



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.

AUGUST

BIG ANTIQUE GARAGE SALE

WHERE: At the home of Carole White,
2225 NE 33rd Avenue,
Portland, Oregon



WHEN: Saturday, August 18,
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
(Bring your sale items as early as 7:00 a.m.)

**JOIN IN THE FUN!
BE PART OF THE SALE!**

**SIGN UP TO SELL YOUR EXTRA ANTIQUES,
COLLECTIBLES AND HOUSEHOLD MISC!
CALL CAROLE AT 503-282-0608
OR EMAIL AT CBESSW@AOL.COM TO SIGN UP!**



(A \$5 fee to go toward advertising will be charged. In addition, participants will need to provide a "mint" piece of collectible glass to the 2008 PROG Rally/Convention. You keep all the proceeds of your sale.)



UPCOMING EVENTS

AUGUST

- 4 – Historic Brownsville's Antique Street Fair, I-5 Freeway Exit 216 To Brownville
- 5 – Salem Collectors Market
- 5 – Toledo Antiques & Collectibles Street Fair
- 5 – Main Street Madness Antique Fair, Hillsboro
- 5 – Lake Oswego Antique & Collectible Fair, Millennium Park
- 11 – Aurora Colony Outdoor Antiques Faire
- 18-19 – Wade Pottery Fair, Ptld.
- 18 – *PROG's BIG ANTIQUE GARAGE SALE, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., 2225 NE 33rd Ave.*
- 26 – Oregon City Antique Fair, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

- 25 – PROG Show Committee, Carole White's home, potluck at 6:30, meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Visit the Portland's Rain of Glass Website for more interesting Club news:

www.rainofglass.com

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

My greetings and salutations are extended to each of you. I wish for you a pleasant and enjoyable summer. I hope you are able to get away from work or busy schedules to enjoy some time off in the coming weeks. During August we take the month off from Rain of Glass activities so we can get away and take time for ourselves before we kick off an exciting new season in September.

I am very happy to announce that Ed Martin has accepted our challenge to fill a new Board Member position that we are calling Development Director. One of Ed's priorities will be to develop a virtual museum of Glass Collections that we can add to our website. He will also be soliciting tax-deductible donations of money or goods and services to our organization from local businesses.

We can look forward to a great program at our next meeting on September 18, 2007:

Ron and Donna Miller, Publishers of Old Stuff News, will share with us their knowledge of Stangl Pottery Birds. And for Pattern of the Month: Janice Wallace will educate us about Heisey Sunburst and Beaded Panel & Sunburst.

On October 16, 2007, we can look forward to one of my favorite nights of the year: Candy Dish Night. We can look forward to ever interesting and educational programs at nearly every meeting.

Portland's Rain of Glass will celebrate our 30th Anniversary next year and we expect some exciting events over the coming year.

Our 28th Annual Sale & Show will be held January 26 and 27, 2008 at the Washington County Fairgrounds in Hillsboro. We will need to find Show

and Rally Display Chairs. We have some new challenges ahead as we search for a new Convention (Rally) Chair and a new location for our Convention.

We are always looking for volunteers who will help make our organization enjoyable and ensure that it operates efficiently. I am learning how much we rely on our members every month. The people behind the scenes, our hospitality committee, who make sure we have enough food, coffee cups, plates, punch, ice, etc.; and folks who clean up the serving tables, wash dishes and put things away. There are people who setup displays, microphones and loudspeaker systems as well as greeters. Thanks to all of you for your hard work.

Anyone with a desire to give back to PROG for the enjoyment it brings to you is welcome to step forward and volunteer to help in these and other tasks that make our meetings run smoothly.

Looking forward to seeing all of you in September.

Mark



Membership in Portland's Rain of Glass:

\$22.00 for Individual, \$8.00 for each additional member at same address.

