



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.

MARCH

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

5 – Linn County Flea Market, Fairgrounds, Albany

5-6 – Christine Palmer, Portland EXPO Center

6 – Polk Flea Market, Rickreall

6 – Picc-A-Dilly Flea Market, Lane Co. Fairgrounds, Eugene

13 – Salem Collectors Market, Salem Armory, 2320 17th St. NE, 9 a.m. -2 p.m.

13 – Rose City Collectors Market, Airport Holiday Inn

26 – Webfooters Postcard Club Anniversary Celebration, Oaks Park Dance Pavilion, 5 p.m.

Every Sunday—Portland's Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., 5400 N Lombard, Portland, (one block west of Portsmouth on Lombard)

2nd weekend (March-December) Old Mill at Yamhill Flea Market, 140 W Main St., Yamhill



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

WHEN: Tuesday, March 15, 2016,
7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

GREETERS: Barbara Coleman
and TBA
(Come early to set up—6:00 p.m.)

SPECIAL: **Soup Feast!**

It's time to enjoy Gyrid Hyde-Towle's famous clam chowder and Carole Bess White's barbeque bean & ham soup. Join Rain of Glass club members for dinner at this meeting. Small charge of \$10.00 per person includes choice of soup, plus salad, bread and dessert. RSVP to Carole White at 503-901-0505 or cbessw@aol.com. Dinner served at 6:30 p.m.

PROGRAM: "Thistles," presented by Edna McLean

Edna will share her collection of thistle decorated glass and china. Her Scottish ancestry has made "thistle" collecting an enjoyable hobby for Edna as the thistle is a Scottish symbol. Pictured at top is a circa 1910 Higbee "Panel and Thistle" honey dish. Below left is a Higbee "Panel and Thistle" creamer and, right, a Royal Albert "Thistle" cup and saucer.



BOARD MEETING: Tuesday,
March 8, 2016, 7:00 p.m.
ALL MEMBERS WELCOME



Visit the Portland's Rain of Glass website:

www.rainofglass.com

or see us on FACEBOOK

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THOUGHTS FROM PROG'S PRESIDENT

March is already upon us and soon we will be setting our clocks for daylight saving time. When that happens, we all get a jolt of reality when we forget!

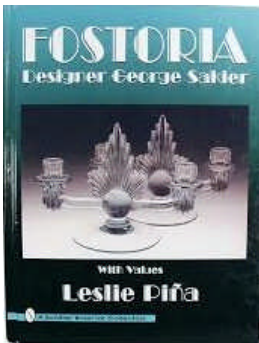
One of my favorite PROG meetings is the March Soup Feast. The soups made by Gyrid Hyde-Towle and Carole Bess White are delicious, along with the food items provided by your board members. We appreciate the effort everyone gives to this. You are in store for a very pleasant evening—so don't forget to sign up!!

As you know, our convention is rapidly approaching. One of our sources for funds comes from our silent and oral auctions that are part of this event. If you have items to donate, please bring them to the March or April membership meeting. This will allow time to catalogue each contribution.

Again, I want to thank all of you who help out PROG, whether it is bringing a food item, manning a station at our sale or being a greeter for a membership meeting. Your gift of time is what makes us successful!

--Jan Baxter

2016 GLASS COLLECTORS CONVENTION AUCTIONS CHALLENGE



MEMBER SAM KISSÉE DONATED LESLIE PINA'S BOOK ON GEORGE SAKIER'S FOSTORIA DESIGNS TO THE CONVENTION AUCTION,

-AND-

SAKIER'S WORK FOR FOSTORIA IS ONE OF JOAN TORTOROLO'S TALKS AT THE CONVENTION,

-SO-

WHO WANTS TO BE THE FIRST TO DONATE A NICE PIECE OF SAKIER GLASS TO THE AUCTION? WE'LL BRING THE BOOK TO THE NEXT 3 MEETINGS SO YOU CAN GET AN IDEA OF WHAT TO LOOK FOR!!

