



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.

SEPTEMBER



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

WHEN: Tuesday, September 15, 2009,
6:00 to 9:00 p.m. (Library open at 6:00 p.m.)

GREETERS: Bonnie La Doe and Mary Ann Specht
(Come early to set up—6:00 p.m.)

SPEAKER: *Barbara Coleman—
“Cleo—Cambridge’s Favorite 1920s Etching”*

*Pictured at top is a Cleo vegetable dish with cover in the Round Line.
Above is a Console Set with the Cleo etching and an additional
border etching (#527 Rose) on the bowl. The Cleo etching is known
to have been used as early as a 1921. It is typically found on the
Cambridge Glass Company’s Decagon line, several stemware lines,
the 3400 line and the Round dinnerware line.*

PATTERN OF THE MONTH:
Heisey’s “Greek Key,”
Presented by Janice Wallace



*Pictured at left is a footed banana boat
in Heisey’s Greek Key pattern, made
1912-1930.*

BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, September 8, 2009,
at the Friendship Masonic Center, 7:00 p.m.
ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

UPCOMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

- 6 – Portland’s Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market, 5400 North Lombard, Off I-5, Exit 305B, Sun. 9-2:30, 503-206-8018
- 6 – Medford Giant Flea Market
- 6 – Polk Flea Market, Rickreall
- 12 – Albany’s Antiques in the Streets
- 13 – Coburg Antique Fair
- 13 – Lake Oswego Antique & Art Faire
- 13 -- Portland’s Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market
- 20 – Historic Deepwood Estate Antique Faire, Salem
- 20– Salem Collector’s Market
- 20 -- Portland’s Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market
- 27 -- Portland’s Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market
- 30 -- Portland’s Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market

Visit the Portland’s Rain of Glass Website for more interesting Club news:
www.rainofglass.com
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Found in Alaska

MEMBERSHIP:

Portland's Rain of Glass Membership for one year is \$22.00 for individuals and \$8.00 for each additional member at the same address.

You may mail dues to: Cindy Thomas, Membership Chairman at 795 Corby St., Woodburn, OR 97071 or Friendship Masonic Center, 5626 NE Alameda, Portland, OR 97213 or bring payment to the next meeting. Thank you, Cindy, 503-481-5401, cst.wbcable.net

Portland's Rain of Glass, Inc.

publishes 12 newsletters a year.

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AND Cindy Thomas at 503-481-5401,
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SHOW COMMITTEE MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

AT CAROLE WHITE'S HOUSE
2225 N.E. 33rd
(one house North of U.S. Grant Place on 33rd)

Potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Please bring an appetizer, dessert or salad.

Main dish and beverages

will be provided

NEW & RETURNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS WELCOME!!

If you would like to be more involved with PROG, the show committee is a great way to start. It is a fun and interesting committee!!

R.S.V.P. 503-282-0608

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PROG MINI AUCTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17th AT THE CLUB MEETING

Fall is coming, but there are still plenty of great sales to comb for items for the mini auction.

We are looking for donations of around 20 nice vintage glass and collectible items.

Please let Carole White know you will be donating, and bring your clean and chip-free donation to a PROG meeting.

Contact Carole at 503-282-0608

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ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

**will be available for purchase
at Portland's Rain of Glass, Inc.
meetings:**

**September 15, October 20 and
November 17**

\$20.00 each

(\$4.00 from each sale goes to PROG, Inc.)

GREAT IDEA FOR CHRISTMAS!

**Contact Evelyn Clink,
503-777-6771**

President's Corner

As summer winds down and thoughts turn to fall, Portland's Rain of Glass will begin our 32nd year. Several challenges are ahead of us as we look forward to a very exciting year of meetings and activities. Program Director Neal Skibinski always manages to keep our meeting topics informative, interesting and timely.

We can look forward to a great program at our next meeting on September 15, 2009. Barbara Coleman will talk about "Cleo" which is Cambridge's favorite 1920s etching. And for Pattern of the Month: Janice Wallace will share her knowledge with us about Heisey's "Greek Key."

