

Pitt Pounders Leather Guild

Promoting leathercraft awareness by sharing skills, experience & knowledge.

THE POUNDER

June 2010

Sorry Folks, but **the Jan Schoonover Embossing Class has been canceled.** For various reasons a number of people had to drop out, leaving us with not quite enough students to make it profitable for Jan to drive here from Montana. We would like to try again at some point to schedule another class. So if you are still interested, please let me know. Jan would love to come out and share what he knows on this subject.

FYI, Jan has teamed up with Clay Banyai to produce a series of lessons on how he does embossing. The first of the series is available now at: www.badlandsleatherart.blogspot.com The cost of the lesson is \$25 for a downloadable version. And the subject is a Pronghorn Antelope.

Here is something to think about. We talked about doing an embossing project for our monthly meetings, but we aren't sure how that would work since this is a longer, involved process. Would you be interested in participating in a one or two day class, pretty much the same as we had planned, but using Jan's lesson as our guide? Once we had to cancel the class we considered offering this. But then my wise wife suggested that I actually get the lesson and see what I can do with it before we all get together for a class. Heading her advice I did get the lesson. Now to make the time to work on it... Consider an all day class, and let me know what you think.

By the way, the hotel where we were to meet called me this past Thursday to inform us that they were closing the following day! Could you imagine how we would be scrambling for a new meeting place if the class had not been canceled??!

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**Next meeting:
No June Meeting!**

Meeting Place:
Harmony-Zelienople United
Methodist Church
123 N. Pittsburgh Street
Zelienople, PA 16063

Because we had planned to use Jan's class as our June meeting, and a number of folks had already made other plans for June 20th, **there will be no June meeting**. Our next meeting will be July 18th, God willing. What would you like to learn about or share? Your feedback helps determine our workshops each month.

Help is still needed in completing our new guild display sign. We are asking each member to take one or two precut pieces of leather and tool/stamp/bead/paint/decorate/whatever, in any style that you prefer. Once assembled these pieces will form the shape of our State. Our thanks to the many of you who have already helped out. It would be great if we could have our sign completed for this years IFOLG Show.

Speaking of which, this years International Federation Of Leather Guilds Show is being hosted by the Gateway Leather Guild of St. Louis, MO. The event, Show Me The Leather, will be held in the Renaissance St. Louis Hotel Airport on October 14th – 17th. Ben Bass, Guild President and Show Chairman, is promising a supper show. For more info check out their website:
www.ifolq2010show.org

Last call for dues. If you haven't yet, please send your check payable to the Pitt Pounders Leather Guild to:
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Well wishes for a speedy recovery go out to our President, Kevin Cohn, after his recent shoulder/bicep surgery. We hope you are back pounding leather in no time Kevin!

See you in July!