

2017 Uhl Collectors Society

32nd Annual Convention

Friday, June 23 & Saturday, June 24, 2017

Huntingburg Convention Center

Huntingburg, IN



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*Details are in the works! A complete Agenda
and all the associated details will be in your
next issues of the Newsletter.*

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**The 2017 Convention was a GREAT SUCCESS.
Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make it a
great weekend. Here are some highlights...**



From The President's Desk

News from the President:

We just completed our 2017 Annual UHL Convention. It was loaded with a lot of great fellowship many awesome giveaways. On behalf, of the Uhl Society Board, we would like to extend our gratitude for a job well done to Larry and Nadine Snyder. Also a thank you to Chip Kugler and his team for the many years of auctioning services they provided.

I am looking forward to our upcoming 2018 convention with all the preparations already underway. The board currently has some new faces: Vice-president Russ & Roxanne Uhl; Press secretary Alan & Margaret Painter; and board members Corey & Terri Bouchie.

This past year, we had over 80 auction items and were able to again offer 2 college scholarships. I believe the dessert table spoke for itself (Outstanding). The club is moving in a positive direction, along with adding new memberships to the roster. We have finished up our first board meeting with part of our discussion directed from the suggestion crock responses. The board members will do their best to try and accommodate each and every response. We will have a list of items in the up and coming newsletter.

If you missed the Saturday meeting, my message was about having fun with the society and getting involved. Keep in mind we will have two seats available on the board next year for secretary treasurer and a board member position.

The Huntingburg Event Center is certainly a convenient and accommodating location for our convention. Luckily, we are locked in for the next two years for the location and fare, as well as additional years. With regards to the Saturday sales for next year, we will be going back to advertising in the local newspapers along with our Uhl website. As the club moves forward with the journey, the Uhl website is ramping up and will offer a lot more advantages to quicker communication. Please know that we will continue to mail out newsletters. We strive to communicate effectively by email and newsletters prior to moving to solely an internet-based form of communication. In addition, we will be bringing back some Uhl class sessions at the convention.

We are trying new options and suggestions as we grow. We strive to add creative ideas to the society. We "Thank You" for attending the 2017 Uhl convention and hope you are just as excited about another productive year. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to let us know. Happy Hunting.

UHL President,

Nathan Posey

From The Vice President's Desk

Greetings to all my fellow Uhl Collectors Society Members!

It's been a few years since I was able to say that! I hope this writing finds you Well! Let me state that I am thrilled to be back amongst the fold! I had been watching and listening to the happenings from afar over the last few years and am excited with the implementation of the many things that bring Solidification to the Society. My thanks & Hats Off to the previous Board members!

For those who were not aware, I had been in communication with Alicia & Tony Nash on the happenings over the last year or 2. Also for those who are not aware, during that time I spent a few hundred hours writing a new Uhl Collectors Society Website. The old one was not kept up to usable state and one of the site names had basically been stolen by a German web company. They then were trying to sell it back for several hundred dollars. Totally unacceptable in my eyes! I now have the old website linked to the new website. If someone clicks on the old site, it redirects to the new one. If you have not visited the new site, please go to <https://www.uhlcollectorsociety.com>.

Now the "What was I thinking" part. I have been given the honor of being voted in as your new Vice President. I Humbly thank you and accept the challenge. I am looking forward to working with all the members of our 2017 / 2018 Board! The next 4 years will be a lot of work, but fun and exciting! Over the next few years, I want

From The Press Secretaries Desk

News from the Press Secretaries:

As a new UHL collector, I had an opportunity to see one of the more extensive UHL collections. I was invited to Jerry and Patty Shurz home in Huntingburg, Indiana. While their collection is quite extensive, two pieces caught my attention. There were two large flower pots sitting on their porch.

These pots, I discovered were the two pots that set at the front entrance of the old Ideal Hotel on East 4th Street in Huntingburg. Jerry didn't know how long they had been there but he does remember them being there when his mother ran the kitchen back in 1955. Around 9 years ago, Jerry and Patty had the opportunity to purchase them at auction.

The Shurz have been club members since 1993. Through the club they have been board members, and other various positions, including the presidents role. They have met a lot of good people through the organization who have become dear friends over the years. They have kept every newsletter that has been published since 1993 and they truly have a collection of UHL that is extraordinary.

Please contact Margaret Painter if you would like to be profiled or have a collector piece that has a unique history. I am looking for one a month...

