



Uhl Collectors Society



March, April and May 1997

Dinnertime is UHL Time!

Uhl Collectors have a distinctive opportunity to set the dining table with their favorite pottery

During the company's output of production, several pieces were made for the kitchen table. Since luncheon ware was made of stoneware, it could withstand even the heavy duty use by commercial food service also.

Uhl Pottery produced several sizes of plates for specific purposes such as the 6 inch diameter dessert, 8 inch diameter salad, and the 10 inch diameter main course plate.

A large 14 inch diameter chop plate served two ways. This plate was also a part of a liquor set. A jug like the creme de coffee style, short vertical ribbed glasses and the serving tray (chop plate) made the set complete. All items were made of stoneware.

For the food service market the 9 inch diameter compartment plate which had 3 divided areas made in it was produced. E

Uhl also made an assortment of

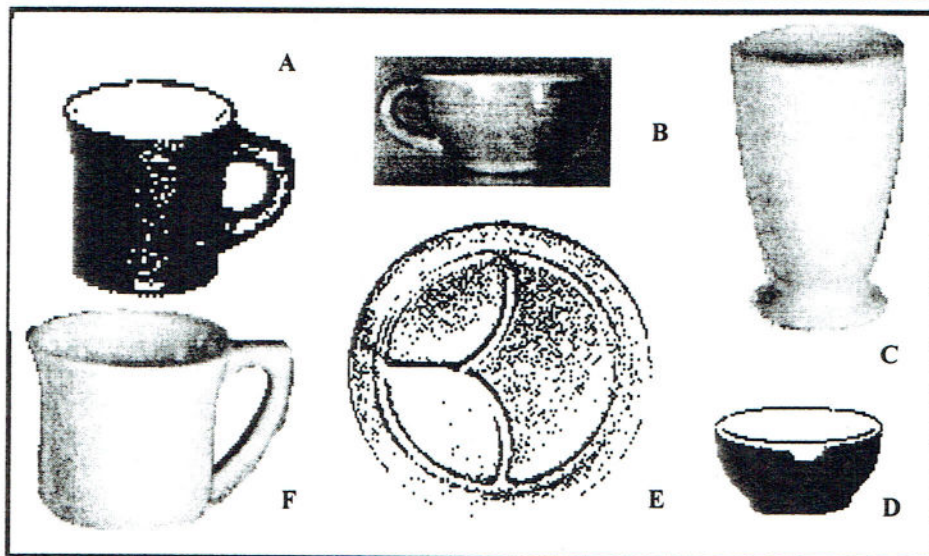
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Prices.**

bowls for the table set collector. Bowl diameters included the 4 inch diameter cereal bowl, 5 inch porridge bowl, and the 6 inch soup bowl.

Luncheon bowls which had a raised base design were manufactured in 7 inch and 8 inch diameters.

Chili lovers even had a choice of either a 12 ounce or 16 ounce white lined bowl for their favorite soup. D

A table set would not be complete without the coffee cups. Collectors have



several choices including the teacup style with a low profile (some in this design were hand turned) B or a heavy commercial style 8 ounce cup. The heavy cup is taller with a lip that flared out slightly. Heavy cups hold the heat of the beverage longer. A

Coffee mugs were even made with a handle that had the sharp angular shape similar to the beer mugs. F

Saucers with sides that flared upward more visibly than their regular plates were produced by the Uhl Pottery too.

Juice lovers could even purchase a #27 stoneware glass to hold their favorite beverage. The raised base with a tapered top design resembled a tall egg cup. C

Uhl Pottery made a handled pitcher style creamer and a lidded sugar with double handles for the table set also.

Add to this the barrel shape salt and pepper shakers that came in several

colors for a well-rounded presentation.

Tea pots produced at the pottery included the #143 -- 8 cup, #132 -- 4 cup and the #131 -- 2 cup models.

Coffee pots by Uhl such as the 6 cup drip coffee maker with an aluminum top and a similar version that had a stoneware top with a removable lid and strainer can be found.

