#### **NOVEMBER 2006**



PORTLAND'S Rain

# OF GLASS, INC.

A non-profit organization formed to stimulate interest in collectible glass and to provide educational resources and events for the members and the community at large.

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WHERE: Friendship Masonic Center 5626 NE Alameda Street Portland, Oregon 97213 N.E. 57<sup>th</sup> & Sandy



WHEN: Tuesday, November 21, 2006, 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. (Library open at 6:00 p.m.)

GREETERS: Barbara Dietz and Diana Jones (Come early to set up—6:00 p.m.)

### SPECIAL: AMBER GLASS NIGHT!

Bring your favorite piece of Amber Glass to share with club members. Be prepared to talk about your piece, where and when it was acquired, and why it is important to you!



PATTERN OF THE MONTH: "Cape Cod Ruby," By Avon Company, presented by Sharon Staley Pictured above is an Avon Cape Cod Ruby sugar and creamer.

REFRESHMENTS: Contact Michele Kemp, 503-649-5823 if you can help

BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, November 14, At the Friendship Masonic Center, 7:00 p.m. ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### NOVEMBER

- 4-5 Picc-A-Dilly Flea Market, Eugene
- 5 Rose City Collectors Market, Portland
- 5 Polk Flea Market, Rickreall
- 11-12 Copper Penny Show, Eugene
- 11-12 Palmer/Wirfs, Puyallup, Washington
- 11-12 Country Heart Promo., Medford
- 19 Salem Collectors Market

#### DECEMBER

- 2-3 Picc-A-Dilly Flea Market
- 3 Polk Flea Market, Rickreall
- 10 Medford Flea Market
- 10 Rose City Collectors Market, Portland
- 10 Salem Collectors Market Vintage Holiday, Fairgrounds

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### ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COLLINS GALLERY EXHIBIT

Looking for something that's enjoyable and easy, that will show off your many collections and that won't take too much of your time? Have we got an activity for you!!

We are gearing up for our exhibit in the Collins Gallery of the Multnomah County Library in downtown Portland, and everyone is invited to join in the fun. Our goals for this display are to publicize the club, the show (that's why the exhibit is mainly in January) and the Rally. It will include the exhibit itself plus a lecture on glass on one Saturday in January. The exhibit will be housed in sturdy, locked showcases of various sizes and heights, and all are flat and on one level. (The two tall showcases with shelves are already taken.)

Our theme is "Glass and Beyond" to reflect the wider interests of our members. Each showcase must have glass as the main feature, but this time we're encouraging everyone who likes the idea to enhance their displays by including "gowiths." Think of your glass as the "centerpiece" and most dominant feature of your display, then think of other vintage and antique things that will fit into one of the cases that would enhance your glass and show off your many interests. Displaying kitchen glass? Vintage utensils or grocery store items would be perfect. Bed and bath? How about some cosmetics or perfumes. Glass dinnerware? Maybe vintage silver or plate and vintage linens.

If you don't have the "go-withs" your want, ask us—probably someone else does! Or if you only have the "go-withs" we will team you up with a glass displayer. <u>And if you don't want to have "gowiths" at all that's OK, too</u>. Let us know what you think would work best for your collections—your showcase is your palette!!

We will set up on Wednesday, December 27, 2006, from 10:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. and take down on Monday, January 29, 2007 from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. (yes, the day after the January show closes).

To sign up for all or part of a showcase, contact Carole White, 503-901-0505 (leave a message) or even better, email <u>cbessw@aol.</u> <u>com</u>, or other committee members: Bob Carlson, Barbara Coleman, Dennis Headrick, Sandra Millius, Mark Moore, or Neal Skibinski.

#### **DISPLAY SUGGESTIONS:**

- Depression Glass, Elegant Glass, Foreign Glass (Czech, Daum, etc), EAPG, Stretch, Custard, Victorian Art Glass, Art Glass, Steuben & other "high-end" glass, Opalescent, Fenton, etc.
- Decorated Glass (cuttings, enamels, acid etched)
- Kitchen Glass, Bed/Bath/Boudoir Glass, Children's Glass, etc.
- "Category Glass Collections" such as Animals, Baskets, Candlesticks, Candy Boxes, Vases, etc.
- "Go-Withs" such as Pottery, Ceramics, Jewelry, Postcards, Sheet Music, Magazines, Store Products, Toys, Dolls, Trains, Advertising, Celluloid, Historical Memorabilia, Tobacciana, Lamps, Linens, Vanity, Clocks, Silver, Books, etc. etc. etc.

# **OUR NEXT SHOW!!**

We are thrilled to be returning to the Washington County Fairplex for our January 2007 show & sale!! As many of you know, there was a plan to tear down the exhibit hall and replace it with a new hall, which would have meant closure for at least a year and no January show location for us. The plan has foundered, so we will be able to keep having shows there for the foreseeable future. Great news for us!!

