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*Bottom-signed "Red Wing USA", this fun Snoopy lunch-hour ashtray sold for \$375 at the Houghton's July 10 sale. See page 12 for more prices realized.*



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## MEMBERSHIP

A primary membership in the Red Wing Collectors Society is \$35 annually and an associate membership is \$15.

There must be at least one primary member per household in order to have associate membership. Members can pay for more than one year when renewing their membership. Contact the RWCS Business Office for additional details.

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# NEWS BRIEFS

## RWCS MEMBERS APPROVE MEMBERSHIP DUES INCREASE

A vast majority of those who attended the RWCS Annual Business Meeting voted to give the RWCS Board of Directors the budget authority to increase membership fees. The RWCS Board presented and explained the proposed increase during the meeting held Friday, July 12 during the 2013 Convention at Red Wing High School. The proposed increase was also published in the February 2013 *RWCS Newsletter*, per the RWCS Bylaws. The vote gave the Board the ability to increase both types of membership by up to \$10 each. The Board decided to increase Primary membership by \$10, but only increased Associate membership by \$5. Therefore, Primary membership is now \$35 and Associate membership is \$15. More than 10 years had passed since the last time RWCS membership dues increased.

## WISCONSIN TO HOST MIDWINTER IN 2015 & 2016

The 2014 MidWinter GetTogether will once again be held in Des Moines. During its July 10 meeting at Red Wing High School, the RWCS Board voted 8-1 to hold the 2015 and 2106 MidWinter GetTogether events at the Olympia Resort in Oconomowoc, Wis., which is about 30 min. west of downtown Milwaukee. Here are some reasons behind the move to a new location and some history about the event in general:

For the first 20 years of the RWCS's existence, there was only one large event held every year for collectors to get their "Red Wing fix" – the summer Convention in Red Wing. To help keep RWCS members excited and engaged in collecting, the first RWCS MidWinter event was held in Rochester, MN in 1996. According to those who created MidWinter, the event was intended to be moved to a different location every few years to make it easier for members in different areas of the Midwest to attend and to attract new members from different areas.

MidWinter was held in Rochester from 1996 to 2000. It was moved to Des Moines in 2001, where it has been held for the past 13 years. In 2006, the RWCS Board of Directors searched for alternative locations to help accommodate members in different areas. A conference center in Appleton, Wis. was strongly considered, but the Board ultimately decided in 2007 that the property's parking and unloading areas were not conducive to people who were bringing stoneware and boxes of pottery to sell from their rooms.

The topic wasn't revisited again until recently, when MidWinter attendance in Des Moines unfortunately began to decline. 2011 had the lowest turnout ever, 2012 was the 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest and 2013 had the 2<sup>nd</sup> lowest attendance. (Several longtime MidWinter attendees reported that they didn't attend in 2013 because they felt that a change was needed.) Therefore, volunteers formed a MidWinter Relocation Committee last year and began looking for potential sites.

In order to justify proposing a new site for Board consideration, the Relocation Committee put in place several requirements it needed to meet. The most important of which were:

- Finding a location with a higher concentration of RWCS members to improve the chances of boosting MidWinter attendance.

- Finding a hotel equal or better in quality to the Des Moines Holiday Inn.

One might assume that finding a new location would be a simple thing to do, but there were two overriding factors: hotel size and lodging costs. The property needed around 200 rooms and adequate meeting room space. That part was easy; finding a place that offered good parking and accessibility for our type of event while also not charging an arm and a leg was the challenge. Past membership surveys showed room cost was of utmost concern. Most members didn't want to spend more than \$100/night for a regular room with a king-sized bed or two queen beds. Since MidWinter attendees have been accustomed to spending far less than that in Des Moines (\$71 in 2013), the committee decided to seek properties with room rates under \$90.

Information was gathered on hotels in six different states, and in years past Stacy Wegner and RWCS Board members visited numerous properties in cities like Sioux Falls, Omaha, Dubuque, Madison and the Iowa/Illinois Quad Cities when meetings were held there. Properties in Rockford, Ill. and Oconomowoc stood out above all of these when it came to quality, size, accessibility and lodging rates. RWCS Member Paul Wichert, who chairs both the RWCS Membership Committee and the Technology Committee, geocoded the RWCS membership database to determine where our members lived. Then he ran the database against



## ABOUT THE COVER

RWCS Commemorative Manager Bob Morawski has a knack for having Commemorative pieces made to mimic items that weren't initially known to exist, only to have original versions turn up around Convention time. This first happened in 2011, when the Version C Bird Churn Commemorative came to life. Previously unknown to exist by Red Wing collectors, an original 4 gallon Red Wing salt glaze churn with cobalt bird was auctioned off in California for more than \$10,000 shortly after Convention.

This year, Bob selected the Red Wing Bulldog figure as the Commemorative and had a few sets of large sitting Bulldogs made to be auctioned off to benefit the RWCS. This was considered to be a fantasy piece until lo and behold, a photo of the sitting Bulldog above was posted on the RWCS "Ask the Experts" page only two weeks before Convention.