Common colors for the luncheon ware production items are pink, blue green, jet black and periwinkle blue.

Most plates were numbered but it may be hard to distinguish due to the glazing or mold wear.

Several other pieces were manufactured by Uhl Pottery for table use as well as cooking so the collector will have the large field of items to accompany the table setting basic items that were presented.

Happy Hunting!



Important Convention Information
See inside for details.



Letter from the President

Greeting Fellow Uhlers:

With spring just around the corner, can convention time be far behind?

Your board met in January at the Dutchman Inn in Huntingburg, and we continue to make the plans, so that this will be an enjoyable convention for each and every member attending. We will be meeting again in April to put the final touches to this occasion. If you would like to make suggestions for us to consider, please let us hear from you.

The board has had the opportunity to see the 1997 commemorative piece that is being produced for distribution at the convention, and we are well pleased, and trust that each of you will feel likewise. Special renditions of the commemorative will again be placed in the auction on Friday evening for your bidding pleasure.

The dinner menu for Friday has been selected, and we have been assured that it will be comparable to the great meal we enjoyed last year.

So things are taking shape for a great convention on June 20 & 21, 1997. Remember that reservation deadline is March 31.

Our membership number continues to grow, and with the large auction sales involving Uhl pieces this past summer and fall, along with the publicity of the sale results in the mid-west publications, the interest in Uhl Pottery is growing and growing. I think its going to be an enjoyable ride.

Don Schwartz
President

Convention Dates:
Friday - Saturday
June 20 & 21, 1997

Board Meeting

The board of the Uhl Collectors Society met January 11, 1997, at the Dutchman Inn at Huntingburg, Indiana.

Among the topics covered at this meeting included a status report of this year's commemorative.

Insurance for the commemoratives as well as liability coverage was discussed by members.

Colors for the special commemoratives will be left up to the craftsman to provide.

New membership directories will be available for purchase at the convention.

It was decided that members must have a receipt to pick up a commemorative.

Dinner tickets will be collected from members at the entrance to the room this year.

Discussion about the sale of "new" Uhl items brought forth the fact that Society bylaws permit only the sale of original Uhl Pottery pieces.

Ideas for the upcoming convention were presented next.

The need for a club historian was presented with more on this topic to be covered at the convention.

Next meeting will be April 19, 1997 at the Dutchman Inn in Huntingburg, Indiana.

IMPORTANT CONVENTION INFORMATION

1. **Members must have a receipt to pick up commemorative.**
2. **Convention registration and commemorative must be postmarked by March 31, 1997.**
3. **Member must have meal ticket to get into dining area. You will be checked at the entrance.**
4. **New membership directories will be available for purchase at the convention.**
5. **Members will be voting to fill the Vice President and one 3-year term Director positions at the upcoming convention.**

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Officers and Board Members

♦ 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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Strictly Classified

WANTED: 1988, 1989, 1991 Uhl Commemoratives and Christmas jugs.
Phone (502) 781-2874 Nights or E-mail Gascott@juno.com

WANTED: Chicken water tops or bottoms; No damage please - also rabbit feeders Phone (317) 729-5934 or contact Norm Spangler, 7940 West 725 South, Edinburg, IN 46124

Members can advertise free

Tableware Auction Prices

This auction was held February 1, 1997, at Jasper, IN, by **The Auction Company**
Telephone (812) 482-6122

Pink Cereal Bowl M	17.50
Pink 8" Plate M	40.00
Blue Salt Shaker	20.00

Periwinkle Listed Below

10" Plate - M	55.00
Saucer - M	32.50
Luncheon Bowl - M - D	20.00
Coffee Cup M	60.00
Teapot - D	75.00
6" Plate - M	50.00
8" Plate - M	60.00
5" Bowl - M	50.00
Creamer - D	27.50

M denotes Marked / D denotes Damaged

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Auction Prices

Prices are from the heart of Uhl country Jasper, Indiana February 1, 1997 auction by **The Auction Company**