**THERE WILL BE LOTS OF OTHER GREAT PIECES FOR YOUR BIDDING PLEASURE
THURSDAY, MAY 19 (SILENT) ♦ FRIDAY, MAY 20 (ORAL)**

**DONATIONS OF NICE, CLEAN, UNDAMAGED VINTAGE GLASS, CHINA, POTTERY AND OTHER
ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES, GOODS & SERVICES ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED**

♦
PLEASE BRING YOUR DONATIONS TO BOARD OR CLUB MEETINGS,

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ITEMS RECEIVED AFTER MAY 10 WILL BE HELD FOR THE NOVEMBER MINI AUCTION

JANUARY 2016 SALE REPORT

Thanks to all who helped with the 2016 Rain of Glass Sale. It truly is a community effort. Our members, our families, our dealers and our customers all contribute to our success.

What a lot of work goes into our Sale before, during and after! We are so grateful to our members who helped: Jan & Don Baxter, Jack Bookwalter, Barbara Coleman & Fred Leeson, Susan Conroy, Jim Cooke, Barbara Dietz, Diane Foster, Kate Fuller, Mable Hardebeck, Dennis & Eva Headrick, Elmer Heffner, Grant Huter, Gyrid Hyde Towle, Diana Jones, Sam Kissée, Barbara Larson, Suzanne Lemon, Jerry Linschoten, Edna McLean, Ed & Sandra Martin, Sandra Millius & Jeff Motsinger, Mark Moore, Venita Owen-McClain, Suzanne Pastori, Neal Skibinski, Jeff & Mary Ann Specht, Celeste Sprague, Dave & Linda Sprau, Bruce & Cindy Thomas, Eugene & Florissa Trapp, Les & Carole Bess White, Jim & Karen Young and Jean Zitzer. (These names were taken directly from the signup sheet, so if you helped but did not sign up, we are sorry for the omission of your name and appreciate what you did and ask forgiveness for our faulty memory.)

The Sale is one of PROG's two major fundraisers of the year, the other being the Convention Auctions. May is coming and so is the Convention—can you believe it? Time flies, so now it's time to take a deep breath and turn our thoughts to shopping for Auction items. Be on the look out for possible auction donations on your travels!

CLUB MEMBER DISPLAYS AT THE 2016 RAIN OF GLASS SALE



BAKING WITH GRANDMA—BARBARA COLEMAN



KITCHEN KITSCH—JACK BOOKWALTER



HEISEY VISIBLE COOKWARE—DENNIS HEADRICK



MY KITCHEN—SANDRA MARTIN



JUICERS AND REAMERS—JAN BAXTER



WHAT'S FOR DINNER?—MABLE HARDEBECK



SPICE OF LIFE CONDIMENT SETS—CAROLE BESS WHITE



FLAPPER LIFE: THE PANTRY—CAROLE BESS WHITE

PHOTOS BY NEAL SKIBINSKI



YOUNGER THAN SPRINGTIME— BALI HAI WITH JAN BAXTER

Mikasa's "Bali Hai" pattern china on the "Younger Than Springtime" blank was made in Japan in the 1980s. Jan was looking for a nice set of everyday dishes and liked this pattern because of its hexagonal plates and dainty motif.

Mikasa was started by George Aratani, who was born in the U.S.A. but educated here and in Japan. His father was an entrepreneur, but during WWII his business was sold to cover his debts during the Japanese internment, so George started from

scratch when the war ended. He had several businesses including the Kenwood Electronics Corporation, and he started Mikasa in 1957. Mikasa was a company that sold but did not manufacture sets of dishes.

Bali Hai has been discontinued, but it is possible to find pieces online.

UGLY GLASS NIGHT

It's in the eye of the beholder!!

Everyone is entitled to think that his or her glass and antiques are the most beautiful, but how about the other side of the coin? We went beyond just glass and explored pieces that some of us thought only a mother could love, but the prize for the ugliest object just had to go to Gyrid Hyde-Towle for her Italian ceramic pitcher with an attitude problem! Others brought interesting things, too:

Leslie Anderson—decorative Chinese covered box; 1990s hookah water pipe with Egyptian scenes

Jan Baxter--blue lounge ashtray probably made by Hazel Atlas

Barbara Coleman--1970s stretched swan vase, possibly made in Chicago or Mexico

Elmer Heffner—pair of perched birds on a wavy glass base (not Murano)

Neal Skibinski—Dugan 1906 Japanese Line gourd vase as advertised in the Butler Brothers catalog

Linda & Dave Sprau—late 20th century frog vase made in Japan; Aesthetic Movement Majolica oval Japonisme tray with an 1842-1885 British registry mark

Carole Bess White—pair of Hut Charlotta Co. butterfly candleholders made in Czechoslovakia in 1998; large Czech end-of-day vase

Jean Zitzer—glass basket with a bird with red spot





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Link your Fred Meyer Rewards card with PROG by name or by our nonprofit number, 85577. Then every time you shop at Fred Meyer and use the card, you will help us earn a donation at no cost to you, and you will still earn your Rewards Points, Fuel Points and rebates just as you do today!