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The Vice President's Desk cont'd.

to see our organization continue moving through 21st Century and thrive! One of the reasons for the new website was to give people who knew nothing about our Society, access and information about us. By searching the web for "Uhl Pottery", those who know nothing about our group can find the website and learn. I am thrilled to state that we have new members joining due to them finding us online!

Producing the Newsletter has always been a challenge. Not only is it a difficult, thankless job, it is a very large expense for the Society. The printing and mailing costs are enormous. On the new website, I have started an archive of the old newsletters. I also will post the current newsletter on the website for ease of viewing. That being said, in the short future, I plan on having a mass emailing of the Newsletter to the membership. We are not going to stop the hard copy printing completely as we know there are members who have no access to email. We can drastically reduce the printing cost by doing a mass email and utilize the savings to grow the society in other ways. Please, PLEASE, go to the web site and message us with your current email address so a database can be built. You can do this in the "Contact Us" section of the website. In the message area after filling in "Your Name" & "Your Email" please write "Email for Database" in the "Your Subject" area and in the Message area.

I am in the process of updating the websites on-line membership form for 2018. It is now possible to renew your membership without us mailing you a hard copy of the form. More savings! You just download, print & mail your form with a check. You can download and print a blank form or it can be filled out online before you download and print it. I am hopeful that in the near future, you will be able to skip mailing a check and pay for your membership on-line as well. This will be worked out in the near future.

Well my friends, enough for now. I have much more to write, but I will continue in the next Newsletter.

I look forward to hearing from you and seeing you soon!

With Best Regards,

Russ Uhls



Please visit our new website at: uhlcollectorsociety.com

Articles & Board Member Information



A LITTLE UHL FAMILY HISTORY

Prominent among the manufacturers of pottery and stoneware, which is one of the flourishing industries of Evansville, stands the firm of Bennighof, Uhl & Co.

This partnership was formed in 1883, succeeding the Evansville Pottery company, which was established in 1879, really the date of the beginning of this manufacturing establishment.

The firm manufactures stoneware exclusively, shipping the product reached the grand total of \$1,000,000. And eighty-six men were employed

August Uhl, a member of this firm, and a valuable citizen of Evansville, was born in Hesse Darmstadt, November 15, 1824. In his native land he received a good education and learned the pottery business. After working there three years he came to the United States, July 18, 1846, and after brief periods spent in New York, Pittsburgh, and Louisville, came to Evansville in the spring of 1848, and here he has since resided.

In 1849, he started in business for himself, with Henry Henn. This partnership lasted two years, and then Henn sold to Louis Daum.

Three years later Mr. Uhl also sold out to Daum, and then he and his brother Louis were associated from 1854 to 1887 in the manufacture of stoneware.

Mr. Uhl has been city councilman for four years and is a member of the Republican party. He is a member of the Masonic order.

He was married in Evansville to Miss Caroline Bunte, a native of this city. August and Caroline Uhl had eighteen children in all, of whom six were still living in 2002; Louisa, Emma, Bertha, Adolph, Minnie and Matilda.

Louis Uhl was born July 4, 1831 and is a brother of August, being the youngest of the six children of George Uhl, who was a tile manufacturer in Germany. He arrived here in 1849 and began work in his trade, ultimately forming a thirty-three year partnership with his brother. He is now the firm of Bennighof, Uhl & Co.

Louis Uhl was married in April 1958 to Miss Elizabeth Mann, born in Darmstadt. They had six children and in 2002, three were still living; Charles, general claim agent of the E&TH railroad; George M., a partner in the pottery business, and Edgar M. The Uhl family are members of St. John's German Evangelical Church.

Information gathered for this historical article was taken from the History of Vanderburgh County Illustrated 1889, Brant & Fuller, page 467. Book owned by Dan & Lee Hadley, Uhl Board members.

Article reprinted from Uhl Collectors Society December 2001, January, February 2002.

SUGGESTION CROCK

We appreciate all the feedback from the convention and have reviewed all of the Suggestion Crock responses. In our next newsletter we will follow up with what we are implementing and when. Some of the suggestions have already been implemented for next years convention!



GIVEAWAYS

We are already shopping for next years giveaways. We'll have a sneak peek in the next newsletter.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP



Last year the UHL Collectors Society gave two \$500 scholarships to graduating seniors. We will be doing the same this year. Stay tuned for more information in the next newsletter.

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A very special shout out to Tom Uebelhour for his donation and assistance with our 2017 Convention!

THANK YOU!!

