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**Fire Up! Armory Annex Grand Opening  
Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> from 4:00-8:00pm  
1325 London Road (Old Perkins Restaurant)**

Please join the Armory Arts and Music Center and Forging Community for the Grand Opening of the Armory Annex. The indoor forging equipment is ready to roll, and it is time for us to celebrate. This community event also provides a chance for us to honor everyone who has helped make this Grand Opening possible and to thank the community at large for their overwhelming support.

We will have grilled food (locally provided), blacksmithing demonstrations (indoors), live local music, a silent auction, and Alakef's new Blacksmith's Blend coffee. And if you're looking for a gift for yourself or your loved ones, our Local Arts Gallery has many new items and is the perfect place to purchase unique art and iron works, along with a few medieval weapons.

Forging Community is one of three studios currently occupying the Armory Annex and will soon be offering public forging demonstrations and classes for anyone interested in this ancient craft. In addition to on-site artifacts Forging Community can produce custom-forged items for the home or other uses.

Paul Piszczek, registered piano technician, occupies another studio and offers expert piano tuning and repair. He's the "go-to" man for piano maintenance and restoration here in the Twin Ports.

A third studio is currently available for local, creatively-minded people aligned with the Armory Arts and Music Center's mission of promoting the arts and arts education and growing the Twin Ports arts and sustainability community.

We hope you can join us for this celebration and thank you kindly for all your support as we move forward!