



# *Celebrating 25 Years of Collecting!*

# Uhl Collectors Society

## October 2010

## From The President's Desk

### President's Thoughts On The Convention

I thought things went pretty smoothly at the convention. I just wanted to thank Jackie Bolton of the Jasper Inn. She did a fantastic job with the accommodations. I think being able to wander through the rooms and then being able to take your purchases to your room was really nice. I thought we had a terrific auction. Two 7 gallon crocks blew me away. I really liked the oil lamp, too (I bought it) and the Jane Uhl piece I kinda liked. (Ya think?) I came back to my room and there was a guy walking in the hallway with an Uhl basketball in his hand. Talk about a happy hunter. OMG (translation for texting: Oh My Goodness) in other words: I had a ball at the convention. Thank you for all of you who come and make it an enjoyable convention. Thanks also goes out to the dealers who bring us all of those wonderful items. CU all next year!

-Les



### Thank You!

Chip Kugler and the Auction Company did an outstanding job again at the convention to make the auction a success. It is truly an asset to have Chip and his

wife, Kathy as members and to receive the benefits of their donation of time and staff. Judy and Jim Hunsicker and Mel and Leah Dexter all deserve a big pat on the back as well! A great big thank you also goes out to all the board members and officers who worked to make your convention a success! We're making big plans for 2011!

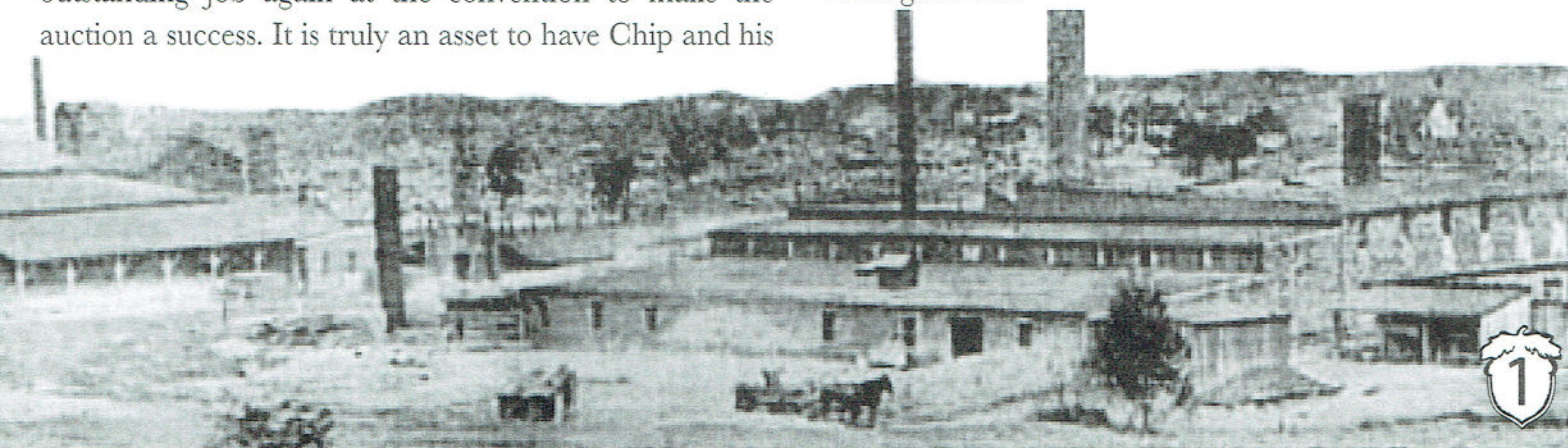
### Happenings

On August 14th one of the annual flea markets was happening in Evansville. The weather was hotter than an Uhl kiln. I chose to go in the morning and that gave me an edge. I saw Keith Miller, Steve Haag, the Douglas's and Paul and Susan Schroeder, their daughter and granddaughter.

Sohn auction had a 4 day auction on August 19th through the 22nd. I heard a nice 3 handled hand turned piece sold for \$135. Wow, what a buy!

Normally I don't mention other pottery, but they had a killer piece of Sleepy Eye at the Sohn auction. Actually, it wasn't pottery at all but a sign from the company. The one at the Howard auction several years back brought \$18,000. This one got a bid of \$9,000. There are only two of these know to exist according tot the auction bill. It was just neat to see a piece like this.

There have been several good Uhl auctions in Dubois County recently and the Huntingburg Antique Show was August 21 and 22 with lots of members in attendance. It was a good one!

