



Uhl Collectors Society



June July and August 1997

In Search of . . . Uhl Animals

Uhl Collectors have a wonderful opportunity to obtain their favorite pottery in various animal shapes.

This issue will be the first half of a two part report about some of the animals produced by Uhl Pottery.

Please understand that there are probably more animal shapes out there which are not mentioned in this article and hopefully our membership can enlighten us by sharing information about other various pieces they might have.

In an attempt to acquaint collectors with some Uhl animals, we will write about the frogs, rabbits, dogs, donkeys and pigs.

Any additional information you can share with our readers will be greatly appreciated. Just drop us a line and we will publish follow up information.

Uhl animal figures were used as planters, banks, jugs and lamp bases. Please note all sizes are approximate because shrinkage can vary.

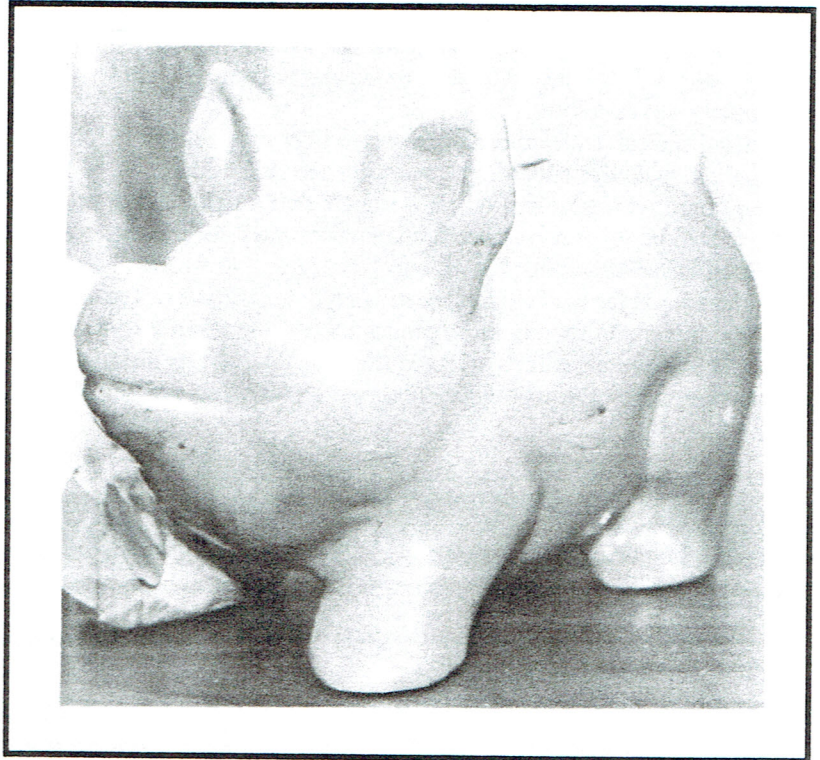
Frogs in the sitting position were made in four sizes. The largest size measured about 13 inches long by 7 1/2 inches tall. Next size below the big frog measure about 9 inches long x 4 3/4 inches tall. The third size down frog figure is about 6 inches long by 3 1/2 inches tall. Smallest of the sizes measures about 3 inches long x 2 1/4 inches tall.

Colors of the frogs tend to be in mixed natural colors of green and brown. Some of the more unusual colors have bright green solid colors.

Most of the larger examples will have the mouth open. While smaller examples tend to have a closed mouth. Bases are usually unglazed with a large hollow opening.

Rabbits produced by Uhl Pottery included the flat sided rabbit and the rabbit with a basket.

Flat sided rabbits were made as planters and as figurals with no planter opening. They resemble the design McCoy pottery used



Example of the pointed ear piggy bank

They resemble the design McCoy pottery used for their popular line of "Stretch style" animals. Always a favorite among collectors the flat sided rabbit is known in one size only. Common Uhl production colors of blue, white, black, pumpkin and rose were used most of the time.

A rabbit with basket planter was also made at the factory. This rabbit is standing on his hind feet with a tall tapered basket attached to the back. Each ear of the rabbit drapes down on sides of basket. The bottom of this planter is unglazed.

Dogs are a large category of the Uhl animal family.

Scottie dogs in the sitting position were made as planters, figurals and lamp bases. The head of Scotties will be turned at 90 degrees to the body. Used as planters or figurals (no planter opening) this dog will have an unglazed solid bottom. Lamp bases have a hollow bottom glazed inside. Average size of the Scottie dog is 9 inches long by 6 1/2 inches tall. They have been found in black, blue, white colors so far.

