



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.

JULY

UPCOMING EVENTS

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4 – Antiques & Collectibles Event, Silverton

6 – Polk Flea Market, Rickreall

6 – Medford Giant Flea Market, Medford Armory

12 – Sisters Famous Quilt Show, Sisters

12-13 – Christine Palmer Portland EXPO, EXPO Center, 2060 N. Marine Drive, Portland

19-20 – Sisters Antiques in the Park, Creekside Park, Sisters

Every Sunday—Portland's Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market, 5400 N Lombard, Portland, (one block west of Portsmouth on Lombard)

2nd Weekend – Old Mill at Yamhill Flea Market, 140 W. Main St., Yamhill

Visit estatesale-finder.com for local sales in the area



WHERE: Central Lutheran Church
1820 NE 21st Avenue,
Portland, OR 97212
(NE 21st & Schuyler)

WHEN: Tuesday, July 15, 2014,
6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
(Library Not Available)

GREETERS:
Sandra Millius and Jeff Motsinger
(Come early to set up—6:00 p.m.)

PROGRAM:

July Picnic Potluck

It's time for the annual Portland's Rain of Glass picnic potluck. Bring a side dish, salad, dessert or appetizer. PROG will provide meat and beverages. Paper plates and plastic utensils provided. Bring your own place settings if you wish.

Set up begins at 6:00 p.m. Dinner is at 6:30 p.m.

REMEMBER THE FOOD DRIVE—BRING CANNED OR BOXED FOOD ITEMS FOR NEEDY FAMILIES!

**Don't forget—the potluck will be in the church basement!
Take the elevator across from the church office!**



**SPECIAL DISPLAY: FENTON
"COIN DOT" AND "COIN SPOT,"
Displayed by Elmer Heffner**

Elmer will share his collection of Fenton's Coin Dot and its sister pattern Coin Spot. It was made between 1947 and 1964, in a variety of colors, including Cranberry Opalescent at left in a two-handled vase, and Blue Opalescent in a pitcher and tumblers, above.

BOARD MEETING: Tuesday,
July 8, 2014, 7:00 p.m.
ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

Visit the Portland's Rain of Glass website:

www.rainofglass.com

or see us on **FACEBOOK**

Mailing Address:

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Milwaukie, OR. 97222.

President's Message

I would like to thank all of our Board members that are not returning this year.

Jewell Gowan; she has given so much of her time to PROG, she has served on the board for years and kept us on track with the by-laws and procedures. Jewell has always been involved in all of our events, Glass Show and Convention, in addition to all of our other monthly events. Thank You from all of us at PROG for your support over the years.

Jerry Linschoten; He has served on the board for 3 years and has helped with all of our events, our monthly meetings and financial investments.

The board will miss you both.

I would like to introduce our new and or returning board members:

Jan Baxter

Suzanne Lemon

Edna McLain

Joy Shervey

Please join me in congratulating our new and returning board members.

Lifetime Member Dennis Headrick nominated longtime member Lillian Hodges as our newest Lifetime Member, the vote was unanimous. Congratulations, Lillian!

Ed Martin

NEWLETTER COMMITTEE:

Barbara Coleman, colelee@easystreet.net
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Jewell Gowan, jewellsbks@aol.com
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Cindy Thomas, cst@wbcable.net
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MEMBERSHIP

A big thanks to those who have paid their renewal membership. For those who have not, your membership expired on May 31. Please write a check to "Portland's Rain Of Glass" or "P.R.O.G." and mail it to my address below. Our new year begins on July 1 and we want to have a sign in page for each person. Also, in July we assemble the names for the yearly Membership Booklet and we don't want to leave you out.

Single \$30

Dual (two residing at the same address) \$40

Family (the entire family residing at the same address) \$50

Patron \$50

Gold Patron \$100

Sustaining Patron 12-month, which includes one 1/4 Page Ad in One Newsletter per year \$150

Lifetime Membership (Single or Couple at same address) \$1,000

Remember to bring guests to our July 15 indoor picnic/meeting. See you then.