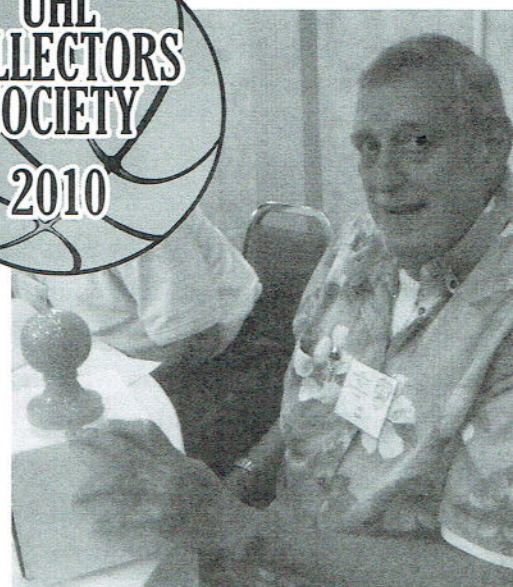
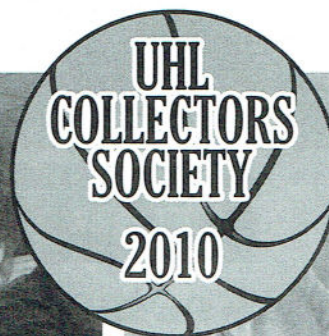


# 2010 Commemorative

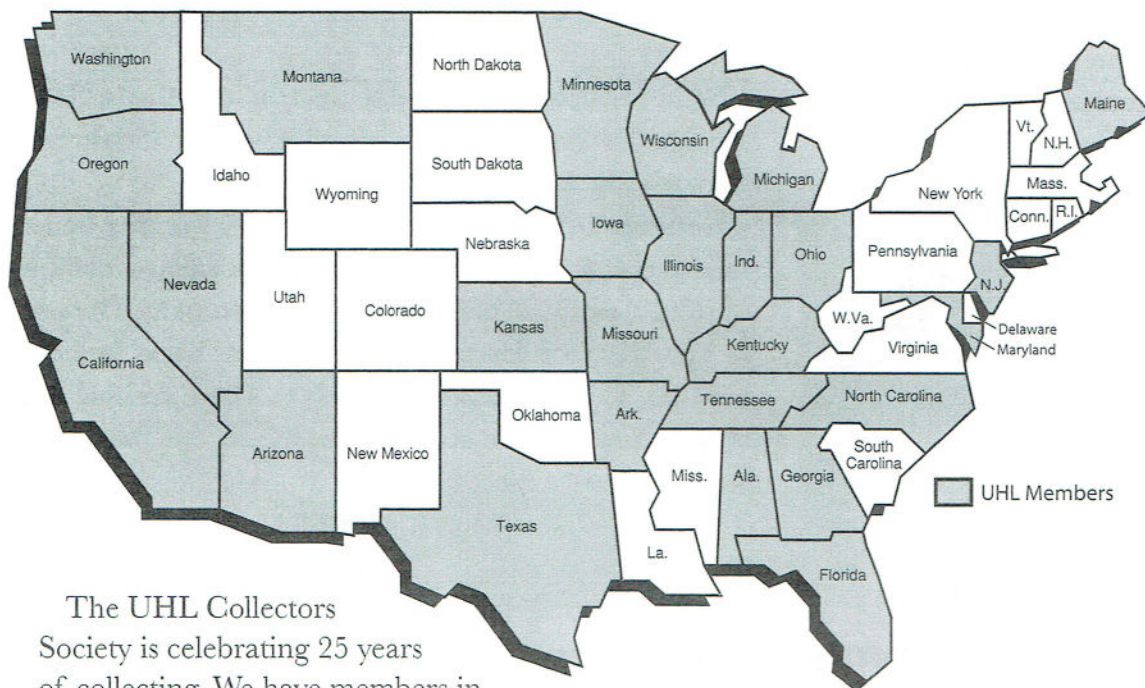
This year's convention auction included only 5 commemoratives, each in a truly one of a kind color. The 2011 auction will feature only 5 commemoratives as well to increase the value and rarity.

## The rest of the story...

The basketball commemorative holds a special place in Uhl history and Huntingburg basketball history. The original piece was made as a small pottery trophy and was given to members of the Huntingburg High School basketball team who won the sectional in 1936 and 1938. It's been estimated that only 15 were made each year. The team was called the "Happy Hunters". At our 1996 convention auction one of these original Uhl basketballs brought \$2200!



## 25 Years of Uhl from East to West!



The UHL Collectors Society is celebrating 25 years of collecting. We have members in 26 states! If you know of someone interested in joining our society be sure to give them the website address or any of the Board members contact information. Let's make it a goal to have members in all 50 states by the time we're 50!



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# Uhl History Trivia

This is an excerpt from an early UHL catalog. The names and locations have been replaced with blanks. See how many you can fill in without looking for the answers on the bottom of the page 5.

