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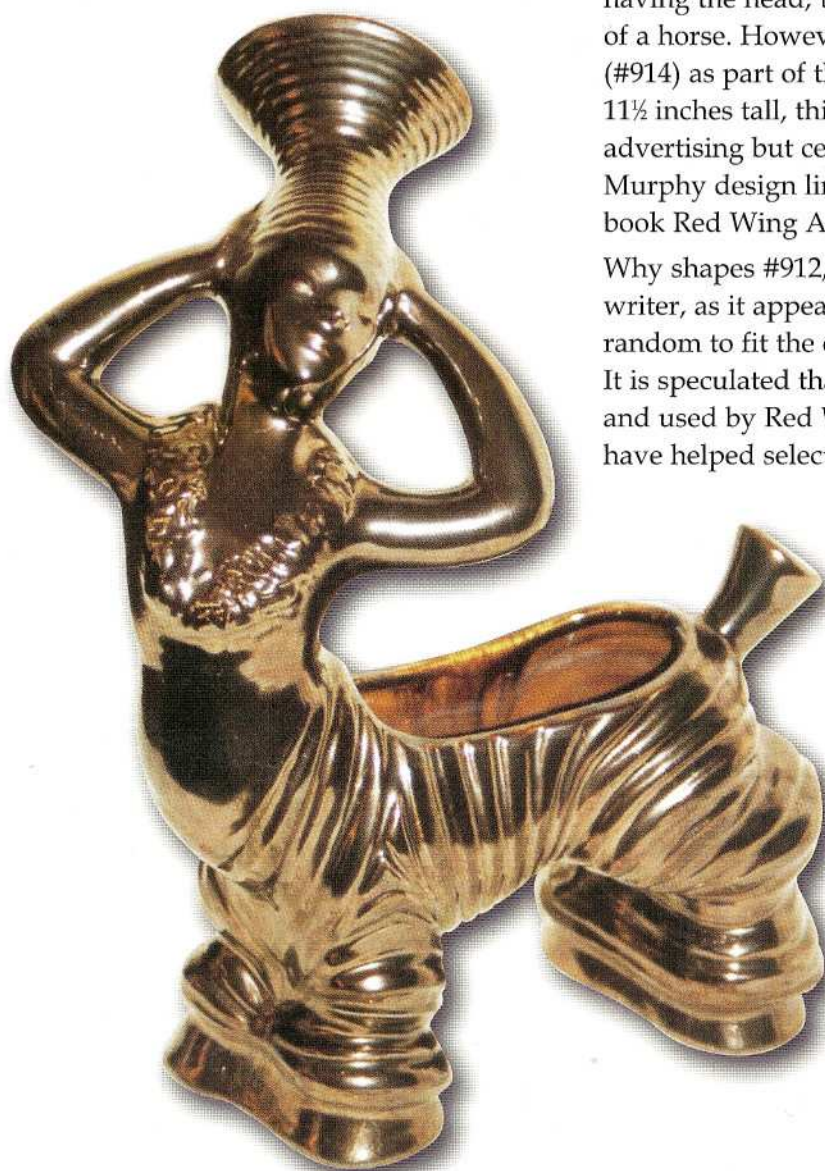
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CENTAUR STATUE

According to the dictionary, a centaur is one of a race of monsters having the head, trunk and arms of a man, and the body and legs of a horse. However, Charles Murphy designed a Female Centaur (#914) as part of the bronze line in 1965 (pictured here). Standing 11½ inches tall, this piece does not appear in the bronze line advertising but certainly fits in the color scheme of the Charles Murphy design line #912 and #913 pictured in Ray Reiss' first book *Red Wing Art Pottery*, on page 171.

Why shapes #912, 913 and 914 were reused is unknown by the writer, as it appears several shape numbers were selected at random to fit the choice of color along with the three newer shapes. It is speculated that Mr. Murphy, who had been a freelance artist and used by Red Wing before officially joining Red Wing, may have helped select the new line.

Shape number 911 is a non-Murphy piece. The other items in the bronze line include a unique vase and a candleholder (pictured below). If anyone has additional information on the bronze line or the centaur piece in particular, please share! *(The information on the centaur statue was submitted by Cliff and Margaret Ekdahl).*



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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COLLECTORS

There are many places to find collectors information, both in printed publications and online for the computer savvy. One of the respected organizations is the National Association of Collectors (NAC). The goal of the NAC is to identify and address the needs and concerns that are common to all collectors and to provide individual collectors with a broad range of information and resources. The NAC was recently acquired by Americana Resources, Inc., in Gaithersburg, Md., an antiques and collectibles organization with Larry Krug and Rick Moses as the principle partners.

The official website of NAC is www.Collectors.Org. It is a comprehensive website where

anyone can get collecting information. You will find several calendars and directories, news and current issues that affect collectors, as well as the full line of NAC services. You can find information about the Red Wing Collectors Society on this site as well as our MidWinter and annual Convention dates.

A little history of this site will include very well known and respected names in the collecting and antiques industry. The NAC was founded by Harry L. Rinker, president of Rinker Enterprises, Inc., in 1996 along with Jim Tucker, founder and director of Antique and Collectible Associations.

Collectors News, June 2002 

WISCONSIN LOVES ART POTTERY

The Wisconsin Pottery Association (WPA) held its Annual Show on August 24th, in Madison, Wisconsin. The featured pottery of the event was our beloved Red Wing! The show was open to the public, and over 1000 people attended the event. The show included a Show and Sale with numerous vendors of all types of American Art Pottery.

A wonderful display of over 300 pieces of art pottery and dinnerware was organized by RWCS Secretary Sue Jones Tagliapetra. Over and over, comments were heard about how wonderful it was to see pieces only before seen in books! The display spanned the many years and the

many products of Red Wing, starting with early salt-glaze stoneware, zinc-glazed items and brushware, and ending with dinnerware and later art pottery. Early kitchenware was included, as well as sections of pieces by designers Belle Kogan and Charles Murphy. A number of times you could hear people saying, "I didn't know Red Wing made that!"

