



Uhl Collectors Society

Fall/Winter 2004



Did You Know? Lloyd Martin's Grandmother's "Throw Aways"

Lloyd Martin was born in 1940 in Santa Claus, Indiana. He grew up in Santa Claus working and visiting, occasionally, at his Grandmother's General Store.

He remembers going with her to the Uhl Pottery Company in Huntingburg to buy items to sell in the General Store.

Lloyd went on to graduate from Dale High School in 1958 and then enrolled at Murray State University in Kentucky. Later he transferred to Kentucky Wesleyan and received an Education degree in 1963.

Lloyd started his first teaching job at Utica, in Davies County Kentucky, in 1963. He taught Social Studies. 1963 was a very good year because he married his Sweetheart, Wonderful Marge.

There was also a tragedy in Lloyd's life in 1963: his beloved Grandmother passed away in Santa Claus, Indiana.

Lloyd and his relatives got together in 1966 and started going through his Grandmother's personal belongings. It was from a pile of "throw-

aways" left in a washtub that Lloyd would get his start collecting Uhl Pottery.

Lloyd literally put these items in a box and carted them with his family to Jasper in 1969 to teach for the Jasper school system.

Settling in at 1582 Gregory Lane, Lloyd spent 29 years in the Jasper Community School Corporation retiring in 1998.

In the summer of 1982 Lloyd went to an auction in Jasper where he met a well-known collector of Uhl pottery: Linda Summers. It was at the auction that Lloyd told Linda that he had this 1933 Christmas Jug at home from his Grandmother's pile of "throw-aways".

Linda showed an interest and asked Lloyd how much it would take to pry this Uhl treasure from his clutches. Her retort was, "How about one hundred dollars?"

Wow!!! Lloyd started researching Uhl pottery from 1982 to the present and hundreds of Uhl pieces and thousands of dollars poorer they now have Lloyd and Marge's beau-

I have asked that all members, new and not so new, write a short story on how they got started collection our Uhl Pottery Treasures. This story is the first of a series of "How I Got Started" stories. Please write down your thoughts and mail (or e-mail) them to me.

Thank you,

Amy Downen

tiful collection of Uhl pottery. Now you have the rest of the story - how the Martins got started collecting Uhl pottery.

This interview took place at Lloyd Martin's home one week after knee surgery. I want to thank Lloyd for the opportunity to tell his story of how he started collecting Uhl pottery.

Please send us your letters telling how you got started collecting our little treasures. E-mail your story to:

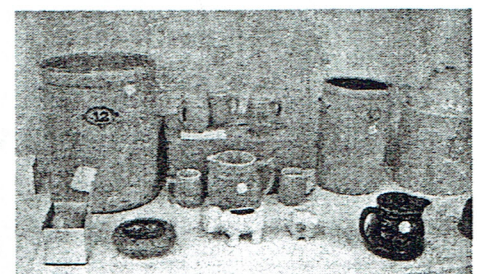
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President's Pen

Dear Uhl Collectors Society,

We have had a beautiful Fall, weather here has been great, a little dry but beautiful. I hope many of you have had the opportunity to travel and look for UHL. Don't forget to let us know if you find some good buys.

The Board has been planning the 2005 convention and we hope that it will be a great one with our 20th year coming up. We are waiting to get our first look at the commemorative for the coming year and hope everyone will be impressed. We have had only a few problems with last year's commemorative lid but have corrected those.

The members on the board want to wish all of you a very happy Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas and don't forget to pray for our country and all of our young men and women fighting for our freedom.

Sincerely,

Patty & Jerry Schurz
President



Recent Auction Prices

Polar Bear Jug	1800.00
2QT Lincoln Pitcher	1200
1Pint Lincoln Pitcher	975.00
1/2 Pint Lincoln Pitcher	425.00
Jane Uhl Poridge Dish	470.00
Best Jane Uhl Plate	95.00
Largest Thieves Jar	178.00
5 Gal. Evansville Jug Advertising Jug	1700.00
Blue Bulbous Vase	178.50
Botay Army Insigna	65.00
Large Mauve Vase	42.00
Minature Jug	96.00
#2 Crock	55.00
5" Picket Fence Bowl	57.75
Teal 5" Vase	78.77
Small Custard Dish	54.00
Hitler Botay Bank	250.00
1Gal. Crock With Lid	75.00

Free Tables at Sale!

