



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.

NOVEMBER

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

WHEN: Tuesday, November 20, 2012,
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
(Library open at 6:00 p.m.)

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

Mini-Auction

SPECIAL:

It's time for PROG's Fourth Annual November Mini-Auction. Many pieces of collectible glass will be offered for your buying pleasure. Or consider giving a beautiful and collectible piece of glass for the holidays!! Get your pocketbooks ready for a great purchase at the November Meeting. Pictured at top is Heisey Tudor comport donated to the auction. Also donated to the November auction, above is a purple Catalonian mug.

**PATTERN OF THE MONTH: "Geneva" by
McKee Brothers Glass Works,
presented by Jerry Linschoten**



Jerry will talk about his collection of "Geneva," a pattern created by Harry Northwood in 1898 and then produced by McKee Brothers in chocolate glass from 1901 through 1909. Pictured at left is a Geneva syrup. Pictured below is a Geneva bowl.



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BOARD MEETING:
Tuesday, November 13, 2012,
7:00 p.m.
ALL MEMBERS WELCOME

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- 4 – Polk Flea Market, Rickreall
- 10-11 – Palmer/Wirfs Puyallup, WA, show, Puyallup Fairgrounds
- 11 – Salem Collectors Market, Salem Armory
- 11 – Medford Giant Flea Market, Medford Armory
- 18 – Picc-A-Dilly Flea Market, Lane County Fairgrounds, Eugene

DECEMBER

- 1-2 – Picc-A-Dilly Flea Market, Lane County Fairgrounds, Eugene
- 2 – Polk Flea Market, Rickreall
- 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
- 2nd Sunday—McMinnville Flea Mkt.

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

Visit the Portland's Rain of Glass Website for more interesting Club news:
www.rainofglass.com
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33rd ANNUAL RAIN OF GLASS
SHOW & SALE
 OF
 ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES
 JANUARY 26-27, 2013



TELL ALL YOUR FRIENDS—
 DON'T MISS THIS SALE!!

- DECADES of GLASS
- POTTERY • CHINA
- SILVER • JEWELRY
- LENSES • ACCESSORIES
- SMALLS • LOTS & LOTS OF ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES, & WONDERFUL TREASURES
- PLUS REFERENCE BOOKS ON ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES
- AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!!

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www.rainofglass.org

SHOW COMMITTEE
 Our next show committee meetings will be:
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4
THURSDAY, JANUARY 3
 AT
TOSIS RESTAURANT,
 6120 N.E. SANDY BLVD.,
 PORTLAND
NO-HOST DINNER 6 P.M.
MEETING 7 P.M.
 R.S.V.P. TO CAROLE WHITE,
 503-901-0505 or
cbessw@aol.com
 We have a goodly supply of postcards, so be sure to take some to put out at antique shops or other appropriate areas you may visit.

HOSPITALITY

We all appreciate the wonderful refreshments that members bring to share each meeting. Please bring a bite to share! Practice your Thanksgiving recipes on us!

Thank you!

President's Message

It's hard to believe, but looking back it will be one year this month that we have been holding our board and club meetings at Central Lutheran Church. It seems like yesterday. Along the way we have had a few hiccups, but overall I think we have settled in pretty comfortably due to all of you that have volunteered your time to make the transition go smoothly. Thank you.

We do have some great news on the ideas that have been presented to increase membership. We now have an advertisement and link on estatesale-finder.com to promote our club meetings and events. If you click on Estate Sales and scroll down the list of current estate sales you will find a section titled "Special Sales & Events" and just below that you will find the Portland's Rain of Glass link.

Go check it out and tell your friends to come to one of our club meeting and just see how much fun we have collecting and learning. We also now have an ongoing listing on Craigslist.com promoting our club, the Glass Show and Convention. Search for PROG under "All Community."



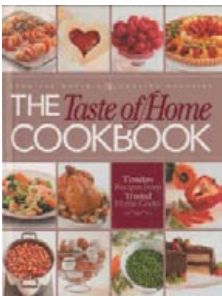
Keep your ideas coming and Happy Antique Hunting.

Ed Martin, President

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment Books are in! \$30.00 and \$10.50 goes to our treasury plus a bonus card when you go on the internet is worth \$25 and the list of participating restaurants that honor it. We will have books for October and November. By mid November we are sold out.