There was a tremendous amount of time and effort expended on the organization and set-up of the display. It was truly an impressive exhibition of Red Wing pieces. The WPA did a wonderful job of introducing Red Wing to more of the general public and increased the number of people who have

RWCS NEW PRIMARY/ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP FEE STRUCTURE

There have been some questions regarding the change in the new primary/associate membership fee structure. Here is an explanation of the changes and what it means for the membership.

As of August 1, 2002, the Society's newly adopted Primary/Associate membership fee structure went into effect. A Primary annual membership fee of \$25 is afforded all of the rights and privileges of the organization. An Associate annual membership fee of \$10 is afforded all of the rights and privileges of the organization except for the receipt of the Newsletter. There must be at least one Primary membership per household address in order to have additional members at that address having Associate member status. The new fee structure is in effect as of August 1, 2002 for new members, and as memberships come up for renewal for current members. However, family members wishing to purchase their own Convention commemorative, must purchase either an individual Primary membership or an individual Associate membership – one membership per person.

What you receive for your Primary Membership Fee:

- ✓ A subscription to the Newsletter with its "first-hand" information – expect your first issue within 90 days of your application.
- ✓ The opportunity to attend the annual national Convention and MidWinter GetTogether festivities.
- ✓ The opportunity to purchase the annual Convention commemorative and button at original cost.
- ✓ The opportunity to submit items and attend the annual Convention auction.
- ✓ The opportunity to attend the annual Convention and MidWinter GetTogether educational seminars.
- ✓ The opportunity to view the annual Convention stoneware/dinnerware/artware/memorabilia, and rare item displays.
- ✓ The opportunity to participate in chapter activities – Newsletters, commemoratives, meetings, etc.

What you receive for your Associate Membership Fee:

- ✓ All of the above except for the receipt of the Newsletter. 

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WISCONSIN LOVES ART POTTERY (continued)

an appreciation for the wares of
Red Wing.

Members Visit the Wisconsin Pottery Association

Last weekend my daughter and I went to Madison. I want to compliment the Wisconsin Pottery Association and the Red Wing volunteers on the great convention. The Red Wing display was wonderful and Steve Brown gave

a very informative talk. I won't try to mention all the names of the Red Wing volunteers because I'm afraid that I might miss someone. The Show and Sale was really fun with such variety. The Red Wing display was the hit of the Wisconsin Pottery Convention.

Marge Stokke, River Falls, WI 

RARE PIERRON CROCK DONATED TO RWCS FOUNDATION MUSEUM

The Red Wing Collectors Society Foundation is pleased to announce the gift of the advertising display piece made for the L. M. Pierron Company, which was produced by Union Stoneware Company. This 20-gallon crock has always been considered one of the rarest and most desirable pieces of Red Wing. It was donated by Nonna and Sara Jo Yaeggi in memory of Dennis A. Yaeggi. Dennis was President of the Red Wing Collectors Society in 1991.

At the second or third RWCS Convention, when Sharron and Steve Cypher did the display "Death of a Red Wing Business," they had the 20-gallon crock in the display. At the Saturday evening banquet, an elderly gentleman asked to sit by Sharron because he had a story to tell. He was a runner in the Red Wing Stoneware factory at a very early age and decided that, unlike the rest of the town, he did not want to waste away making crocks; he wanted to become a train engineer!

Somehow he convinced the owners that, at the ripe age of 14, he could sell stoneware to stores for resale. He hitchhiked on trains and ended up in Milwaukee, WI. He went into Louis Pierron's shop in downtown Milwaukee, and proceeded to convince Louis Pierron to handle Red Wing's line of products. At the time, Louis was jobbing for an Ohio company and selling stoneware



from other small companies. He stopped producing his own crocks in the 1890's when he decided that it was too much work. He wanted to jump on the bandwagon to make and sell bicycles, the new rage at that time. The clincher to convince him to handle Red Wing products exclusively was to make him a unique display piece for his window. The PIERRON CROCK. This 20-gallon crock was painted on upside down so it could be set in the window and act as a display shelf for the newest Red Wing pieces for sale. The gentleman had someone at the factory custom make this for him. He personally delivered it to Louie. He worked on a commission basis and chuckled whenever he thought of it. He said, "That Louie, he made me rich!" The money that he made from the commission sales was enough to send him to engineer

school. He was an engineer for over 50 years. Dennis and Nonna Yaeggi purchased this crock from the Cyper's in 1982 for their personal collection. It was in their collection until July 2002, when Nonna generously donated this Pierron Crock to the RWCS Foundation Museum in memory of Dennis. All who knew Dennis remember his true love of the spirit of collecting Red Wing stoneware. He had a wonderful eye for unusual items and always managed to bring them home.

Nonna wrote, "Not long after Dennis' death, Sara Jo and I talked about the donation of this crock to a museum some day. The recent creation of the Red Wing Collectors Society Foundation Museum is the perfect place for the permanent display of this piece. We are donating it to an extended Red Wing family that was so very important to Dennis. It never failed that at the end of each Convention, we were no doubt the last ones to leave town. Dennis loved Red Wing, the people, the stoneware, the whole aura about Convention. He never wanted to leave." She concluded with, "The donation of this piece is like bringing him back home."

Special thanks to Nonna and Sara Jo for donating such a rare and wonderful gift to the Museum. It will always be cherished.

Dave and Diane Hallstrom 

POTTERY X-FILES - QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q The vase that is shown belonged to my mother and is in excellent condition. The problem is that I cannot find an antique dealer who can tell whether it is authentic and if it is original, what the value might be. The exterior is yellow with grey detail and the inside is pale yellow or cream colored. The vase is 5½ inches across and 7½ inches high.

Tom Cornwall, Spencer, Iowa.

A Here is some information on Red Wing vase #1182. In January, 1943, Red Wing Potteries introduced a group of vases with shape numbers from 1181-1189

with this embossed floral design. A bud vase #1190 was added in July of 1943. These items were produced in the following glazes: Eggshell Ivory, Matte Turquoise, Matte Lily Green, and Matte Reed Yellow. These soft glazes were antiqued with brown which added emphasis to the floral design. I have seen a few Eggshell Ivory pieces antiqued with a charcoal color. In my research, I have not run across any name for this grouping of vases. Current value of the bud vase and candlesticks is \$25-30. The largest vase of this



grouping (#1185 at 11.75") would be valued at \$85-90 with the other items in this line valued in between these low and high values.