Boston Terriers in the sitting position were also made at Uhl

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See inside for this year's Uhl Convention Agenda

Letter from the President

NOTES FROM YOUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

My term as president of the board will end at the close of this years convention, so this will be the last of my messages from the board. I want to thank each of the members for their cooperation received during my term.

Your board has been working very hard making the necessary arrangements for another great convention. The 1997 convention promises to be the largest attended in our history. We have 770 dinner reservations on Friday evening, compared with 735 in 1996.

The board is well pleased with the 1997 commemorative, and hope that you will consider it likewise. A few very nice commemoratives that will be placed on the Friday auction, each of which will be distinctly different in color. These are very unique, and definitely one-of-a-kind.

Updated and current membership rosters will be available for purchase during the convention. Our last directory was printed two years ago, and of course a lot of new members need to be added.

Your board wishes to remind all members that article XIII of our constitution and by-laws state that, "only ORIGINAL Uhl Pottery, related items, and commemorative pieces made for the society may be sold on the convention floor." Please abide by these rules during the convention.

On the agenda for our business meeting on Saturday will be the election of a vice-president, and a 3-year board member. Please give careful thought to serving the organization in those positions. If you have any questions, please contact any of the current board members. Nominations will be accepted from the floor at this meeting.

Thanks again for the opportunity to serve as your vice-president and president these past four years. See you at the convention.

Don Schwartz
President

Convention Dates:

Friday - Saturday

June 20 & 21, 1997

Board Meeting

The Uhl Collector's Society met Saturday, April 19, 1997, at the Dutchman Inn at Huntingburg, Indiana.

Most of the meeting was devoted to finalizing the Uhl convention details.

Discussion regarding the upcoming Uhl members sale lead to an agreement that all Uhl vendors participating in this part of the program shall have their items priced on a visible area of each piece. Paper items can be bagged in plastic with a price tag attached.

Next the convention agenda was compiled and finalized.

New positions to be filled in the upcoming convention were explained.

Also board members were presented with a request for placing business advertisements in the newsletter. The board agreed to address this topic at the convention's business meeting.

The next board meeting will be held Thursday, June 19, 1997, at the Holiday Inn in Jasper, Indiana.

IMPORTANT CONVENTION INFORMATION

1. **Members must have a receipt to pick up commemorative.**
2. **Member must have meal ticket to get into dining area. You will be checked at the entrance.**
3. **New membership directories will be available for purchase at the convention.**
4. **Members will be voting to fill the Vice President and one 3-year term Director positions at the upcoming convention.**

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♦ If you have a comment or suggestion concerning the Uhl Society, you can contact any or all of the officers and board members below.

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FOR SALE: Uhl Pottery rose 5 pint ice pitcher w/ice lip - Marked. Please call (507) 451-2144 or write Larry M Busker, 2025 6 Ave. N.E., Owatonna, MN 55060.

FOR SALE:
Blue Polar Bear jug \$550.00
#113 Blue Vase 70.00
12 oz. Blue Stein 105.00
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Blue Casserole 55.00
Phone Wally Potter at (317) 571-9030

FOR SALE:
1 Pair baby shoes, rose color \$100.00
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1942 Christmas Jug 350.00
1989 Christmas Jug 125.00
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NOTICE:
(This note was received from Iris & Jim Allen)
"We are going to be moving away from In. in the next year, so we plan to sell much of our collection of Uhl at the convention in June. There is too much to list but there will be many miniatures, probably some Lincoln pitchers, complete set of blue grape pieces, etc. So hope everyone will start saving their pennies. Ha Ha."

**REMEMBER THAT UHL
COLLECTORS SOC. MEMBERS
CAN ADVERTISE FREE OF
CHARGE.**

Pottery Pourri

Sample prices taken May 22, 1997 around the Huntingburg-Jasper, Indiana area shops.