New RWCS Member Angela Emani found the piece at a Chicago-area antique show and couldn't resist buying it,

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each of the potential MidWinter locations to determine how many members lived within a 2-hour radius of these towns. Rockford has 390 members and Oconomowoc has 417, compared to only 141 around Des Moines. Since Rockford and Oconomowoc are fairly close in proximity, the focus shifted to the hotels themselves. Room rates were comparable (\$89/night in Rockford and \$79/night in Oconomowoc), but Oconomowoc offered the most meeting room space (3 times more than Des Moines), better accessibility and lower facility costs to be paid by the RWCS. In addition, the property accepts pets, has refrigerators in every room, there's an onsite restaurant and spa, parking is ample and dining options like Chili's, Jimmy John's and Starbucks are less than 5 minutes away.

The Board realized that making the event more inclusive for some would make it harder for others to attend. Ultimately, it decided to hold MidWinter in Oconomowoc in 2015 and 2016 with hopes of attracting new collectors and reenergizing current members who aren't currently attending the event. As expected, members in Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana and Michigan have been supportive of the move, while some members in states like Nebraska, Kansas and western Iowa have voiced their displeasure due to the longer distance. Therefore, the Board decided it will consider moving again in 2017, whether it's back to Des Moines or somewhere else, to help keep members engaged and excited about Red Wing.



**STACY  
WEGNER**  
*Executive Director*

Greetings, RWCS members! Members were diggin' all over town looking for new finds during Convention. Convention attendance remained the same as last year, which is good news. Thanks to those of you who came and everyone who volunteered; you made the Convention possible this year.

Thanks again to all our Convention sponsors and donors. Special thanks to these sponsors: Maple City Pottery, Larry's Jugs Antiques, Red Wing Stoneware, Red Wing Pottery and Treasure Island Casino. These sponsors, along with so many others, supported the Convention through their generous donations.

The annual Crock Hunt was exciting again this year. I am excited to announce that RWCS Members Allison Huppert and Sylvia Jordan were winners this year. We already have two sites signed up for 2014!

Richard Spiller returned as our potter, giving demonstrations and hands-on classes at Red Wing High School. In addition, we had the unique opportunity to welcome a

potter from Finland – Aba Luostarinen. She assisted Richard with the classes and gave demonstrations, as well.

Chapters once again participated in the Chapter Basket Silent Auction, which raised more than \$2000. Thank you to the following chapters for participating: Cannon Valley, Gopher, Siouxland, Nebraska (3), Iowa, Trails West, Wisconsin, Golden State, Badger, Lewis & Clark and Sunshine State. KidsView joined in the fun this year with a "Honey of a Deal" basket, which sold for \$100.

Special thanks to the Wisconsin Chapter for selling the Convention Button. If you'd still like to order one, see page 6 for information.

Special thanks to Jim & Joyce Sutherland, who retired from their roles as Pre-registration Co-Chairs. Also stepping down this year were KidsView Co-Chairs Sue Tagliapietra and Aarika Floyd. Sue is one of the creators of KidsView, which started back in 2000, and Aarika has been a long-time participant and volunteer. Thank you to these members for the incredible amount of time they committed to the RWCS.

The RWCS is now looking for a new chair, co-chairs or a committee for KidsView. Contact the office if you are interested in being involved in this wonderful program.

It was announced at the Annual Business Meeting that the Iowa Chapter won the Little Brown Jug of Membership for

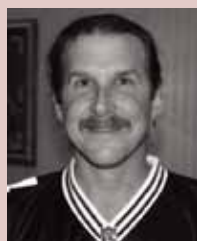
recruiting the most new members into the RWCS. Congrats on winning for the second straight year! Looking for ways to promote the RWCS in your chapter area? Call me – I can help. The slate is clear and it's time to get started for next year's competition.

Crockfest was sponsored by Maple City Pottery and was well-attended by members! It featured lots of great food, music by the Cruisers and a great auction! Special thanks to Todd & Nora Avery for coordinating Crockfest and all the other members who pitched in to help. If interested in purchasing a Crockfest crock like the one pictured here, they are just \$50. Call the office; we have a limited number available.



Want to read all about the Convention? Read the rest of this newsletter and view the *Convention Supplement* on the RWCS website. Interested in one of the sessions? Several of them were recorded and we have them available to rent free-of-charge. Call the office; we can send you the *Supplement* and the video list.

Thanks again to everyone for a great Convention! I look forward to 2014. Mark your calendars for the 38th Annual Convention – July 10-12, 2014. Can't wait that long? Come to MidWinter in Des Moines – Feb. 6-8, 2014.



**BOB  
MORAWSKI**  
*Commemorative  
Manager*

It was great to see everyone at Convention! The week went by so fast and was really exhausting, but very rewarding. I'd like to thank all of my volunteers and everyone else who helped me in any way. There is no way I could do it without all of your help and support.