M - Denotes Marked
D - Denotes Damaged

Item	Price
10 Gal. jar w/wire handle M	\$40.00
Believe it or not jug-White	\$525.00
#120 Pink Tulip Bowl-M	\$135.00
Pink Egyptian jug	\$20.00
Hanging basket - green tint	\$12.50
Tan flat sided rabbit	\$100.00
4" black flower pot-M	\$25.00
Tan childs shoe	\$95.00
Liquor barrel set	\$35.00
Mini square jug - brn/white	\$22.50
Blue cat planter - D	\$55.00
Shell ashtray - D	\$27.50
Mini shoulder jug - Pink	\$25.00
Blue basket weave bowl	\$13.00
Pink casserole - M	\$32.50
Blue roaster w/lid - M	\$175.00
#185 tan liquor jug	\$22.50
Mahogany bulb bowl	\$25.00
#143 Ransburg blue teapot	\$62.50
Chicken wtr. w/base-M-D	\$15.00

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF UHL COLLECTORS SOCIETY

PREAMBLE

We, The collectors of Uhl pottery, in order to increase the knowledge and appreciation of pre-1945 Uhl pottery, do hereby establish this Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE I - NAME

By action of the charter members at the initial meeting of this club held on October 12, 1985, the name of the organization shall be Uhl Collectors Society.

ARTICLE II - EMBLEM

The emblem of the society shall be the blue Uhl Acorn Ware logo with the words "Pottery Co" replaced by the words "Collectors Soc".

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Any collector or dealer of, or person with an interest in Uhl pottery who believes in the ideals set forth in the Preamble shall be eligible to become a member of the society, and, after payment of dues, shall be afforded all rights and privileges of the society. These include, but may not be limited to a subscription of a regularly published newsletter, announcements concerning the annual convention, and a membership card. A membership shall consist of one couple or household.

ARTICLE IV - LEADERSHIP

The society shall be governed by the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer and Press Secretary. Officers shall be elected for two year terms with the Vice President automatically acceding to the office of President upon completion of his/her term.

A Board of Directors consisting of three elected members and their spouses (if any) shall each be elected to three year terms. With one being elected each year. All will have a vote during their terms and should be able to attend regular Board meetings. In addition, all officers and their spouses (if any and if the spouses is a society member) shall be considered voting members of the Board of Directors during their terms in office if they are not separately elected to the Board.

ARTICLE V - DESCRIPTION

The society shall be a not-for-profit social organization.

ARTICLE VI - VOTING PROCEDURE

The slate of nominees for office shall be presented by the nominating committee. Nominations shall also be accepted from the floor. Balloting shall be agreed to by the attending members of the convention. A simple majority is needed to win an election.

ARTICLE VII - CONDUCT

All members must work to retain harmony with in society and protect fellow members from unscrupulous people and practices, wherever and whenever possible by advising the group of know acts contrary to the good of the membership.

ARTICLE VIII - CALENDAR

The society's calendar year is to begin on January 1, of each year and there is to be an annual convention. New officers and Board members shall be elected at the convention and are to take office immediately following the close of the convention. The Secretary-Treasurer's books shall be turned over to the new Secretary-Treasurer by September 1, of the election year and an auditing committee shall audit the books at that time.

ARTICLE IX - QUORUM

Members present at the convention shall constitute a quorum for all voting purposes. A simple majority is required to pass any motions raised at this convention.

ARTICLE X - AMENDMENTS

The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the membership present at the convention. Any necessary by-laws which are not contrary to the Constitution may be added by a majority vote of the membership at the convention.

ARTICLE XI - REMOVAL

The Board of Directors shall act as an executive body and shall be empowered to remove any officer or member from the society roll when he/she fails to abide by the By-Laws of the society or is a detriment to the society.