The event will be Saturday, January 27 & Sunday, January 28, 2007. As always, we need lots of members to help make the show a success as it is our major fundraiser for the year. We are an all-volunteer organization, so please take a look at your calendar and see when you are free to help out at the show. Sign up at the November, December or January club meeting, or call Carole White at 503-901-0505 or email her at <u>cbessw@aol.com</u>. Most of the shifts at the show are sit-down jobs such as ticket sales or display host/watcher. Sign up early and often!! The next show committee meeting will be Tuesday, December 5.

### **OCTOBER MEETING TOPIC:**



### PATTERN OF THE MONTH: VIKING'S DIAMOND THUMBPRINT WITH DAN HAAKE

Viking Glass Company was formed in June of 1944 in the old New Martinsville factory. New Martinsville went broke in the late 1930's. In 1938 the company was sold to people associated with the Silver City Glass Company of Meriden, Connecticut. It reopened as New Martinsville Glass Co for a short time, and then became Viking.

Viking was in business until 1984, at which time Kenneth Dalzell, a former executive of the Fostoria Glass Company, re-opened it as Dalzell/Viking Glass Company. Dalzell/Viking went out of business in 1998. Viking's Diamond Thumbprint, consisting of large diamond blocks with a sizable "thumbprint" in the center of each, is a replica of the most popular pattern produced by the Boston and Sandwich Glass Company of Massachusetts in the 1850's.



Viking produced it in 1972—1974 for the Sandwich Glass Museum, and then again in 1977. It may have been made as late as 1998. The 1972 catalog showed 24 items. The first pattern numbers were 7201-7227, probably for the year 1972.



The original Diamond Thumbprint was made in crystal only. It had a high lead content, and it rings when flicked. This is a good way to tell the repro from the original Boston & Sandwich glass. Viking issued its collection in crystal, amethyst, colonial blue, ruby, peach, cobalt, cranberry ice (pink), amber and sterling gray. Two of the hardest Viking pieces to find are the butter dish and the basket.

There are pieces marked SM, V in a diamond outline, Dalzell/Viking and some with no markings at all. There is a book on Viking Glass 1944-1970 by Dean Six, but it does not have Diamond Thumbprint in it.

By Dan Haake and Carole White



# CANDY DISH NIGHT

The turnout was great for our "sweetest" meeting of the year—Candy Dish Night!! Members and guests alike enjoyed viewing the wonderful candy dishes and sampling the treats they contained.

The decision was hard because everyone brought wonderful dishes and candy, but we had four winners this year. Mark Moore's Fostoria "Windsor Chalice" Ruby Crown took best covered. Dan & Delene Haake's ruby Fenton basket with "Mary Gregory" decoration won best open. Voted most outrageous was Laurie Rolke's green ashtray, and Carole White's homemade cranberry bark won best candy.

### **Open Candy Dishes**

Donna Anderson - Blue pressed comport

Jack Bookwalter - Czech "Candlewick" style pink comport

Betty Ely - Opalescent bowl

Dan & Delene Haake - Fenton ruby Mary Gregory basket and Fenton Rosalene bowl with painted decoration

Lillian Hodges - Heisey Wampum plate

Diana Jones - Dugan's Leaf Rays carnival glass nappy, New Martinsville Janice bowl with silver overlay and 1911 Fenton bowl

Jeff Motsinger - Westmoreland bridal basket without lid

Karen Nissly - Indiana Diamond Point compote Laurie Rolke - Green ashtray

Neal Skibinski - Fostoria green diadem plate with Minuet etching

Sharon Staley - Fenton ruby three-toed bowl

Kirsten Stensland - Hand painted square bowl

Carole White - Fostoria Beverly platter with Italian orange and black cased comport

Karen Young - Cooperative Flint Adoria crystal comport



**Covered Candy Dishes** 

Al & Carol Carder - Paden City dish with ruby Bridal Wreath gold decoration

Mavis Case - Westmoreland ruby flashed urn

John Clements - Fostoria "Hapsburg" Cobalt Crown dish

Dwayne & Sally Cole - Indiana Blue Windsor dish

John Frank - Amber decagon dish etched Luna

Kate Fuller - Duncan & Miller Language of Flowers dish

Rosemary Joslin - Blue pressed pattern dish

John Kemp - Tiara Sandwich green canister

Sandra Millius - Hand painted Fenton dish

Mark Moore - Fostoria "Windsor Chalice" Ruby Crown and Tiffin blue satin glass dish

Macy Rock - Green Ribbon dish by Hazel Atlas

Ardith Stenslund - Cranberry Coin Dot dish by Fenton for L.G. Wright

Cindy Thomas - two marigold Carnival dishes

By Carole White



# <u>15<sup>th</sup> Annual Rally</u> June 28, 29 & 30th

Hi everyone, I hope you all had a wonderful summer. With fall almost gone we are busying thinking about next years Rally, at least I will call it the Rally for right now. Lots of changes are in the planning stages with the hope of stimulating more interest and drawings more attendees.

As you may recall we did a survey to get the membership's opinion on several changes to the Rally. The results of the survey were as follows:

87% were in favor of including glass from around the world.