Then on October 20, 2009, we will have our annual Candy Dish Night, one of my favorite meetings. Of course, the candy is always outstanding, but so are the beautiful candy dishes. In November, we plan to hold another mini auction, which was very successful at our meeting in February. In December, we will hold our Christmas Potluck.

Our 30th Annual Sale & Show will be held January 23 and 24, 2010 at the Washington County Fairgrounds in Hillsboro. Carole White has consistently organized successful shows, year after year. Her job is a little easier when the weather cooperates, we always have outstanding displays and the dealers bring quality glassware for us to add to our collections.

Our Convention was very successful again this year, under the leadership of Sandra Millius. Unfortunately, she is not able to continue as Convention Chair after spearheading two very successful Conventions over the last two years. One of the challenges before us is to find a Chair for our Convention which is set for May 20-22, 2010 at The Grotto. Nearly all of the folks who helped us on the Convention Committees have stepped forward to continue in the roles they filled this past year.

One of the highlights of our Convention is our Auction, which not only provides stable funding for many of our activities, but it gives us an opportunity to add some really fantastic pieces

to our collections at very reasonable prices. As you know, finding high quality glassware is becoming more difficult all the time. Many of the pieces we collect had limited production runs and have not been made for over 50 years or more.

Under Ed Martin's leadership, our Development Committee has funded the initial costs for a virtual museum of glass. The next task will be to define what will be included in the museum and to find a webmaster who will develop and create the content for the virtual museum.

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 insure that our meetings and activities are fun and educational.

Looking forward to another fun year at
PROG *Mark Moore*

***Cindy's Summer Carnival
Glass Finds***

Photos by Cindy
Thomas



Fenton's "Vintage" Epergne from Ohio Auction



**Fenton's "Kittens" Cup and Saucer from Pack Rat
Antique Mall, Anchorage, Alaska**

Neal at St. Stephen's Basilica



TRAVEL LOG

Hungary and Romania Story and Photos by Neal Skibinski and Sandor Domony

If I had to choose just one word to describe Budapest, that word would be “awesome”. The city is world-famous as one of the most beautiful national capitals, and it certainly lived up to its reputation! It is an intoxicating mix of wonderful architecture, sublime culture and beautiful natural setting. In some ways, it resembles Portland, with a hilly west side and a flat east side, bisected by a great river and crossed by many bridges.

Following our visits to Romania in 2006 and 2007, I became online friends with many Romanians and several Hungarians, so we decided to visit both countries on our 2009 trip. My good Hungarian friend,



Mike and Sandor in front of St. Stephen's Basilica



Millennium Monument at Heroes' Square, Budapest

Sandor, was eager to meet us and show us around his city.

We arrived on June 18th at Ferihegy Airport and took the shuttle to our pleasant little hotel, the Manzard Panzio. Sandor met us there, and we traveled by tram to the city center. We first went to Independence Square to see the statue of U.S. World War I General Harry Hill Bandholtz, who is beloved by the Hungarians. The three of us then walked to the Elizabeth Bridge and along the Danube Corso (river promenade). Later, we traveled by subway to Heroes Square and admired the impressive monument commemorating 1,000 years since the Hungarians' arrival in Europe in 896. The next day, we went with our friend to St. Stephen's Basilica, a magnificent Neoclassic-style domed church.



Interior of St. Stephen's Basilica

We then visited another 19th-century building, the Nagyvasarcsarnok, a beautiful Victorian Gothic-style market hall. Later, we



Part of the interior of the Nagyvasarcsarnok (Great Market Hall)

crossed the Independence Bridge and saw the “Cave Church” at the base of Gellert Hill. That evening, two other Hungarian friends treated the three of us to a wonderful Danube river boat cruise. Later, they drove us to the Citadel on top of Gellert Hill, to enjoy sweeping nighttime views of the city.