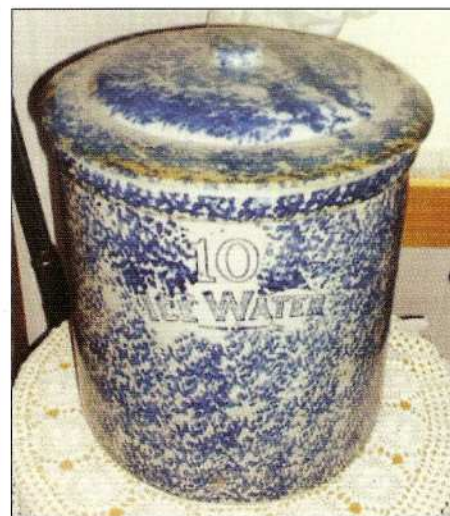
(R. Linde) 

Q I recently purchased this 10 gallon sponged Ice Water cooler. I am trying to determine if it is Red Wing. The Ice Water stamp is identical to that used on all early Red Wing water coolers. However, the number is not typical but does resemble the Fort Dodge numbers. This cooler also has a smaller spigot hole. I have compared the glaze with other crocks and it appears to most closely resemble the other Red Wing crocks I have. It is stunning and really makes a statement by being the largest sponged item we've seen.

Kenneth Fonck, Dubuque, IA.

A We were unable to come up with a conclusive answer on whether it was Red Wing or not. The theory was it may be a Fort Dodge Ice Water due to some characteristics; they did make zinc (white) glaze, did blue sponging, some pieces have the "dash dot dash" and block style numbers for the gallonage. To the contrary, Fort Dodge Ice Waters haven't been seen in a 10 gallon size, the sponging never completely covers the piece, and the styling of "Ice Water" is not like other Ice Waters. The jury is still out on this one.

(Hallstrom/Reed) 



Mystery Plate

Here is a photo of a mystery item that we'd like to share with our readers. This piece belongs to Joyce Anderson, who worked at the Red Wing Pottery Salesroom from 1971-81. She found this piece piled on the shelves in the Garden Shop in a sale area. She is not sure if the piece is the saucer to a pot or a stoneware plate, or if there were

other pieces that went with it. It is very heavy for a traditional plate but it does measure 11 inches, which is the size of a dinnerware plate. The piece is thicker than the Village Green plate and is a color that was used on other lines.

If you have any ideas or recognize the piece, please contact the Newsletter Editors. 



CLUB NEWS

from the
President



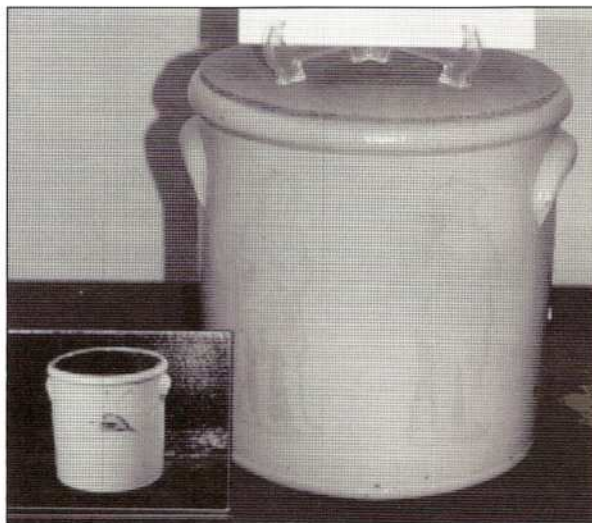
CORRINNE REED

Who would have thought that we would have come so far so fast with the RWCS Foundation and Museum? Dave and Diane Hallstrom will be presenting educational classes on Red Wing in the classroom area of the Museum in Pottery Place Mall through Community Education. They will be offering three classes for the fall/winter series with each one specializing in stoneware, art pottery, or dinnerware. This project will begin to implement the educational component of the Foundation's mission. Our hats off to Dave and Diane for donating their time and effort in this most important activity. The RWCS and the Foundation are most appreciative of the donation to the Museum of the one-of-a kind "Pierron" crock by Nona and Sarah Jo Yaeggi in memory of Past President, Dennis Yaeggi. Thank you, Nona and Sarah. Those of you fortunate enough to be able to attend our 25th Anniversary Annual Convention were able to see it on display in the Museum - a magnificent and fitting tribute to a magnificent human being. We still miss you, Dennis.

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A QUICK REVIEW OF THE "MINUTEMEN" CROCK

(The following is a submission that member Brian Kane from Boise, ID wanted to share with others in regard to a specific crock that he had viewed during the 25th Anniversary Convention in Red Wing.)



My interest was piqued by Roger Ehrenreich's stunning "minutemen" crock on display among the exhibits in the display room at the Collector's Convention. I respectfully propose, however, that the figures on the crock represent not minutemen, but famous American explorers Meriweather Lewis and William Clark. One of the men appears to be carrying a rifle, while the other carries a paddle. They seem outfitted for an expedition, rather than a battle.

Lewis and Clark embarked on their mission to explore land encompassed by the Louisiana Purchase on May 17, 1804, and reached the Pacific Ocean on November 15, 1805. One hundred years later, in 1905, our country commemorated the centennial of their historic mission. Celebratory

events seem to have focused primarily on the rapid efflorescence of Euro-American culture since Lewis and Clark's fledgling journey. One of the more remarkable centennial celebrations was held in

Portland, Oregon, with an exposition from June 1 to October 15, 1905.

The fair occupied 406 acres. Buildings were dedicated to exhibits on "arts and varied industries," as well as forestry, Asian and European culture, agriculture, machinery, electricity, transportation, mines and metallurgy, and fine arts. Given the aggressive marketing

of Union Stoneware Company products at that time, it is likely that it held an exhibit booth in the "arts and varied industries" building (though today's collectors might argue that this crock surely sat in the fine arts building).