Convention Highlights

Auction Highlights From Your 2017 Convention:

What an exciting auction we had at our 32nd annual Uhl Pottery Convention. Our Top 5 sellers...

1. Yellow Fruit Jar jug - \$320
2. Blue #6 Polar Bear Water Cooler - \$240
3. Large Green Frog - \$220
4. Harvest Jug - \$180
5. 4 gal. Evansville churn - \$170

2017 Convention Auction Results

1. 2013 Commemorative Bird Bath	\$25.00	39. Tan pitcher & 6- mugs	\$35.00
2. Cemetery Vase	\$30.00	40. Blue Special spongeware Comm.	\$80.00
3. Blue & White Sponge ware Pitcher	\$80.00	41. Brown cut flower vase	\$125
4. Middle Size turtle	\$550	42. 4 gallon ice water crock	\$200
5. 2017 Yellow Special Comm.	\$70.00	43. Mini Keg Set	\$50.00
6. Stone handled harvest jug	\$530	44. Small Blue Bowl	\$65.00
7. 3 gallon Crock	\$130	45. 2 gallon Churn	\$40.00
8. Blue salt & pepper shakers	\$25.00	46. Harvest Jug	\$180
9. White Flower vase	\$45.00	47. Blue hand-turned Vase	\$150
10. Blue Special Comm.	\$50.00	48. Blue/white polar bear	\$150
11. 3 gallon Evansville Mustard Jar	\$355	49. Blue Dutch advert shoe	\$150
12. Sun Dial Top	\$35.00	50. Special Comm. Pink	\$45.00
13. Frog paperweight	\$500	51. Large Rose bowl	\$50.00
14. Mini White slippers	\$55.00	52. Blue Roaster	\$80.00
15. #25 Blue match holder	\$60.00	53. Blue cat jug	\$50.00
16. Blue & White Cookie Jar	\$110	54. Choice 3 2017 Comm.(3)	\$20.00
17. Teal Pig Planter	\$55.00	55. Small green Frog	\$265
18. 3 Gallon Advertising Jug	\$100	56. White Cannelton ashtray	\$30.00
19. #18 Barrel Mug w/AWE initials	\$85.00	57. 2005 Comm. Teapot	\$35.00
20. Teal Dog hydrant ashtray	\$80.00	58. Large yellow Thieves jar	\$125
21. Large Black Pig Bank	\$150	59. Large brown polar bear	\$65.00
22. Teal Mini Mug	\$25.00	60. John Miller Crock	\$85.00
23. Black Scotty Dog	\$140	61. 3 pink vases	\$75.00
24. Blue Basket Vase	\$50.00	62. 2 Blue Waffle plates	\$75.00
25. White & brown Frog paperweight	\$650	63. 2 Blue waffle plates	\$50.00
26. Pink Pig	\$50.00	64. Green Hand-turned cup	\$190
27. Yellow Fruit Jar jug	\$320	65. Teal Boots	\$60.00
28. Large Green Frog	\$220	66. Blue Grease jar	\$70.00
29. Large Blue & White Pitcher	\$80.00	67. Blue clamp jar	\$135
30. Blue #6 Polar Bear Water Cooler	\$240	68. Pink Casserole	\$15.00
31. Purple Special Commemorative	\$100	69. 4 gal. Evansville churn	\$170
32. Purple Egyptian Jug	\$75.00	70. 5 gal. White shoulder jug	\$120
33. Cannelton Brown Ashtray	\$75.00	71. 1940 Christmas Jug	\$80.00
34. 4-one quart barrel pitchers	\$65.00	72. 1988 Comm.	\$70.00
35. Blue hand-turned vase	\$110	73. Blue vase	\$65.00
36. White Flower Pedestal w/stand	\$90.00	74. Yellow Pitcher	\$15.00
37. White Casserole	\$100	75. 1995 Comm.	\$30.00
38. 1942 Christmas Jug	\$60.00	76. 1998 Sponge Comm.	\$25.00
		77. 1 inch Shoulder jug	\$50.00
		78. 3 pink Grecian jugs	\$20.00
		79. 2 pink casseroles	\$25.00
		80. Uhl Ship Invoices	\$35.00
		81. Green Vase	\$150
		82. Degonia Springs mug	\$250
		83. Blue mini jug	\$15.00
		84. Blue mini jug	\$20.00
		85. Blue mini jug	\$15.00
		86. 5 Gallon shoulder jug	\$55.00
		87. Yellow Ransburg cookie jar & Teal grease jar	\$30.00

Convention Image Highlights

