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FROM THE DESK OF...

your President

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Dear Members,

Once again I wish to thank you for all the beautiful cards, letters and phone calls during my illness and since. I am feeling much better though not yet up to par. However club work must go on!

This may be the strangest newsletter you will ever get from this club, at least while I am president.

In the first place our printer, Marcella Bethel, is to have open heart surgery in a short time and we wish her only the very best as I am sure all of you do too.

While she is away from the shop we will prepare our copy, camera ready, using our regular IBM typewriter and it will not look like Marcella's beautiful typesetting. Her husband, Harley, and her son, Gary, plan to put out these issues for us.

Secondly, I think many of you around the country have heard the rumblings going around which might seem to indicate that there are problems in the club. You all know that I do not think that controversy and unfounded rumors belong in a glass newsletter. Since we have had so few complaints over the years it wouldn't have made very exciting reading anyway.

However, on July 5 most members of the board of HCA and all study clubs except the Newark HCC, received a letter from the Heisey Collectors of Columbus with a list of so-called suggestions for HCA which sounded more like a series of complaints to the board. The thing that bothered the board the most was that most of these complaints had never before been presented to the board yet our ex-attorney and the vice-president of HCA are members of this Columbus club. Also the fact that this club felt that it had to write to study clubs at the same time that they wrote to board members indicated that they felt they couldn't deal with the board. This is certainly not true.

Even worse than this was a vicious letter to me from the wife of a defeated candidate in this Columbus club which expounded on the untrue report of the extensive "bullet" balloting. The letter from the Columbus club and the reply from the executive committee of HCA plus much other information is in this newsletter.

Please don't expect that all future newsletters will be in this vein because they will not-and would not be this time if the story had not been so widely spread and so fraught with rumors.

Since letters were sent only to study clubs which have only one vote each we felt the voting members should also hear the story.

We have included several items from Roberts Rules of Order, our parliamentary authority, which may clarify several things which have been brought up by some of you in the past.

I doubt that the financial report mentioned can be ready for this newsletter. All clubs and voting members did receive a financial report in May with their list of candidates for the board anyway.

As for acquisitions we have spent a total of \$77,163.25 in all* including \$2,783.50 for this year. The rumor that we were buying a large lot of glass from one person that we didn't have the money to pay for is not true. We did want to buy 11 pieces of extremely rare glass but the owner asked the acquisition committee to negate the sale, which was done. We did have plenty of money to buy these articles in fact nearly enough was donated at the breakfast for the purpose. It was the Museum's loss since the glass was of extreme rarity, for the most part, many pieces in the "one known" category.

We thank all of the clubs who sent letters and phone calls expressing their confidence in the board.

I want to mention our new assistant editor, Neila Bredehoft, who has just joined the Heisey News staff and will be a tremendous asset. She has typed all of this issue.

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We have also inserted material from "Diamond Dust" the newsletter of the Heisey Heritage Society. Without any real basis in fact they are very critical of HCA and have been sending batches of this newsletter to member clubs. Incidentally, part of their newsletter is complimentary about the convention but we have included only the parts dealing with the subject we are discussing.

Heisey Collecting Is Still Fun,

Louise

* Of this amount \$6,554.28 is the total purchased from board members, before, during and after their terms on the board.

We hope that we will now finally be caught up so that your Heisey News will from now on arrive at the proper time. LR

A LETTER TO THE NEW BOARD

You are now representing the nearly 5000 members of HCA and more specifically the voting members of HCA. This is a non-profit corporation not subject to the same laws as profit-making corporations. We have no stockholders.

If you happen to belong to a study club remember that your club has only one vote so that their wishes are only equivalent to any one voting member. You were not elected to represent your study club but to act for all voting members.

The Board is sensitive to all complaints and suggestions when properly presented. However, the primary purpose of a study club is to study the glass, promote fellowship and to support HCA and the Museum.

This is no social club. We are operating a large business with the Club, Newsletter, and Museum.

The officers all have hard jobs which demand most of their time and work. The Club needs dedication from all of you board members too. Everyone of us needs to be an active and productive board member to maintain our success.

We try at all times to consider the members away from this area. This is the reason, for instance, that all study clubs in this area pay for the privilege of using the meeting room--because you from away do not have this opportunity yet you help support it.

We thank Jerry Robinson for the four years he gave to the board and it was not always easy for him to get here. Good Luck, Jerry!

NATIONAL HEISEY GLASS MUSEUM CUP PLATES

From The First Fifty--Plus Twenty--a newsletter concerning Pairpoint cup plates we quote the following:

"NATIONAL HEISEY GLASS MUSEUM

The National Heisey Glass Museum is located in Newark, Ohio in a handsomely restored house built in 1831 by Samuel Dennis King and lived in by his descendants until it was moved by the Heisey Collectors of America to Museum Park. The museum has eight rooms filled with Heisey Glass beautifully displayed, with all the known colors and nearly every pattern--over 3,000 items. HCA has members in every state, Wash. D. C. and several foreign countries, with a total membership of over 4,500. The cup plate depicts the King House--Museum Building, and is a limited edition."

The first edition of 750 of these cup plates is now sold out.

HEISEY COLLECTORS OF COLUMBUS

June 25, 1979

Dear Board Members:

This letter is intended to be constructive. It is composed from the expressions of a meeting of the Heisey Collectors of Columbus held on the evening of June 22, 1979, with all members in attendance.

The meeting was called by two members who are neither officers nor Board Members of HCA.

It is our hope that this letter will not be directed at personalities although obviously, in a group such as ours, personalities can be identified in the context.

HCA is strong and healthy! The Museum is a memorial to the dedicated efforts of many people but Heisey collecting is no longer fun.

The Club was intended to be a collectors' group and its mission is set forth in our Constitution. It has turned into a group of crass financial manipulators in some areas in the last two years and it is in the financial manipulation of a few people that our weaknesses are surfacing.

Let us read this letter as a review of our own consciences with the thought in mind that some of those in the meeting promulgating these lines may have guilt areas.

Our Club herewith sets forth trouble areas that most everyone close to the Club has become aware of. They largely bear on ethical concerns and our growing tendency toward a centralized autocracy.

I. ACQUISITION:

This is a large part of our Club life. It has been secretive, high-priced and fraught with conflict of interest in connection with Board Members and Officers.

We believe the Club is entitled to have acquisitions published in the Newsletter as they occur on a monthly basis. Purchasers would list from whom, the item and the price paid. Gifts would merely list the item and from whom.

