follow the directions for Cranbury onto Cranbury Road (Rt. 535 South), pass East Brunswick High School on the left, keep left at the fork, and continue on Cranbury Road for about three miles to the fair. 655 Cranbury Road.

FROM OLD BRIDGE-Take Route 18 north toward New Brunswick, pass the Colonial Diner and head toward Cranbury over the Route 18 overpass and proceed past the high school and bear left at the fork, as above.

Route from north county (this is the least congested route), take Exit 8A on the New Jersey Turnpike. Turn right on Route 535 North directly to fairgrounds (5 miles)

For further information please contact David Macauley, [drmacauley@att.net](mailto:drmacauley@att.net) 732-206-1568

## Canal Day Wharton NJ

August 20st

I will be doing a demo at Canal Day in Wharton NJ 10Am - 5PM. Here is the URL: <http://www.canalday.org> I will have two forging stations. All NJBA smiths are welcomed. This was a great

festival in 2010. Some good bands, food and vendors. Great family event.

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[drmacauley@att.net](mailto:drmacauley@att.net) , 7320-310-1300

## Seafarer's Weekend in Historical Cold Spring Village. Cape May NJ.

August 27th and 28th,

I will again have two forging stations. There are some great displays of boats made in the bay area of Cape May county. Some darn realistic pirates with accurate and authentic weapons. Again great family event. this is the middle of the Macauley Family vacation. Please come and enjoy the blacksmithing and the beach. This is a particularly great location to have people experience blacksmithing first hand. In July when I was demoing there, I had some great help running the blower and few striker candidates. Here is the URL: <http://www.hcsv.org/>

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## BLACKSMITH HAMMER-IN & TOOL SWAP

At the Red Mill Museum Village

Sunday, September 11th, 10:00am - 4:00pm

The Red Mill Museum Village is pleased to announce its annual Hammer In and Tool Swap on Sunday, September 11th from 10-4pm. This event is hosted by the NJ Blacksmith's Association, under the direction of association trustee, Eric Cuper, and our own resident blacksmiths Dave Ennis and Robert Bozzay.

NJBA members who want to demonstrate should contact Dave Ennis and register for a time



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slot in the schedule so the museum can publicize them and the event

The day's activities will center at the Museum's Blacksmith Shop where local blacksmiths and the New Jersey Blacksmith's Association, a non-profit organization dedicated to the promotion of the art and craft of blacksmithing, will have members on hand to demonstrate and sell their work. Tool dealers and collectors are invited to tailgate, sell and swap their smithing tools and accessories. We are currently registering blacksmiths and tool collectors. Among the items to be found will be anvils, blowers, forges, vises, hammers, and tongs. Should anyone have a "what is it" cluttering up the garage, bring it along and we will be glad to identify it for you.

Admission for the day's activities is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors, and \$5 for children (6-12). Free for children under 6, museum members and for NJBA members. Included in the price is admission to the Museum's historic buildings and exhibits. The Red Mill Museum Village is located at 56 Main Street in Clinton, NJ. For more information, or to register call the Museum at (908) 735-4101.

**Directions:**

Red Mill Museum; Take exit 15 on I-78 onto old route 22 going North (routes 513 and 173), make a left onto main street before bridge. Museum straight ahead.

## Walnford Park

**October 1st,**

We will be demonstrating and holding a membership meeting at Walnford Park on October 1st. Walnford is also known as Crosswicks Creek Park and is in Upper Freehold, N.J

Hammer in and demo at Walnford Park. Please come out especially with your family to enjoy a day at the hidden jewel of the Monmouth County Park system - Walnford park. NJBA will have the trailer with three forges at the demo. We will be immediately across from the working gristmill. There are many activities for children so this is another great family event.

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Historic Walnford is the 36 acre Historic District at the heart of Crosswick Creek Park. This country estate and former mill village provides a window to view more than a century of social, technological, and environmental history in Western Monmouth County.

The site includes a large home built for the Waln Family in 1774, an 1879 Carriage House, and assorted outbuildings and farm structures. Much of the site's interpretation is connected to the newly restored and operating late 19th century Gristmill.

**Directions:** Please note: See page 3 under the May 7th event for the directions



## Henson Scout Reservation Is Looking For Help Starting a Blacksmithing Program

Henson Scout Reservation in Rhonedale, MD contacted me to get a smithing merit badge program up and running. Right now they have nothing in the way of tools or equipment. So to start they are looking for anvils. Since this will be kids making only small projects the normal size anvils we use are not needed. They are hoping to find 10 used small anvils, say 50—100 lbs. So if anyone has some they are looking to sell drop me a line and let me know what you want for them. Also small post vices or any other tooling is on the list. Thanks guys.

Dave Collier  
410-482-7863

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## **Report on Blacksmithing** **Demonstration** **Eric Cuper and Daniel O'Sullivan at** **Cuper Studios** **Saturday, February 5**

NJBA would like to thank the members of the involved groups who braved some black ice covered roads to get to the meet. Eric and Dan once again presented a scintillating demonstration for NJBA, PABA, NOMMA, and others. Eric started the day with some basic blacksmithing for the future smiths that were present and then went into some scrolls he used as elements on some projects,



Dan continued on the scroll theme, demoing various scroll ends,



Ellen Durkham then held every ones interest with her fork demo in the afternoon. Ellen's web site is: <http://ellendurkan.com>  
Photos from Larry Brown and Ron Jani  
Sorry Dan I got none of you that came out.

### **Scroll Demo Boards**