This year's Commemorative, the stoneware Bulldog, was well-received by members at Convention. The accessory piece – a Red Wing dog bowl – was a huge success. We ran out of bowls twice during Convention. Those in attendance who turned in vouchers will receive their bowl by mail. The dog bowl is NOT available with mail order Commemoratives.

The dog collar was also very popular. The collar replaced the "I was there" sticker that was given in years past to members who picked up their Commemorative at Convention. I saw a collar sell for \$21.<sup>98</sup> on eBay in late July. Wow!

The silent auction in the cafeteria for the 2 gallon RWCS Chapter churns saw some fierce bidding. A new king was recognized, as the Wolverine (Michigan) Chapter's churn sold for \$600 – a record high. In 2<sup>nd</sup> place was the Southwest Redwingers at \$500 and the Golden State churn was 3<sup>rd</sup> at \$475. These three chapters will have their churn made a second time for MidWinter. So if you missed out at Convention, you will have another chance in February. Thank you, RWCS Chapters, for your participation! We will have 2 gallon water coolers made next year, so start thinking about the decoration you'd like to submit.

My other auctions at the Annual Business Meeting, Crockfest and RWCS Banquet also did very well. Between the accessory piece and

the rest of the Side Show, members supported the club with total bids in excess of \$31,000. Once Maple City Pottery was paid for making these pieces, more than \$23,000 went to the Society! I THANK YOU for your support!

P.S. We will also auction off one last set of large sitting Bulldogs at MidWinter (below).



*Above:* Row 1 (left to right): The 2013 Cow & Calf Special Commemoratives; Row 2: Versions A, B & C of the 2013 Red Wing Bulldog Commemorative. Row 3: The large sitting Bulldogs made and auctioned off to benefit the RWCS.



Steve Showers, Dennis Nygaard, Paul Boudin and Connie Mathison were our keynote speakers this year. This panel of premier Dump Diggers shared stories about great finds, snakes and hazards encountered



**GLENN BEALL**  
*Education  
Manager*

when searching the dump. Each have brought many unknown Red Wing products to light during their excavations. A lively Q & A session rounded out the presentation.

Paul Wichert & Linda Krueger had two sessions: "Dinnerware Concentration" and "Red Wing Trivia". As always, the sessions were well attended. A special thanks to Paul for being a computer genius and making sure everyone's presentations hooked smoothly to the projectors. Dennis Nygaard had a session named "Discoveries from Pottery Road". He showed new discoveries so others can keep an eye out for these items when antiquing. A new pair of speakers – Larry Peterson & Steve Poeschl – talked on zinc glaze. This was one of the only talks we had on stoneware and we sure could use some more folks to step forward on this subject.

The RWCS Foundation Board gave updates on the new Red Wing Museum. Melissa Schrock told and showed us how the 2013 Commemorative was produced and it was very interesting. Steve Showers gave a talk on his latest dump finds. Steve's talks are always well attended and very much appreciated. Connie Mathison & Paul Boudin also talked on their dump finds. Between the keynote and their individual sessions, all the dump diggers gave two different talks. This is greatly appreciated and they should be recognized for the giving of their time and knowledge so freely.

Brent Mischke talked on "Red Wing Bowls" and had very well-attended sessions. Bowls had been suggested as a topic a few years ago and we are glad he stepped up to the task. "Life in the Pits" was given by Char Henn showing the history of the pottery area – I personally found it very interesting. Mary Lou Ista actually painted at the Potteries in the dinnerware lines. It was very nice of her to come and tell us how things were actually done. Catherine Beall gave the "Orientation for First Timers" and I was told she did a pretty fair job at it. As our youngest speaker, she helps folks get around at their first Convention. Terry Moe & Larry Roschen gave another great dinnerware talk on "Dinnerware Odds & Ends: Mid-1950s to Mid-1960s". This pair is always ready present on Red Wing's dinnerware lines.

I give my sincere thanks to this group of speakers who always give of their time. Many are repeat speakers at almost every Convention. I would ask that more people step forward in the future and take the time to share their knowledge.

The Shared Interest Groups in the cafeteria are slowly taking off; thanks to the people who chaired the tables. Many interesting conversations took place and hopefully some new friends were found. My job is easier because of the volunteers who speak and help set up the education area. Many thanks! Until next year, have fun.

## CONVENTION JAW DROPPERS



Front & back views of standard boy/girl statues (left) and lunch-hour versions (right).



Although the churn above likely isn't Red Wing, it's possible that the decorator worked there at some point.



The two items directly above are zinc glaze transition pieces.





# CONVENTION NEWS BRIEFS

## CONVENTION BUTTONS STILL AVAILABLE

In case you missed the event or forgot to buy one, official RWCS Convention Buttons are still available. The buttons are being sold by the Wisconsin Chapter. Buttons ordered for mailing will be \$4 apiece. (\$2 per button plus \$2 for S&H.) If you would like to order a button(s), please make your check out to the Wisconsin Red Wing Chapter and mail it to Pete Pavloski, 1411 Rapids Trail, Nekoosa, WI 54457. The chapter thanks everyone who sold and/or purchased buttons during the event. Also thanks to RWCS Executive Director Stacy Wegner, who designed the button.



