2014 Uhl Collectors Society

29th Annual Convention Friday, June 20 & Saturday, June 21, 2014

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Full details inside the next Newsletter coming soon!

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From The President's Desk



Burrrr!!!! It has been a cold winter in Southern Indiana. I hope this newsletter finds you well and looking forward to the warmer months that lie just ahead. One thing that has not been cold has been the value of Uhl Pottery. Recently during an Uhl auction, bidding was "hot" for several great pieces of Uhl that included some rare Jane Uhl items. We certainly hope this trend continues.

Speaking of warm, the June Uhl convention will be here before you know it. I lall of you to please send in your membership

want to remind all of you to please send in your membership form and dues as soon as possible. This will also help us to determine how many commemoratives are to be made. I am excited and looking forward to this year's convention. The Board of Directors have been busy making plans so that

all of you enjoy your time spent at the convention.

The scholarship to be given away this year is in full swing. We have received several donations for this worthwhile project from members that have already sent in their membership form. I truly believe that this scholarship is a value added benefit for our members and an additional way of helping an aspiring student's life. Please keep this in mind as you send in your membership application.

As I am out and about, I still continue to hear great stories from members that have found great Uhl items. Recently a member found a ten gallon A&L Uhl crock....what a find! I am sure this will be a great addition and centerpiece to their collection. This just goes to show that there are still many great items to be found. Please let us know of stories you have pertaining to finding Uhl. We will be glad to share these stories with other members.

I hope all of you enjoy the upcoming Spring season and I look forward to seeing all of you soon.

Chip Kugler

Scholarship Application For more information on the UHL Scholarship rules and application, please contact our President, Chip Kugler. He can be contacted by phone (812) 630.9691 or email ckugler@psci.net Thank you to those that have sent in donations via Membership Apps and those participating in the scholarship.

A Look Back... Revisiting stories that made the headlines

Recalling UHL Newsletter from December 1999 - February 2000 Uhl Advertising

Advertising played an important part of Uhl Pottery income and production. We hope to share some interesting information about some of the ways Uhl designed items that followed the theme of their clients' products.

About 1909 when the Uhl production facility was just moved to Huntingburg, IN, a local customer asked for a small jug to be printed with "Platzie's Best" so that he could give away some of his choice liquor to his friends during New Years. This 300-jug order was the start of something special for Uhl collectors.

In 1913 a local saloon owner named John Greener had Uhl pottery make a miniature shoulder jug that had the words "Merry Christmas 1913 John Greeners Saloon" printed on the side of it. The saloon then gave them away to its customers.

This Christmas jug promotion was such a good idea that Uhl pottery decided to start giving away a miniature jug with a greeting from themselves to their customers in 1930. So this was the start of several years of the "Christmas" jug production that many Uhl collectors treasure.

The pottery had already became recognized as a producer of good quality items for the small saloon and whiskey makers. Quite a large share of the sales of stoneware made was going toward this type of client.

Prohibition forced many drinkers to become their own beer maker. Thousands of barrel shaped beer steins were ordered by companies such as Blatz, Sterling and Reingold so that they could give them away as a premium when a customer bought their malt extract to make beer.

Another major customer of Uhl pottery was Meier Wine Cellars of Silverton, Ohio. A first prize award was given during the American Packaging Competition sponsored by Modern Packaging in 1938 to Uhl for their creativity.

Botay perfume company of Kansas City, Missouri, also used Uhl products for their perfumes. Collectors will sometimes come across a round canteen shaped jug that has a strap handle. Botay would fill them with perfume and many have the name of a miliary field on them.

Fischer Scientific Company of Pittsburgh, PA, contracted with Uhl to produce a special porous boat for their laboratory supply line of products. These small round cone shaped boats resemble some type of ashtray shape and have "Fischer" printed in blue on the front.

Dillsboro Health Resort in Dillsboro, IN, used Uhl products in the day to day operation of their resort. A special ordered jug in one, two or five gallon size was made for them. It had a light blue top half with white on the lower half. Also the jug has their name and logo printed in the center of the jug in blue.

Ashtrays became another popular advertising item for the Uhl company. Shell Oil Company had a two inch square ashtray made that had their logo shape in the center and the gas station name and locations printed in blue on the underside. Several other companies had ashtrays made including Cannelton Sewer Pipe Company, Atlantic Refractories Company, Huntingburg American Legion, and also the Uhl pottery acorn logo can be found.

Even a Lincoln head plaque was produced as a souvenir for the Lincoln State Park.

Some of the advertising that is available will have these names:

- · Meier Winery
- · Great Smokey Mountains
- · Mammoth Cave
- · Hoosier Coffee Co.
- · Connoisseur Winery
- Fort Knox
- Old Kentucky Mansion
- · Plymouth Creamery
- · Dawson Springs, KY
- · Honey Krust
- · Dillsboro Health Resort
- Krogman Whiskies
- · Hachmuth Farm Cider
- · Conrad Reichert Wines
- LaDona New England
- Style Beans
 Pure Corn Lincolns Birthplace
- Wm. Shoepflin Co. Henderson Ky
- Star and Crescent Stores French Lick, In
- · Canadian apple blossom
- · Red Boiling Springs, Tenn
- · Cincinnati Zoo
- · Chicco Beverage Co.
- · Jack West Moorehead, Ky
- · Dalton, Ohio 1931
- · Indiana State Fair
- · Lemars, Iowa
- · Brown County
- Rheingold
- · McHenry's Improved Churn
- Kramer and Kaufman Whiskey
- · Kentucky State Fair
- Round up 1940 Boy Scouts
- · Cumberland Falls Corbin, Ky
- · Stokley and Co. Evansville, In
- · Huntingburg American Legion
- · Cudjo Cave Cumberland Gap
- BPOE NO 314 March
- 13,1932
- Lincolns Birthplace, Ky
- Boonville Implement Company
- · Home Sweet Home
- · Hilltop Gift Shop Canmer, Ky
- Degonia Springs Health Resort
- Bean Pot Baked Beans
- Old Savannah Hospitality

- · J.M. Gumberts Co. Whiskies
- · E.A. Stevens Mineral Wells
- N.J. Wilhems Family Liquor Store
- Forbes Greenhouse Vincennes, In
- Kuttawa Mineral Springs Kuttawa, Ky
- New York Worlds Fair 1939 (paper label)

Please remember that this is but a small sampling of the advertising that is available to the Uhl collector.

We have seen advertising on bean pots, bowls, pitchers, jars, jugs, and even water coolers so don't be surprised.

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Wrap Up With UHL!



Full Color 100% Cotton Tapestry 50"x60" Made in the USA -

This year's convention had a few lucky winners of Uhl Afghans. A big thank you to Anna Mary Feldmeyer for allowing us to use one of the photos from her book to make this beautiful piece. These are great to hang on the wall, warm up on the couch or give as a gift.

Share the history... a great gift idea! Branded Buff Leather Coasters 4" Diameter Made in the USA 2 Sets of 4 for \$5





2013 Bird Bath Pins - \$5 Each

This year's pin coordinates with the Bird Bath commemorative. Be sure to add this one to your collection!



2012 Uhl Necklace - \$5 Each

A special lady's necklace from the 2012 Convention!

Wanda Longest? She was a former employee that worked with the miniature production team while employed at UHL Pottery.

Thank you Corey Bouchie for sharing this with us.

In the picture is a pay stub from Wanda as well as a personalized miniature.

