



Magnolia Forge

May 27, 2017

426 Melton Street, Magnolia Texas

Making a Cold Chisel

We have decided it would be a good idea to emulate our southern HABA group at Armand Bayou and begin to have a project for each 4th Saturday session at the Magnolia Smithy. This month we are planning a trial session to make a cold chisel. We will all forge a practice piece made of low carbon steel. The practice piece can be cut back to correct errors. When we are able to make a useable tool, we will go buy some 1/2" x 9" O1 tool steel and we will do it for real at the next meeting including heat treating. We plan to have more such projects upcoming, including more tools you can make for yourself, so keep watching for HABA updates on the news from Magnolia Smithy. There will also be things to do for newer members who may not be ready for chisel making, so come down and see us!

General Information

We are located at 426 Melton Street right next to the Magnolia Historical Train Depot. Please be aware that we are an open air, "off grid" shop, with no water, bathrooms or electricity (but we do have a roof!). Please dress appropriately for the outside weather (cotton, linen or wool clothing, leather boots, nothing synthetic that can melt) and bring drinks and snacks for your own comfort.

We meet on the 4th Saturday of most months. There are 3 exceptions to this: in April we open whenever the Depot Day is held (typically the 3rd Sat of April), and we also meet on the 2nd Sat. in Nov. & Dec. due to the scheduling conflicts most of us have with Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. We open our doors at 9:00 AM (ish) and wind down in the afternoon - the exact time depends on the projects being worked on, normally around 3.

Schedule:

Start at 9am

Lunch at 12 to 1pm

3:30pm shut down forges and cleanup.



Directions:

From Houston take I-45 North to FM 1488 west about 16 miles into Magnolia then take Melton south two blocks. Park at the civic center. Optional route take beltway 8 to 249 north into Pinehurst where 249 become 1774 continue north into Magnolia take a right at RL Butler Street.

From the West take 290 in to 1488 exit go east into Magnolia then south two blocks on Melton Street.

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