## RWCS CHAPTERS COME THROUGH FOR RWCS FOUNDATION & YOUTH EDUCATION

Three RWCS Chapters made significant donations to the RWCS Foundation, Young Collectors and KidsView at the Annual Business Meeting during Convention on Friday, July 12. Golden State donated \$2400 to the Foundation, \$900 to Young Collectors and \$400 to KidsView. Trails West donated \$1500 to the Foundation, \$200 for the Foundation's "Wine-ing for Red Wing" event and \$300 to KidsView. The Nebraska Chapter donated \$1500 to the Foundation as member memorials. In addition, the RWCS donated 90 percent of its interest money to the Foundation and the remaining 10 percent to the Goodhue County Historical Society.



*Above:* Golden State Chapter President Bruce Cameron presents checks to Young Collectors Co-Chairs Wendy Callicoat & Brenda Schwab and KidsView Co-Chairs Sue Tagliapietra & Aarika Floyd.



*Above:* Trails West Chapter President Larry Birks presents a check to RWCS Foundation Board Member Dave Kuffel.

## young collectors club in review

The RWCS Young Collectors Club had another great summer together. As part of the activities, a group of nine Young Collectors along with six adult sponsors hiked and had a picnic lunch atop Barn Bluff. The group hiked the advanced North Trail which was approximately 3 miles from start to finish. Many of our members had never hiked before. Young Collectors Co-Chair Ann Tucker took the opportunity to point out samples of the leaves that the original Red Wing Stoneware potters used as inspiration for their birch leaf and elephant ear designs.

After our journey, we returned to the high school where members Maggie Nessel, Beau Ayers and Tyler Green joined RWCS Auction Manager Bruce Selfridge for a behind-the-scenes educational tour of the auction process. Congratulations to Beau and Tyler, who represented our group as volunteers during the actual RWCS Thursday Night Auction! Both Tyler and Beau earned points towards the RWCS Young Collector College Scholarship.

Friday was a fun-filled day with Golden State Chapter Member Frank Sheldon. The Young Collectors spent the morning learning to work with clay and throwing on the pottery wheel. The group threw their own pieces, which will be glazed, fired and sent back to them thanks to fel-

low potter and RWCS Member Richard Spiller.

These activities would not be possible if we did not receive support from RWCS Chapters and members. The group voted to hike up Barn Bluff again next year. It is the mission of the RWCS Young Collectors Club to not only educate the young members of our group about the wares of Red Wing, but to help them rekindle existing friendships and develop new ones each time they come to Convention. Many of our members have known one other since their early days of KidsView.

I have started keeping track of each participant's college scholarship participation points. Each member who participated in this year's event earned points towards their 1000 point goal. I would like to encourage all Young Collectors to be thinking about ways to earn their points throughout the year. For example, if you live near Red Wing, you could help the RWCS Foundation at the Red Wing Pottery Museum. Another way to earn points is to volunteer for the Thursday Night Auction or create a display for next year's Convention. Contact me at [CROCKS701@AOL.COM](mailto:CROCKS701@AOL.COM) if you need further information. I'm already looking forward to next year!!! 🍷 -Wendy Callicoat RWCS Young Collectors Club Co-Chair



*Above:* Maggie, Beau and Tyler at the auction with RWCS Auction Manager Bruce Selfridge.







**Above:** RWCS Member Aarika Floyd (left) has been in KidsView every year since the program began in 2000 – first as a participant, then as a volunteer. RWCS Member Sue Tagliapietra (right) is one of the program's co-founders. Both stepped down from their positions as KidsView Co-Chairs at the end of this year's Convention. It's difficult to sufficiently thank Sue

& Aarika for all the work they've done, but a good way to start would be for some new leaders to step up and pick up where they left off, so the program can continue to teach and

cultivate Red Wing collectors for years to come. If you're interested, contact the RWCS office.



**Above and at right:** RWCS Member Frank Sheldon assists Young Collectors participants on the potter's wheel.

**At right:** RWCS Member Mike Robinson assembles mini jug necklaces.

**Lower right:** RWCS Member Doug Perkins, owner/operator of Perkins Honey Farm in North Dakota, donned his bee keeper suit to teach KidsView attendees about bees.







Above: A group of Red Wingers enjoyed pizza and calzones at the new Red Wing Brewery located on Old West Main Street.



Lower right: Born only 10 days earlier, 6 lb. 8 oz. Blakely Raye Bell attended the RWCS Auction with her three siblings and proud parents, RWCS Members Craig & Krista Bell.



Above: RWCS Commemorative Manager Bob Morawski proudly poses with fellow RWCS Member Mark Anway. Bob stepped up in the February 2013 RWCS Newsletter, when he placed an ad announcing that he would pay \$1500 for the 1982 RWCS Special Commemorative – a piece that had eluded him for years. Mark responded to the ad and the two worked out a deal at Convention.







Photos by Rick Natynski, with contributions from fellow RWCS Members Larry Salisbury and Jonathon Callicoat.