Independence Bridge and St. Stephen statue

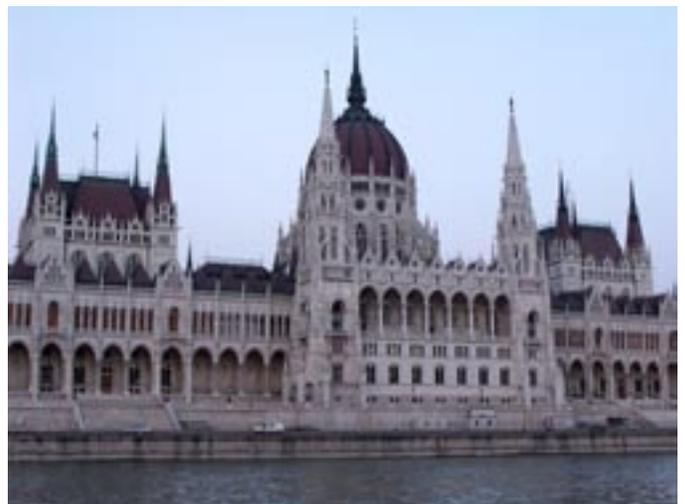
One of the highlights of our stay was “Museum Night” on June 20th, the one night each year that the museums of Budapest stay open until dawn. We first visited the museum of the famous Zwack Unicum distillery, then the National Museum and finally to Castle Hill to

see the art galleries at the Buda Royal Castle. The next day we had lunch in the most opulent McDonalds on Earth, at the Nyugati train station, and then visited the old Jewish Quarter.



Buda Royal Castle on Castle Hill

On June 23rd, the day prior to our departure for Romania, we enjoyed a guided tour of the impressive neo-Gothic Parliament House and later took the subway to the City



The magnificent Parliament House

Park. After visiting the Vajdahunyad castle in the park, we walked to the Baroque-style Szechenyi Baths. We stopped nearby to have a snack and encountered some Americans. They noticed Sandor’s new Trailblazers T-shirt, which we had given to him, and asked if he was from Portland-- Sandor pointed to me and indicated that I was. I traveled halfway around the world only to run into a family from Raleigh Hills!



Detail of a Baroque-style building in the City Park

Sandor had never been to Romania before, so he accompanied us as our guest when we traveled there by train on June 24th. We first visited the beautiful city of Cluj-Napoca, known to the Hungarians as Kolozsvár, before continuing on to Bucharest. On June 30th, we said “Viszontlátásra” to Sandor when he returned to Budapest and we traveled to Sibiu, to join up with Michael’s distant cousin, Mihai Colibaba. Sibiu is a beautiful old Saxon city in Transylvania and was the European Capital of Culture in 2007. The next day, the three of us took an overnight train to the Bucovina region in northeast Romania.

Radauti, the town of Michael’s ancestors and Mihai’s parents, was having its annual Arcanul Folklore Festival and Pottery Fair shortly after we arrived. While we didn’t do any actual antique shopping in Europe, we purchased numerous pieces of handmade pottery items made in Corund. This town,



Korund Pottery for sale at Radauti’s Pottery Market



Szechenyi Bridge and the tunnel under Castle Hill

which is famous for its distinctive folk pottery, is located in the Szekler Land, an area in the center of Romania with a majority Hungarian population. After our time in Radauti, we traveled by overnight train to Timisoara, in the Banat region of western Romania. We returned to Budapest by train the next day, and Sandor was waiting for us at Keleti station.



Art Glass for sale at the Market in Radauti, Romania

Our last days in Budapest were spent seeing additional sights with our friend, including the famous Kerepesi Cemetery, the final resting place of many of Hungary’s most illustrious citizens. On our final full day in Budapest, we were treated to a personal tour of the magnificent Art Nouveau-style Franz Liszt Academy of Music, completed in 1907. Following a bit of last-minute shopping for Kalman Imre music CDs and bottles of the Hungarian herbal liqueur Unicum (not available in the U.S.), we prepared for our trip back to

Oregon. In addition to our sincere gratitude to Sandor and our other Hungarian friends, I must also say “Koszonom szepen” to Sandor’s gracious and wonderful mother, who prepared delicious traditional Hungarian dinners for us when we were finished sightseeing. We had a splendid time visiting this beautiful city and hope to return next summer!



Eastern Budapest as seen from Gellert Hill



Beautiful buildings near the Elizabeth Bridge



The Hungarian Holy Crown on display

A QUICK TRIP TO ALASKA

Photos by Cindy and Bruce Thomas



Bruce trying to see Denali



The trail to Exit Glacier



Mama Moose and Twins

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