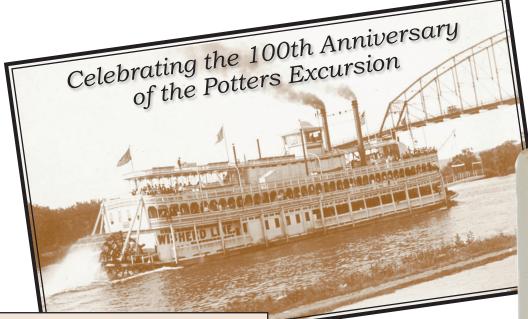
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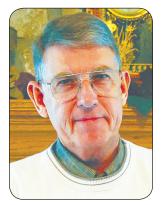




Greeting from the President

elcome to the 39th annual Red Wing Collectors Convention! Every year brings hundreds of collectors to Red Wing to "chase clay" from local antique shops, auctions, and the RWCS Show and Sale on Saturday. Over the years this gathering of collectors has become much more than simply the acquiring of new pieces for their collections. The renewing of friendships, the touring of the beautiful City of Red Wing, the Crock Hunt, the education, and the Crock Fest on Friday, all bring the collectors back to Red Wing each year.

The RWCS Chapter Presidents requested some "changes" to make the annual visit to Red Wing something to really look forward to this year, and our Executive Director, Stacy Wegner, the Board of Directors, and an untold number of volunteers have worked hard to fulfill this request. They have been working closely with the Pottery Museum to ensure that



Larry Birks President

everyone will have the opportunity to visit the Museum during their stay. Pre-registration will be inside the Museum building, the "Wine-ing" fund raiser will be at the Museum again this year and tickets for the event will be available in the Museum gift shop for early purchase. The "Minnesota-Michigan" Brown Jug will be on display in the Museum so you can get a chance to view the actual jug that's the traveling trophy for each year's Minnesota/Michigan football game.

Changes abound at the High School also. All the events and seminars have been moved to the lower level and closer to the cafeteria gathering place to make getting around much easier. A new menu will be available at the cafeteria for this year's convention. The annual Thursday night RWCS auction will include a number of high end stoneware and pottery pieces to give you the opportunity to return home with a new piece for your collection.

Of special interest this year, the Goodhue County Historical Society has offered to host Crock Fest at their facility in Red Wing on Friday evening. The RWCS has always worked closely with the Historical Society since the first RWCS gathering of collectors was held there in 1977. I guess you could say we are "returning home" for this event. The Historical Society will open their vault collection for everyone to see, and Clyde Deopner, Curator for the Minnesota Twins, will share his exhibit of Red Wing produced Minnesota Twins art pottery. A shuttle bus will run from "The Pottery Place" parking lot, AmericInn, and the Goodhue County Education Building parking lot to Crock Fest to make your visit to the event easy and convenient.

The last big change this year will be the Saturday "Show and Sale" at the Red Wing High School. We have opened the event up with larger booth spaces and will be allowing sellers to bring in more "quality" antiques besides the stoneware, art pottery, and dinnerware we are used to. We are hopeful this new venue for area sellers will become an annual event that our collectors and Red Wing residents will look forward to.

The City of Red Wing has worked closely with us to ensure your visit here will be memorable. The history of Red Wing is everywhere and we encourage you to roam the City, visit the museums, shop the many unique businesses, have a meal at one of the terrific restaurant's, a beer at a local brewery, and of course there's always the bakery for a wonderful donut or cookie while you discover Red Wing. We hope you enjoy this year's convention and the beautiful City of Red Wing!

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Welcome from the Executive Director

hope your Excursion to Red Wing to join your fellow collectors has been great so far. It's exciting bringing collectors together to mark the 100th Anniversary of the Potters Excursion! The Excursion was for the workers; it's a fitting theme to celebrate this year. Like collectors, the potter's had a passion for pottery!

This year more than ever members came out to support the convention and without all the volunteers this convention would not be successful. I would like to take this opportunity to give special thanks to all the volunteers that make the convention possible.

The Supplement is your resource to find out more about the Crock Hunt (page 24), Crock Fest (page 9), Educational Opportunities (page 12), and the full Schedule of Events (page 6). Reminder: some events at the High School have moved to new locations. Check out the signs and head in the right direction.



Stacy Wegner Executive Director

The RWCS appreciates the continued support of so many organizations in Red Wing: RWCS Foundation, Red Wing area businesses, Republican Eagle staff, Red Wing High School, Red Wing Visitor and Convention Bureau, Red Wing Area Chamber, Red Wing Downtown Main Street, City of Red Wing, Pottery Museum of Red Wing, Goodhue County Historical Society, Larry's Jugs and all those who make everything possible.

Congratulation Members - this year will mark the 39th annual convention for our organization. It is with great excitement that I also mark my 10th RWCS Convention.

Have a great Convention! Stacy L. Wegner Executive Director

Welcome from the History Center

The Goodhue County History Center is located at 1166 Oak St., Red Wing.