At left: Wayne & Nancy Lambert pre-sold several of the Trails West-sponsored Kansas & Missouri Advertising Stoneware books due out by MidWinter 2014. See ad on pg. 14!



Above: RWCS Member Wendy Callicoat, who wrote the article on Red Wing Brushed Ware in the last issue of the RWCS Newsletter, added this bird bath to her already impressive collection. Although many people enjoyed her article, her friend RWCS Member Bill Harned was quick to notice something was missing. "I forgot to thank Bill in the sidebar to my article that showed my favorite pieces!" she reports. "He was the one who found the glazed daffodil vase for me at MidWinter. Sorry, Bill!"





# 2013 CONVENTION DISPLAYS

RWCS Convention attendees have enjoyed some great displays in recent years, and 2013 was no different. We appreciate the work and creativity of everyone who displayed and volunteered. As usual, their efforts made the Display Room one of the best-attended features of Convention.

As always, we thank Stacy Wegner and the RWCS Board of Directors for its dedication and support and Red Wing High School Custodial Staff members for their help. We also thank everyone who spoke to us about doing a display next year. We'll be in touch! If you've considered setting up a display in the past, why keep waiting? Displayers are given a Commemorative as a token of appreciation (Rare Item displayers excluded) and all winners are awarded an RWCS Special Commemorative. Who knows? 2014 might be your year! 🍷

-Laura Beall, Display Room Chair

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**Dennis Yaeggi Rare Item Award:** "Helen's Pigs" by Dan Barry. Other Rare Item displayers: Dale Evans, Jeff Heiberger and Rick Natynski.

## ART POTTERY



**People's Choice:**  
"RumRill Dutch Blue"  
by Judith Richardson.

**Best of Show:**  
"American Art Pottery  
is Great, but we Love  
our Red Wing" by  
Gretchen Voight.



Other Art Pottery  
Display: "McCoy and Red Wing Flower Pots" by Ruth Beall.

## STONEWARE



**People's Choice:**  
"Red Wing and  
I Make the Best  
Butter" by Lowell  
& Corinne Reed.

**Best of Show:**  
"Merry Christmas  
Bean Pots" by Paul  
Wichert.

Other Stoneware  
Display: "Collecting  
by the Book" by  
Larry & Linda Birks.



## DINNERWARE



**People's Choice:**  
"Oh, So  
Fond of  
Fondoso"  
by Matt  
Karl.

**Best of Show:**  
"Trivets:  
Made in the  
USA" by  
Jerry & Kris  
Mounts.



Other Dinnerware Display: "Iris" by Miranda Floen.

## MEMORABILIA



**People's Choice & Best of Show:** "Charles Murphy: Designer,  
Painter, Artist" by Glenn Beall.



# BLUE-BANDED CROCK LEADS RWCS AUCTION

Thank you to everybody who helped me get through my first year as RWCS Auction Manager. Without my great volunteers, consigners and bidders, we couldn't have had our Auction. This year we had 190 items consigned by our members. This is down from previous years. I feel the prices, however, were up from recent years. We had a total of \$58,165 in sales. We also sold several items specially made by Maple City Pottery, with proceeds going to support the RWCS.

The highest-priced item this year was an 8 gallon pantry jar with large wing and bail handles that sold for \$4200. An unusual 2 gallon cooler with two spigot holes and blue bands went for \$2100.

This year I also tried some new ideas to try to improve the quality of the items submitted and stir up new interest in the Auction; we had mixed results. This is your Auction, so if you have any ideas or questions about the event, please do not hesitate to call me. Thank you very much! 🍷

*-Bruce Selfridge, RWCS Auction Manager*



**Above:** Drawing a surprising final bid of \$4200, this 8 gallon blue-banded crock with 6-inch wing and bail handles was the top lot of this year's RWCS Convention Auction.



Back-stamped "Red Wing Stoneware Co.," this 20 gal butterfly crock had no damage. But, the unusual brown impurities in the clay might be to blame for it selling for only \$1050.



From left to right, these Red Wing miniatures crossed the block at \$300, \$250 (chip) and \$175, respectively.

Of all the items made by Maple City Pottery that were sold to benefit the RWCS, this awesome churn garnered the most attention. The fine "Big Buttermilk Biscuits" advertising artwork on the front was reflected by an impressive \$650 bid.



The 31-piece lot of Ernest Sohn Butter Mold dinnerware (above) was a steal at \$325. The large grouping of Town & Country (below) brought \$350.



This 20 gallon salt glaze crock sold for \$500. It had severe glaze pitting throughout, but the unique decoration of three upturned cobalt leaves made it an interesting piece.



Used on Ft. Dodge stoneware, the "2" floral stamp makes this Red Wing crock possibly one-of-a-kind. Despite a hairline on the bottom front, many considered it to be one of the best buys of the auction at \$625.



This 8 gallon oval-over birchleaf churn brought \$500. It came with a chip, a crack and an elaborate covered bridge scene painted on the back (above glaze).