SHOW & TELL



Leslie Anderson—green Daisy & Button pot with little feet c. 1975; pair of milk glass candleholders; c. 1943-49 Fenton melon vase with square rim, one of their 4 top treatments.

Diane Foster—swung vase, possibly U.S. Glass Dolly Madison from a Duncan form; 1880s cake stand by Adams; clear glass condiment set, probably late 20th century European; Mardi Gras bowl by George Duncan; orange vase with clear handle, probably Italian; Blenko amethyst step bowl

Kate Fuller—pitcher with silk-screened décor and gold rim, possibly Bartlett-Collins

Elmer Heffner—reverse-painted covered urn marked Germany

Gyrid Hyde-Towle—ruby goblet; pair of Viking Bluenique candleholders

Sandra James—George Washington plate of Mt. Vernon

WINNERS

Door Prize of a \$5 Glassbuck—Diane Foster

Raffle Prize of a plant from Elmer Heffner—Linda Sprau

Raffle Prize of a Made in Japan vase from Carole Bess White—Linda Sprau



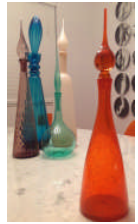
CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR BLENKO PROGRESSIVE RAFFLE WINNER

The Blenko Glass Company of Milton, West Virginia, donated this fabulous Slope-Shouldered Vase from their “Fire and Ice” collection to our progressive raffle.

We drew the winning ticket at the sale at 4:00 p.m. on January 31, and our winner was Vicki Fabryka. Proceeds will benefit the 2016 Glass Collectors Convention.

Thanks to Dean Six and our friends at Blenko, and to Ed & Sandra Martin for procuring this wonderful donation!





PORTLAND'S RAIN OF GLASS PRESENTS THEIR 24th ANNUAL
GLASS COLLECTORS CONVENTION

THURSDAY—FRIDAY—SATURDAY, MAY 19-20-21, 2016
GROTTO CONFERENCE CENTER, 8840 NE SKIDMORE, PORTLAND OR

**THURSDAY BEGINNING AT 5:30--HORS D'OEUVRES, MUSIC BY FRED LEESON
 7:10—7:45 ICE CREAM SOCIAL ♦ PLUS AT 7:30 ICE SCREAMERS BY ED MARTIN**

ANTIQUE SEAL BOTTLES >FRI. 9:45 A.M.

SAM KISSÉE, past president of the Early American Pattern Glass Society

FOSTORIA DESIGNER GEORGE SAKIER'S ART DECO GLASS >FRI. 11:00 A.M.

JOANN TORTAROLO, president of the Historical Glass Museum of Redlands, California

INFLUENCES FOR MY MID-CENTURY MODERN DESIGNS >FRI. 1:30 P.M.

WAYNE HUSTED, iconic designer for Blenko and other glass companies

CORNING GLASS WORKS >FRI. 3:00 P.M.

DEBBIE & RANDY COE, Schiffer Books authors

THREE MOLD BLOWN GLASS-AMERICA'S FIRST PATTERN GLASS >SAT. 9:30 A.M.

SAM KISSÉE, past president of the Early American Pattern Glass Society

BLENKO GLASS DESIGNERS & THEIR DESIGNS >SAT. 10:45 A.M.

WAYNE HUSTED, iconic designer for Blenko and other glass companies

ART MODERNE GLASS >SATURDAY 1:30 P.M.

DEBBIE & RANDY COE, Schiffer Books authors

THE HISTORICAL GLASS MUSEUM AT REDLANDS CA >SAT. 3:00 P.M.

