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# **Uhl Collectors Society**

### The Jewel of Uhl!

The top selling item at the 2021 Uhl Gathering Auction was a hand turned 30 gallon handled jug with a unique marking that was hand painted under glaze. It sold for \$1550 at the gathering. It is really a great piece and the nickname "The Jewel of Uhl" is a good one.

The buyers, Kirk and Heidi Reller have a good history with the jug here is the story.

Kirk's mother was a good friend of Stendal antique dealer Kermit Winget. Kermit visited his home and often played Scrabble and Euchre and Cinch. He was known to have bought the jug in 1989 from a woman in Huntingburg. There is some discrepancy whether the jug was stored by the woman in the basement or porch. Either way he was proud of it. The jug never made it to his shop. It was in his private collection. Here is a picture of Kermit Winget and Juanita Reller with the jug from about 1989.

Kirk was told the jug was used in Uhl displays at the Indiana State Fair and probably other events. There is no proof of this, but it was common for pottery companies to produce jumbo size pieces for displays.

Kermit Winget died about 1991 and his estate was sold by Curran Miller auctioneers in Evansville over 4 days between July 30 and August 2, 1992. The four-page sale bill was mailed to society member and a picture of the "jewel" was prominent on page 1. No record of the sales price has been found. Kirk was unable to buy the jug at that time but was anxious to get it at the society auction.

Congratulations to Kirk and Heidi on this great purchase and thank you for sharing the story.

#### Personal Note:

Just to show once again it's a small world I will share a small connection. The Winget home was next door to my family's farm near Stendal. My siblings and I still own the property. I can recall my mother wondering what great antiques he had inside. Now, I know one of them.

Mark Coleman





#### From Your President

Fellow UHL Collectors,

Greetings! My name is David Montgomery and I am your new President for the collector's society for the next two years. My wife Susan and I first developed a serious interest in UHL collecting after inheriting a few pieces from relatives years ago. We started researching the company and soon were hooked. Now, some 200 pieces later, we still love looking for new pieces every chance we get. Over the next two years, I look forward to continuing the great work of our previous Presidents, Nathan Posey and Russ Uhls, in growing the club. I will work to get the club out in the public eye as much as possible in local media outlets. I challenge every current member to try and recruit one new member in the coming year. For all of us who have enjoyed the club for one year or thirty, let's work to make sure that the history of UHL Pottery continues on into the future

Happy Uhling, David Montgomery



#### Remembering Donald Feldmeyer

With great sadness we share then ews of Don Feldmeyer's passing on August 31st. Don and his wife Mary were charter members of the UCS and served many offices in the club. Don was a friend of Uhlers everywhere. He is survived by his wife, Anna Mary Feldmeyer of Huntingburg; one daughter, Gae (Larry) Holtzman of Huntingburg; one son, Michael (Lisa) Feldmeyer of Huntingburg; four grandchildren, Kara, Kurt, Ann and Katelyn; and by three great-granddaughters, Jacyn, Hattie & Ryan. UCS sends in sympathy to the family.

### **Articles & Board Member Information**

At the June 26th business meeting the membership voted on revisions to the UCS officers per the UCS Bylaws.

The following officers completed their terms: Russ Uhls and Roxanne Sirotin left the office of President. Tony and Alisha Nash completed their term as Secretary / Treasurer Les Bain completed his term as Board Member.

Also per the Bylaws, David and Susan Montgomery advanced to the office of President.

Cory and Kayla Atkins were elected to office of Vice President, Michelle Coleman was elected to the office of Secretary /Treasurer, and Jane Cress was elected to Board Member

In addition, with consideration to the higher technical content required with Website and payment management a new office was approved as Technical Officer. Russ Uhls and Roxanne Serotin were elected to this position.

Contact information for the board is on the right.

Thank you to all outgoing officers, and congratulations to newly elected officers!

2021 Scholarships winners: Seth Schaefer, Kylie Patterson and Braili Schipp







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## Scenes from the 2021 Gathering



















### Sold - out and about!

### At the Huntingburg July Antique Show:

2 Gallon Dillsboro jug - \$650 Pink "orange jar" - \$25 Green cat jug -\$25 #28 Yellow miniature pitcher - \$35 1990 UCS Commemorative - \$30 1994 "special one of a kind" Commemorative- \$60 Hand Turned blue plate, square mark -\$75 -submitted by Dan Hadley

### From Ebay

Dillsboro Blue and White "Flagon" Pitcher - \$1276 Fruit jar style chicken waterer - \$565 1 quart marked shoulder jug - \$387



At Public Auction Driscoll Auctions & Appraisal, Uhl Chicken in pumpkin and blue colors (damaged)- \$1375 including 10% buyers premium.





### 2021 commemorative update!

As probably everyone knows, some 2021 commemoratives were delayed due to production issues. If you have not received your 2021 commemorative, you WILL! They are molded, glazed, fired at Clay City Pottery, assembled and mostly packed. The remaining steps are overpacking and shipping at this time in late September. These steps should happen soon. The society regrets this delay and apologizes for any inconvenience.

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