These M-3014 Charles Murphy Decorator Line pieces sold for \$200 and \$325, respectively.



Always highly desired by Red Wing collectors, this rare Gray Line Cake Plate (crack) sold for \$1300.



Ink-stamped with the RWUSCo oval on the bottom, this 2 gal cooler w/adv. on both sides sold for \$2100. It came with a lid and two stoneware bottles with adv. from the same Geno Brewing Co.



\$2100 was the final bid on this great 2 gal Elephant Ear Ice Water (hairline on back).



A bidding war pushed this hard-to-find Cleveland Brushed Ware vase to \$1200.



**Right:** A \$175 bid won these Jolly Jars (chips).



At 6 3/4" tall, this Nokomis Elephant brought \$450.



The crowd didn't believe Red Wing made this butterfly churn; thus it sold for \$650.

## OTHER PRICES REALIZED:

2011 RWCS Special Commemorative w/box, \$500.

2 gallon Iced Tea cooler w/lid, \$700.

1/2 gallon Safety Valve jar w/"Family Store, Salt Lake City" adv., \$600.

Blue & White Lily bowl & pitcher set, \$525.

Albany slip hot water bottle w/leaves, (bottom-signed), \$160.

2 gallon crock with "2" and Union oval (no wing), \$300.

Back-stamped 20 gallon salt glaze "Single P" crock (cracked), \$475.

B1416 Dancer & B1417 Accordionist figures (both signed), \$350.

6 gallon Ice Water cooler w/wing & oval, plus lid, \$675.

RWCS Commemoratives (1982-1986), \$725.

Cherry Band pitcher w/"Snow White Grocery, Algona, Iowa" adv., \$500.



# CHAPTER NEWS

## Badger Chapter

Noon on Saturday, Sept. 21 at the home of Jeff & Sue Tagliapietra in Madison, Wis. The meeting will start with a pot luck lunch. Contact Chapter President Bob Morawski at for more information (contact info on pg. 2).

## Lewis & Clark Chapter

Will hold its fall meeting at the Sheldon Bohnhoff farm in North Dakota on Saturday, Oct. 5, starting at 1 p.m. Mountain Standard Time (MST). Any RWCS member is welcome. Call 701-579-4522 for more information

## Trails West Chapter

Will have its fall meeting on Saturday, Oct. 12 at the home of Doug & Joan Arth in Kearney, MO, (just northeast of Kansas City). The fall meeting is the chapter's annual fundraiser to support chapter activities for the year and provide funding for chapter donations to the Red Wing Collectors Society Foundation, KidsView and Young Collectors. Pot Luck will begin at noon followed by a business meeting, auction and Show & Tell. New members or visitors are always welcome. For directions or questions, please contact Chapter President Larry Birks at BRGTR3@EMBARQMAIL.COM or 816-380-1096.

## Wisconsin Chapter

11:30 a.m. on Sunday, Oct. 20 at the International Crane Foundation in Baraboo, WI for guided tour. Registration, Commemorative distribution and buffet lunch to follow around 1:15 p.m. at Glacier Rock Restaurant at Baraboo's Clarion Hotel. Short meeting, Show & Tell, silent auction and raffle winners after lunch. Current chapter members will receive written notification of the meeting. If you are not a member and would like more information about the fall meeting or the chapter, please contact Chapter President Pete Pavloski at PBPVAV@HOTMAIL.COM or 715-325-3715. The chapter also thanks members Ann & David Nelson and John & Crystal O'Sullivan for organizing the group's Wed. night social at Convention.

## RWCS MEMBER PASSINGS



**Osterholz**

Longtime RWCS Member Marv Osterholz died at age 64 on June 27 after a battle with cancer. A Vietnam Veteran, he was a sergeant in the U.S. Army and received two Purple Hearts and one Bronze Star for his bravery. An avid collector of Red Wing salt glaze and advertising stoneware, Marv was a fixture at RWCS events. Collecting Red Wing was a family pastime, as his wife, Lorraine, and son, Chris, are also active RWCS members.

Marv served on the RWCS Board of Directors from 1995 to 1997 and was the Illinois Chapter President for many years. In addition to spending time with family and collecting Red Wing, he enjoyed hunting, riding his motorcycle and hanging out with his beloved dogs, Jesse and Sam. He is survived by Lorraine (his wife of 39 years), Chris (wife Cate), two granddaughters and many other family and friends.



**Johnson**

Longtime RWCS Member Ardelle Johnson of Lake City, Minn. died July 11 at age 78. She and her husband,

RWCS Member

Dave Johnson, owned and operated the A & W Root Beer stand in Lake City until they retired in 1985. In addition to collecting Red Wing, she loved the outdoors. She is survived by Dave (her husband of 59 years) two sons and three grandchildren.



**Griffin**

RWCS Member Jean Griffin died Dec. 17 in Ankeny, Ia. Her 40+ year career in nursing began as an OB/GYN instructor at Iowa Lutheran

Hospital and ended as a nursing home inspector for the state of Iowa. She was an active and avid antiquer and compiled the only known documented history of Beaverdale, Ia., *The Spirit of Beaverdale*, which is now part of the Iowa historical library.