For these reasons – the appearance of the figures on the crock, the coincidence of a centennial celebration with the heyday of stoneware production, and the nationwide excitement that Lewis and Clark's expedition generated – I think that it is highly likely that the two fine chaps on Roger Ehrenreich's Rare Item Award winner are none other than Captain Meriweather Lewis and Lieutenant William Clark. 🍷

ANTIQUE TRADER MAGAZINE

FEATURES RWCS



The September 4th issue of *Antique Trader* featured two articles by editor Bill Van Lannen on how collector's clubs are trying to attract new and younger members. The first article, titled, "To the Rescue, ACC strives to strengthen collectors

on a person's specific collection, they should join. He sees club membership dropping or just

maintaining, and with an aging population there could be future potential problems for collectors clubs. He cites the rising costs of such things as annual conventions that force organizations to raise dues or even cut services. These

Red Wing club bridges the generational divide

clubs," covers the efforts of Larry Krug, developer of the Association of Collecting Clubs (ACC). Krug tries to teach collectors clubs how to attract a new breed of collector.

"There are more collectors in the country than we've ever had in history; there are literally millions of them," Krug said. According to the director of the U.S. Mint, there are 140 million people collecting U.S. quarters alone."

The ACC is affiliated with the National Association of Collectors. Krug sees the ACC as an expanding network of clubs nationwide. The goal of the network is to expand club membership, retain members, provide financial options for clubs, strengthen club conventions, utilize new technology and address issues such as fraud and reproductions.

Krug's philosophy has always been that the best collector is an educated collector and if there is an organization that is focused

actions may alienate members and turn away potential new members.

A source of new members is the younger generation. Many clubs have members in the same generation and they are concerned that they may be the last generation to have an interest in a specific area of collecting. Krug believes it is wrong to just assume that young collectors are not interested in traditional antiques, such as pottery. It may take a non-traditional approach to capture their interest. Krug uses the RWCS as a specific example and talks about the annual RWCS Convention in Red Wing where we have added the Kids View seminars to educate youngsters in a fun way.

The ACC has two goals; to assist collector's clubs in becoming stronger and "to become a small voice within the overall industry representing collector clubs." 

RWCS FOUNDATION GOALS

To preserve Red Wing and other American stoneware and pottery, expand the public's awareness of stoneware and pottery not only as an art form, but also as a historical reflection of American culture.

Establish a museum for the display, collection and preservation of pottery, dinnerware, stoneware and other related products consistent with the educational and historical purposes of the Foundation.

Work to preserve all of the elements of the original pottery building, such as the tunnel kiln and boiler.

Create information regarding the display and the historical nature and role of pottery, dinnerware and stoneware in American history and culture as well as create an educational exploratory video walking tour of the pottery building in order to enhance the education and knowledge of the public and to encourage further research, education and interest in pottery, dinnerware and stoneware by the public.

Aid interested scholars with the conduction of research.

Establish college scholarships, as well as scholarships to technical or art institutes, with an emphasis on individuals studying areas of historical research, ceramic engineering and pottery making.

The RWCS Foundation museum is always appreciative of the monetary donations from members. It helps with the monthly expenses to keep the museum open.

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25TH
ANNIVERSARY
RIVER CRUISE

The Saturday Night RWCS Cruise of the Mississippi River was a great success! We couldn't have asked for a better evening. We traveled down the river from the Treasure Island Casino to the edge of Red Wing, where the river makes one of its tightest bends, then turned around and headed back.

The scenery was quite picturesque with a few bald eagles putting on a show and a gorgeous sunset. A special treat on the cruise was one of the original 1915 Excursion Jugs, on display.

One of our younger members was given the chance to steer the cruise boat, under the tutelage of the boat captain. Barney Olson II was the winner of an Excursion Jug Replica and Sharon Harned won the 2002 Special Commemorative.

There were many positive comments from the members that went on the cruise. We were able to accommodate everyone on the wait list and were even able to get some late additions on the cruise due to some last minute cancellations. The cruise was a wonderful addition to the 25th Anniversary activities.

Barb Brown

*H*ARD-TO-FIND ORIGINAL PAPER
LABELS ON RED WING STONEWARE

In years of looking at Red Wing stoneware jugs and jars, rarely have I seen intact, original paper labels. Several years ago on one of my stoneware hunts, I was excited to find a one-gallon brown-topped Red Wing jug with the largest paper label I had ever seen. It measured 12 inches wide and 6.5 inches high and advertised, "Benjamin's Treatments For Flu in Hogs" (pictured below). Then I received the best surprise. It was manufactured by Kossuth Remedy Company, Box 283, Algona, Iowa. That was only 25 miles from where I grew up and went to high school. I tried to find information on the company but nothing has shown up so far. I spliced together many copies of the label from the rounded surface of the jug in an attempt to share with you what the \$4.00 spent would do for your herd of pigs and the direction on how to give the Treatments.

As time passes, the museum will



look to rotate and add new and different pieces for display. If you are interested in either donating a Red Wing item or supporting the museum financially, please contact Diane Hallstrom at 651-388-5744.

Ron Linde

Do Not Accept This Unless it is in Seal of Cardboard Carton

NO TASTE! Don't Starve Hogs to Treat! NO ODOR!

Read This

This Treatment is guaranteed to just kill all infections but if your hogs are down and will not drink don't blame the medicine. You will be harmful if you cause them by depriving. The greatest loss from flu is the loss in weight. Take notice how weakly they will be back in full feed when on this treatment. The time is most critical is at the beginning of a cough or when you first notice that they are not eating like they should, becoming listless and not gaining. Hogs in this condition are feverish and very susceptible to pneumonia, which invariably proves fatal and a severe loss is suffered.

Don't take chances with a year's profits and lose it when you can buy a treatment that is guaranteed to put your hogs back on full feed in 5 or 8 days or your money will be refunded.