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Price</u> |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| 2 gal. shoulder jug - M | \$60.00 |
| 5 gal. shoulder jug - M | \$85.00 |
| White sand jar - Vertical ribs | \$275.00 |
| 8 gal jar - M | \$60.00 |
| 5 gal. Evansville Jug | \$225.00 |
| Lg. Pink Grecian jug | \$25.00 |
| 16 oz. green canteen jug | \$25.00 |
| #528 pink casserole | \$85.00 |
| Yellow porch vase | \$300.00 |
| 10 oz. Brown acorn jug | \$100.00 |
| White coffee cup - M | \$45.00 |
| Rose creamer & sugar - M | \$50.00 |
| 9" Egyptian flower pot | \$22.00 |
| White rabbit w/basket | \$68.00 |
| 2 Qt. blue grape pitcher | \$225.00 |
| 1 Qt. white/blue grape pitcher | \$175.00 |
| Tan #16 barrel stein - M | \$20.00 |
| 3 Qt. tan barrel pitcher w/5 steins | \$125.00 |
| #520 Blue hanging strawberry planter | \$75.00 |
| 10" Kraut weight | \$25.00 |

M - denotes Marked

How do these compare with the prices in your area?

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pottery. Again the face is at a 90 degree angle to the body. For those collectors familiar to the famous "Mack Truck" dog mascot this dog has a similar face. The Boston Terrier measures about 4 inches long by 4 inches tall.

NOTE: Both the Scottie and the Boston Terrier will have an "open" tail. (Meaning you can place your finger between the tail and body.)

Very popular among Uhl collectors are the "Raised Leg" dogs. These hound dog figurals in their own comical manner were available as singles, on ashtrays or mini jugs. Also an honorable mention should be given to the fire hydrant which was sold single or as a combination with the hound "taking aim" at it.

Collectors should make note that the dog will have his right rear leg in the air. As easy way to remember this is "right is right - left is wrong".

The dog with hydrant ashtray is 5 inches in diameter and 4 inches tall. It usually has the factory mold number 199 on the underside.

Ashtrays with the raised leg dog only were produced at the factory. This ashtray and dog combination measure 4 1/2 inches diameter and 3 1/4 inches tall. This usually carried the mold number 173 on the underside.

Small standing dog figurals were

made from molds of a small squeak toy dog. This dog is standing with front legs connected and back legs connected. Measurements for the cute dog is 2 inches long by 2 inches tall. Colors found so far are black or white.

Politicians could even have their favorite symbols cast by Uhl Pottery.

Donkeys in the sitting position were made as planters and lamp bases. The planter style donkey has a solid base and the lamp base in this design will have hollow base. Some of the mouths were "cut out" (open mouth) or solid (Closed mouth). Average size measurements are 5 1/4 inches long by 6 1/4 tall.

Donkey ashtrays were made with ashtrays similar to the dog ashtray models. This donkey is a small version compared to the planter and is in a standing position.

Pigs made by Uhl were used as banks, planters and ashtrays.

Pointed ear pigs were used as banks and came in three sizes. Smallest of these banks measured by 6 inches long by 4 inches tall. Medium size pointed ear pig banks are about 7 inches long by 5 inches tall. Largest of the banks in this designs about 9 1/2 inches long by 6 1/2 inches tall. Colors found so far included white, blue, black, yellow and rose.

Pointed ear pig planters were made in the size similar to the

smallest pig bank dimensions. It has a large opening at top.

Kansas city pigs came in two sizes. Named because of a mold found with Kansas City pig noted on it. Collectors also refer to it as a "round eared" pig. The length of the largest size "round eared" pig is about 9 1/2 inches long also the smaller round ear pig is about the same as the pointed ear pig length of 6 inches long.

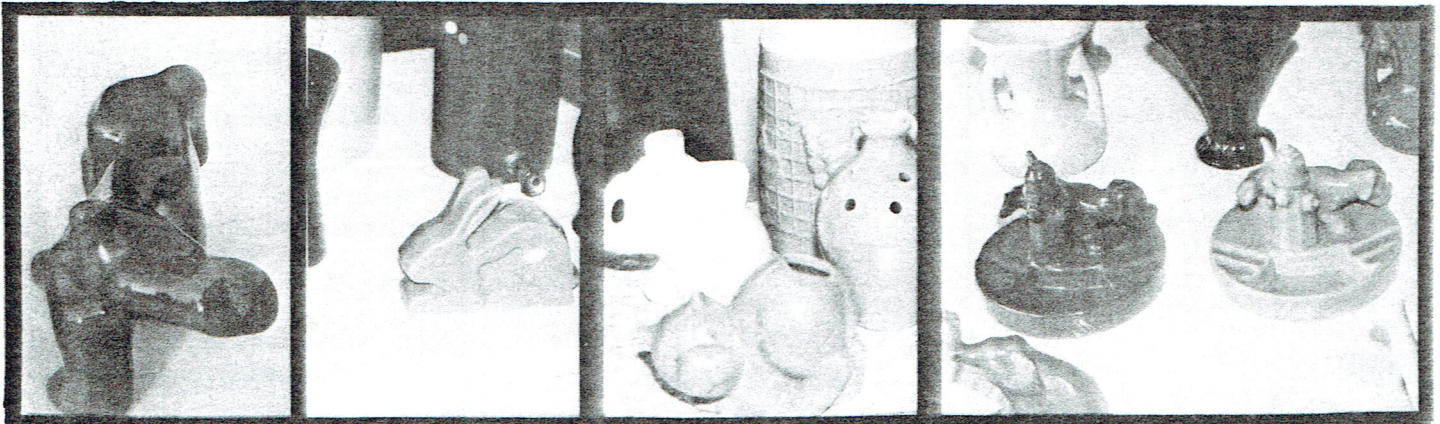
"Round ear" pig planters were also made by Uhl usually in the small bank size.