## PRICES STRONG AT STAMBAUGH AUCTION

The Houghton Auction Service sold the collection of RWCS Member Pat Stambaugh in Hager City, Wis. on July 10. Those who attended were treated to one of the best auctions of advertising stoneware since the Wayne & Sue Chapman Collection was sold in 2006. About 380 items crossed the block and they appealed to a wide range of interests and price ranges, selling from \$1 up to \$3400. Below are all the pieces that topped \$1000 at the sale.



4 gal. Red Wing salt glaze Success Filter, \$2000.



½ gal. Jos. Skala, Ely, MN adv. jug, \$1050.



Miles City, MT sponge adv. pitcher (restored base), \$2200.



½ gal. O.O. Torgerson Motley, MN adv. jug, \$2400.



5 gal Douglas King Ginger Beer, Winnipeg adv. cooler (restored), \$2000. 5 gal King adv. jug sitting upside down atop cooler (spout chips), \$200.



½ gal. dome-top Union Stoneware Mason jar, \$3400.



½ gal. Matt Kapsch, Ely, MN adv. jug, \$1700.



½ gal. Sam Sax, Hibbing, MN adv. jug (restored spout), \$3300.



Sponge umbrella stand, \$2600.



1 qt. Vergas, MN adv. jug, \$1200.



1 qt. Lake City, MN adv. jug, \$1750.



Gray Line hanging salt dish, \$1600.



# NEWS FROM YOUR RED WING POTTERY MUSEUM

*Story by* Dave Hallstrom,  
RWCS Foundation President

Greetings to all Red Wing Collectors Society members! I would like to send a sincere "Thank You!" to you all for your continued support on the progress of your new Red Wing Pottery Museum. During Convention and over the past several months, everyone has shown us their financial and volunteer support. This has helped us make great strides in construction, fundraising and public awareness. The Wednesday "Foundation Day" was highlighted by the "Wine-ing for Red Wing" evening event. Another special "Thank You!" goes out to Wendy Callicoat, Ann Tucker and Brenda Schwab, who put in long hours and transformed the Pottery Annex Building into a fun-filled time had by all.

I'm happy to report that we raised about \$30,000 during Convention. I'm blown away by all the support we receive! But as the meter below shows, we have a long way to go as we move forward with our Capital Campaign. With the purchase of our half of the Pottery Annex Building for the new home of the Red Wing Pottery Museum, improvements and operating expenses are needed to create our world-class museum. The construction costs, upgrades, repairs and an endowment fund large enough to sustain the museum for future generations are all very important details that are needed for the success and future of your museum.

The Foundation has always been very frugal in watching its expenses and saving every dime that has been donated. Thanks to all of our wonderful donors, we currently have a savings of more than \$120,000 after making our down payment of \$50,000 on the building. Purchasing the Pottery Annex Building for \$500,000 on a contract for deed to be paid off in four short years is a huge undertaking, but very doable if we all pitch in and help. The RWCS has a strong membership of 4,000+ members, so if each of us would pledge a small amount like \$7.50 a month (only 25 cents a day) for the next four years, we would have more than our initial campaign goal. Four short years!

Huge accomplishments can be made when we all work together. Our goal is to finish the first two rooms by this fall, move our existing museum over and then merge the Schleich Museum to its new home over the winter. Thanks to the many volunteers who have put in more than 3,300 hours, we should be able to achieve that goal. We know you will be proud of your new museum and it will become a wonderful tool in promoting the history of Red Wing's clay industry.

The Capital Campaign Committee chaired by Nancy Lambert will soon provide more information on how you can help. Until then, remember that you can send a check, donate items for an auction, or volunteer to help. Contact Dave Hallstrom at 787 Hallstrom Drive, Red Wing, MN 55066. My cell is 612-718-0331 and e-mail is HALLSTROMD@HOTMAIL.COM. 🍷

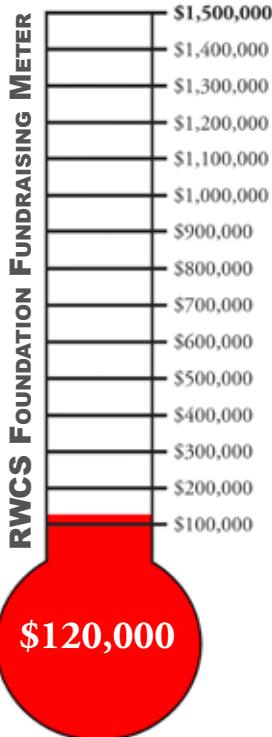
## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The RWCS Foundation will have an auction of stoneware, art pottery & dinnerware items that were specifically donated by members to help us raise funds. This will take place at the Zumbrota VFW Hall in Zumbrota, Minn. at 9 a.m. on Sat., Sept. 28, 2013.

The Grand Opening of the new Red Wing Pottery Museum will be Wed., July 9, 2014!

