

## Mid-Atlantic Smith's Association

### The 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Gichner Memorial

#### Hammer-In!

January 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 2012

Held at the Hutchison Brother's Farm 11006 Lewistown Road, Cordova, Maryland 21625 on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Folks are welcome to come to the farm after 1 p.m. on Friday. **There will be a general membership meeting Friday evening after a small dinner around 6 p.m.** Demonstrations will be from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday and Sunday. There will be coffee and doughnuts available both mornings and lunch served on site. Demos will resume after lunch and end around 4:30 p.m. Our auction will be held after the conclusion of Saturday's demos. Dinner will be served after the auction and there will be a slide presentation shortly afterwards. **Volunteers needed to pick up doughnuts and make coffee Saturday and Sunday, and to write a newsletter article on the show. Please bring quality handmade items for the auction!** Remember that we are not running an iron in the hat at Gichner's anymore so we want the auction to be extra special. Last year we had many great donations. Let's try again for an even better turnout this year.

Smiths are also encouraged to bring business cards, portfolios and display pieces so that we can all see what everyone has been up to. Tailgaters are also welcome; we have plenty of room.

**Location:** As in previous years the event will be held at the Hutchison Brother's Farm 11006 Lewistown Road, Cordova, Maryland 21625 on Maryland's Eastern Shore. The event will be held in a heated 48'X70' farm shop offering plenty of room and seats.

**Cost:** We will not be raising the cost this year! The cost for the two day show will be \$60.00 per person until December 25 after which it will be \$80.00. Call David Hutchison after December 25 to confirm that room is still available (410-310-3347). This includes coffee and doughnuts, a light dinner Friday evening and a substantial dinner Saturday evening and lunch as part of your registration fee and there is plenty of room for tailgating and please don't forget to bring quality Auction items. And continuing from last year: we will be offering a Sunday only fee of \$30.00.

We encourage you to register early because space is limited. Once we reach our maximum number of attendees we cannot accept any more. After December 25<sup>th</sup> please call David Hutchison to confirm that room is still available (410-310-3347).

**Demonstrator:** Featured demonstrator for the show will be Pat McCarty. He will be doing smaller projects that seem to sell well. He has been blacksmithing for 20 years and has been an assistant instructor for classes at the John C. Campbell School. He has studied under Uri Hofi of Israel and is featured in the book Treasure Chests by Lon Schleining. Pat is a member of The Blacksmith Association of Missouri, ABANA and is a Juried member of the Best of Missouri Hands.

**Lodging:** Days Inn Easton, Md. 1-800-329-7666  
Comfort Inn, Easton, Md. 1-800-228-5150  
Holiday Inn, Easton, Md. 1-410-819-6500  
Hampton Inn, Easton, Md. 1-410-822-2200

The Holiday Inn and Comfort Inn are the closest to the site and near each other on Rt. 50.