Nothing should be purchased from an Officer or Board Member until presented to the Board at a quarterly meeting. This is also appropriate in connection with our status with Internal Revenue Service.

The argument that this tends to set prices is simply not relevant in view of our regular auctions.

II. VOTING MEMBERSHIP:

It is nearly a secret. We need to have no fear of democracy. It will serve us well!

There has been a limited notice of the opportunity to be a voting member. It needs a hard push to increase our income and our participation with others.

III. NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Our Constitution and By-Laws require immediate past president as chairman of this Committee appointed by current President. In fact, we have no past president. We propose the Nominating Committee be chaired by the Vice-President and different members always be appointed every year. This function becomes the ultimate control-device in the organization. We need a breath of air in this area.

IV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

As a matter of common ethical considerations and as a part of our tax status, we cannot continue our present pattern of conflict of interest. At first, in our inception, it didn't really exist. Now, it exists and is intolerable because we are too mature as an organization.

The violations can only be noted and the solution is merely to cease doing these things.

(1) Sales are transacted in the Museum of privately owned inventory.

(2) Items are purchased in the Museum by private persons with some use of incoming and outgoing telephone calls.

The only sales we can afford in the Museum are in the gift shop. Beyond this scope, we cannot exist as a market place. This particular complaint is club-wide and has been expressed and experienced again and again.

V. BULLET BALLOTING:

This is not unconstitutional. It is merely unethical and not sporting in a non-profit fraternal group such as HCA. It is regrettable that this ever happened as it leaves a sour taste and a bad memory.

VI. FINANCIAL DATA:

We need to pass out, send out or in some way disseminate the financial reports of HCA. We may know we are honest, but no one else does. This area has become lax in recent months. If help is needed, we can retain accounting assistance.

In this connection, we may need to consider auditing our records for general peace and tranquility.

VII. BALLOT TALLY!

The annual voting should be counted and reported by detail as to number of votes cast for each candidates and reported by the Club Secretary. The ballots should be kept for a reasonable time and then burned. The practice of announcing winners only is inappropriate.

VIII. MEMBER AT LARGE:

There appears to be no provision in the Constitution as By-Laws for a Member at Large on the Executive Committee. Therefore, since this is jurisdictional rather than optional, it should be discontinued.

IX. AUCTIONS:

The annual auction is an important Club function both financially and as a Club social event.

However, there is a great deal of speculation as to the propriety of holding this auction in a director's business place. Since he holds other private Heisey auctions there and conducts a general antique business including the sale of Heisey glassware there, it creates a "merger effect". Heisey members and non-members go to the private auctions as if they are sanctioned by HCA. This is a serious conflict of interest. The auction could be held at the Sheraton or elsewhere. Since many of the auction buyers are staying in the Sheraton, it is convenient.

X. NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING:

The Club has a problem in accepting paid advertising because at a given breaking point, a size-problem exists. We believe the Club cannot ethically act as a publisher and mailer of the Opera House Auction mailing list. It is not a mere paid ad. It is a mailing list when so used. This constitutes an abnormally large use of an otherwise Club oriented newsletter.

There are nearly five thousand Club members. Possibly two hundred (give or take fifty) are close participants in Club activities on a day-to-day basis.



COLLECTORS OF AMERICA, INC.

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July 26, 1979

Dear Study Club Members,

When you received a letter a few weeks ago from one of your sister study clubs you probably were a little surprised by its contents. Perhaps you thought that these complaints had previously been made to the Board of Directors and had fallen on deaf ears.

Such was not the case! The board first heard the complaints at the same time you did, by a copy of the same letter to each member.

If any club or individual has such complaints as these, or any other, they should be sent to the board, by way of the club office, and they will be considered on their merit.

By receiving the letter the way you did many of you are confused because you don't really know what it means.

On the first page of the letter we learn that Heisey Collecting is no longer fun. This comes as a surprise to most of us who avidly follow this hobby.

We will answer on a point basis as each was discussed at the Board of Directors meeting on July 7.

I. Acquisitions.

We were not aware that this was particularly secretive. Acquisition lists are on file both in the museum and in the president's office and certainly any board member, at least, could look at them anytime they cared to.

The board's opinion is that no useful purpose could be served by printing names of persons from whom glass was bought nor amounts paid. Many sellers would not want this known since they very often sell to us at cheaper prices than they would charge the public. We do attempt to print the listing but in this busy operation some things get neglected.

The members of this committee were selected for several reasons.

A. Their great knowledge of Heisey glassware and what is rare and desirable.

B. Their willingness to give first priority to the museum, rather than to themselves, when rare pieces are discovered.

C. Because of their exact knowledge as to what glass is needed to improve and extend the museum - owned glass since they are fully aware of each item on display and whether it is museum owned.

As to whether some of these items are too high, how could this particular study

club know that? Some items of extreme rarity (one or two known to exist) have been high as one might expect since competition for rarities is increasing every day. The committee is charged to buy rare items. On the other hand prices for many very good items have also been very low so that it balances out.

It is true that some items have been purchased from board members, NOT because they were board members but because many of the board members are the most knowledgeable and discriminating collectors in the U.S. and have some of the rarest glass. Are we to pass it up and let it go to the private collectors where none of you may ever see it again? Glass has been purchased from 113 different persons. Many, many over priced items have been turned down.

The board will review the guidelines for acquisitions.

II. Voting Membership

Every newsletter, every application form and every ad we've ever published has the information on voting members and the price - \$25.00 one time fee. It was also announced, and is every year, at a meeting or meetings prior to the annual meeting that it is not too late to become a voting member and vote for your favorite candidate. Whether people care to become a voting member is usually due to their amount of interest.

III. Nominating Committee

The nominating committee has changed every year with the exception of the chairman. He has served in this capacity since the constitution states that the "immediate past president" shall serve. We do NOT have such a person. Whether you consider it strange or not, the reason he has filled the spot is because on October 15, 1971 the Newark Study Club became HCA and were the sole members until Jan. 1, 1972. Mr. Yeakley was the only past president of that club so it made sense to us AT THAT TIME to let him fill the past president spot - primarily to have five people on the executive committee. No one until this letter came had ever questioned this. There is no problem in correcting it if necessary. It will take a by-law change, however, to give the proper authorization to use some other designated person in the absence of a past president.