Mail dues to: Cindy Thomas, Membership Chair
795 Corby St., Woodburn, OR 97071
or Friendship Masonic Center
5626 NE Alameda, Portland, OR 97213

JULY MEETING TOPIC:

Photos by Neal Skibinski

At our July indoor picnic potluck we took a walk down memory lane with vintage kitchenware. It was interesting to see these wonderful old tools and vessels and learn how they were used in their day.

Dana Keyes led off with selections from her extensive collection. Among the others who brought pieces to share were Winona Bodine, Michelle DeWitt, Betty Ely, Lillian Hodges, Gyrid Hyde-Towle, Rosemary Joslin, Ed Martin, Arlene Moore, Sharon Staley and Lois Stevenson.

As always, the food was plentiful and delicious (thanks especially to Ed & Sandra Martin who volunteered to make a quick trip to the store for our meat and ice!), and it was great to enjoy a relaxing and fun social evening.



NDGA 2007

After 10 years of being a member of PROG, I realize that I've been blessed. Stay with me and I'll explain!

John and I just returned from the 33rd annual National Depression Glass Association (NDGA) convention in Modesto, CA. July 5 was load-in day. Modesto set a new record high that day of 110 degrees! Yes, it was "dry heat" but it was still HOT! We helped dealers (especially those who are by themselves) unload and set up. It's a great way to get to know dealers and see their special glass for sale.

On Friday it was only 108 and John set up his Fostoria "Coin" display. The only other display that was half-way set up properly was Fostoria Orchid (that's a color, not an etching). I've discovered that most display-ers just put their glass on a flat table with no risers and no flair. So here's the first blessing...PROG members do GREAT displays! Others should take note.

Let me back up a little and explain that because PROG hosted the 2001 NDGA convention in Salem, the club itself is a lifetime NDGA member. Every year PROG is recognized at the annual meeting. The second blessing is that every year the dealers tell me that Salem was a great convention! All conventions since 2001 have been compared to Salem. We are members of a great glass club.

On Saturday we met Gary Schneider who presented an excellent seminar on early Fostoria patterns. He spoke in 2004 at the PROG Rally. Then I saw Michael Krumme who presented a seminar on "Depression Glass: Opportunities and Consequences." He was our guest speaker at the 2000 Rally. Get the picture? Our club has hosted great, well-informed seminar speakers!

On Sunday I attended an absolutely great seminar presented by Mark Drier. He said he had done PROG glass shows 10 years ago. His seminar was so jam-packed with

good information. He bought things from the Fostoria morgue when the factory closed. He had line drawings, mixture formulas, molds, pieces in process and had about 12 Jamestown stems in experimental colors, and much more. It was GREAT!

Later Sunday I sat down with Craig Schenning, editor of *American Glass and Pottery* magazine. As I spoke with him and leafed through the past issues of the magazines, again I realized how wonderful PROG is. Our own Bob Carlson is published! Carole White is on the editorial board along with Larry Baker who spoke at Rally in 2003 and Sam Kissee who spoke at 2002 and 2006 Rallies. Articles by Jim Measell (who was speaker at 1995 and 1997 Rallies) and Barbara Mauzy (who was speaker at the 2001 Rally) are in these magazine issues. Craig was our speaker for the 2006 Rally. Bob and Carole are among the numerous club members who have spoken at past Rallies. See what I mean? We are blessed to be part of such a great local club.

Glass...yes, both John and I found pieces of our collections that we couldn't live without!!

Next year's convention will be in the St. Louis area. Check out www.ndga.net. Click on past conventions and scroll down to 2001. We did a great job that year. --Rogene Clements



Rally 2007 Photos Courtesy of Neal Skibinski



Speaker Walt Lemenski and his wife Kimberly



PROG Members and Glass Displays at Rally 2007



Ed Bennett, Dwayne Cole, Ed Martin and Dennis Headrick auction items



Al Carder and Dennis Headrick take a turn to auction items



Speaker Keith Ramey



Carol Carder

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