## UHL GRADE SCORING

### 1-2 CORRECT ANSWERS

**UHL rhymes with school. I can pronounce it, but history wasn't my best subject!**

### 3-4 CORRECT ANSWERS

**I'm a collector, but I've forgotten more than I remember.**

### 5-7 CORRECT ANSWERS

**I'm a collector and I have just enough information to make me dangerous!**

### 8-10 CORRECT ANSWERS

**I'm a collector and I know more than I should about UHL and lots of other things!**

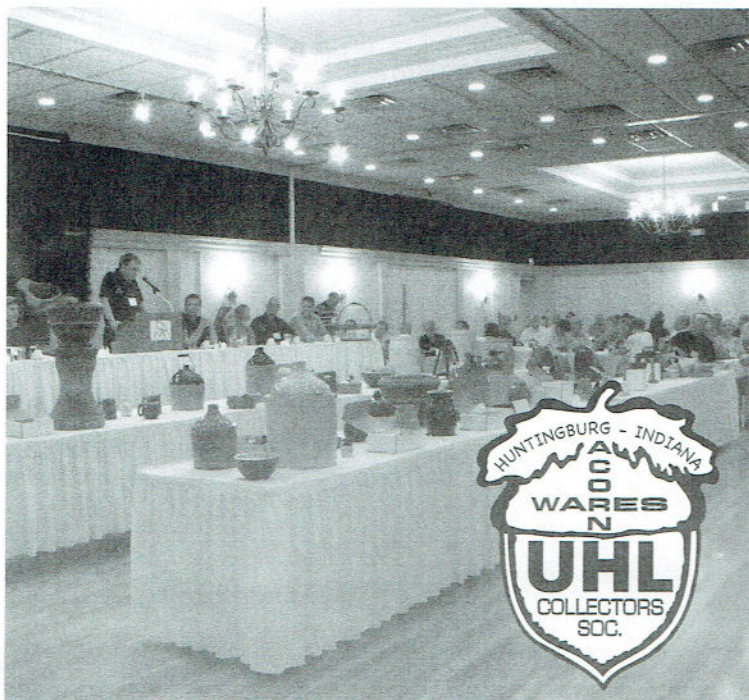
### 11-12 CORRECT ANSWERS

**My collection has overtaken my home and I know more than I've forgotten!**

\_\_\_\_(1)\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ (2)\_\_\_\_ Uhl, who had been operating pottery in Lisberg, \_\_\_\_ (3)\_\_\_\_, came to the United States in 1849. They came down the Ohio River and after stopping at \_\_\_\_ (4)\_\_\_\_ for a while, continued on to \_\_\_\_ (5)\_\_\_\_, where they located permanently and erected the first Uhl Pottery Company plant in the United States. This plant was located at 9th and Main streets in \_\_\_\_ (6)\_\_\_\_, and clay was secured in the vicinity of \_\_\_\_ (7)\_\_\_\_. The clay near \_\_\_\_ (8)\_\_\_\_ was soon found to be unsatisfactory and they started prospecting for clay in the surrounding territory, finding suitable clay at \_\_\_\_ (9)\_\_\_\_. This clay mined at \_\_\_\_ (10)\_\_\_\_ was hauled to \_\_\_\_ (11)\_\_\_\_ in wagons and there loaded on scows and shipped to \_\_\_\_ (12)\_\_\_\_, where it was transferred to drays and hauled to the plant.



## 2011 Convention Auction



### Going Once, Twice...Sold!

It's never too early to start thinking about next year's convention. The Auction Company will be on hand again for our exclusive all UHL auction held during the 2011 convention. This is your opportunity not only to buy, but to sell some unique pieces. Each member may auction an UHL item in this members only event! There is a \$10 fee to place an item in the auction. Check out what's in your collection and see if you have something to sell.

Auction items must be registered before the auction to be catalogued. Items can be registered either on Thursday or on Friday of the convention. Whether you're buying or selling, it's a great way to experience the benefit of this club and share the UHL collection!