IV. Conflict of Interest

Workers in the museum have always been told that they are NOT to buy or sell glass in the museum. Our people are volunteers and it is VIRTUALLY impossible for us to know everything which they are doing. Anyway we tend to trust them.

Some of this may be going on but it is certainly NOT rampant and neither are calls for purchasing made to and from the museum. Also we have absolutely no control over visitors to the museum buying and selling to each other because of conversation they have between themselves there.

Much glass is brought in to be identified and the president usually does this if she's there. The only time she ever mentions buying something is for the MUSEUM - NOT for herself. We also are not supposed to price glass for people.

This will be stressed in guidelines for docents.

V. Bullet Balloting

This is casting only a single ballot for one person rather than the full number you could have voted for. The process is definitely not ILLEGAL.

As for whether you believe it is unethical is up to the individual. Certainly the board is not able to have any control over this.

In this last election someone reported, after the election, a teller we suppose, that 18 such ballots had been cast for one individual. This is absolutely untrue.

There were 7 bullet ballots cast. 3 of these were for one person, 2 were for another person, and one for each of 2 others. Three of these were cast for people who were NOT elected.

VI. Financial Data

The treasurer makes a report at every quarterly meeting and all board members receive a copy. He is willing to talk to anyone about this report and has repeatedly said so at meetings.

Copies of the yearly budget are sent to every club and voting member prior to the June meeting.

We know of no change in this in recent months. This is an unpaid job and when you see the size of the budget you realize the work that is involved.

The books have been audited several times by a firm of CPA's and also by the IRS. They are presently being audited.

We believe that most HCA members think we are honest. At least no one has told us otherwise heretofore.

A report will be printed in the newsletter.

VII. Ballet Tally

The election was fair and honest. Each candidate's name came to the top every eighth ballot. Ten tellers counted the votes, five each in two groups with two board members overseeing both the election itself and the count, one at each table.

Roberts Rules of Order states that the "Chair" announces the vote. In this case the "Chair" is the PRESIDENT, who did announce the winners.

The practice of announcing winners only is commonly used in such other clubs as Civitan, Kiwanis, many lodges and others, and is only used to avoid embarrassing the losers. The list is always available if needed.

The ballots have always been sealed and kept for at least two years. At present we still have those for 1977, 1978 and 1979. This is probably too long to keep them.

VIII. Member-At-Large

This member was added to the executive committee by the board of directors when Loren Yeakley became treasurer since he could not fill two positions. If and when there is a past president then that person will fill this spot. We have never been advised that there was anything improper about this.

IX. Auctions

Opinions probably vary greatly on this subject.

Why has the auction been held at the Opera House the last several years?

1. It is offered at NO COST to H.C.A.
2. Glass can be stored there, unwrapped until catalogued, identified, listed and re-stored there until the auction - a period of at least two months.
3. Mr. Schnaidt handles the auction and auctioneers at no cost, He also recruits other unpaid auctioneers to help him.
4. The Sheraton Inn ballroom cost \$1500 for the two days required for set-up and auction.

Mr. Schnaidt displays no Heisey for sale in the selling area during the auction preview or auction.

The concensus of the board seemed to be that for these reasons the Opera House should continue to be used for the benefit auction.

X. Newsletter Advertising

Up until now we have had no problem in accepting advertising. However, with the mailing rate of 28¢ for 24 pages this could happen at some future date if we want to keep a proper balance between information and ads. Adding just one page ups the postage to 37¢ per newsletter, an additional total amounts of over \$325. At \$45.00 per page for advertising, at full page rate. You can see the problem,

Mr. Schnaidt's ads are paid for at the regular rate of \$45 per page and we require him to furnish camera ready copy to cut down on typing costs. Each page is stamped "Paid Advertisement."

These pages properly belong in the body of the newsletter. Unfortunately, on one occasion only, the printer misunderstood and put it in the front.

We hope that this explains the items mentioned in the study club's letter to you and will allow you to make any conclusions you wish but having at least two viewpoints.

Your board of directors is honest and ethical and everyone on it expressed his or her opinion on some or all of these questions. They want to serve you well. They want you to deal with them directly and not through a letter sent all over the United States which indicated that you can't deal with the board yourselves.

Study clubs are an important part of HCA and their suggestions are welcome - but not by the "back door." Also these clubs contain less than the majority of our voting members of HCA.

While you are thinking of all these things you might consider how successful, your club is as compared with all other handmade glass clubs. You might also want to remember how so few, must, by the very nature of things, give so extensively of their time to make this whole operation work. There are hundreds of you out there who would do the same thing gladly if you were but close enough.

This is a complex operation because we are running a highly successful club, an equally successful museum, we have a retail business both in our shop and by mail and we publish a newspaper-all this, month after month, year after year without fail, with ONE paid employee of the last year only.

This letter is so late because of the president's illness, hospitalization, and surgery which first began on July 7.

The Executive Committee
Copy to each study club and every member
of the Board of Directors

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STEMS

by Carl Sparacio

I've been amongst the missing because it took me this long to get over convention. We had a great time, as I'm sure everybody did, and we even managed to pick up a few stems which we had long since given up hope on. I guess I was most tickled with a Park Avenue goblet because I was just about convinced that they really didn't exist. A No. 400 Colonial goblet was another happy find. That's one of those plain stems and it is easily overlooked even though it's really quite rare. A friend led me to it but not before he snapped up a Diamond Band sherbet, from the same table.



In an article on Wabash I mentioned that I had yet to see it in Flamingo. When I got to Newark some friends brought some along to show me and it seemed that every other table had Flamingo Wabash for sale, I now own a goblet.

For no other reason than the fact that I recently saw a set of 433 Grecian Border champagnes, we'll talk about Greek Key this month. Heisey called it "Grecian Border" but the rest of the world seems to prefer "Greek Key". This pattern is one of Heisey's most popular if not the most popular. Forget about Orchid and Rose, they're etchings not patterns. If you're into Greek Key you know that it is not only difficult to find but rather expensive when you do find it. This is really a case of supply and demand rather than rarity. This pattern disappears into collections as soon as it shows up.

The glass in this pattern is the finest Heisey had to offer and one would think that it would be more abundant considering its production ran from the early teens through the late thirties. I suspect that from 1920 on the only things produced were sherbets and banana split dishes because these are the only pieces that show up with any degree of regularity. With the exception of the two pieces I mentioned, stemware in Greek Key is tough to find.

