

### FABA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Florida Artist Blacksmith Association

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in procuring:

- Anvil       Coal       Hand Tools
- Blower     Forge      Post Vise
- Other

Send this application and membership fee of \$15 (make checks out to FABA) to:

Patty Draper  
 Applecross Forge  
 P.O.Box 125  
 Tallahassee, Fl. 32302

FABA membership includes a one year subscription to *The Florida Clinker Breaker*. Membership year begins May 1; new memberships received after Jan. 31 cover the following membership year. Membership includes your entire family. You don't have to be a member of ABANA to join FABA although we encourage membership in both organizations.

### ABANA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Artist Blacksmith Association or North America, Inc.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby apply for membership in the Artist blacksmith Association of North America, Inc. and enclose \_\_\_\_\_ as my annual membership dues. Checks must be US funds and made out to ABANA. Membership includes a one year subscription to *The Anvil's Ring*.

- Regular Membership                    \$35
- Full-time Student (one year only)    \$25
- Family Membership (one vote)        \$40
- Senior Citizen (over age 65)         \$25
- Overseas Membership                  \$45
- Contributory Member                  \$100
- Public Library Subscription          \$25

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 Expires:                     \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature:                  \_\_\_\_\_

Call (812) 988-6919 to charge your membership to Visa/ MC, or make out a check to ABANA and send to:

ABANA  
 PO Box 1181  
 Nashville, Indiana 47488

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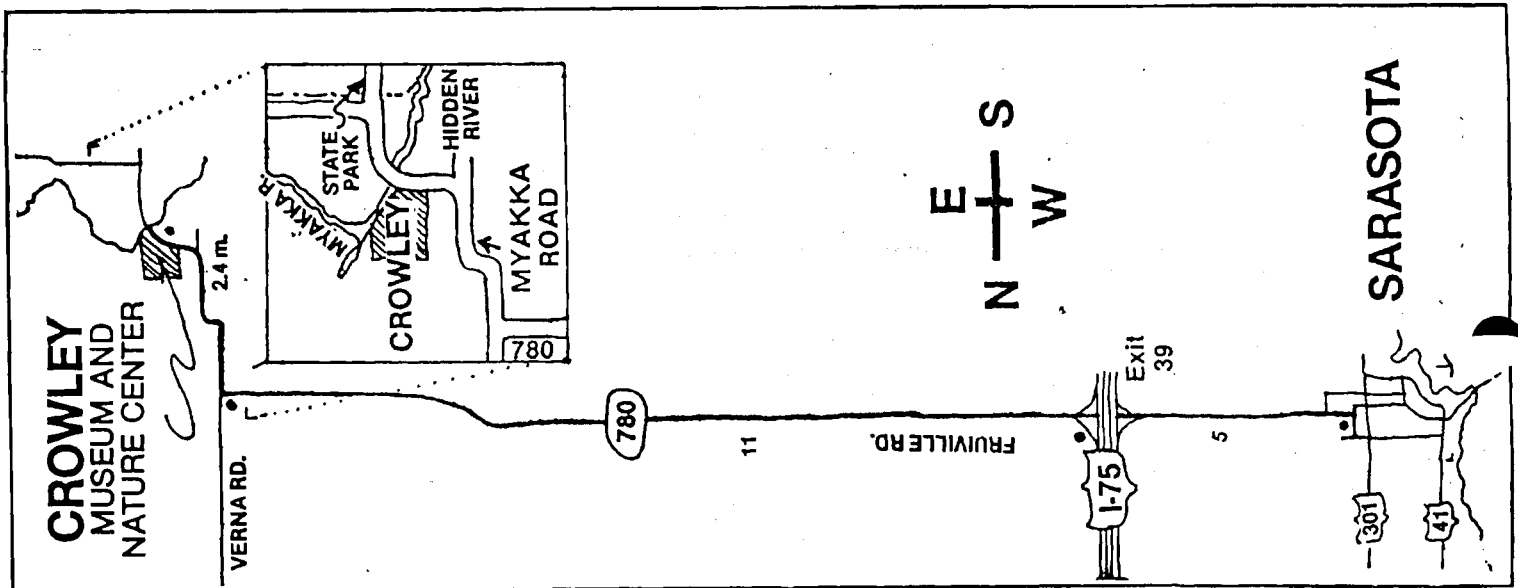
UPCOMING EVENTS

