



Indiana Blacksmithing Association Scholarship Application

About the IBA

The Indiana Blacksmithing Association was incorporated as a not for profit corporation on May 4, 1981 with the purposes of gathering and disseminating information about blacksmithing, exposing the public to blacksmithing, and encouraging the training of blacksmiths. It follows that same path today. Today, our members hold monthly meetings, receive a monthly newsletter, and enjoy an ever growing free lending library of books and video tapes related to metal working and blacksmithing. We also operate a store specializing in hard to find items for the blacksmith. Each June we hold a major conference.

In the years since our beginning, we have visited many shops around the state, watched many skilled demonstrations of the craft, and eaten some memorable pitch-in meals. Most of us have picked up the hammer and tongs to try out what we have learned. We will welcome your visit. We think you will see that if you are interested in shaping metal at the forge we are your group. Come join the more than two hundred members who have said, "Yes!"

Our members come from nearly all parts of Indiana and our adjoining states. They come from many occupations. For some this is a business, but for many it is an opportunity to broaden skills in a friendly atmosphere. Whether you like to watch or you work at the craft daily, you will be welcome. Whether you are young or young at heart, you will be welcome. Whether you are a boy or girl, man or woman, you will be welcome. We dress in rough work clothes so we can work, but most importantly we enjoy getting together with others of similar interests. We are an all volunteer organization whose members serve as a large reservoir of knowledge on many subjects. Most of them will be more than happy to help you. One of our objectives is to share our knowledge with others.

What is expected of the scholarship recipient

The IBA makes available scholarships to its members in the amount of up to \$350. They support the furthering of blacksmithing skills and knowledge. In return for receiving a scholarship, you are asked to write an article for our newsletter and to give a demonstration at one of our hammer-ins within one calendar year of taking the course.

BLACKSMITH INFORMATION

Name _____

Address

City _____ Zip code _____ County _____

Date of Birth _____

Preferred Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Website URL _____

Satellite Group Most Attended _____

Class Information

Class Name _____

School Name _____ Instructor Name _____

Website URL _____ Phone Number _____

Date of the Class _____

BLACKSMITH QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Please describe what got you interested in blacksmithing?
2. How long have you been a blacksmith and?
3. What are your current interests in blacksmithing?
4. How will this class help you achieve your goals as a blacksmith?

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT

By signing the application in the space provided below, you are certifying that you are a member of the Indiana Blacksmithing Association and all dues are up to date. Awardees must be a member of the Indiana Blacksmithing Association to receive the scholarship

Member Signature: _____ Date: _____

Member Printed Name: _____



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