The stem line in this pattern ranges from a 3/4 oz. cordial to a 9 oz. goblet with the emphasis being on sherbets. There were two types of sherbets offered and each of these could be had straight sided, cupped or flared. This, in effect, gives us six different sherbets to choose from. This could be a real turn on for sherbet lovers but I suspect they are still in the closet because I've yet to meet one.

Let's talk about color in Greek Key. Now this is the stuff dreams are made of. Everybody knows that this pattern is found in Flamingo. Well, not really the whole pattern. You have to be satisfied with a punch bowl set or torte plate if you want a colored piece. The punch cups seem rather abundant in pink which is strange since the punch bowls are so scarce. Somewhere out there is a Moon-
gleam goblet just waiting for me.

Editor's Note: The punch bowl, buffet plate and punch cup were still being shown in the 1937 catalog. For pictures of Greek Key stemware see page 14 of May, 1979 Heisey News.

#602 #602½

CRUSHED FRUIT JARS

by Joseph D. Lokay

The design for the #602 and #602½ crushed fruit jars was patented by A. J. Sanford. He filed the application for a patent on November 7, 1913 and was granted design patent #46,870 on Jan. 19, 1915. The patent refers to the design as an ornamental design for a glass jar.

The jars are colonial in design and to some extent are comparable to the 393 Narrow Flute pattern except for the wide band around the top of the panels. The jars have hollow covers for the spoon handles to fit into if the spoons are left inside the jar. The bottoms of the jars are ground and contain the typical Heisey star. They are marked with a large diamond H in the center of the bottom on the inside. One jar I saw also had the words "patent applied for" around the diamond H.

The jar came in four sizes: 24 oz., 1 qt. (32 oz.), 48 oz. and 2 qt. (64 oz.). The stock number 602 was used for the 1 qt. and 2 qt. sizes and the stock number 602½ was used for the 24 oz. and the 48 oz. sizes. Since there were four different sizes, the Heisey Company could have used only one stock number 602

for all four sizes of jars. Yet, for some reason unknown to me, Heisey assigned the whole number and the half number for two each of the four sizes. Perhaps the half number has something to do with the jar heights. Looking at the pictures of the jars with this article, you will notice that the 602 jars are the taller ones and the 602½ jars are the shorter ones.

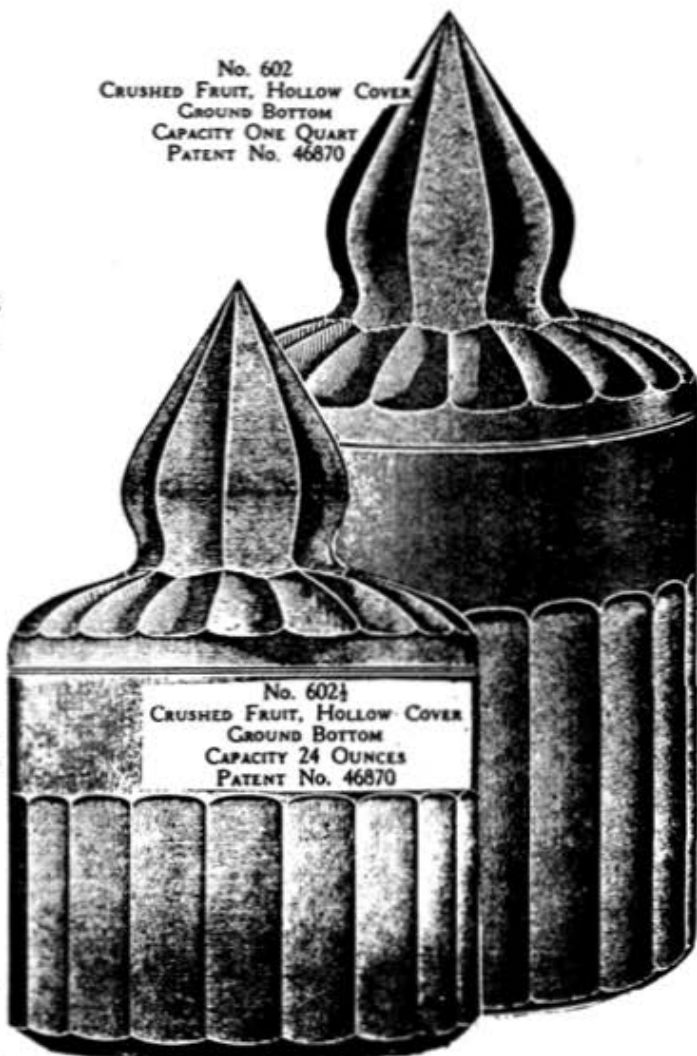
To give you some idea of size, I had a chance to measure the 48 oz. jar. it is 5" in diameter and 8" tall to the top of the cover.

The 602 and 602½ crushed fruit jars first appeared in Heisey catalog #76 circa 1915. The last reference for the four jars was price list #206 circa 1922. Thus the production period for these four crushed fruit jars is estimated at 9 years over the time span 1914 to 1922. Indications are that the jars were made in crystal only.

Other patterns of Heisey crushed fruit jars are pictured in the December 1976 issue of Heisey News, pages 16-18, for comparison.

In about 1900, stock number 602 was used for a 10 oz. handled beer mug. Bar ware with and without optic, tumblers and other sizes of mugs were added to the 602 pattern line. Sodas, tumblers and mugs in the 602 line continued in production before, during and after production of the crushed fruit jars. The sodas, tumblers and mugs were of similar colonial design, namely, narrow flutes with a wide band around the top of the flutes. The 602 bar ware with and without optic was patented under design patent #46,296 that was granted to A. J. Sanford and the Heisey Company on August 18, 1914. If one thinks of the 602 pattern line as glassware for soda fountain service, then one can easily see how the sodas, mugs, tumblers and crushed fruit jars fit into one pattern line.

No. 602
CRUSHED FRUIT, HOLLOW COVER
GROUND BOTTOM
CAPACITY ONE QUART
PATENT No. 46870



HEISEY DECORATIONS

by Neila Bredehoft



This column is in response to a request from Barbara Lindig who collects Olympiad.

Olympiad was new in 1933 when so many new etchings were developed. It remained popular for many years. It was listed in Price Lists and Catalogs until 1942 and was offered for matching after that time.

Olympiad has long been popularly called Trellis Rose or Rose Trellis which is quite descriptive but Olympiad is the original Heisey name.