ARTICLE XII - CHARTER MEMBERS

Everyone registered prior to October 13, 1985, is consider a charter member of the society if they are currently in good standing

ARTICLE XIII - SALE OF NEWLY MADE ITEMS

Only original Uhl Pottery, related items, and commemorative pieces made for the society may be sold on the convention floor. In addition, only members in good standing may display and/or sell items at a show or sale sponsored by the society. Finally, participation as a buyer or seller at an auction sponsored by the society is restricted to members in good standing.

ARTICLE XIV - CONVENTION

The convention shall be held annually, convening the weekend after Father's Day in June. Roberts Rules of Order shall be used to conduct the annual business meeting held at the convention.

ARTICLE XV - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

The duties of officers shall be as follows:

PRESIDENT: Responsible for arranging the convention, calling meeting of the Board of Directors, and appointing committees as necessary. The President shall assure that the Secretary/Treasurer is a bonded position.

VICE PRESIDENT: Shall act as President of the society when the President is absent, incapacitated, or for any reason is unable to carry out the duties of the office and to assume responsibilities of the President of the office becomes vacant for any reason.

SECRETARY-TREASURER: Carry out necessary correspondence, maintain a roster of the membership, keep a record of the affairs of the club, keep minutes of all Board meeting and make a copy available to the President, issue membership cards, to assume responsibility for and disburse the funds of the society (which are to be spent only for, and in behalf of, the welfare of the club), prepare and publish in the first newsletter of the year the preceding year's year-end financial statement, and to prepare financial and membership report for presentation to the membership at the convention.

PRESS SECRETARY: Shall gather information for and publish a newsletter in a regular and timely manner as set down by the Club leadership.

ARTICLE XVI - COMMEMORATIVE

A member must be in good standing to be eligible to purchase any commemorative item made for the society. Members need not be present at the convention to receive a commemorative. Only one commemorative may be purchased per membership. Excess commemoratives shall be distributed by the lottery of those present at the convention with each membership have the opportunity to purchase a single, addition commemorative at the normal membership price. All commemoratives not purchases via this process shall be destroyed.

ARTICLE XVIII - DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

Whenever the society ceases to function for two consecutive years, the last Board of Directors and Officers shall liquidate all assets and pay any and all debts. Any funds remaining shall be donated to the American Cancer Society.

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More about Jane Uhl . . .

The following information was sent to us by Dorothy and Frank Farner of Mason Neck, Virginia. After reading the article on Jane Uhl they are able to elaborate more about Jane's life. Jane and Frank's mother, Helen, were sisters. The Farner's are planning to attend this year's convention and we are looking forward to meeting Dorothy and Frank.

Jane Uhl did not move to Chicago after being married. She moved to Chicago in about 1935 shortly after her mother's death. She was unmarried at the time. I also recall that at about that time she traveled to Germany and Austria. While she was living in Chicago she met her future husband, Dr. Frederick Felix Molt, a distinguished oral surgeon who had a well known practice on North Michigan Avenue. They were married in Chicago in about 1938. My mother and I traveled from Los Angeles by rail to attend the ceremony. Fred Molt was serving in the Naval Reserve between the wars. When WWII started he was immediately called to active duty and became the chief of the dental clinic at the large naval base at Bremerton, Washington. Throughout his active duty his naval rank was Captain.

From late 1942 to early 1946 they lived in a lovely home on the shore of Puget Sound which housed many items of Jane Uhl's personal collection of her own work, other Uhl pieces and the ceramic work of other artists.

When WWII ended, Dr. (Capt.) Molt elected to establish a new practice in Seattle instead of returning to Chicago. This reflected their mutual love of the life of the Pacific Northwest. They established another equally lovely home overlooking the Puget Sound in the Magnolia Bluffs section of northwest Seattle. Fred Molt continued his interest in the Navy by occasional trips to Bremerton and by contacts in navy installations in Seattle. I recall that their Magnolia Bluffs home was full of Jane Uhl pieces from her large collection. His oral surgery practice flourished in Seattle from 1946 to about 1957 when his health began to deteriorate and he was forced to discontinue the active practice. They continued to live for about two years in Seattle but in about 1959 they decided to move to Claremont, California to live nearer Jane Uhl's siblings, Helen and Louis. Helen at the time was living in Alta. Loam, about 12 miles from Claremont, and Louis was living in Rolling Hills, about 40 miles from Claremont. The Molts established a fine Claremont home, and it became another showcase for Jane Uhl's work. During the period from about 1958 to about 1963 the three Uhl siblings (Louis, Helen and Jane) shared many good time together in their homes in Southern California. During the Molt's Claremont days, I was a doctoral student at the Claremont Graduate School and later a member of the faculty and my family was a part of these happy times. My sister, Jane Farner, named for Jane Uhl, was also often included.

