

PABA

The Pennsylvania Artist Blacksmith Association is having their annual Blacksmith Day, June 2, 2007. We would like to extend an invitation to juried members of the RBGC to come and participate in this event. It will run from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM. Our featured demonstrator is Michael Walker from Maryland. There will also be other blacksmithing demonstrations along with an equipment tailgating area. If interested contact David Fisher at f-forge@early.com.

PGC Group Booth at Holiday F&M

RBG juried members are invited to participate in the RBG Booth at the Holiday Fine Craft Fair at Franklin & Marshall College, Lancaster, PA -- Nov. 24th & 25th. Six members split the cost and the space of a 10' x 20' booth. Each participant is required to help to watch the booth and set up on Nov 23rd.

This is a great opportunity for members who have not shown at a PGC show to test the market. Space is limited. If interested in signing up for this show or next year's shows contact Kelly Brown Brehm at 610-370-2951 or email kbbrehm@epix.net. Also, if anyone is interested in helping at the gate at any of the PGC shows, please contact Sandra Coldren at 717-626-8164

Reading's RELAY FOR LIFE 10 AM April 13th to 10 AM April 14. Teddi Matz and her family will be walking in this 24-hour marathon to raise funds for the cure for cancer. If you would like to make a contribution to this cause, make checks payable to *Relay for Life* and send them to the attention of *Teddi Matz 1203 Dogwood Drive, West Lawn, PA 19609*. Thank you.

Crafters Wanted Peddler's Cottage, Lancaster is interested in "Colonial Williamsburg" crafts for their shop. Contact Margaret at 717-471-4969.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED goggleWorks Wood Shop is in need of experienced woodworking volunteers to assist with classes, teach classes, or even just rent time to use their equipment. For more information contact Shannon Slattery at 610-374-4600 ext. 112. Also, come out on April 15th to the open house to see demonstrations throughout the day in the wood shop.

The City of Reading's Cherry Blossom Festival is scheduled for April 8 to April 22. Our chapter will purchase a *Cherry Tree* to be planted at the Reading Public Museum in commemoration of this event.

In Our Prayers

Ernie Fredericks was hospitalized recently, please keep him in your thoughts and prayers. Also keep Warren E. Burkhart, Sr. in your prayers. Continue to keep Jim Mehaffey, Ralph and Becky DeStefano, Jennifer Black, Skip Hamaker, Carolyn Flickinger, and Lucy Neilson's husband in your prayers.

Members in the News

Janice Sonnen will teach a "Rug Braiding Class for Beginners" at the State Guild Craft Center in Richboro on May 13th. Trudy Kauffman will teach a Scherenschnitte class there on June 30th.

W. Eugene Burkhart, Jr. was honored March 31st by the new Applebee's Restaurant in Muhlenberg Township. Guests were invited to their pre opening dinner: the restaurant also has 3 pieces of Gene's pressed flower designs on display in the lobby.

Saturday morning, April 14, 2007 is Clean Up Day at the Kutztown Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center, Bring your rakes, shovels, gloves and whatever outdoor clean up equipment you have. As part of our Log Cabin Agreement, we have agreed to help with annual clean up projects at the Heritage Center. So, please set aside a few hours of your time to assist with this annual Spring cleaning project.