NET CONTENTS 1 LB.
sufficient to treat from 25 to 35 head.
Price \$4.00



Caution: This medicine is just concentrated form is poisonous, but when diluted according to directions is suitable for any livestock to drink.

Guarantee: If after seven days, mentioned according to the directions you continue to lose your hogs or if they do not gain weight, your money will be refunded by your dealer if you will return the empty jar within 15 days of date of purchase.

Contents: Ammonium Chloride, Potassium Sulphate, Arsenic, Thymol, Eucalypti Extract, Menthol, and Saponin. For a Solution, Water 15 to 20 parts.

Manufactured by Norwich Veterinary Company, Norwich, N.Y.

Directions

This medicine is used by putting it once in the feed, in all the water, milk or chop the hogs drink for four or five days. If you have a 50 gal. barrel put in 25 ounces and pour the chop or water in after. This is all the mixing.

It is advisable to take your hogs off of corn for a few days and put them on a soft feed of ground corn and pigmilk.

If your hogs are constipated give laxative of Epsom Salts. This is important in order to secure the best results.

If some of your hogs are down and can't get up to drink you can save them. If you will go in the trouble of searching by the following direction. When drenching use 1 oz. (one ounce) in the gallon of milk and see that the hog gets one quart each day. It takes five or six days to make over two drenches, experience that relate over two drenches are necessary and that this treatment has proven to eliminate the loss of hogs by flu.

THE ILLINOIS CHAPTER'S FIRST COMMEMORATIVE

The Illinois Chapter was formed in 1999 and has steadily grown to the point where it was decided that we needed to create our first commemorative. After forming a commemorative committee, the big question was what to make. Connie suggested the Gross Bros. pickle crock, made by the Union Stoneware Co.

Being a new Chapter, we did not know how to proceed with making a commemorative piece, so we enlisted the help of Art Holliday. Art was a former Iowa Commemorative chairperson and his 8 years of experience in creating great commemoratives for the Iowa Chapter was an incredible timesaver for the Illinois Chapter in many ways.

We wanted to produce a killer first commemorative so we contacted one of the premier stoneware producers in the Midwest, Anders?n Stoneware Co. of



Waterloo, Iowa. Kevin and Becky produced many of the great Iowa commemoratives and did an excellent job for the Illinois Chapter. We have truly accomplished our goal!

The Gross Bros. pickle crock commemorative is adapted from a two gallon crock with a Union oval. The Union oval had never been used on a commemorative before.

The Red Wing Collectors Society board of directors was helpful at the MidWinter board meeting by approving the use of the Union oval on the commemorative. The first Illinois commemorative was presented at the fall meeting of the Illinois Chapter and was considered a success by all! 🍷

TWO MEN IN A CROCK

Who's ever had the privilege of owning a 100 gallon crock? Let alone stand in one! Bob Cox and I found this large, beautiful Albany slip crock in Wisconsin. We were told that it had been used in a plant making raspberry preserves. The crock has a tapered bottom with a drain hole and is extremely heavy. The top rim is a full two inches thick. It has an inside diameter of 30 inches and a straight sidewall of 34 inches. It was seated in a very heavy metal cart on wheels, which allowed it to be moved around.

The crock is imprinted on the side

with several sets of numbers and "Knickerware 5BG". Maybe someone knows who made this. The only damage to the piece is several small chips out of the top rim from the original buyer trying to move it. The outside diameter of the top rim is 34 inches, so it won't go through most doorways.

I think it is going to make a great planter. If anyone has any additional information on this type of a crock, please call Jack May at 303-466-4715. 🍷

The photo on the right shows Jack May and Bob Cox standing in a 100 gallon crock.



GET READY FOR MidWinter GetTogether

RWCS members are invited to attend the MidWinter GetTogether at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel North from February 14th to the 16th, 2003, in Des Moines, Iowa. Contact the hotel directly for room information at 1-800-325-3535 by January 24th, 2003 for special room rates. An agreement was made with the hotel to maintain the 2002 room rates. This is the third year in a row that the MidWinter GetTogether has been held there, and it should be a "sweetheart" of a weekend!

What you can expect at the RWCS MidWinter GetTogether is plenty of fun, education and the chance to either start or add to your collection. There will be a general session and then educational seminars on Saturday the 15th. There will be several different seminar topics and a keynote speaker, which will be covered in future issues of the Newsletter. These sessions include the opportunity to hear experts on the topic share their thoughts and answer questions in an informal setting.

HOTEL INFORMATION

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by Sheraton
4800 Merle Hay Road (see map), Des Moines, IA 50322
Phone 515-278-4755

For reservations call 1-800-325-3535 and be sure to indicate that you are a RWCS MidWinter attendee and/or a room seller.

Deadline is January 24th, 2003 for the special block of rooms (up to 4 guests per room). Floors 1-4 are designated non-smoking and floor 5 is smoking.

TYPES OF ROOMS

Standard: Standard: 2 types (2 double beds or 1 king bed) at \$59 plus 12% tax.

Junior Suite: 1 king bed and 1 sleeper sofa (about one and a half rooms with the bedroom area bigger and the living area smaller) at \$89 plus 12% tax.

Extended Stay Suite: 1 king and 1 sleeper sofa (the size of one and a half rooms with the bedroom area smaller and the living area bigger) at \$99 plus 12% tax.

Family or Parlor Suite: 1 king and 1 sleeper sofa (the size of two rooms with a big dining room table and a kitchen area) at \$119 plus 12% tax.

Whirlpool Suite: at \$139 plus 12% tax. 

