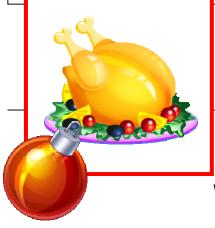
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PORTLAND'S Rain

OF GLASS, INC.

A non-profit organization formed to stimulate interest in collectible glass and υ provide educational resources and events for the members and the community at large.

DECEMBER

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

WHEN: Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2014, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. (Library Open at 6:00)

GREETERS: Suzanne Pastori & Susan Conroy (Come early to set up—6:00 p.m.)

PROGRAM: Holiday Potluck

Join PROG members for a holiday dinner. Bring an appetizer, dessert, salad or side dish to share. Ham, turkey and drinks provided by PROG. Set up--6:00; dinner--6:30 p.m.

PATTERN OF THE MONTH: "Woodcarvings" displayed by Elmer Heffner



Elmer will display his collection of woodcarvings—some old, some newer. He has been collecting for 20 years. His oldest piece was carved in 1925. At left is a carved wood pig from Elmer's collection.

> BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, December 9, 2014, 7:00 p.m. ALL MEMBERS WELCOME



UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER

7 – Polk Flea Market, Rickreall

7 – Picc-A-Dilly Flea market, Lane County Fairgrounds, Eugene

14 – Rose City Collectors Market, Airport Holiday Inn, Portland

14 – Salem Collectors Market, Salem Armory

21 – Medford Giant Flea Market, Medford Armory

<u>JANUARY</u>

24-25 - PROG Antiques & Collectibles Sale, Washington County Fairgrounds, Hillsboro, Oregon

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

Visit the Portland's Rain of Glass website: <u>www.rainofglass.com</u>

or see us on FACEBOOK Mailing Address: Portland's Rain of Glass C/O Ed Martin, 12764 SE Nixon Ave., Milwaukie, OR. 97222.

Christmas Potluck Party & Membership News

Be sure to bring your friends to the December 16th Meeting/Christmas Potluck Party. We've had nine new members the past two months because of people coming to the meetings. You and your friends can also contact me regarding Membership.

Our apologies to Dianne Anderson for the typos in the new Membership Booklet. Her name is Dianne (not Diane). Dianne's correct email address is danderkatz@gmail.com

For those who have yet to receive the 2014-2015 Membership Booklet, the remainder should arrive at the December meeting.

Joi Shervey



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"HARVEST TIME" ART GLASS FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Mable Hardebeck

My collection of art glass fruits and vegetables started quite by accident. I was collecting Heisey Crystolite, which has many sizes and shapes of bowls, and those empty bowls were in my curio cabinets and displayed around the house. I decided the bowls would look better with something of color in them.

While shopping in Lafayette one day, I purchased a hand-blown cranberry crackle glass pear. It looked great in one of the Crystolite bowls. After that I began looking for the hand-blown fruits when I was antiquing. At first I found mostly apples and pears since many glass companies made at least these two. I have several apples made by the Fenton Art Glass Company and Viking Glass Company.

Although I started out collecting just the handblown fruits, I began to notice fruits made of solid glass, which were classified as paperweights. At first I did not purchase them, but after finding some very interesting fruits in the paperweight category, I finally purchased a few because they were so beautifully done. Other fruits I have purchased are oranges, bananas, grapes, peaches, plums and pineapples.

I became intrigued with the glass fruits because of their various colors, textures and the artists' interpretation of them. Therefore, this collection has grown profusely.

Several vegetables, mostly peppers, also were found during my shopping trips. One piece was a signed translucent teal-colored squash or gourd with a purple stem designed by Swedish artist Gunnel Sahlin of the Kosta Boda Glass Company.









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Then in the mid-1990's I started finding more vegetables, particularly squash, corn and peppers. A dealer in Aurora told me they were coming in from China. They were well done and were very reasonably priced, so I started to collect more of the vegetables as well. The glass vegetables are more difficult to find. However, I recently purchased a few of them on eBay.

Some vegetables that I have been looking for include beets, parsnips, white onions and green and yellow beans. Whether or not they exist, I don't know. Only time will tell. I have seen pictures of iceberg lettuce heads, but I have not been able to purchase one yet.

I also have a few miniature fruits and vegetables. Some sellers on eBay are calling the miniatures "dollhouse fruits and vegetables." Whether they actually were made to be used as accessories for the large dollhouses, I have no idea.

I also note that many eBay sellers list glass fruits and vegetables as paperweights whether they are hand-blown or solid glass. They also refer to them as "Murano-like" whether they are from Italy or not. Various eBay sellers' descriptions say that the glass fruits and vegetables were used by painters doing still life pictures, by movie, stage and theatrical productions, by various advertising companies as well as home interior decorators.

Artist-signed pieces are always nice to have in a collection, and I do have several signed pieces including a gold iridescent pumpkin with a cobalt vine signed by Steve Lundburg of USA, and a green apple, a green pear and a green banana signed by Adam Jablonski of Poland. I also have a few pieces with labels depicting where they are from and who made them.