It should be possible to assemble a set of Olympiad but finding even one example of each stemline might be almost impossible. According to price lists, Olympiad could be found on the following full lines of stemware: 3389 Duquesne, 3390 Carcassone, 3397 Gascony, 3404 Spanish, 3409 Plymouth, 3411 Monte Cristo, and 3416 Barbara Fritchie. I have not seen Olympiad on most of these stem lines. About the easiest to find are Spanish and Monte Cristo. Add to this that each stem line except Barbara Fritchie was offered also in sahara with the etching and you have an almost impossible task finding an example of each variety. A notation was also found listing the 3360 Penn Charter goblet as being etched with Olympiad.

A full table service plus accessory pieces was made in Olympiad. Most of the production of these items was in crystal with only the Octagon variety tray and the Empress items being available in sahara. Production of any items in sahara were not listed after Catalog 17, circa 1937.

Found on: **STEMWARE:** 3360 Penn Charter goblet only, crystal only; 3389 Duquesne, crystal & sahara; 3390 Carcassone, crystal & sahara; 3397 Gascony, crystal & sahara; 3404 Spanish, crystal & sahara; 3409 Plymouth, crystal & sahara; 3411 Monte Cristo, crystal & sahara; 3416 Barbara Fritchie, crystal only.

ACCESSORIES: 112 candlestick, crystal only; 142 Cascade candlestick, crystal only; 500 Octagon variety tray, crystal & sahara; 1401 Empress, several items, crystal & sahara; 1445 Grape Cluster, console set, crystal; 1466 Star relish, crystal; 1509 Queen Ann plates, floral bowl, cup, saucer, crystal; 4054 Coronation $\frac{1}{2}$ gal. jug, crystal.

Please add to your etchings lists: 485 9 inch Beverage bowl, crystal.

TUMBLERS

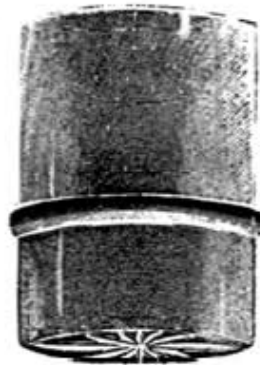
by Tom Bredehoft

195 & 197

Finishing the series of tumblers from Catalog 76 we began a couple of months ago, we have #'s 195 and 197. Number 195 was still priced in the 1917 price list but by the time the next list came out in 1919 it had been dropped



No. 195—9 oz.
TUMBLER
PATENT APPLIED FOR



197



517—QUART
No. 197 TUMBLER FITTED IN TOP

from production. Number 197 on the other hand, was made forever (with exceptions). While looking through the catalogues of the color period to find what colors 197 might be found in, I found instead that it was not made at all from some time after 1924 until some time before 1938. So much for color, although as I've said before, I wouldn't be surprised at any color in 197.

Looking at the two tumblers, they appear the same with the exception of the horizontal rib or band. The band on 195 looks as if it might be to keep the tumbler from slipping through one's fingers. 197, on the other hand, has its band lower on the body which keeps it from slipping into the 517 jug in which it fits upside down. The jug and the tumbler were introduced at the same time and I can only suppose they were made for each other.

- PERIOD: early, circa 1913 to 1957--197
early, circa 1913 to 1919--195
- COLOR: none known
- VARIATIONS: none known
- DECORATIONS: 195--none known
197 came with 679 Windsor, 693 Cloister, 729 Fairfield, and 730 Cornflower. There's a good possibility that the cutting on the tumbler consisted of only a band of leaves around the bottom. The one cut one that I have seen was this way.
- COMMENTS: Both tumblers are signed, have star bottoms and are ground on the bottom.

EXCERPT FROM THE SUGGESTED BY-LAWS FOR MEMBER CLUBS OF HEISEY COLLECTORS OF AMERICA, INC.:

ARTICLE II-OBJECTIVES

Section 1-The objectives of the _____ shall be to support and carry out the objectives and goals of the Heisey Collectors of America, Inc. as stated in the Constitution, in the following manner: (a) By bringing together Heisey glass collectors for the purpose of studying and exchanging knowledge of Heisey glass. (b) To familiarize the public with the objectives of this club and to increase general interest in collecting Heisey glass. (c) To urge its preservation in a museum to be located in Newark, Ohio, where the glass was made, (d) To endeavor, through various projects, to help establish and support such a museum. (e) The club may adopt such by-laws as not inconsistent with those of the Heisey Collectors of America, Inc.

"AN EMBARRASSING ELECTION

Somehow, no matter how well everything goes with a really complicated affair like the HCA Convention, there always has to be a sour note. This year the election of new board members managed to put a damper on what otherwise was a great convention... The problem was not with who was elected but rather how one or two candidates won. The slate this year was particularly strong and HCA couldn't lose no matter who won. Apparently the word was passed among a "Newark group" that some favorite sons might not be voted in. As insurance, the "group" agreed among themselves to use the bullet vote. Bullet voting is when you do not vote for all the positions to be filled but only for the one or two candidates you favor....There is nothing illegal about voting in this manner but it is far from ethical. It effectively reduces the number of votes the other candidates can receive. An apology is owed to all the candidates as they will never know if their victory or defeat was really the consensus of the voting members. The winners should be aware that they do not have a mandate under these conditions....Protests will be forthcoming privately (the Executive Committee has never hung its laundry in public) that there never was a conspiracy to bullet vote. This is to be expected. Unfortunately for them it is already public knowledge. Conscience stricken members who were chosen to tally the vote were disturbed enough to speak openly about the freakish voting patterns but most appalling was the fact that some of the "Newark clique" were so brazen as to brag about what was done.. Years of building confidence was destroyed for the sake of---what? Perhaps more was at stake than the innocents could possibly imagine. We can't help but wonder who would be willing to accept a nomination to the Board unless the voting rules were changed. The solution is simple: no ballot should be counted which doesn't have votes cast for all open Board positions. As further insurance write-ins should only be allowed for those who have accepted nominations from the floor---there is more than one way to bullet vote.....Carl Sparacio"

OPEN LETTER TO CARL SPARACIO

Dear Carl,

The 1979 election was no different this year than any other year, and it was not the first time that there have been a few "bullet" ballots cast. You may be surprised to know that there were some cast for you when you were elected to the board. You may think the process unethical and I have never used it myself but it is definitely not illegal and it is everyone's right in a secret ballot to vote as they choose. Elsewhere in this newsletter is a quote from Roberts Rules of Order on this subject.