See back page for MidWinter GetTogether Registration Form. Hurry - deadline for pre-registration is January 24, 2003.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Four Points Sheraton Hotel - Des Moines, Iowa

February 14-16, 2003

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14

Board of Directors Meeting	1:00 - 5:00 pm
Registration	1:00 - 8:00 pm
Lobby	
Hor d'Oeuvres & Cash Bar	7:00-11:00 pm
Room Sales	Afternoon/Evening at Hotel

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15

Registration	7:00 - 10:00 am
Lobby	
Deluxe Continental Breakfast	7:00 - 8:30 am
Lobby (seating in Salon B)	
General Session	8:30 - 10:00 am
Salon C	
Education	10:15 - 11:15 am
Rooms TBD	
Show & Sale	1:00 - 4:00 pm
Heartland Ballroom	

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Continental Breakfast	7:00 - 9:00 am
Board of Directors Meeting	8:00 am - 12:00 pm
Iowa Board room	

RETURN TO THE GOOD OLD DAYS

The following was submitted to the Newsletter Editors at Convention

Many times you will hear people say that they wish things were like they were in the "good old days." In some aspects, that may be true but as the Red Wing Collectors Society continues to grow, that may not be the best course of action. Let's compare the past and the present.

RWCS THEN

- * The RWCS Newsletter was the primary source for Red Wing news and information
- * Newsletter "Want Ads" were in high demand
- * A topnotch piece of Red Wing cost \$100.00
- * Ordinary Red Wing pieces cost \$5.00
- * Convention auction was the best venue for buying and selling prime Red Wing items
- * It was easy to make the acquaintance of a high percentage of fellow RWCS members

- * No paid security officers
- * Volunteers did all the work
- * Free Convention site at the Red Wing Vo-Tech
- * Smaller group of people-fewer crowd issues
- * Not as many rules to follow
- * Sole source of miniature replica collectibles
- * Convention was less organized
- * All RWCS paperwork/records were kept at board members' homes (commemorative, treasurer, membership & Convention)
- * Coordination was difficult at best

RWCS NOW

- * Internet (e-mail, websites) numerous books, knowledgeable friends
- * Nearly irrelevant due to competition
- * A topnotch piece of Red Wing costs \$10,000.00
- * Ordinary Red Wing pieces cost \$100.00
- * Ebay, online antique sales, private auctions (often promoted via the internet), the public is much more knowledgeable about Red Wing items
- * Ebay and online antique sales allow people across the country and around the world to bid, you can quickly see the items available wherever they are located
- * There are over 6,200 members today
- * Security is a necessity
- * RWCS is too large to be a strictly volunteer-run organization
- * RW High School site for Convention costs approximately \$10,000 to rent

- * Crowded rooms, parking lots and long waiting lines
- * Rules added over the years, primarily due to member complaints and fairness issues, i.e. Show and Sale rules, Convention attendance, commemorative lottery rules
- * Numerous vendors of replica souvenirs compete with the RWCS commemorative
- * Many State Chapters have their own commemoratives
- * Despite growth in number of Convention attendees, we have gained efficiency by keeping all records centrally located with the business manager and office
- * The RWCS central office maintains records in a computer database where information is easily accessible

Maybe we can't go back to the "Good Old Days," but perhaps there are a few things that could be recaptured. 

CHAPTER UPDATES

The Nebraska Redwingers and the Siouxland Redwingers planned a joint meeting of the Chapters on Saturday, October 5, in Lincoln, Nebraska, hosted by the Nebraska Chapter. There was a potluck lunch picnic at the Schleich home, followed by tours of the Schleich Museum and an afternoon of antiquing, including the Carpenter Reznicek Show at the Fairgrounds. At approximately 6:30 p.m. everyone returned to the Schleich home where they were joined by about a dozen Nebraska Redwingers sellers from the Show for potluck dinner followed by the regular business meeting of the Chapters. Lincoln was bursting at the seams, as there was a Nebraska home football, so the city was colored red!

The Southwest Redwingers has now definitely confirmed Saturday, March 22, 2003, as the date for the 5th Spring Fling at the Kent Williamson home in north central Phoenix. All Chapters and all RWCS members are invited to attend. Southwest President Louise Schleich reminds air travelers that flights are very often full at that time due to Spring Break, so very early reservations are important.

Jerry Schleich
Siouxland Redwingers 

RED WING COLLECTORS SOCIETY SEMINARS AT SEA



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Did you know that your RWCS special rate includes ...

- your cruise and all of the port charges and taxes?
- trip insurance in case something happens and you have to cancel?

• gratuities so that you don't have to tip anyone on the last night of the cruise?

- a pottery collectible produced just for cruisers (reserve by Dec. 31, 2002 for a special one)?
- a RWCS cruising shirt?
- some collectors' seminars?
- some special surprises when you get there?
- some \$ for the Society matched by Carnival to help keep this organization as wonderful as it has become?

Did you know that RWCS members can...

- invite friends and family at this same special rate with all the same perks?

- lounge by the pool with a drink while spending time with the people they like best, talking about the subject they like best?
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If you've never cruised, it's time to start!

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RED WING AREA CHAMBER of COMMERCE

2002 Limited Edition Beater Jar

Once again the Red Wing Area Chamber of Commerce is offering a collectible pottery piece for the holiday season. This 32-ounce beater jar is the third in a series of three. A Santa emblem is on the front and "Hometown Family Christmas, Red Wing, MN 2002" is on the back.

These jars are manufactured and numbered by the Red Wing Stoneware Company in Red Wing, MN.

Cost: \$34.00 + (tax 6.5% for MN residents)

Shipping/Handling: \$5.00 per piece

If you would like to place an order for these collectible beater jars please call the Red Wing Area Chamber of Commerce at (800) 762-9516.

Book Now—special Pottery Souvenir if you book by December 31!!!!

Book Now—interest is high—information packets are being sent out like gangbusters!!!!

Prices are as follows and include the cruise, all port charges and taxes, gratuities (worth \$70 per person), trip insurance, educational sessions, Society T-shirt and a collectible pottery piece.

Inside Cabin:

\$785 per person based on double occupancy

Oceanview Cabin:

\$885 per person based on double occupancy

Prices are guaranteed until August 1, 2003, or until the RWCS cabin allotment is sold (whichever comes first). If you need a triple or a quad, please call now for availability (special pricing is available for the 3rd and/or 4th person in the cabin). Non-member friends and family are welcome to join the fun at the same incredible prices.

Payment dates are as follows:

First deposit: \$399 per person to reserve your cabin (deposit by Dec. 31, 2002, to specialize your pottery collectible). Final payment: Due August 1, 2003

So, c'mon, Collectors, let's go cruisin'! And don't forget that we have scheduled some meetings, so this could be business trip!