"Hitler" pig banks made during the war are round ear pigs with a painted picture of Adolph in the pigs rear end. Additional artwork was painted on this pig bank also.

Pig ashtrays were produced with a length of about 3 1/4 inches long x 2 inches tall. Designed similar to pig planter style opening look for an indentation on rim for resting cigarette.

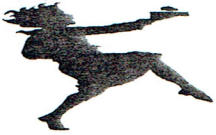
Watch for additional Uhl Animal information in upcoming newsletters.

*Special thanks to the Feldmeyers
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Uhl Collectors Soc.

Agenda for the 12th Annual Convention 1997

Friday - June 20 & Saturday - June 21
Jasper Indiana Holiday Inn

Friday - June 20

1. **Commemorative Distribution** **Poolside Area** **2 pm to 6 pm**
 - *Must have receipt or cancelled check to receive your commemorative. Members cannot pickup commemoratives for others members.*
2. **Convention Registration** **Poolside Area** **4 pm to 6:15 pm**
 - *Name badges and meal tickets will be given out during registration.*
3. **Auction Registration** **Pecan & Hickory Rooms** **4 pm to 6 pm**
 - *Register your Uhl item to be auctioned.*
4. **Banquet Room Opens** **Banquet Room** **6 pm**
 - *No early seating allowed. Cash bar available when room opens..*
5. **Buffet Dinner** **Banquet Room** **6:30 pm**
 - *Must have dinner ticket.*
6. **Auction** **Banquet Room** **Immediately after dinner.**
 - *Please try to examine the items prior to sale that you are interested in purchasing.*
7. **Room to Room Socializing** **Member descretion** **As Long As You Like!**

Saturday - June 21

1. **Continental Breakfast** **Banquet Room Hallway** **7:30 am**
 - *Juice, Coffee and Donuts are on the menu this year.*
2. **SETUP For Sale - Members only** **Banquet Room** **7:30 am**
 - *Please have a visibly attached price tag on all your Uhl items prior to member sale.*
3. **Sale - Members only** **Banquet Room** **8 am to 9:30 am**
 - *Bring lots of money and buy - buy and then buy some more of your favorite Uhl pieces!!!*
4. **Commemorative Distribution** **Poolside area** **8:30 am to 9:30 am**
 - *Must have receipt or cancelled check to receive your commemorative. Members cannot pickup commemoratives for others members.*
5. **Business Meeting** **Banquet Room** **10 am**
 - *Board Member (3 year term) and Vice President (2 year plus 2 year as President) election*



From the Mailbox



Dear Dave and Donna,

We are a member of your club and are interested in advertising our Web site to members in your publications. Our Web site electronically publicizes the activities of antique and collectible clubs, malls, shops, and collectors. Collectors, who want to sell their collection, can advertise over the Internet at our site. We get visitors from all over the world (over 800 a week) who visit our site to gather information, search for items to buy or to contact others with common interests.