- |           |                   |  |                           |
|-----------|-------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Apr 30    | fifth Saturday    | Crowley Museum and nature center<br>annual Spring Fest | map this issue            |
| May 7     | N.E. Meeting      | Steve Bloom host                                       | map & info this issue     |
| May 14    | N.W. Meeting      | Applecross Forge<br>Patty Draper & Bill Robertson shop | map & info this issue     |
| May 21    | S.E. Meeting      | Bo Davis & Sharon Blondet,                             | map this issue            |
| June 4    | N.E. Meeting      | John Cross   | map later                 |
| June 11   | N.W. Meeting      | workday at Sam Adkins Park, Blountstown                |                           |
| June 18   | S.E. Meeting      | Pete Yockey  | West Palm Bch (map later) |
| July 2    | N.E. Meeting      |  | more info                 |
| July 9    | N.W. Meeting      |  | to follow re;             |
| July 16   | S.E. Meeting      |  | statewide meeting ect.    |
| Aug 6     | N.E. Meeting      | ?  |                           |
| Aug 13    | N.W. Meeting      | Dr. Ed Crane Forge                                     | Tallahassee               |
| Aug 20    | S.E. Meeting      | ?  |                           |
| Sept 3    | N.E. Meeting      | ?  |                           |
| Sept 10   | N.W. Meeting      | Jerry Grice shop                                       |                           |
| Sept 17   | S.E. Meeting      | ?  |                           |
| Oct 1 & 2 | Annual Conference | Barberville  |                           |
|           |                   | Steve tells me he has already signed up;               |                           |
|           |                   | Tim Ryan, Jim Batson and Elizabeth Brim                |                           |
|           |                   | Lots more info to follow on this one.                  |                           |

PLEASE FILL IN ANY OF THESE BLANKS and MAKE CORRECTIONS as NEEDED, THEN RETURN TO ME that I MAY PRINT the CORRECT INFORMATION, Thanks,

SAT APR 30 SPRING FLING - YA!! COME

Crowley Museum and Nature Center, 16405 Myakka Road, Sarasota, FL 34240  
Telephone: (813) 322-1000



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Chapter of ABANA, Inc.  
P.O.Box 125, Tallahassee, Florida 32302

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Please check the above and any other information printed in this newsletter and advise me of errors.

I do appreciate your help and advice. Thanks - Ralph.

Tico advised me that the committee to select a new LOGO has extended its deadline till May 30. So send in your entries. Remember, the winner gets a free year of dues !

For most of us;  
DUES are DUE, Now !  
send them to Patty Draper

I was expecting to get a detailed report of the statewide meeting held at the PAYTON FARM. As yet it has not arrived. Anyone that missed this meeting missed a very good time. The weather was just right. The demos were great and the Payton's hospitality was fantastic. Food, delicious and abundant. Dodie and I went up the night before and stayed in the yard in our motor coach along with an Uncle and Aunt of the Payton's that made Videos of the event and the demos. He was making copies for both Clyde and me. I would like to put mine along with some other videos I have of blacksmithing ect in a library for our clubs use. After reading that some of the other chapters have such libraries, I suggested this at our board meeting and the board agreed to look into the idea.

THANKS AGAIN TO CLYDE AND VI PAYTON.

## NEWS FROM THE NORTHWEST

*Bill Robertson, Northwest program coordinator*

The March meeting proved to be breezy and on the cool side but no snow this year. Bryant and Doyle Conner Jr. were the hosts at their forge at the Bar-C Ranch. Lots of improvements and additions had been added since last years meeting there.