The fact that you say the word passed among the "Newark group", whatever that means, that their favorite son might not get elected and that this group agreed to use the bullet ballot is ridiculous. These people have minds of their own and you don't "get" them to do anything they don't want to do. The story doesn't hold water anyway since only three of 150 votes were bullet ballots for Sam. That would seem to be either a very small "group" or a dismal failure. Bob Rarey got one of these seven bullet ballots, Percy Moore got one and Jim Kennon got two. What kind of pattern can this be? I am sure that 7 votes for four different people would have little or no effect on the outcome of the election. So I don't believe any "apologies" are in order to those who lost. If so who owes it to them, everyone who voted for someone else?

As far as your unjustified remark about the executive committee not "hanging out its (dirty) laundry", I am not aware that we have any to hang. The executive committee takes care of day to day business, makes recommendations to the board and keeps the place running. It also does all of the things which

the board votes to do and then says, "Let the executive committee handle it". It really is not too exciting to attend 12 meetings a year on top of all of the others required, especially when you have worked 10, 12, 14 hours already that day and most every other day, all for HCA and all for "love".

Incidentally, there have never been write-in ballots counted that I have ever heard of. If there are any such they should always be cast out and not counted.

You "Diamond Dusters" love to speak of the Newark "clique", a phrase you picked up from some disgruntled Ohioans years ago. Stan Darling's definition of a "clique" is the people who do the work in any organization. In that case all HCA members had better be glad we do have such a clique. Many Newark people don't see each other any oftener than they see you. We don't sit in "smoke filled rooms" plotting against other HCA members. We have other things to do.

We work, and we work darned hard as most HCA members appreciate. Otherwise we wouldn't have the best glass club, newsletter and museum and largest membership in the hand made glass world.

I might say that I was trying to add new blood to the convention when I called you the night before I got the "Diamond Dust". I asked first Helen (who had other heavy duties this year) and then you to be convention chairman. You immediately refused. I asked you in good faith thinking that with a good committee here you could manage it. Anyway that's the kind of answer one usually gets from away so who else can we use but local people. It was during this call that you got into this "bullet" ballot thing and practically told me you didn't believe me when I said there were not 18 bullet ballots. You knew you were right, you said, because of who told you. That is the trouble with rumors--they tend to grow and anyone can repeat them.

Your paper has jibed at me before for not wanting Heisey News to become controversial. Why should I, our members don't like it--they want to learn about the glass. If they wanted to really know answers to things they'd write to HCA, certainly not to Diamond Dust.

At any rate your club will be happy to know that this "kitten" sometimes does have claws.

Carl, you were a good board member and well liked and you were asked to run again but refused.

You know that the officers and board were honest when you were on it and your leaving it never made it less so. It is not a rubber stamp group.

It seems strange that your particular club can never trust anyone to be doing things right rather than always assuming that something shady is going on. Naturally some errors have been made because we have had to use trial and error at times and are human. But basically it is a great club, with great board members, officers, members and study clubs.

Louise

May, 1952



Perfect present for June weddings, for week-end hostesses, for yourself are these sea horse cocktail glasses. Stems are cleverly fashioned in amber or white glass; bowls are bell-shaped. About 7" high. \$6 ppd. the set of four. Malcolm's, 526 N. Charles St., Baltimore, Maryland.



A distinctively designed crystal "sign" featuring the Heisey name and trade mark is also available to Heisey dealers. Use it to tie-in with your Heisey displays.

November 1949

"HCA Board Elections: Storm clouds on the horizon.

The preceding article by Carl Sparacio is thought provoking; it is also anger provoking. A power play is exciting to watch in a hockey game, but in a national organization in which the vast majority of the membership--and thus the vast majority of the financial support--comes from outside the Newark, Ohio area, such a tactic can have serious repercussions. If the membership of any large national organization perceives that a small group of its colleagues from a particular geographical area, are playing undemocratic games to perpetuate the power of a few local favorites, that organization can cease to be national very quickly.

Of course, HCA, as an organization, cannot be held responsible for the particular incident Carl described. However, HCA as an organization, does have the power, through appropriate amendments to its Bylaws, to ensure that there is no recurrence. It not only has the power but, in my view, it has the absolute responsibility to prevent a recurrence. Should it fail to take corrective measures, the membership outside of the Newark area might be justified in reaching some unpleasant conclusions and acting accordingly. Frankly, if I personally reached the conclusion that HCA wanted to be run by a provincial and xenophobic (sic) little clique with but one "outside" Board member--presumably a "token" to satisfy the great mass of "unwashed" outsiders--I would not want any part of HCA. I would not want my club to contribute \$1000 to HCA--as it did this year --unless I believed that HCA was as receptive to my participation in its governing body as it was to accepting my money. The members of the California club, who also contributed \$1000, as well as the members of the other clubs from all over the United States who also contributed substantial amounts of money, might share my views.

I had often heard complaints about the clannishness of the "Newark people" prior to the incident reported by Carl; other complaints had to do with their alleged hostility to anyone outside of their particular group trying to gain elective office in HCA. However, I tended to view these complaints philosophically because I felt that the dominance of HCA by Newark people was simply a natural consequence of the fact the Heisey plant was located there and HCA was founded there. As a matter of human nature, folks from Newark cannot be faulted if they feel a certain proprietary interest in HCA. Not only were they the "founding fathers" so to speak, but they did, and continue to do, most of the work that has made and kept HCA a going concern. They are, of necessity, saddled with most of the work involved with running the HCA Museum--and there can be little doubt that they have done a superb job in that respect. Moreover, local members have to do most of the work connected with organizing and running many other HCA events including the Annual Benefit Auction, the Souvenir Dinner, the Christmas Dinner, and most important, the Convention and all of the related activities connected with it. Finally, the HCA newsletter is, in itself, almost a full-time job for several people, I suspect. Yet all of this vast work is done with only one full-time paid employee. So I give the folks from Newark their due; they richly deserve the gratitude of all of us. They are there; they are ready, willing and able; so they do it. If they all quit in disgust, HCA would collapse overnight. So, with all of this in mind, they can be forgiven is (sic) they feel that they should have more say in how HCA is run than "outsiders" who only show up once or twice a year after the hard work is all done.

But the fact of the matter is that no particular group has a "divine right" to forever dominate HCA--no matter how much work they do for the organization. When the Newark founders made the decision almost ten years ago that HCA would be a national organization, that decision carried with it an implicit obligation of fairness to those thousands of members from all over the country who would soon be joining HCA. The original vision that HCA would be an organization of national scope has come true--perhaps far beyond the wildest dreams of

its founders.