I have thoroughly enjoyed accumulating this collection. It reminds me of my childhood growing up on our farm and the large garden we had

OUR SEVENTH ANNUAL MINI-AUCTION WAS A SUCCESS!

Thanks to all who donated beautiful and interesting items to our 2014 Mini Auction and to everyone who bid on and won them. If you donated one of the items with no donor listed, please let Carole White know. If you missed this auction, you'll have another chance at the 2015 Convention auctions May 14 and 15.

ITEM	DONOR	HIGH BID
WAYNE HUSTED-DESIGNED STELVIA VASE	WHITE	\$70.00
FOSTORIA HEIRLOOM BITTERSWEET BOWL	WALLACE	\$21.00
GEORGIAN RED ROSE BOWL	MILLIUS	\$21.00
IRRIDIZED, 3 FTD COVERED CANDY	CROCKETT	\$21.00
FENTON MILK GLASS HOBNAIL SMALL 3-HORN EPERGNE		\$20.00
PR WESTMORELAND CANDLE HOLDERS WITH HANDLES	COOKE	\$20.00
HEISEY GREEN DIVIDED RELISH	MILLIUS	\$18.00
CZECH PERFUME BOTTLE & STOPPER, GREEN	WHITE	\$18.00
EAPG COVERED SUGAR	CROCKETT	\$16.00
FENTON WATER LILY BASKET	SPRAU	\$14.00
FENTON HOBNAIL MILK GLASS BANANA BOAT	MILLIUS	\$14.00
PR CAMBRIDGE 2-LIGHT KEYHOLE CANDLE HOLDERS	COOKE	\$13.00
EAPG AMBER-STAINED BERRY SET	WHITE	\$13.00
BOX OF ART GLASS HARD CANDIES	STALEY	\$13.00
5 PCS GLASS FRUITS & VEGETABLES	COLEMAN	\$13.00
ART GLASS SWAN, ORANGE	MILLIUS	\$12.00
FENTON BLUE OPALESCENT HOBNAIL VASE		\$12.00
CHRISTMAS CACTUS	HEFFNER	\$12.00
SET OF RAILROAD IMAGE COASTERS IN WOODEN HOLDER	HYDE-TOWLE	\$12.00
CHRISTMAS CACTUS	HEFFNER	\$12.00
ORANGE ART GLASS VASE-FORM PITCHER	SPRAU	\$11.00
WESTMORELAND FAIRY LIGHT, BEIGE	MILLIUS	\$11.00
TEA SET: POT, CREAM, SUGAR & TRAY BY HEREND, VILLAGE, HUNGARY	SKIBINSKI	\$11.00
CLEAR COMPORT	MILLIUS	\$10.00
SWAN PITCHER, ETCHED	CROCKETT	\$9.00
JAM SET WITH ART DECO SPOON	WALLACE	\$9.00
HEISEY RIDGELEIGH CREAM & SUGAR, INDIVIDUAL	CROCKETT	\$9.00
NAPPY, YELLOW/GREEN	CROCKETT	\$9.00
FENTON MILK GLASS HOBNAIL MAYO SET	MILLIUS	\$9.00
FENTON MINI CORNUCOPIA BLUE OPALESCENT HOBNAIL VASE		\$8.00
PR CANDLEWICK 2-LITE CANDLEHOLDERS #I – CUT STARS	IONES	\$8.00
AMERICAN BRILLIANT PERIOD LIBBEY SMALL CUT GLASS BOWL	CROCKETT	\$8.00
FENTON MILK GLASS HOBNAIL JAM SET	MILLIUS	\$8.00
AMETHYST WINE GOBLETS, SET OF 4	CROCKETT	\$8.00
TWISTED STEM WINES, PAIR	CROCKETT	\$7.00
WESTMORELAND AMBER COMPORT	JONES	\$6.00
BRASS OWL ON MARBLE BASE	JOSLIN	\$6.00
FENTON SILVER CREST ASHTRAY	JOSEIN	\$6.00
HEISEY OCTAGON CHEESE PLATE WITH KUSAK "JASMINE" CUTTING	COOKE	\$5.00
ROYAL STANDARD CUP & SAUCER	COLEMAN	\$5.00
BEAR PLATE	HYDE-TOWLE	\$5.00
HEISEY SQUATTER CANDLE HOLDERS	COOKE	\$5.00
SET OF 4 WESTMORELAND "THOUSAND EYE" SHOTS	COOKE	
DUNCAN & MILLER BASKET		\$5.00
FENTON MILK GLASS HOBNAIL COVERED CANDY	HYDE-TOWLE	\$5.00
	STALEY	\$5.00
EAPG TOOTHPICK HOLDER	LINSCHOTEN WHITE	\$5.00
4 GLASBAKE CUSTARD CUPS		\$5.00
2 AVON DUCK COLOGNE BOTTLES	SPRAU	\$5.00
	JOSLIN	\$4.00
VIKING FLOWER LITE WITH SILVER OVERLAY	JONES	\$4.00
	WHITE	\$4.00
2 PCS HOMER LAUGHLIN CHINA "VIRGINIA ROSE"	COLEMAN	\$3.00
TOOTHPICK HOLDER	CROCKETT	\$3.00











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