JOANN TORTAROLO, president of the Historical Glass Museum of Redlands, California

♦ PLUS 2 BIG AUCTIONS ♦

SILENT AUCTION THURSDAY, MAY 19 VIEW 5:30 PM ♦ FIRST CLOSING 6:30 PM	ORAL AUCTION FRIDAY, MAY 20 VIEW 5:30 PM ♦ BIDDING 6:00 PM
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♦ NO BUYER'S PREMIUM ♦ AUCTIONS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC—YOU NEED NOT ATTEND THE CONVENTION TO COME TO THE AUCTIONS ♦

FULL THREE-DAY REGISTRATION OPTION · CHECK ALL BOXES THAT APPLY

<input type="checkbox"/> FULL REGISTRATION INCLUDES: Thursday Silent Auction, Hors d'Oeuvres, Ice Cream Social, WVMAG Program; all Friday & Saturday Meals, Seminars, Activities; Friday Oral Auction; glass favor by Degenhart Glass Company			
MY SATURDAY BANQUET MEAL CHOICE:			
<input type="checkbox"/> PRIME RIB	HOW MANY? CIRCLE ONE: 1 2	_____ persons @ \$170.00 each	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> CHICKEN	HOW MANY? CIRCLE ONE: 1 2	_____ persons @ \$170.00 each	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> EARLY REGISTRATION DISCOUNT for paying for three-day Convention by April 19, 2016:			-\$10.00 each \$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> PROG MEMBER DISCOUNT on three-day Convention registration:			-\$10.00 each \$ _____
TOTAL FOR FULL THREE-DAY REGISTRATION TO BE PAID BY APRIL 19, 2016:			\$ _____

SPECIAL TWO-DAY REGISTRATION OPTIONS · CHECK ALL BOXES THAT APPLY

<input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL THURSDAY + FRIDAY ONLY REGISTRATION INCLUDES: Thursday Silent Auction, Hors d'Oeuvres, Ice Cream Social, WVMAG Program; all Friday Meals, Seminars, Activities and Oral Auction on Friday; (no Saturday seminars, Saturday meals or glass favor)			
		_____ persons @ \$95.00 each	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> SPECIAL THURSDAY + SATURDAY ONLY REGISTRATION INCLUDES: Thursday Silent Auction, Hors d'Oeuvres, Ice Cream Social, WVMAG Program; Oral Auction on Friday (but no Friday meals or seminars); all Saturday Meals, Seminars and Activities; and glass favor by Glass Eye Studio			
MY SATURDAY BANQUET MEAL CHOICE (FOR THURSDAY-SATURDAY REGISTRATION ONLY):			
<input type="checkbox"/> PRIME RIB	HOW MANY? CIRCLE ONE: 1 2	_____ persons @ \$120.00 each	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> CHICKEN	HOW MANY? CIRCLE ONE: 1 2	_____ persons @ \$120.00 each	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> EARLY REGISTRATION DISCOUNT for paying for two-day Convention by April 19, 2016:			-\$5.00 each \$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> PROG MEMBER DISCOUNT on two-day Convention registration:			-\$5.00 each \$ _____
TOTAL FOR TWO-DAY REGISTRATION TO BE PAID BY APRIL 19, 2016:			\$ _____

NAME(S) _____
 ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE DAY _____ CELL _____
 EMAIL ADDRESS _____

BRING TO CLUB or MAIL TO: PORTLAND'S RAIN OF GLASS, c/o GINNY DAVID, 1746 N.W. 3rd COURT, McMINSVILLE OR 97128-7174

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NEXT CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING: APRIL 5 AT EASTERN CATHAY RESTAURANT

❖ INSIDE ❖

Portland's Rain of Glass, Inc.

- Club Members Display
- Ugly Glass Night
- Glass Convention May 2016
- Show & Tell

ENJOY PROG's FIFTH ANNUAL

CLAM CHOWDER & SOUP FEAST!!

TUESDAY, MARCH 15 AT THE **RAIN OF GLASS CLUB MEETING**
SET UP 6:00 ♦ DINNER AT 6:30

--MENU--

HOMEMADE CLAM CHOWDER WITH GYRID'S SPECIAL TOUCHES
HOMEMADE BARBECUE HAM & BEAN SOUP
GREEN SALAD with CHOICE OF DRESSINGS, GARLIC BREAD and FRENCH BREAD
ASSORTED DESSERTS, COFFEE AND SOFT DRINKS

It's not a potluck—PROG and some generous donors will furnish the entire meal.

It is a little fundraiser, so there will be a nominal fee of \$10.00 for the dinner. Payment will be collected at the meeting.

Once again Gyrid Hyde-Towle will be our head chef.

The meal is optional—you are welcome to come and just enjoy the talk and other activities.

WE NEED A HEAD COUNT!! PLEASE SIGN UP WITH CAROLE WHITE BY MARCH 8
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