Unfortunately, HCA's Bylaws apparently did not envision this success since they appear to have been conceived with the aim of restricting control of HCA to a privileged few rather than making the organization accessible to a national constituent (sic) As the Bylaws now stand, "voting membership" in HCA is obtained by a one-time payment of \$25 per member. A further restriction is that the voting member must be present at the annual convention to exercise that vote. In the latter respect HCA lags behind most publicly held corporations, which routinely allow stockholders to vote by proxy; they also lag behind National, state, and local governments which normally allow absentee ballot voting. Thus the conjecture that HCA's voting restrictions are designed to keep HCA under "local" control, has some validity. Clearly local members find it much easier to come to convention and vote than do members from Texas or California, for example. The many out of state chartered clubs who faithfully support HCA at the present time were not in existence when the HCA Bylaws were adopted; nor has HCA made any internal move to amend its Bylaws since the organization became truly national in scope. It is high time they did.

Carl Sparacio suggested that HCA should at least amend its voting rules to prevent a repetition of "bullet voting". My own view is that they should go much further in the direction of reform. Keeping in mind that the HCA Board of Directors has tremendous influence in directing the affairs of HCA--including the power to appoint all national officers and set national policy--the election of such officers should be open to the largest possible cross-section of HCA membership. With that end in mind, I believe that HCA should simply eliminate the requirement that voting members, at least those affiliated with a chartered club, must be present at convention in order to vote. This reform could be implemented by a simple amendment to the Bylaws which would provide that any authorized representative of a chartered club who is in attendance at the convention, could exercise a proxy vote for any members of that club who were not able to attend, provided that the absent member had specifically authorized in writing the exercise of this proxy. HCA could authorize a pre-printed form for this purpose which would contain any information deemed necessary by HCA to authenticate the proxy, plus, of course, a space for the absent member to sign. This single change would, overnight, eliminate the source of much of the criticism which has been leveled at HCA.

Yes, you folks from Newark are correct; this reform would give members from outside of the Newark area effective control over HCA Board Elections. And what's wrong with that? Are we less honorable, less intelligent, and less devoted to HCA than (sic) you are? Are we not to be trusted? What then do you fear? This reform will not "destroy" HCA--as some opponents will no doubt suggest--by causing a wholesale and disruptive "changing of the guard" overnight. As a matter of practical reality, it is much easier for local people to serve on the HCA Board than a member from the South Florida club or one of the West Coast clubs. And chances are that Board Members and Club officers will continue to hail from within a few hours driving range of Newark, if not from Newark itself. But they will owe their election to a much wider cross-section of members--and not just to a local clique of pals, and consequently they will feel an obligation to a much larger group of members than they do now. And that is exactly how they should feel. And if there are members from a thousand miles away who are able and willing to make the sacrifices that an HCA national office requires, then they should have the same opportunity to serve as a member from the Newark area. Certainly a member from a distant club should not have the deck stacked against him by voting restrictions or by a patently offensive display of "local yokelism" such as the incident Carl Sparacio reported. Such a calculated and concerted effort by voting members from the Newark area, apparently designed to eliminate outside HCA Board Candidates--if in fact Carl's allegations are true--should be

greeted by all fair-minded HCA Members with total and unequivocal disapproval. And, unless that disapproval is recognized and dealt with fairly and quickly by the newly elected HCA Board, it can and should lead to a number of responses by HCA Members, some of which are suggested below:

(1) Clubs should consider the wholesale return of charters to HCA. Keep in mind that one of the best clubs in the nation is the unaffiliated National Capital Club in the Washington, D. C. area. This club sponsors the only all Heisey glass show in the country that we know of; and they do an outstanding job. Who needs affiliation with a national organization that considers you a second class citizen unless you hail from Newark?

(2) Chartered clubs should withhold (sic) all gifts to HCA, whether in cash or in the form of glass, unless and until the Bylaws are amended.

(3) Chartered clubs who do wish to contribute cash to HCA should designate--as the South Florida Club did this year--that the funds must be used only for travel expenses of out-of-state Directors or Officers. Such a designation would produce a substantial fund in several years and would provide an incentive for "outside" members to run for office. Query: Why is there not already a provision for expenses of directors who live more than 100 miles from Newark?

In the meantime, those of us who are concerned with the future of HCA can take certain actions right now. A letter writing campaign on the part of individual HCA Members may be all that is necessary. Let HCA President Louise Ream know how you feel. If there is any one person who deeply cares about HCA and its future, Mrs. Ream is that person....In addition, separate or joint resolutions sponsored by chartered clubs might also be effective. We understand that one Ohio club some distance from Newark was so upset about the election shenanigans that they are presently considering (if they have not already done so) submitting a resolution of protest to HCA. Provided they make that resolution public and give us permission, you will see a copy of it in the next issue of Diamond Dust.

Finally, we urge every member of HCA who has not done so already, to send in your \$25 so you can become a voting member; and plan to attend the 1980 Convention, if only to vote....Remember, the bottom line is that you, whether you live in Ohio, Virginia, or California, deserve a fair shake from the organization that you support. If HCA wants to be dominated by a local clique which is suspicious of outsiders and intolerant of change, let them have their wish. Withdraw your support and watch HCA shrink to a size which is appropriate to the limited participation which the present Bylaws seem to foster. It is absolutely beyond question that the method of election of the HCA Board should be beyond reproach. And if it isn't, it should be changed; and if it's not changed, you can interpret that inaction as a message from the HCA Board to you. An appropriate reply will occur to you--not genteel, but appropriate.

In conclusion, it must be said that the choice of which direction HCA will take is up to the newly elected HCA Board. If they take the attitude that it's "them against us" and stonewall any meaningful discussion of these important issues they will merely confirm the suspicions of many--and they may also find out that there are more of "us" than there are of "them"....If they take no action, pay your \$25, show up at next year's convention, and be ready to raise hell! You will not be alone....Stay tuned....Bill Boland*

* The opinions expressed above are my own and do not reflect the consensus of the members of the Heisey Heritage Society nor any other club mentioned therein."

The above editorial is quoted in toto with only paragraphing added to make it readable--N. Bredehoft.

OPEN LETTER TO BILL BOLAND, editor & president of Heisey Heritage Society:

Bill,

I don't know you very well even though I spent some time talking to you while you were set up as a dealer and I was selling material for HCA opposite you last fall in New Jersey.

