

# LACOMBE & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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## **HAMMER- IN EVENT AT THE LACOMBE BLACKSMITH SHOP MUSEUM During AB Open Farm Days August 20-21, 2016**



**L-R: Karl Beller, Jennifer Kirchner, Henrietta Verwey, Seth Burnard at the Lacombe Blacksmith Shop Museum**

The volunteers at the Lacombe Blacksmith Shop have invited Blacksmiths from around Alberta to join them in a Hammer-in during AB Open Farm Days August 20 and 21, 2016 from 10am to 4pm. During this special event, watch blacksmiths showcase their extraordinary talents while making 2 benches and helping a great cause!

One of the benches will be donated to the community of Fort McMurray and the other will be auctioned during the Lacombe Culture & Harvest Festival on September 24, 2016 with proceeds going to the Canadian Red Cross.

If you are a skilled blacksmith and want to join the volunteers, please contact the Lacombe & District Historical Society at 403-782-3933 or email us at [info@lacombemuseum.com](mailto:info@lacombemuseum.com)

**Where: At the Lacombe Blacksmith Shop, 5020 49 Street, Lacombe AB  
When: August 20 and 21, 2016 from 10am to 4pm**

**About the Lacombe Blacksmith Shop Museum:**

The Lacombe Blacksmith Shop is the oldest operating blacksmith shop in Alberta and was built in 1902. Here, Volunteer Blacksmiths keep the tradition alive by firing up the forge and handcrafting a variety of items by heating up iron in the forge and hammering the metal on the anvil.

During the summer months, visitors get to see firsthand how traditional Blacksmiths worked in the shop. While you're there pick up handmade souvenirs including cedar shingles custom branded by our blacksmiths with your name or home address!

The Blacksmith Shop is open to the public on Saturdays from 10am to 4pm in July and August.



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