But it was destined that these years could not last forever. First Uncle Louis moved to Arizona in about 1961—first to Scottsdale and later to Sedona. Fred Molt's health suddenly worsened to the point that they gave up their home in Claremont to live for some months in the inn operated by the colleges. Later he was moved to a medial facility in another town and died in about 1963. The Molts never had any children.

After Fred's death, Jane made an attempt to live again in the Seattle area where she and Fred had had such a happy life. However after about a year, Jane decided to move to Laguna Beach, CA where my mother and father moved. Jane Uhl Molt's health has been fragile for many years beginning in Bremerton. As your article says, she died in 1965 in Laguna Beach—my mother and my sister were with her during her final illness.

Jane Uhl's extensive collection of her own work and that of many others were willed to my sister Jane. From 1967 to about 1974 Jane lived in San Francisco. By that time my mother also moved to San Francisco. In her home in San Francisco, Jan displayed Jane Uhl's collection to excellent effect. After our mother's death in 1974, Jan Farner moved once again to Laguna Beach and once again displayed her legacy from her aunt. Uhl collectors, especially those particularly interested in the special work of Jane Uhl should try to learn the present status of the collection left to my sister Jane Farner.

Capt. Fred Molt and Jane Uhl Molt are buried in the Naval Cemetery on Point Loma in the San Diego area. My mother is buried in the Uhl family plot in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Evansville along with her father (Charles and her mother.

I thought the record on Jane Uhl of the Uhl Collectors Society would be improved with the addition of more information about her later life. If there is more information you need please let me know.

My wife Dorothy and I hope to be able to attend the meeting in June in Jasper and hope to meet you then.

Sincerely
Frank Farner



From the Mailbox



Dear Dave

Dave, back in the August/September 1995 Uhl Collectors Society Newsletter, it was stated that room to room socializing went on until the wee hours of Saturday morning. One room was very educational with some senior members showing us young learners about hairlines, cracks and ring jugs. I would love to have a senior member (Members), show me about hairlines and cracks.

I would like to see a "show and tell". I feel this would be a good way for the newer members to learn about pieces they may otherwise never see, it will assist in learning to recognize hard to identify pieces, and help know what look alike pieces are in the market.

We are all members of the Uhl Collectors Society because we love collecting Uhl. I think it's great idea to share what some of the older members know about Uhl. There doesn't seem to

be a lot of published information to help a newer member during his/her learning process. I have checked around because I am a fairly new collector myself. I would love more sources of information and the senior members hold the key "knowledge". I wonder if the Uhl Society could come up with a book, a catalog or something to help all members, young and old?

Sincerely
Gary R. Catt

Here is a note from one of our members:

Someone in the Society, with the capability, needs to set up an Uhl web site on the Internet. Sales, wants, finds, info - all could be posted. I think it would really help our society.

How about pictures and descriptions of verified (or even possible) Uhl pieces not found in McCurdy as a series in the Newsletter?

Anyone ever try to list all the known advertisers on Uhl pieces? This would be good in the Newsletter.