Great news. "No Charge" for tables for the Saturday morning sale. Have all the tables you need. Let's have a great Saturday morning sale the best ever.

Pictures Identified

The identity of the men in the pictures won at the business meeting can be found on page 49 of the collector's guide and history of Uhl Pottery by F. Earl McCurdy and Jane McCurdy. Pictured at the Indiana State Fair Grounds October 4, 1930, left to right: Robert Uhl, Al Behme, Louis Uhl and Bernie Jeffers.

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Special Welcome

to all new

Members!

**Look for your
membership
renewal in January.
It will come
separately and will
be a bright yellow.**

**20th Annual Convention
will be held in Jasper
Holiday Inn June 24 -
25, 2005. Let's make it
the best *ever!***

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We are starting a new item for our newsletter!

Please help us get it started.

Do you have an item you want to:

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Just e-mail us at: SAE102568@AOL.COM

And we'll add to the next newsletter!

Minutes of the 19th Annual Uhl Convention

June 26, 2004

The 19th annual Uhl Convention was called to order at 9:30 a.m. in the Black Walnut Room of the Holiday Inn, Jasper, IN by President Jerry Schurz.

President Jerry welcomed all and shared a joke with the crowded room.

Minutes of the 2003 annual meeting were read by Secretary Barbara Barnes. A motion to approve was read was made by Jackie Wilson, seconded by Nelda Mendel and voted in the affirmative. The Treasurers report was also read by Barbara Barnes with a copy of that report attached starting with a balance of \$23,306.60 in 2004. A motion to approve was made by Al Schwartz, seconded by Carol Hill and also voted as approved.

The President presented a slate of officers to fill the position of Secretary/Treasurer being Amy & Sam Busler, and Board Member being Leslie Bain. No other nominations were made from the floor. These positions will be for a three year term.

President Jerry presented outgoing Secretary/Treasurer Barbara Barnes and outgoing Board Members Dan and Lee Hadley with special 2004 Commemoratives and thanked them for an excellent job.

New Business:

The 20th Anniversary was briefly discussed with many exciting plans being made.

James Uhl stated that the room rate was \$9.00 more than internet rate. Jerry Tabband shared that he felt the lowest rate should be secured by contract with the Holiday Inn. Jackie Wilson stated that using a priority card was much cheaper also. President Jerry assured everyone that he would personally check into the rates and get an answer out to the membership.

Clarence Brown commended the excellent idea of the new name tags. The board plans to improve them by putting the membership number on the back next year.

Don Schwartz questioned about insurance coverage after a near disaster of the table containing Uhl in the auction almost collapsing. Jerry assured all that he would also check on the coverage.

The drawing for the "Happy Uhling" commemorative was won by Filinda Farris and then 35 commemoratives were purchased by the membership in a drawing. All numbers were re-interred and a drawing for donated items took place donated by an anonymous person. All had choice items.

Facts given by President Jerry:

2003 members 565 dinners 475 Com 525 Tables 26

2004 members 580 dinners 467 Com 540 Tables 19

Other suggestions and discussion was as follows:

Horse head for consideration in the future for the commemorative.

A number list of Uhl to be compiled by Pam Robbins.

The photo give-away individuals to be identified in the newsletter.

Question about membership limitations in a household. President Jerry shared that the board is looking into the bylaws and plans to adopt a more clear definition of membership within a year.

Commemorative hand outs versus mailing will be decided later but the method this year seemed to work with pick up at the convention and an extra fee to have them mailed.

President Jerry shared that he would like to see all members increase the membership by signing at least one new member this year. A suggestion was made to have an award for the person who signs the most new members in 2004-2005.

Were the pins profitable? We will give a report at a later date.