Call Evelyn or Bob Clink, 503.777.6771

DO YOU HAVE GLASS AND ANTIQUE REFERENCE BOOKS OR COOKBOOKS THAT YOU NO LONGER USE?
HOW ABOUT DONATING THEM TO PROG'S USED BOOK SALE AT THE 2013 RAIN OF GLASS SHOW & SALE?
 Bring them to a club meeting or we can pick them up if that is better for you.
Questions? Carole Bess White 503-901-0505

VASA MURRHINA with NEAL SKIBINSKI



The Fenton Art Glass Company of Williamstown, West Virginia introduced their Vasa Murrhina line in 1964. Inspired by an original 19th-century Vasa Murrhina piece that he purchased in an antique shop, Frank Fenton asked company chemist Charles Goe to re-create this lost Victorian art glass technique. Mr. Goe successfully fulfilled this request. Fenton offered 13 pieces in Vasa Murrhina: 2 baskets, 2 pitchers and 9 vases. The vases range in height from 4 to 14 inches.

A typical piece of Vasa Murrhina is composed of three layers of glass. A gather of opaque white “opal” glass is taken from the furnace on the end of the blowpipe. This is then rolled in “frit,” small pieces of crushed multi-colored glass which can also contain metallic inclusions. Lastly, it is covered in a layer of clear, transparent glass. After heating in the glory hole, this red-hot glob is ready to be blown into a beautiful piece of art glass.



Fenton's Vasa Murrhina was offered in five colors. Three of the colors were made with the opaque white inner layer: Aventurine Green with Blue (1964-68), Rose with Aventurine Green (1964-68) and Autumn Orange (1965-68). The other two colors, Blue Mist (1964-65) and Rose Mist (1964-66), had a transparent crystal inner layer instead of white milk glass. Rose Mist is not commonly found, and Blue Mist is especially scarce due its short production period.



I will conclude with Fenton's own description of their Vasa Murrhina, “A glass so complicated to make that it can be produced only in limited amounts. Because of its intricate color patterns each piece is an individual creation, unlike any other. Vasa Murrhina, which means vessel of gems, is well named. The sparking effects of ancient aventurine glass and other colors give it a jewel-like appearance and blend together in a finished tapestry of distinctive character. Because it is Fenton, it is authentic -- made by hand, the only way it can be made.”

Photos by Neal Skibinski

CANDY DISH NIGHT

We don't call our October meeting "the sweetest night of the year" for no reason! PROG's Candy Dish Night was a sweet treat for the eyes and palate! It is one of our few contest nights, and several members and one guest rose to the challenge and brought wonderful candy dishes with lots of delicious candy to sample. Prizes of \$5.00 Glassbucks that can be used as cash for any PROG function went to Linda Sprau for her red Fostoria King's Crown dish for "Best Covered Candy Dish," to Barbara Coleman for her Fostoria orchid Vernon comport and Sharon Staley for her Fenton blue comport who tied for "Best Open Candy Dish," and to Cindy Thomas who tied with herself for her peanut butter fudge and white chocolate fudge for "Best Candy." Thanks to all the following who participated:

Janice Ahl—Paden City dish



Barbara Coleman—Fostoria orchid Vernon comport with homemade chocolate walnut fudge

Carolyn Crow, guest—Two-tier tidbit with sliced pecan logs

Diane Foster—Beaumont Ferlux covered candy dish with polka dot decoration

Jewell Gowan—E.A.P.G. Two Flower open dish by U.S. Glass with chocolate truffles coated with ground pecans and a Westmoreland milk glass decorated covered candy dish with chocolate truffles coated with colored sprinkles

RoseMary Joslin—Carnival glass dish

Michele Kemp—blue/chrome Candlewick compote, cobalt blue compote with homemade dark and white almond chocolate bark



Jerry Linschoten—Greentown Cat on Hamper chocolate glass covered dish

Mark Moore—Covered candy dish with fired-on green, black and gold enamel decoration

Neal Skibinski - Lalique Acacia pattern opalescent bowl



Linda Sprau—red Fostoria King's Crown covered candy

Sharon Staley—Fenton blue comport

Cindy Thomas—McKee milk glass dish and L.E. Smith black glass dish with homemade peanut butter and white chocolate fudge

Karen Young—Candy dish

Written by Carole Bess White
Photos by Neal Skibinski



WE ALL NEED TO EAT!

The need for food for those who can't afford to feed their families is ongoing, so we are again having our **HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE.**

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

(Or to any meeting as Central Lutheran has a permanent food donation bin.)

THANK YOU!!



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c/o Cindy Thomas

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