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FOSTORIA LOTUS EBONY WITH SUSAN CONROY

The Fostoria Glass Company produced their Lotus pattern #6144 from 1980 to 1982. It was one of the last patterns they made.

Lotus originally was produced in Crystal Mist, a clear bowl with a clear satinized stem and foot, and Ebony, a clear bowl with a black shiny stem. In 1982 they added Peach Mist—a clear bowl with a pinkish satinized stem and foot, but it was only produced for six months. Susan's set is Ebony, and she is fortunate to have a factory brochure showing Lotus and their other contemporary lines as well.

The line included a 10 oz claret, an 8 oz saucer champagne, a 14 oz iced tea, a 12 oz goblet and giftware including a bud vase, a low candle holder and a tall candle holder. A 6 oz champagne flute was added in 1981. Lotus is an easy pattern to recognize. It has three-sided stems with lobes where the stems join the bowls, and the pieces are .

During the Lotus pattern production years, Fostoria was struggling to stay open due to foreign competition. In 1983 they had to sell the factory to the Lancaster Colony Corporation of Columbus, Ohio, and by 1986 Lancaster had closed the factory and sold off all of the remaining stock.

Today the Lotus pattern can be a bit hard to find. It was a small line to begin with, and Fostoria was making glass to order at the time rather than keeping inventory, resulting in fewer pieces available today. Since her father was a sales rep for Fostoria, Susan got to take advantage of the "employee's daughter discount" to buy her Ebony set, but prices today are about \$18 to \$22 per item.

Susan likes to use her Lotus with her china from Sweden on a white tablecloth.

—Carole Bess White



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*“KITSCHY” KITCHENWARE

Barbara Coleman and Carole Bess White led our exploration of “kitschy” kitchenware. Members brought in a wide variety of vintage items to share:

Leslie Anderson—Fire King pie plate; Humpty Dumpty salt & pepper shaker set; clear glass pepper shaker; large & small Best Foods mayonnaise jars; pie blackbird

Jack Bookwalter—British flamingo canister; Australian “Nally Ware” early plastic canisters; German spice containers; ceramic Japanese “cheese wheel” spice shakers

Barbara Coleman—waffle iron; French fry maker; rolling pin; green measuring cup; pink reamer; cookie cutters; nutmeg grinder; beaters; salt & pepper shakers; potato masher; printed tablecloths; strainer; pastry cutters

Susan Conroy—Oven Serve pie plate, yellow with green flowers

Diane Foster—Fire King blue pattern bakeware; 2 sets of milk glass Hazel Atlas salt & pepper shakers; pie crow; hammered aluminum casserole carrier

Gyrid Hyde-Towle—green Depression Glass measuring cup with egg beater; green metal bowl with flat whipped cream beater that she uses all the time

Diana Jones—soap cage; maple butter pat paddle; wooden pestle; 50’s glass covered toothpick holder; oyster shucker; 1940’s Log Cabin Maple Syrup

Sandra Millius—1957 Albertsons Idaho newspaper ad showing a banana split dish for 10¢ and the actual dish, which we have always thought of as a pickle dish

Gwenn Nicklous—ice cream scoop; lemon squeezer

Pat & Robert Smith—green enamel casserole in scrolled frame with burner

Janice Wallace—flour & pepper shakers; “Mother’s Pin Money” bank; French cutter

Carole Bess White—green Depression Glass battery acid container filled with vintage kitchen utensils; Heisey ketchup pitcher; Made in Japan salt box and 2 egg cups; Vernon “Early California” egg cup; Cambridge glass egg cup; Heisey mustard pot with original glass spoon; Reed & Barton c. 1910 silver plate syrup pitcher and underplate; Coca-Cola book “When You Entertain What To Do And How To Do It;” very early cake carrier with Art Deco decals; clear glass salt & pepper shakers; green Depression Glass measuring cup with egg beater; Art Deco metal breadbox; set of pottery custard cups in metal holder; Pyrex casserole in metal holder; two metal table crumber sets in original boxes; amber glass Art Deco butter dish, probably Czechoslovakian; hammered aluminum table set; 2 early plastic napkin holders; German porcelain creamer