To reserve your space or to receive a packet of information, call Kay, RWCS Business Manager, at 1-800-977-7927. 🍷

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

(continued from page 6)

Hats off also to our commemorative manager, John Tremble, for a fantastic 25th Anniversary Convention commemorative! Getting the production of all of those different parts coordinated into the final piece was masterful. Thank you, John!

As most of you probably know, the new Primary/Associate membership fee structure was adopted at the annual business meeting in July. Please be sure to read the article in this issue if you have any questions concerning this change.

Hope everyone is planning on getting their mid-year Red Wing "fix" by attending the MidWinter GetTogether at the Four Points Sheraton Hotel North in Des Moines, Iowa, February 14, 15, 16, 2003. We also hope you have made your deposit to reserve one of the 150 cabins on the Carnival "Inspiration" for the RWCS Western Caribbean November 9-16th 2003 Cruise! Can you imagine having Red Wing "Seminars at Sea" in a more fabulous setting? 🍷

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NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING RATES

CLASSIFIED ADS

Classified ads are 15¢ per word;
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Ads are divided into the following sections: *Red Wing For Sale, Red Wing Wanted, Other Pottery For Sale, Other Pottery Wanted, Events, Clubs, Auctions, Publications, Announcements and Services*. You will not be charged for these words, but please indicate which section your ad should be placed in. If ad is to run in more than one issue please indicate at time of placement.

Please type or print clearly and proofread before submission.

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1/4 page	100	90
1/8 page (includes typesetting)	60	45

Display Ad Dimensions

Full Page	7½x10
1/2 page (horizontal or vertical)	7½x4½
1/4 page	3½x4½
1/8 page	3½x2½

Display Ads are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. The publisher reserves the right to refuse ads for any reason.

The Newsletter is produced on a Macintosh in Quark XPress. Ads must be supplied electronically as an EPS or TIFF file for Mac. Be sure to include all fonts used. If you are unsure about acceptability, inquire with the Editor. Quotes supplied for design and makeup if needed; there is a \$50 minimum. Unformatted or unreserved ads will be treated as classifieds.

DEADLINES

Issue	Advertising Deadline
February	January 10
April	March 10
June	May 10
August	July 15
October	September 10
December	November 10

EDITOR ADDRESS

Send all ads with payment. Make checks payable to **Cindy Taube** and mail to: Creative Communications
27950 Bayview Drive
Red Wing, MN 55066

We can't accept checks made out to the Red Wing Collectors Society.

CLASSIFIEDS

RED WING FOR SALE

Commemoratives: Mint Condition 1977 thru 1999-\$8,500. Call 608-655-4587 after 6 pm. 12/02

Handles and Wooden Lids. Send SASE for flyer to: Larsen's Collectibles, 757 120th Street, Hampton, Iowa 50441-7555. Phone 641-866-6733. 4/03

1# Pantry Jar Lid, mint - \$250.
Call 218-326-5054

Salt Glaze 20 Gallon Triple Ribcage Target, Butterfly Churn, Lilly, Clay Giants I & II. Photo by email: bjwms@rea-alp.com. Phone 320-759-1984.

Commemoratives: 1999-\$85, 2000-\$95, 2001-\$85, 2002-\$85. I pay shipping and insurance, call 906-863-9838.

Commemoratives: 1983-\$450, 1984-\$380, 1985-\$325, 1988-\$90, 1993-\$90, 1995-\$70, 1998-\$80, 1999-\$70, 2000-\$75. Call 507-895-6201.

Commemoratives: 1981 jug-\$495, 1985-\$295, 1986-\$210, 1987-\$160, 1989-\$240. O.B.O. Call Kim, 507-345-1073 Days.

Brushware "Cherub" Vase - \$625, Mn-Mich Mini Jug - \$250, Brown Peace Sign Pitcher - McCoy - \$95. O.B.O. Call Kim, 507-345-1073 Days.

Commemoratives: 1982-\$625, 1983-\$525, 1984-\$375, 1987-\$100, 1988-\$100, 1989-\$275, 1990-\$100, 1991-\$100, 1992-\$90, 1993-\$90, 1994-\$85, 1996-\$120, 1997-\$110, 1998-\$100, 1999-\$75, 2002-\$110. Also, Red Wing Newsletters - December 1990 thru October 2001 - \$30. Call Evenings 320-253-2696.

2002 (25th Anniversary) Convention Button/Magnet @ \$2.00 each. Add Postage: for 1, add \$.75, 2-\$1.50, 3-\$2.00, 4-\$2.50. Send check (payable to Ken Zukoski) to: Ken Zukoski, Puget Sound Chapter, 20111 80th Avenue West, Edmonds, WA 98026-6701.

Commemoratives: Mint Condition, 1990 thru 1997 - \$900. Postage Included. Call 623-546-4163.

Red Wing Drummer Boy Cookie Jar, Mint-\$550, Red Wing Blossom Time Egg Dish, Complete, Mint-\$225. Call 651-388-9588 and leave message.

RED WING WANTED

Advertising Butter Crocks from 1 Pound to 10 Gallons. Also wanted, rare Salt Glaze Crocks, Jugs, Churns, Etc. What have You? Call Roger Hildebrand, 218-863-6624 or email: redwgrog@prtel.com. 2/03

10" Lid for Wing Butter Churn. Call 906-863-9838.

5-Inch Spongeband Casserole Lid. Call 815-732-7141 and leave message.

Red Wing Blossom Time/Green Dinnerware: Butter Dish with Cover, Cereal Bowls (5), Rim Soup (8), Nappy, Water Pitcher and Vase. Mint Condition only. Call Cindy Krech at 651-451-8671 or e-mail: c_krech@juno.com. 12/02

CLUBS AND PUBLICATIONS

Two great books: Red Wing Stoneware (NEW 2002 values) and Red Wing Collectibles (2001 values). \$9.95 each or \$17.95 for both plus \$1.25/\$1.75 postage, respectively. Quantity discounts available. Gail Peck, 2121 Pearl, Fremont, NE 68025. 402-721-5721. 12/02

LOWERED PRICE: Red Wing Art Pottery 2 by Ray Reiss is now \$29 plus \$5 s&h. Red Wing Dinnerware Price & Identification Guide \$12.95 plus \$1.75 s&h. Ray Reiss, 2144 N. Leavitt, Chicago, IL 60647. 12/02

What do you collect and why?