Dr. Ed Crane demonstrated copper inlay techniques in the morning and Bill Robertson attempted to demonstrate acid etching in metal using nitric acid. (I think I should have practiced that a few times before the meeting). An etch was achieved but you had to look for it. Following a super lunch of hamburgers and black beans and rice, Willard Smith demonstrated copper forging techniques. He showed how to make a copper ladle complete with handle and put it together with a homemade copper rivet. Willard was kind enough to bring along enough materials so we could get some hands-on experience following his demonstration. Bruce and Kari Niendorf were able to complete a beautiful ladle.

Twenty three people were in attendance . Thanks to the Conners for hosting a great meeting.

## CAMPBELL FOLK SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Lucky member Louis Grieshop has won the one-week tuition scholarship to the John C. Campbell Folk School. His name was drawn from a hat at the statewide meeting which took place at Payton Forge in Tallahassee on April 9. There were 14 contest entries in all.

The scholarship was made available to FABA by the folk school for award to a blacksmith student/member. FABA, and Grieshop, extend their thanks to the great people at the J.C. Campbell Folk School for making this wonderful opportunity available. For those of you who didn't win (or enter) the contest, you can still register for classes by calling 1-800-FOLK SCH. The school's blacksmithing class calendar reveals the following upcoming classes in the month of May. The calendar for the rest of the year looks great, too.

May 8-14	Pipe & Sheet Forging	Peter Happny
May 15-21	Traditional Ironwork	Ed Grove
May 22-28	Flowers in Metal	Clay Spencer
May 29-June 4	Creative Basic Blacksmithing	Elizabeth Brim

## 1994 DUES ARE DUE MAY 1

FABA secretary Patty Draper has sent renewal notices to those whose memberships expire on April 30. Our annual dues are \$15 per family for the year running from May 1 through April 30. New members joining after January 31 are credited for the following year. Your membership expires on the date shown on your mailing label.