It is difficult to assess your letter since it is so long and rambling and you admit you got your information from Carl as you stated, so you were assuming that his viewpoint was fact when in reality his article was based on rumor and was not true.

You say that HCA's financial support comes from elsewhere than Newark though you might be very surprised at how much of it is local. Non-members support our gift shop regularly and we do have a large number of members here--more associate than voting however, and far more non-members paying to get in than we do members who visit the museum.

Can you think of any way that the Heisey Museum, gift shop, newsletter and many of the other operations can be operated anywhere but in Newark? We are not even that well blessed with help here so that those who work give enormous amounts of time.

You mention in one of your statements all of the things that Newark people do of necessity. Didn't that cover about everything which is done?

One would think that HCA does nothing for study clubs. In the first place they are your reason for being. Only two or three clubs were in existence before HCA. We give you a 24 page newsletter each month, a place to advertise, a place to sell in our June show, September mini-show and the auction where many of you have reaped huge sums for your glass among other things. A few of our board members set up also but they are not, for the most part regular dealers, but they have the right to earn money the same as the rest of you. You all set up in your show.

I am very upset with your derogatory description of local people--the word "yokel" means, plowboy a rustic, a country bumpkin, slow-witted, obtuse and gullible. (The use is chiefly contemptuous). This is from Webster's International dictionary.

It is strange that this bunch of "yokels" have been able to do all that they have, much of it before most of you were ever in HCA. Coming from a small town doesn't make one stupid.

If you believe we want to be so "provincial" why do you think there are always people from away on the nominating committee each year? There are presently five members on the board from out of state, and seven from out of Newark out of the 20. Once a person gets nominated we have no control over whether he gets elected.

In your club you'll always hear about the clannishness of Newark people but again that is based on supposition rather than fact. We are certainly not as clannish as the Heisey Heritage Society judging from the tone of Diamond Dust.

I must say when Jim Jordan was president and Evelyn was editor most of the insulting articles were not present in Diamond Dust.

Perhaps it would be well for you to spend a few days here and see how little time we have to sit around plotting against you--or any other club. You would see that your "clique" works for the good of HCA and your museum.

It might also be well for all study clubs to review the guidelines which led them to become chartered study clubs. A study club was never designed to be a political pressure group. A glance at the

constitution might also be of help. Neil Laughlin, a local attorney, helped write the constitution and shortly after when Stan Darling became our attorney he reviewed it and he suggested no changes. Some changes have been made from time to time, however.

Even though you are, I believe, an attorney you are forgetting that HCA is neither a public corporation, nor a state, local or national government but a non-profit corporation and the same rules do not apply. Not in Ohio at least--and that is where we are incorporated.

When you mention that study clubs should be able, at least, to carry proxies for their members you forget that all voting members do not belong to study groups. Are we to discriminate against all of them while members of study clubs vote by proxy?

Read Roberts Rules of Order on proxy voting for clubs such as ours on another page in this issue.

It is scarcely ethical for a president of a charter study group to urge other clubs to return their charters or hold back their funds--and for what good reason? At any rate any club has the right to do that any time they care to though HCA would be very disappointed to see that happen. As for clubs donating money for board members to travel to Newark, where would you stop if we could ever collect enough money for the purpose? Everyone who runs for the board knows they must attend 3 out of 4 meetings. The 5th special meeting does not count in this. Would you like also to suggest that people living less than a hundred miles away also should receive compensation? It still costs money and they must stay in motels and eat the same as those from far away.

And while you are about that how about the person who travels to the museum 1 to 3 times daily even if it only is a four mile trip? It adds up to a great many dollars also.

The local "clique" which you all speak of is the group of people who do the work. Stan Darling gave us that definition years ago. This group has no fear of any of you and is not suspicious of any of you unless you give us reason to be by trying to undermine the club.

Since you have never been on the board you certainly have no proof that they "stonewall any meaningful discussion" and your statement is out of order. Just saying something does not make it true. The board follows its own constitution and bylaws, Roberts Rules or Order and it's attorney's advice. There is probably nothing that you can think of which has not been discussed at least once by the board pro and con and in a democratic way they decided if it was worthy or unworthy of presentation to the voting members.

Bill, I was really disappointed to see a 3½ page article written by a nice guy like you and sent all over the country in bundles, obviously to try to influence other members, when you knew so little of what is really involved. Established members of the club know that we are honest and responsive as possible and will pay no attention to your attack. It is the new member who may not be aware that the greatest part of your article is based on supposition, not fact. The way it reads you'd think there was something really wrong with HCA rather than it being the strongest hand made glass club in the country today. I should think your club would be proud to help keep it that way.

My thanks for the articles about the convention--and especially Evelyn's nice article. Too bad your newsletter could not have ended there.

Louise Ream

FOR YOUR INFORMATION,...

ACQUISITION COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

These were approved and adopted by the Board July, 3, 1976.

1. The committee shall consist of three members who are very knowledgeable as to rarity of item and/or color and at least a majority should be in consultation to make decisions.
2. Either extremely rare pieces should be purchased, or unusual pieces of a pattern, or pieces in an uncommon color for this pattern.
3. Catalogs not already owned by HCA should be purchased as they become available.
4. Items of interest to the history of Heisey glass should also be purchased when available (tools, etc.). Acquisition may also include antique furniture appropriate to the museum.
5. The Committee must keep an accurate list of expenditures made--and a running total of money available for purchases.
6. A purchase form must be filled out for each purchase and a majority of the Committee must sign this form.

GLASS IN THE MUSEUM

Someone recently asked me if I knew how many pieces of glass are in the museum. I don't because they change so fast it would be hard to keep up. We do, however, have complete files on all loans, donations and acquisitions if we care to add them up.

Louise Ream

MISCELLANEOUS



No. 1181-ORIAN
GROUND BOTTOM



INDIVIDUAL ORIAN
GROUND BOTTOM



No. 1180-ORIAN
GROUND BOTTOM



No. 1181-ROHAN



INDIVIDUAL ROHAN
GROUND BOTTOM



No. 1180-ROHAN
GROUND BOTTOM



No. 393
4 OZ. ORANGE JUICE GLASS
GROUND BOTTOM



No. 393 COMBINATION RELISH
GROUND BOTTOM

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WANTED: Old Newark, Ohio postcards. **DICK SMITH, 88 MAUREN DR., HEATH, OH 43055 PH: (614)522-3075.**

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