84% were in favor of a new name to stimulate more interest.

93% were in favor of moving the Rally to Memorial Weekend.

The bad news is by the time we had complete the survey results the Monarch Hall had already been rented out for Memorial weekend. Our only option was to find another location or move the Rally to the June 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>. Everyone loved the location so much that the Rally committee and Board members decide that we would have the Rally June 28<sup>th</sup> thru 30<sup>th</sup>. So mark your calendar now and start planning.

We have a lot to do to get things moving forward, like coming up with a new name which reflects our decision to include glass from around the world, picking relevant speakers, deciding on a theme, expanding the auction, etc. I would like your help in making the 2007 Rally even better than last years. I am planning the first Rally committee meeting at our home in Milwaukie on <u>Thursday Nov 2<sup>nd.</sup> we will have a light</u> <u>dinner around 6:30pm and the meeting</u> <u>will start at 7:00pm. If you want to be part</u> <u>of the planning committee please email at</u> <u>ensmartin@comcast.net or call (503) 659-</u> <u>3990.</u> I would love to hear your ideas.

We are on a tight budget again this year but with your help we can make this the best Rally ever. Don't sit back and just be a member; get involved and have fun helping us plan this years Rally. We are going to open our Friday night Auction to the public again this year in an effort to generate more interest in our glass club. In order for this to be successful we will need quality, desirable glass items. To accomplish this each of us needs to work diligently to acquire a minimum of two donations from local businesses and friends. The donations can be cash, glass or gift certificates. In exchange for a donation we will advertise the donors business or name in our Rally Program and website depending on the amount donated. Remind everyone that PROG is a Federally qualified 501 (c) 3 Non-Profit Organization (fully tax deductible).

### Thanks in advance for your help.

Ed Martin

Rally Chairman



At the Fall Show - Collectible Smoker's Items <u>Photo by Barbara Coleman</u>

## A BIG THANK YOU!

Thanks to all who helped with the Fall 2006 show—all 31 of us!

The talks on Fenton Glass by noted author Carrie Domitz and Decorating with Antiques by Darwin Otto & Brent Heeb of Stars & Splendid were very well received.

So many hours are spent preparing for and setting up the show, and without the efforts of these folks our doors would not have opened:

Bob Carlson, Verne Casey, Jack Bookwalter and Carole White sorted and loaded our show supplies, and Jack transported them from and back to storage. Our displays, captained by Barbara Coleman, were wonderful, as always.

Shirley Bolman again updated and maintained our mailing list for the postcards, and Dennis and Eva Headrick made the mailing. Dennis also printed up the door prize slips, badges and dealer table signs. In addition to chairing the show, Carole White got the flyers printed and distributed and placed the ads. Carole White and Ed & Sandra Martin put up and took down our signs.

Dan and Delene Haake were the door captains, Barbara Coleman and Jewell Gowan co-chaired the club sale area and Jeff Motsinger transported the books for the I.D. table.

The next Show Committee meeting will be Tuesday, December 5, either at Carole White's house or another location TBD, depending on the status of Carole's carpal tunnel surgery! Everyone is invited to participate in the committee. We always welcome new members and fresh ideas!

Following are the names of those who signed up to help, which were taken from the signup sheet. We apologize if we missed anyone who helped but was not signed up.

Shirley Bolman, Data Entry, Set Up/Take Down, Loading Dock

Jack Bookwalter, Equipment Transport, Set Up/Tear Down, Ticket Sales

Bob Carlson, Equipment, Set Up/Take Down, Display Host

Verne Casey, Equipment

Rogene Clements, Friday Dealer Check-In, Dealer Helper, Display Host

John Clements, Ticket Sales

Dwayne & Sally Cole, Display Hosts

Barbara Coleman, Display Captain and Club Sale Co-Captain, Jury

Liz Estes, Jury

Jewell Gowan, Club Sale Co-Captain

Dan Haake, Door Co-Captain

Delene Haake, Door Co-Captain, Announcer

Eva Headrick, Mailing

Dennis Headrick, Mailing, Tickets, Badges, Signs, Floor Plan, Dock Captain, Set Up/Tear Down, Jury, etc.

Elmer Heffner, Set Up/Tear Down

Lillian Hodges, Dealer Check-In

Dick & Gyrid Hyde-Towle, Dealer Pack Up Helpers

Ed Martin, Set Up/Tear Down, Ticket Sales, Signs

Sandra Martin, Set Up/Tear Down, Ticket Sales, Signs

Sandra Millius, I.D. Booth, Jury

Arlene Moore, Dealer Check-In, Display Host

Mark Moore, Announcer

Jeff Motsinger I.D. Book Transport, I.D. Booth, Jury

Neal Skibinski, I.D. Booth, Jury

Cindy & Bruce Thomas, Display Hosts

Carole White, Show Chair, Advertising, Signs

Karen & Jim Young, Display Hosts



At the Fall Show - Collectible Ducks Photo by Barbara Coleman

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