Celebrating 26 Years of Collecting! Uhl Collectors Society

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## Greetings from the President

The membership will be happy to know that the Board is working diligently on the 2012 Convention to be held June 22 \& 23. It is difficult to keep surprising the membership but we are working on new ideas.

It doesn't seem possible that Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas are past, present and future by the time we receive this Newsletter. We wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and pray that each will keep the real Reason for the Season.
chairs tipped over causing a tripping accident.

We will start the Business Meeting on Saturday morning at 9:00 AM. A 3-year Board Member position will be open for nomination at this time.

We will not be pre-registering auction items on Thursday evening as so few were submitted the last two years. If it is a problem getting items to the auction before dead line, please call a Board Member or have another member bring it.

Your next Newsletter will have Membership Form included. PLEASE do not lay it aside and forget to send it in with the proper payment for meals, membership and commemorative. Our deadline of March 31 st has to be respected by all members due to the ordering of the commemoratives, etc.

We have reviewed many comments and suggestions. Some changes will be made and hopefully for the better. This year at the Convention we ask that you reserve your seats and others sitting at your table by placing a Reserved card on the table. We will be supplying cards and hopefully we will NOT have

New members are looking forward to meeting our "Uhl" experts at the Convention. Lets not disappoint them. Sign up early, come with a smile and be willing to share your knowledge of our beloved Uhl pottery.

Until the Snowbirds alight back in Indiana,

## Norman and Sharon Patmore

## Finding UHIL in Odd Places

Hello Uhl family-

As dear friends of the newly elected Press Secretary, we are bound by Uhl Friend/Family laws to submit for your reading an Uhl ditty...

We have walked the woods of Southern Indiana for years and found what we now know is Uhl, in its broken form but Uhl, none the less.

Our family has always enjoyed the outdoor experiences and on our adventures, we always pick up and save in a big pile, items of interest. One never is displeased with what Mother Nature decides to relinquish.

This includes rocks, flash lights, neat little buttons and broken pieces of pottery. Quite a few of our finds have washed down from the streams.

Now if we could only remember where we put these
old pieces, we would have a bigger article for you to read.

The most recent pieces were found as we were burning down an old barn in very rural Martin County. Among the debris was a section of an Uhl brown pitcher. Low and behold we found the other section.

We suspect this family had purchased some utilitarian pieces while farmsteading in the area.

It is always interesting what one may come upon at any given time. Scouring the flea markets, garage sales or as our family has done, among nature. Whatever it is..Its Fun!!

The Hamstra's

## Point of Interest for Uhl collectors

Private collection of 250 to 300 pieces will be offered at auction on Saturday, January 7, 2012 by The Auction company of Jasper, Indiana.
See their website for details www.the-auction-company.com.

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## Special Note With Some Interesting Statistics!

History / Open Letter
from Jerry and Patty Schurz
Board Members

Members:

Patty and I became members in 1993 and have enjoyed all the time we have spent working for the Uhl Collectors' Society. We have met many new friends during this time. While going through our Newsletters it was interesting to recall on how some things have increased and some have decreased. Let me share some of the things we reviewed.

Number of Commemoratives

| $1987-100$ | $1992-275$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $1988-150$ | $1993-400$ |
| $1989-150$ | $1994-513$ |
| $1990-250$ | $1995-871$ |
| $1991-250$ |  |

There were 675 members on the Friday night Dinner and Auction. "WOW"
New Members

| $1993-119$ | $1996-80$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $1994-56$ | $1997-96$ |
| $1995-226$ | $1998-106$ |

Lets get Motivated again!!

## You Share ... We Print!!

We look forward to providing more information, both current and historical. We've had some great ideas from Board members and others. We'll be doing some photo segments of some collections from members and a series on "Uhl today" ... collections, auctions, and other aspects of collecting, buying and selling.

We are always looking for input from members! If you have an interesting Uhl piece, an unusual collection, photographs, an odd way you came to acquire a piece, or any story you would like to share, please let us know!

## Louis Uhl School House

The photo is a model pottery school house made by Louis Uhl in 1914. He had a small village much like the Dickens Villages put under Christmas trees.


The school house was discovered in some boxes on the dirt floor of a building in Huntingburg owned by Bill Disinger ... Louis Uhl's great grandson.

## Order Form

Full Color Afghan............ $\$ 65+\$ 10$ Shipping $x$ $\qquad$ = Coasters (Set of 4).......... $\$ 5+\$ 2$ Shipping $x$ 2011 Candlle Holder Pin ..\$5 + \$1 Shipping x Total Enclosed

Pins \& Coasters will be shipped at no additional charge with the purchase of an afghan. Please make check or money order payable to Uhl Collectors Society Mail your order to: Shipping Address:
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City, State, Zip
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## Wrap Up With UHIL!



Mark Your 2012 Uhl Collectors Society Calendar．．．27th Annual Convention

## Friday，June 22 \＆Saturday，June 23

 Jasper Inn，Jasper，INWe hope you make plans to attend，and remember to forward your membership and dinner reservations to Amy Busler BEFORE MARCH 31，2012！！

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