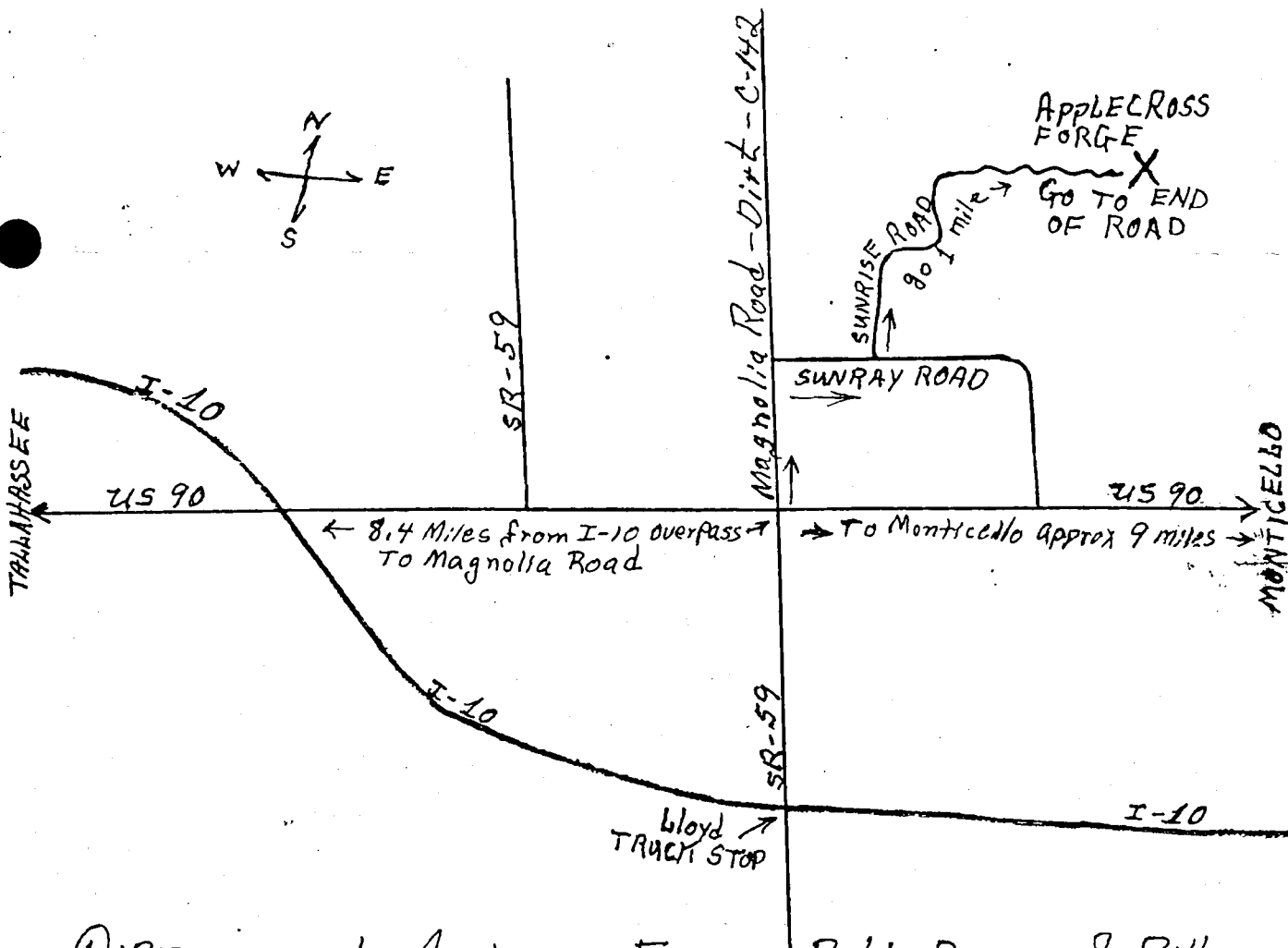
## NEWS FROM THE NORTHWEST

Bill Robertson, Northwest program coordinator

The Northwest region meeting for May will be held May 14th at Bill Robertson and Patty Draper's Applecross Forge just outside of Tallahassee. (See map for directions).

The meeting will begin at 9:00 am. The focus will be to create some items for the auction at the state conference in Barberville. Materials will be provided but please bring your hand tools and a portable forge if you have one. Also, a display table will be available for anyone who wishes to share their current projects with the rest of us.

Any tools for sale or trade are welcome; please bring them along! So grab a hammer and come on out. Lunch will be provided.



DIRECTIONS to Applecross Forge - Patty Draper & Bill Robertson - PO Box 125 Tallahassee FL 32302. 904.668-2876 or 904.681-0881. From US 90 turn North on Magnolia Road (Dirt) and go to first Road on Right and turn Right on SUNRAY ROAD (also dirt road). Go to first Road on left and turn left on SUNRISE ROAD (also dirt). Go to end of this road to shop. Go under the "Cow skull" Gate.