Jean Zitzer—owl salt & pepper shakers; Czechoslovakian flower salt & pepper shakers; small wooden container; 2 kitchen towels



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JUNE WINNERS

DOOR PRIZE: \$5.00 Glassbucks certificate won by Cindy Thomas

RAFFLE PRIZES:

Early American Pattern Glass vase donated by Ed & Sandra Martin won by Diana Jones

Fostoria American rose bowl donated by Sandra Millius won by Edna McLean

Four quilted potholders made and donated by Barbara Coleman won by Ed Martin

PROGGY: Won for the month by Joi Shervey

SHOW & TELL

Diane Foster: smoky olive green glass Italian comport; pink central European Victorian Art Glass quilted vase with coraline decoration, Kanawa pitcher c. 1985

Gyrid Hyde-Towle: celery vase, c. 1915 Early American Pattern Glass pitcher

Sandra Millius: giant vaseline Victorian Daisy & Button shoe celery dish

Pat & Robert Smith: c. 1950's-60's German goblet with applied prunts, flashed color and gray cutting; c. 1880's blue

Early American Pattern Glass "Wildflower" bowl; hobnail porcelain ewer

Carole Bess White: Fenton Emerald Crest plant pot; amber glass Johnson & Johnson remedy bottle

SPECIAL CENTRALIA SHOW & TELL AT THE JULY POTLUCK MEETING

Fifteen PROGers enjoyed a train trip to Centralia on June 28. We shopped, we ate, we explored, we had fun, and did we mention WE SHOPPED!! Everyone found treasures in Centralia's dozen or more antique and thrift shops, and we will bring them to show off—oops, we mean share—with our friends. Thanks to Jack Bookwalter for coming up with the idea and to Deanna Stevenson for arranging our trip.

REMINDER:

There is no general meeting in August.

Come and join the August 16 Picnic.

See you at PROG's next general meeting September 16!



ANNUAL SUMMER FOOD DRIVE

Please bring donations of food in cans or paper/cardboard packages (no glass or perishable items, please) to the July meeting.

PLEASE PLACE YOUR DONATIONS IN THE CHURCH'S PERMANENT FOOD BINS UNDER THE COAT RACK ALONG THE LONG HALL LEADING TO OUR USUAL MEETING ROOM

THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE HUNGRY!!



EATING, LEARNING & SHOPPING— ALL THINGS PROG LOVES!!

NEW DATE: SAT. AUG. 16, 2014
PROG'S PICNIC POTLUCK & ANTIQUE DISPLAYS IN SALEM, & SHOPPING

Jewell Gowan will host our picnic potluck in the clubhouse at Paradise Island Manufactured Home Park, 3100 Turner Road SE, #423, Salem, OR 97302-2094

Plan to arrive between 11:30 and noon, and we'll eat about 12:30. Your potluck dish should be ready to eat—no kitchen prep or cooking, please.

BEVERAGES, DISHES & SILVERWARE WILL BE PROVIDED. CLEANUP HELP REQUESTED.

◆ **SPECIAL ON-SITE EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS OF ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES BY THE SALEM ANTIQUE COLLECTING CLUB**

◆ **ANTIQUE SHOPPING IN SALEM AND AURORA**

DIRECTIONS TO JEWELL'S FROM I-5 SOUTH:

Take the OR-22/OR-99E Bus. Exit #253.

Merge onto Mission St. S.E./OR-99E Bus.

Turn left onto Turner Rd. S.E.



OPTIONAL VISIT TO ANTIQUE POWERLAND IN BROOKS, OREGON



<http://antiquepowerland.com>

15 museums dedicated to our agricultural and transportation heritage. Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., so stop on the way down or the way home!

Antique Powerland admission charge is \$5.00.

DIRECTIONS TO POWERLAND FROM I-5 SOUTH:

Take Exit 263 towards Brooks/Gervais.

Turn right onto Brooklake Road N.E.

3995 Brooklake Road N.E. is on the right.

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