Regards
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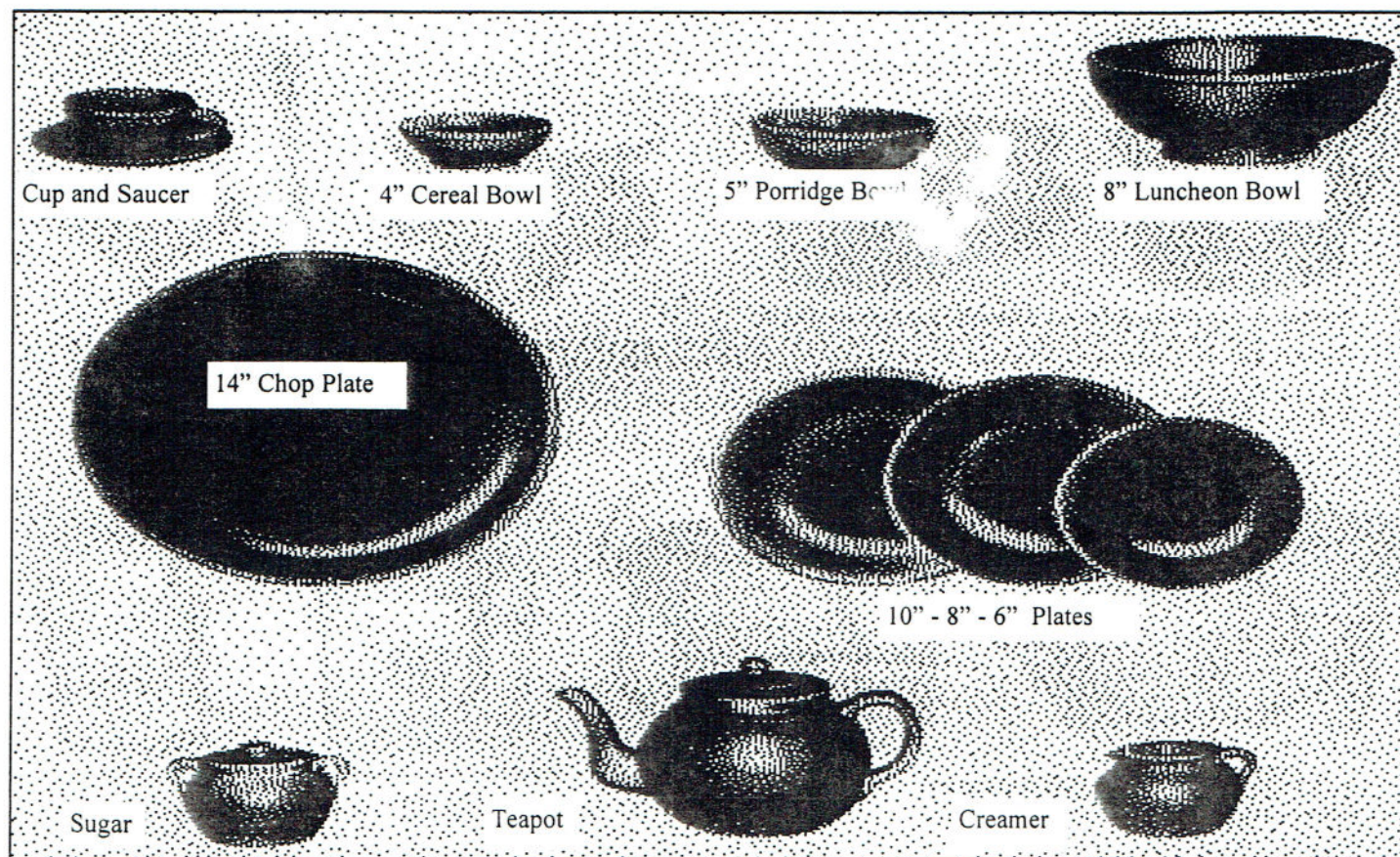
Dear Dave and Donna

We like the format of the newsletter and appreciate your efforts.

You asked for comments about identification guidelines for Uhl pottery. This is something we would very much like, i.e. talks at convention or through newsletter. Many times we have not purchased a piece because we want only authentic items.

Another thought: Would it be helpful to print the membership number on address labels? I know some organization do this.

Sincerely
Mary Jean Uhl



March, April and May 1997

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