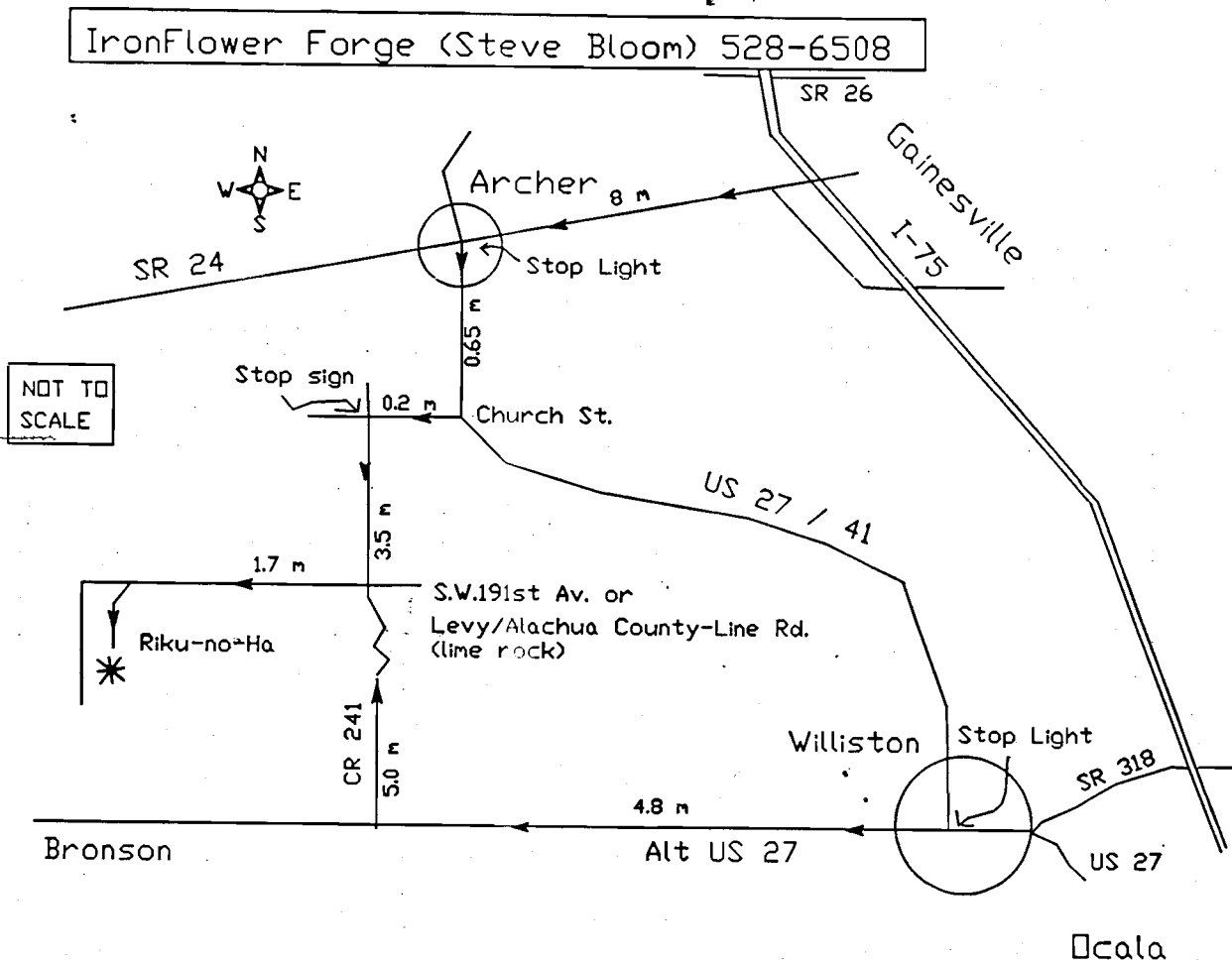
# NE Regional Meeting - May 7, 1994

Location : IronFlower Forge (Steve & Kimmy Bloom)