Thank You,
Melissa Taylor, Product Manager

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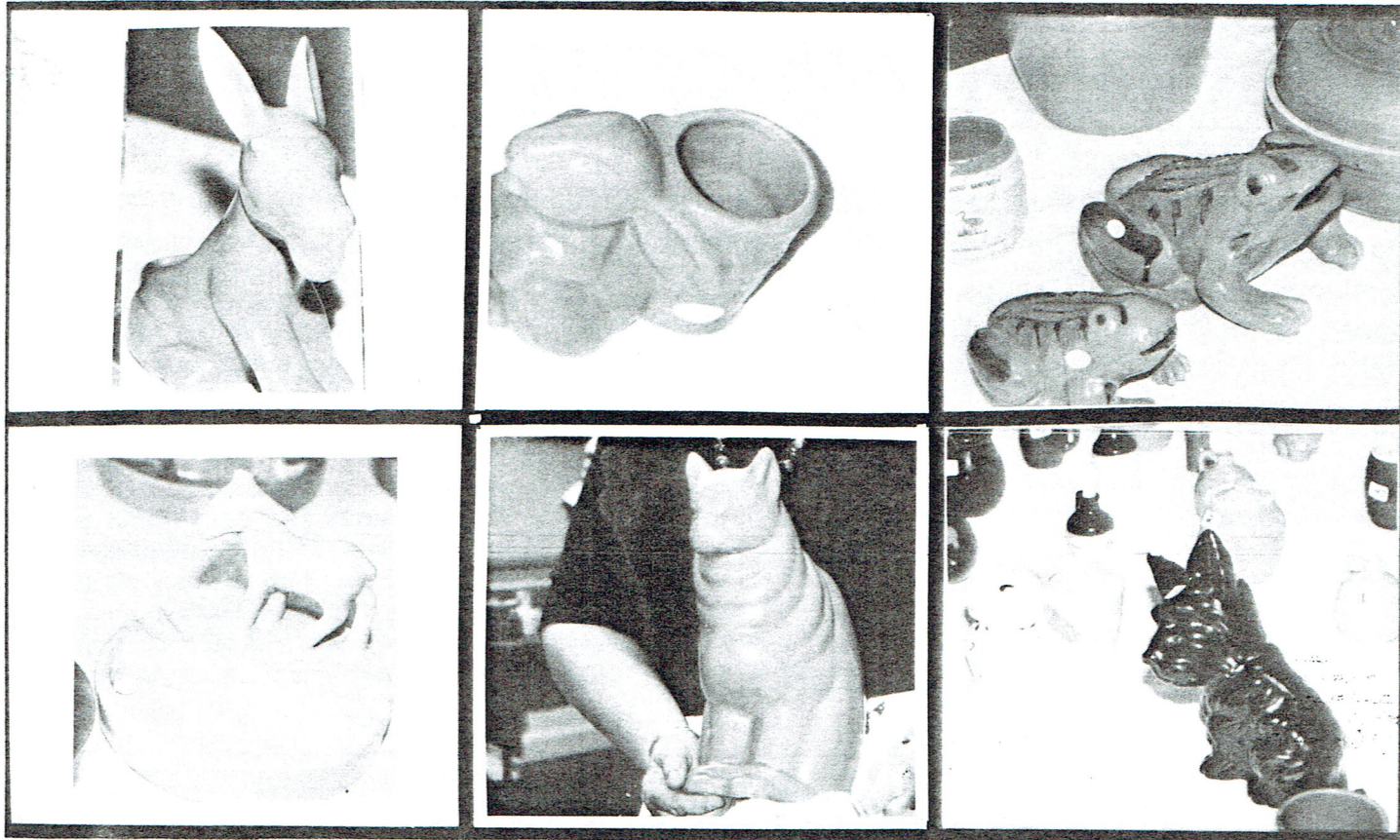
Convention Guidelines

- ◆ No Smoking in the convention center
- ◆ Membership cards must be available
- ◆ Pickup of your commemorative only with Receipt or cancelled check
- ◆ Only Uhl Pottery & Uhl materials allowed in the auction and for the membership sale
- ◆ No Pets allowed in the convention center (Holiday Inn Rule)
- ◆ Room Check in Time 4:00 pm (Holiday Inn Rule)
- ◆ Room Check out Time 12:00 noon (Holiday Inn Rule)

Auction Guidelines

- ◆ No Reserves on items - Buy/Back system
- ◆ Only 1 item to be consigned per membership
- ◆ A \$5.00 entry fee per membership to be paid at time of auction registration
- ◆ Membership number will serve as bid number
- ◆ Items must be paid for Friday evening before leaving the acution room
- ◆ Checks or cash will be accepted for payment - Please make check Payable to:
UHL COLLECTORS SOCIETY
- ◆ Checks for the items sold will be mailed to the seller the following week of the convention
- ◆ Only Uhl Pottery and Uhl materials will be allowed in the auction
- ◆ Membership cards must be presented

Thank you in advance for following these guidelines



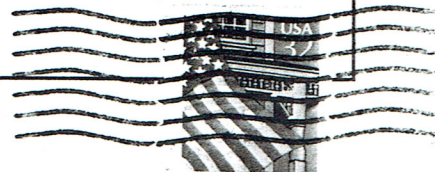
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