Everyone has a favorite piece of Red Wing pottery. We'd like to ask you to share your thoughts on this topic by mailing or e-mailing your contributions to us, as we are always looking for member contributions. Be sure to enclose a photo of yourself or your collection. Please contact us with any questions.

CURRENT PRICES & SCOOPS

Tell us about the price received for a Red Wing product. Briefly describe item, where sold, date, venue (store, auction, etc.) and price paid. Send in on a post card. Multiple submissions mean multiple entries in Newsletter Special Commemorative Lottery at the 2002 Convention. Send to the Editor at the address on page 3. All entries received between July '01 and June '02 are eligible whether published or not. Please keep submittals with purchase dates within six months of the Newsletter issue.

ITEM	LOCATION	DATE SOLD	VENUE	PRICE PAID
1 Gal. Salt Glaze Jug, Btm Signed RWSW, Chicago Adv.	Des Moines, IA	2/02	Auction	\$1,300.00
Bohemian Rye Whiskey Jug, Btm Signed Minn. Stoneware - Salesman Sample	Des Moines, IA	2/02	Auction	\$1,300.00
1/2 Gal. Mason Fruit Jar with black print and Hartington, NE Adv.	Des Moines, IA	2/02	Auction	\$3,300.00
Peterson Advertising Bean Pot w/Lid	Des Moines, IA	2/02	Auction	\$200.00
1 Gal. Mason Fruit Jar - Blue Print	Des Moines, IA	2/02	Auction	\$650.00
20# Butter Jar - Blueprint - Large Red Wing	Des Moines, IA	2/02	Auction	\$1,250.00
3 Gal. Butter Churn, Lid and Dasher, Six-inch hairline crack on back, lid has two cracks	Mesa, AZ	2/02	Garage Sale	\$15.00
5 Gal. Red Wing Beehive Jug (6-Inch Wing)	Elkhorn, NE	2/02	Estate Sale	\$275.00
Red Wing Blue Banded Beater Jar w/ Adv.	Denver, Co.	3/02	Antique Mall	\$100.00
Pair of Red Wing Baking Dishes, Solid Yellow Small and large sizes	Mankato, MN	3/02	Antique Show	\$30.00/Pair
5" Hamm's Krug Club Mug, mint	Bryant, AR	3/02	Antique Mall	\$10.50
Nassau 10 1/2" Dinner Plate	Bird Island, MN	3/02	EBay	\$140.00
9" Sponge Bowl "Rock Island Lumber Co." Adv.	Blue Earth, MN	3/02	EBay	\$100.00
Bob White Tray	Blue Earth, MN	3/02	EBay	\$51.00
Red Wing 60 Gal. Large Wing Crock	Red Wing, MN	4/02	Auction	\$3,800.00

RWCS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2003 NATIONAL EVENTS

October 19-20: Board of Directors meeting - Red Wing, MN

February 14-16: MidWinter GetTogether - Des Moines, IA

July 10-12: Annual Convention - Red Wing, MN

2002 CHAPTER EVENTS

October 26, 2002: The Autumn meeting will follow a 12:00 noon Dutch-treat luncheon at the Hartford Pizza Ranch. Hartford, South Dakota on North edge of town near a little mall area, right on the Highway.

November 9, 2002: 1:00 p.m. Gopher Chapter Meeting Nancy & Bob Reed Minneapolis MN /Up North

December 1, 2002: Puget Sound Chapter Meeting, location TBD

December 14, 2002: 1:00 p.m. Golden State Meeting and Dinner, Visalia, CA

December 14, 2002: 1:00 p.m. Gopher Chapter Holiday Social,

LITTLE BROWN JUG

A RWCS member came across this newspaper clipping while doing some research.

*Saturday, November 16, 1935,
Aberdeen (SD) American News*

Nothing would please Oscar Munson more than being allowed to keep the famous "Little Brown Jug" for another year. The custodian of the equipment at the University of Minnesota, who helped originate the Minnesota-Michigan tradition which gives the winning team possession of the trophy for a year, is shown dusting off the famous bit of crockery for its trip to Ann Arbor, Mich., where its possession will be a subject of dispute on the football field. Associated Press Photo.

We appreciate the contributions of all our members. That is what truly makes the RWCS Newsletter your Newsletter! 

MidWinter GetTogether

February 14-16, 2003 Four Points Sheraton Hotel Des Moines, Iowa

(CLIP THIS FORM OR PHOTOCOPY IT)

MidWinter GetTogether Registration Form

Deadline for pre-registration is January 24, 2003.

Pre-registrations & requests for seller's contracts will not be accepted after January 15.

Person submitting this form:

NAME

MEMBERSHIP #

STREET ADDRESS

PHONE NUMBER

CITY, STATE, ZIP

Pre-registration is \$20 per member - children 15 and under are free. The registration fee at the GetTogether will be \$25 per member over 15 years of age. The registration includes Friday night Social Hour, Saturday General Session, Shared Interest Groups, Saturday Sale and Sunday's Continental Breakfast. You may combine payment of pre-registration and seller's table in a single check or money order.

Please Print

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Send to:

RWCS MidWinter GetTogether, PO Box 50, Red Wing, MN 55066.

Make check or money order payable in US funds to Red Wing Collectors Society Inc.

Seller's Tables:

Please send me the seller's contract for the Saturday sale. (\$25/table)

____ ANTIQUES (90% ANTIQUES) or ____ SOUVENIRS (90% SOUVENIRS)

Due to limited space, all tables are sold on a first-come, first-served basis. You must enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope to get your contract. ***Signed contracts must be postmarked no later than January 31, 2003.***