Questioned about the Special room containing displays and Almost or look alikes being open on Saturday. Many displayed items are very valuable and we do not have a sheriff on duty after the auction starts on Friday evening. The board will look into a solution.

Charter members and new members were recognized.

A motion to dismiss was made by Lois Uhl and seconded by Maurice Berendes.

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A NEW ITEM FOR OUR NEWSLETTER!

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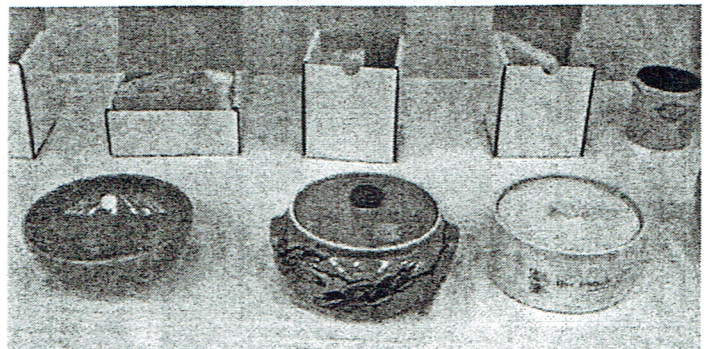
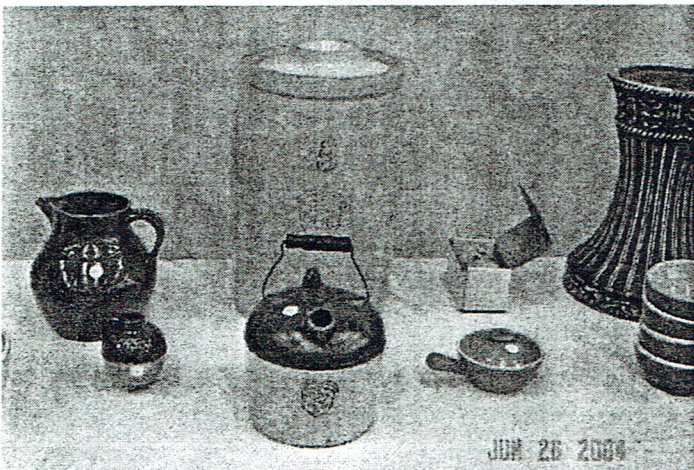
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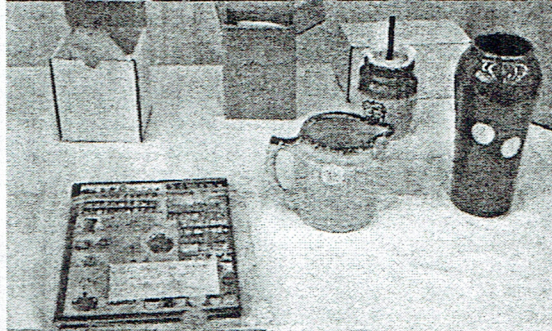
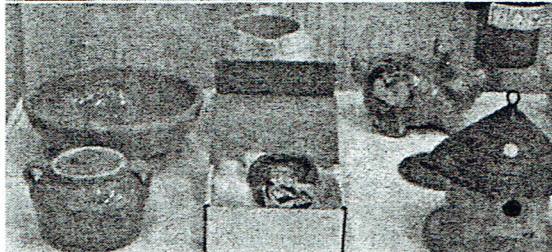
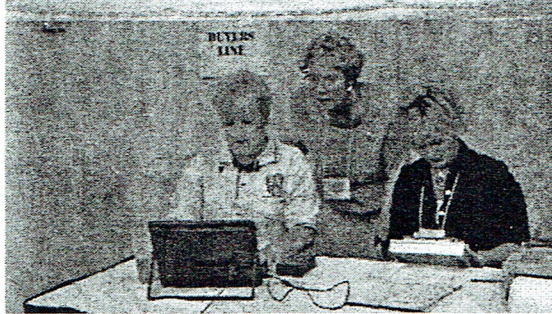
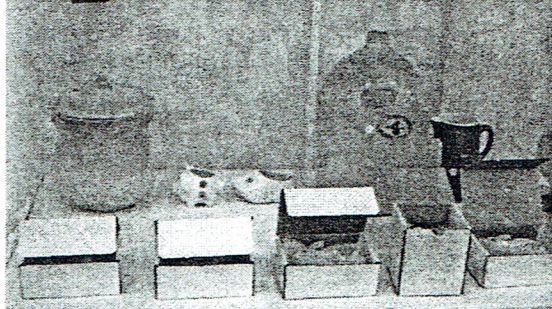
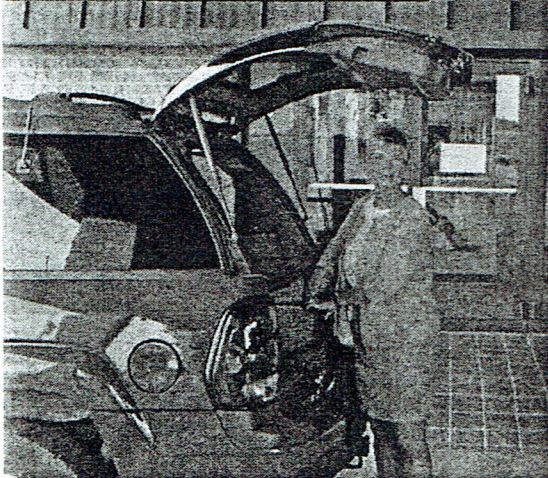
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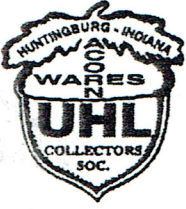
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What's for Sale?