## Wine-ing for Red Wing!

About 250 RWCS members attended the RWCS Foundation's fundraiser on the Wednesday of Convention Week and got a sneak peek at the progress being made at the Pottery Annex building – the future home of the Red Wing Pottery Museum. As the smiles show, it was a *great* time!





## AD RATES

Classified ads are 20¢ per word for members and 30¢ per word for non-members; \$4 minimum charge and are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. In addition to appearing in the newsletter, classifieds and display ads are posted on the RWCS website.

### DISPLAY ADS

Display Ad Size	1x	6x
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June	May 10	May 1	June 15
August	July 25	July 15	Aug. 31
October	Sept. 10	Sept. 1	Oct. 15
December	Nov. 10	Nov. 1	Dec. 15

### EDITOR ADDRESS

Make checks payable to RWCS and mail with ads:

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Pewaukee, WI 53072

Ads can also be submitted by e-mail: send to [NEWSLETTER@REDWINGCOLLECTORS.ORG](mailto:NEWSLETTER@REDWINGCOLLECTORS.ORG) and send checks separately. Or, call Rick at 414-416-WING (9464).

## CLASSIFIEDS

### RED WING FOR SALE

King of Tarts cookie jar in excellent condition. For information and price, please call 203 972-6855.

Pair of Red Wing 1022 vases - cream background w/flower outlined in green. \$80 for pair. Contact [LOEVANS48@GMAIL.COM](mailto:LOEVANS48@GMAIL.COM).

60 gal RW crock, \$4300. 50 gal birchleaf, \$3000. Both factory mint. 40 gal wing crock (chip), \$1300. Richard 608-617-7424 or [RNATYNSKI@FRONTIER.COM](mailto:RNATYNSKI@FRONTIER.COM).

RW Dinnerware 1953 Country Garden pattern. Eight 7-piece place settings and 10 serving pcs. including beverage server. Excellent condition. Twin Cities area. Contact Bonnie at 763-533-1166.

RWCS Commemoratives 1984-2009, \$1200 OBO. Contact Tom & Norma Hanlon at 612-824-3325 or [MPLSHANLONS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:MPLSHANLONS@GMAIL.COM).

4 Red Wing mini beehive Mercury Jugs measuring 2 3/4" high, \$225 each; 1 Red Wing regular beehive Mercury Jug measuring 4 1/4" high, \$225; 1 Red Wing mini rectangular Mercury Jug measuring 3 1/4" high, \$175; 1 Red Wing rectangular Mercury Jug measures 4 1/2" high, \$125; 2 Red Wing white stoneware bottles with "Mercury" & star inside circle measuring 4 7/8" high, \$250 each. Contact George at 314-307-9110 or [HORHAY1980@AOL.COM](mailto:HORHAY1980@AOL.COM).

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### RED WING WANTED

Wanted: Researching the existence of souvenir or advertising pieces from Knapp, Wisconsin. With any information, please contact Tim at 715-263-2118 or [RTWYSS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:RTWYSS@GMAIL.COM). 12/13

Wanted: Lake Park, IA advertising ware. Contact [BANDJBUSH@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:BANDJBUSH@HOTMAIL.COM). 8/13

Wanted: These Xmas advertising bean pots: Koehnkes - Clear Lake, SD; C & W Shafer - Branch, WI; Gjermundson Bros Hdwe - Wittenberg, WI; Virnig & Gross - Chokio, MN. Any condition considered. Also looking for 9-inch blue & white panel bowl. Will consider any condition. Call 414-731-0218 or e-mail [REDWINGR@GMAIL.COM](mailto:REDWINGR@GMAIL.COM).

Wanted: Orange (exterior) and white (interior) vase from the Prismatic collection #797. Approx 11" high and 6" across; great condition desired. Please e-mail Alison at [ALIPLANT23@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:ALIPLANT23@HOTMAIL.COM).

Wanted: 2013 McDonald's crock from Red Wing. E-mail [LKM23@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:LKM23@HOTMAIL.COM) and put "McDonald's" in subject line. Also want Minnesota-shaped ashtray. E-mail: [LKM23@HOTMAIL.COM](mailto:LKM23@HOTMAIL.COM), put "ashtray" in subject line.

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especially considering she already had three of the regular Bulldog figures at home, along with a few Albany slip pigs and a white pig with black spots. She has been collecting stoneware animals and primitive Illinois earthenware for the past 10 years.

Angela's sitting Bulldog is 7 1/2 inches tall and 4 inches by 4 1/2 inches wide at the base. It weighs 2 1/2 lbs.

"I wasn't sure if it was Red Wing until (RWCS Ask the Expert's) Al Kohlman looked at the pictures and confirmed that there's a very good possibility it is, taking into consideration the facial features and cropped ears," she says.

We obviously can't be entirely certain that this sitting Bulldog was made by a Red Wing potter since it's unsigned, but like Al has said, it sure looks like it could be. The existence of this fantastic piece has us asking the following three questions: "What will Bob come up with next?", "Will it come to life like his other creations?" and "Where did he learn to practice such sorcery??"





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