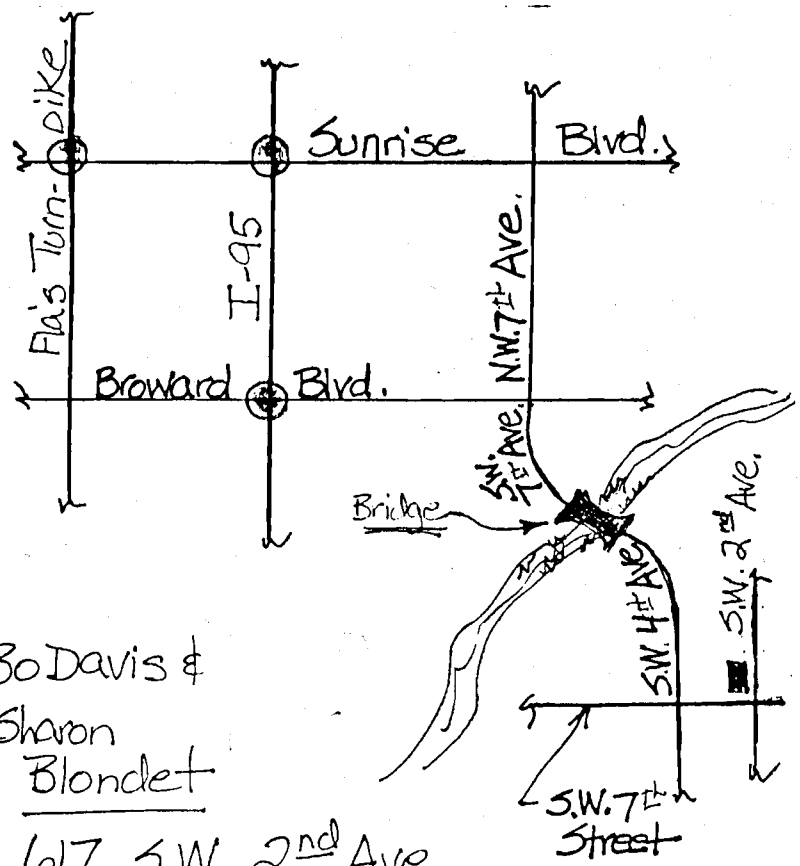
Time : 9:00 AM to whenever

Activities : Gas-Forge Workshop II

There will be a variety of gas-forges (and gas-forge makers) on hand so we can discuss and compare the pros and cons of the various designs. Ronnie Fowler will relate his experiences in building gas-forges (and mokumae). There will be material available to build burners and the Mark II (Side-draft) atmospheric forge will be introduced. There are two coal forges, at least two gas-forges, a power hammer and (if everything goes well) a treadle-hammer available to support making things for the auction (hint, hint). We'll be doing a buck-in-the-bucket, so bring a contribution! Lunch will be provided - but it's five miles to the nearest store, so come prepared.



MAY 21  
S.E.  
Meeting



Bo Davis &  
Sharon  
Blondet  
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- ◊ FORGE, Buffalo, 9"x11" inside fire pot, electric blower, \$300.00 O.B.O.
- ◊ Champion Blower 75.00
- ◊ Bib 10" 3phase GRINDER - 100.00



## SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL BLACKSMITH CONFERENCE

May 19-20, 1995  
Madison Lions Club Fairgrounds  
Madison, Georgia

Date: March 31, 1994

To: Southeastern Region ABANA Chapters

Alabama Forge Council  
Pres. Mike Dowell, Exec. Sec.-Treas. Barbara Batson  
Appalachian Chapter of ABANA  
Pres. David Oliver, Sec./Treas. Barry Blackburn  
Florida Artist Blacksmith Association  
Pres. Tico Rubio, Sec./Treas. Patty Draper  
North Carolina Chapter of ABANA  
Pres. Tal Harris, Treas. Don Dillon  
Ockmulgee Blacksmith Guild  
Pres. John Adcock, Treas. Steve Saunders  
Tullie Smith House Blacksmith Guild  
Pres. David Williams, Sec.-Treas. John Myers

From: Pete Brandenburg, 1995 Conference Secretary/Treasurer

Subject: 1993 Financial Statement and 1995 Conference Organization plans

cc: Jim & Gloria Corbet, Floyd Daniel, Clyde Payton, Clay Smith,  
Willard Smith, Stan Strickland, Big Bob Watt, newsletter editors.

Here's a financial statement of the 1993 Southeastern Regional Blacksmith Conference held in Madison, Georgia, on May 14-15, 1993.

I also am enclosing checks for \$2,000 to the Treasurers of the five chapters sponsoring the 1993 Conference: the Alabama Forge Council, the Appalachian Chapter of ABANA, the Florida Artist Blacksmith Association, the North Carolina Chapter of ABANA, and the Tullie Smith House Blacksmith Guild.