## And The Survey Says...



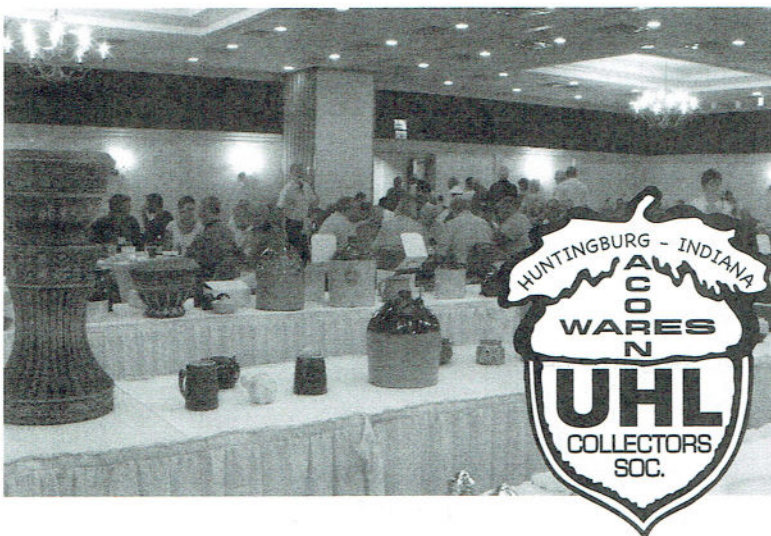
Thank you to 223 members who completed a survey at the convention this year. There were lots of great ideas and comments and we'll be incorporating many of these into the 2011 convention. Following are some of the results.

### Convention Location

77% Jasper  
10% Evansville  
10% French Lick  
3% Other

### Some Commemorative Ideas

•Frog	•Ring Jug	•Cat	•Tank
•Candlestick	•Turtle	•Donkey	•Chicken
•Animals	•Salt & Pepper	•Horse	•Jane Uhl



### Do you have stories of Uhl finds or items of interest for our newsletter?

Please submit them for publication. You may send them by E-mail, mail or by contacting a board member by phone. You'll find contact information on page 2. We'll try to include everything we can from our members whenever possible. Please include your contact information in case we have questions.

**We value your input.**

**This group is all about our members!**

## Doris Kreilein Estate Auction

*Looks Like This Is One  
You Don't Want To Miss...*

**Saturday, Oct. 23**

**9:00AM EST**

**Jasper, IN**

**The Auction Company**

The Doris Kreilein Estate with over 200 pieces of Uhl will be sold at the Auction Company in Jasper by Chip Kugler. The auction catalog and listing is available online at [www.the-auction-company.com](http://www.the-auction-company.com).



# Order Form



<b>Full Color Afghan.....\$65</b>	<b>+ \$10 Shipping x</b>	<b>_____ = _____</b>
<b>Coasters (Set of 4) .....\$5</b>	<b>+ \$2 Shipping x</b>	<b>_____ = _____</b>
<b>2010 Basketball Pin .....\$5</b>	<b>+ \$1 Shipping x</b>	<b>_____ = _____</b>
<b>Total Enclosed.....</b>		<b>_____ = _____</b>

Pins & Coasters will be shipped at no additional charge with the purchase of an afghan.  
Please make check or money order payable to Uhl Collectors Society

**Mail your order to:**  
Uhl Collectors Society  
Amy Busler  
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**Shipping Address:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Wrap Up With UHL!



**Branded Buff  
Leather Coasters  
4" Diameter  
Made in the USA  
4 For \$5**

Convention attendees received coasters this year. Additional sets are available and make great gifts as well!

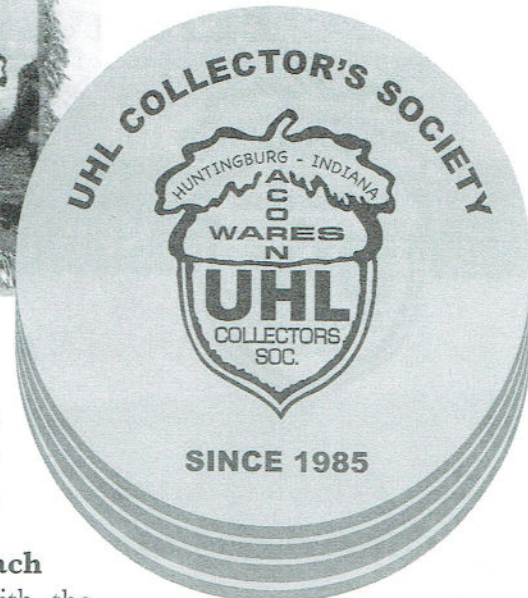
**Full Color 100% Cotton Tapestry  
50"x60" Made in the USA - \$65**

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.



**2010 Basketball Pins - \$5 Each**

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





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and More!

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## 2011 Uhl Collectors Society

26th Annual Convention

**Friday, June 24 & Saturday, June 25**

Jasper Inn, Jasper, IN



### Tentative Schedule of Events

**NEW Events To Be Announced Shortly!**



#### Friday, June 24

- Check In & Registration
- Room To Room Uhling
- Commemorative Pick Up
- Auction Registration
- Banquet Dinner
- Awards & Prizes
- All UHL Auction

#### Pre Convention

#### Thursday, June 23

- Early Auction Registration
- Early Check In & Early Registration

#### Saturday, June 25

- Uhl Table Sales
- Business Meeting
- Closing Ceremony
- Check Out