MEMBERSHIP FORM



The Uhl Collector's Society is a not-for-profit organization open to anyone who is interested in Uhl Pottery and/or Stoneware.

Membership in the Society entitles a person/family to receive a one-year subscription to the Uhl Collectors Society newsletter. Members also receive a membership card and the right to attend the annual Uhl Collectors Society Convention held in Jasper, Indiana in June.

The annual convention is "closed" to anyone but current members. The convention includes social time, a member's only auction, special preview of the Uhl Show & Sale and attendance during the business meeting as well as any extra events scheduled.

Membership runs from January 1 to December 31. The cost of membership is \$15.00 per family.

Complete and return this form:

Date _____

Name _____

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This Membership is New

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Uhl Collectors Society

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Having Fun, Uhl Collectors at Holiday Inn! Come to Convention 2005 and have fun too!





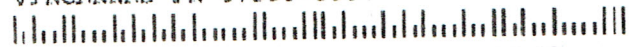
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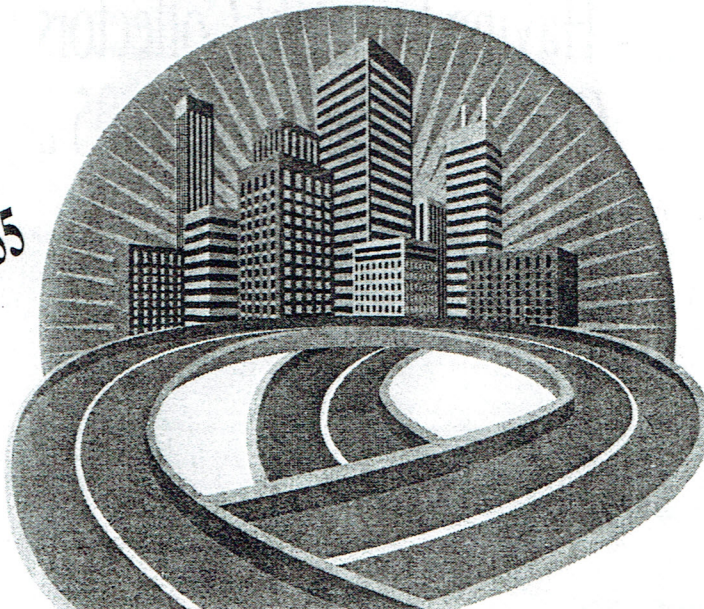
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June 24 - 25, 2005**