The 1993 Conference was a success. 475 people were walking around wearing badges. There were 282 paid registrations and 193 family members, workers, VIP visitors, etc. The Conference made \$14,068 on gross income of \$27,525 and expenses of \$13,447. This doesn't include the \$3,000 seed money loaned by the five chapters and returned after the Conference. The Conference is distributing \$10,000 to the five sponsoring chapters and adding \$4,068 to the \$2,718 retained in the Conference's Madison, Georgia, bank account from the last Conference. The Conference is hanging onto more money this time for two reasons: it's costing more to start up each Conference before the registration fees start coming in, and the Conference may have to pay significant IRS, accounting, and legal fees in 1994.

The Conference did so well that we now have more paperwork to do. The IRS requires organizations that gross over \$25,000 in a year to file an information return. This part will be easy because former Secretary/Treasurer Clay Smith kept meticulous records. However, we also have to get a Letter

Pete Brandenburg, Secretary/Treasurer, 299 Granada Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401  
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of Recognition of Tax-Exempt Status from the IRS, for which we first must pay a \$300 application fee and formalize the organization of the Southeastern Regional Blacksmith Conference on paper.

This is not optional. The IRS doesn't care if the Conference was not formally organized. If we don't get tax-exempt status and file the return, they will sock the individuals involved with fines and penalties, and invite the Georgia Department of Revenue to the feeding frenzy. Fortunately, the IRS stuff is not complicated.

That leaves the question of organization. Chairman Mike Dowell appointed a committee to propose a formal organization for the chapter presidents to consider. So far, the committee consists of Pete Brandenburg, West Palm Beach, FL; Floyd Daniel, Madison, GA; and Mike Dowell, Athens, AL. We expect the proposed organization to look familiar: a steering committee consisting of the chapter presidents (including the new Okmulgee Blacksmith Guild, of course), plus a Chairman, a Secretary/Treasurer, and some at-large members selected by the presidents. While it's possible to do this without incorporating, this could make the steering committee members personally responsible for the Conference's finances and other potential liabilities. Floyd Daniel, phone (706) 342-3671, is looking for an interested Georgia blacksmith/lawyer to help out. Most of the paperwork is a one-time deal. Once set up, the Conference will need to file information returns every other year and pay Georgia \$15 a year to keep the corporation active—if the Conference organization is incorporated. Mike's committee will contact the chapter presidents soon.

## 1993 Southeastern Regional Blacksmith Conference

Madison, Georgia, May 14-15, 1993  
Revenue, Expenses, & Changes in Bank Balance: 1/1/93-3/31/94

<b>1993 Revenue (1/1/93-12/31/93)</b>	
Registration & class fees, less refunds	15,763.00
Auctions (\$1,980 special benefit not included)	7,653.75
Sales of souvenirs	2,748.50
Food (Thursday evening)	1,350.00
Seed money from sponsoring chapters	3,000.00
Revenue total	30,515.25
<b>1993 Expenses (1/1/93-12/31/93)</b>	
Demonstrator & teacher fees, expenses, materials	6,316.02
Site expenses (rent, insurance, equipment, setup)	2,081.62
Auction expenses	450.71
Food (Thursday evening)	930.00
Souvenir items (T-shirts, mugs, pins)	1,924.59
Brochure printing & postage (2,382 mailed)	1,037.83
Administrative expenses (postage, phone, awards)	816.57
Refund seed money to sponsoring chapters	3,000.00
Expense total	16,557.34
<b>1993 Changes in Bank Balance (1/1/93-12/31/93)</b>	
Beginning balance (1/1/93)	2,718.34
Excess revenue over expenses	13,957.91
Ending balance (12/31/93)	16,676.25
<b>1994 Changes in Bank Balance (1/1/94-3/31/94)</b>	
Beginning balance (1/1/94)	16,676.25
Demonstrator overpayment refund	110.00
Distributed to sponsoring chapters	-10,000.00
Balance as of 3/31/94	6,786.25