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Well it is finally here...Convention! It was at Convention last year that I purchased my first pottery piece. I could not resist; I was hooked! The Goodhue County Historical Society staff and board have been looking forward to this year's Convention for many months. You will get to meet many new faces when visiting the History Center but most of all, you will have the oppor-



tunity to come back to the location where the Red Wing Collectors Society began. We view it as an honor and privilege to be hosting Crock Fest this year at the History Center. The theme of Going Home will take on many different meanings during the event. The RWCS will be having a main event back where it all began in 1977. But Going Home goes beyond returning to your roots, it also means baseball! Clyde Doepner, an RWCS member and curator for the Minnesota Twins, has put together an exhibit on memorabilia from the 1965 Major League Baseball All-Star Game hosted in Minnesota as well as items from the 1965 World Series. As our contribution to the education seminars, Doug "Freight Train" Ernst will talk about baseball in American culture. Doug and I both play 1860s base ball (no that is not a typo!) or vintage base ball so I'm sure he will delight you with the rules of the day.

Goodhue County is a beautiful area. Don't forget to make time to enjoy its natural wonder while in town. Enjoy your time with friends and fellow collectors during this year's convention. We look forward to seeing you!

Dustin B. Heckman Executive Director, Goodhue County Historical Society

Welcome to Red Wing!

elcome to the Red Wing Collectors Society Convention – and welcome to Red Wing! All of us in Red Wing are proud of the success of the Pottery Museum; it has turned out to be a great asset for the community. We are looking forward to sharing the experience with you. I know your stay in Red Wing will be rewarding; we have many outdoor recreational activities available for visitors, as well as dining, shopping, and sight-seeing. I am hoping to greet you all soon!

Dan Bender Red Wing Mayor



Dan Bender Red Wing Mayor

On the cover...

This year marks the 100th Anniversary of the 1915 Potters Excursion. The cover features photos of the Excursion jug and G.W. Hill of the Wisherd Line. Photo credit to the Goodhue County Historical Society and Rick Natynski, RWCS Newsletter editor.

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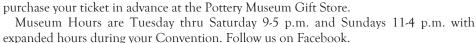
Greetings from the RWCS Foundation

n behalf of the Foundation and Pottery Museum we welcome you to Red Wing!

July 8th will mark a year since the ribbon cutting for the Pottery Museum of Red Wing. The past year we have had over 8,000 visitors from all over the world 42 different states and 15 countries.

The museum is very proud and honored to have received the 2014 Business of the Year award for Arts & Entertainment, Lodging, Recreation & Tourism. We also were awarded by the City of Red Wing Heritage Preservation Commission the 2015 Award of Merit. For our participation in the Inaugural Red Wing Museum Crawl in 2014, we along with 5 other museums received the Minnesota History Award from the Minnesota Alliance of Local Museums (MALHM).

During the Convention be sure to check out the Museum, our new "The Summer Kitchen" exhibit, and the "Little Brown Jug." We look forward to seeing all of you at Wineing for Red Wing event on Wednesday 6-9 p.m. You can purchase your ticket in advance at the Pottery Museum Gift.



Enjoy your visit to Red Wing and the Pottery Museum of Red Wing!

Dave Hallstrom President Red Wing Collectors Society Foundation



Dave Hallstrom Red Wing Collectors Society Foundation / Pottery Museum of Red Wing

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Learn the history of the Red Wing Clay Industries Over 6,000 Items on Display



Printed, written history being preserved in archives

By Ruth Nerhaugen Contributor

uch of Red Wing's pottery history can be found in the stoneware, dinnerware and art pottery on display at the Pottery Museum of Red Wing.

But there is more – lots more.

In a cool, windowless back room at the museum, volunteer Michelle Weisen has undertaken the massive task of organizing and preserving written and printed material dating back to the earliest years of the industry in Red Wing.

The Red Wing Collectors Society Foundation has a huge collection of photographs and negatives, maps, drawings, letters, business documents and other ephemera. Much of it was part of the collection donated by Louise Schleich and her late husband lerry.

Weisen, a former English professor and Red Wing native, got involved when she moved back to Minnesota from Philadelphia.

She learned about Red Wing's new Pottery Museum when she attended a Kiwanis meeting with her parents, Don and Mary Felmlee of Red Wing. Then she discovered that an old Red Wing High School classmate, Robin Wipperling, was the museum director.

Weisen asked her old friend, "Did you get papers with this Schleich collection?"

Wipperling sent her to Diane Hallstrom, who had custody of stacks of boxes filled with papers, some of them in the process of disintegrating.

When she realized the scope of the collection, Weisen turned to St. Catherine University teacher Molly Hazelton. A group of her students in the Society of American Archivists were interested in working on the collection as a community partnership project.

Weisen had some training, but signed up for a class to learn more herself. She ultimately brought 15 boxes of documents to St. Kate's containing everything from 1880s correspondence to business papers, receipts and more.

They came up with categories," she said, and divided into teams. "Then we went to work. We archived."

Those materials went into four primary categories: business administration; publications by potteries; manufacturing and orders; and Ann Williams papers.

Weisen explained that in the 1980s Williams gathered materials she planned to put in a book

about the pottery, but she died before it was finished.

The students put everything in special folders and filed them chronologically in archival boxes, then returned everything to Weisen at the Red Wing museum.

The archives are in a very special room, she said. Wood cannot be used, so Wipperling's husband, Keith Kaiser, created glass tables on wheels. It has no windows, and is temperature controlled and sanitized. There are two fireproof safes.

My biggest fear is water," Weisen said, so special measures were taken for added protection.

Since the archives room became available this

spring, she has been coming to Red Wing at least two days a week. "There are so many sorts that need to be done for organization," she said, explaining that chronological sorting is just a first step.

In May Weisen began creating a computerized database of the materials, since the goal is to eventually make it all available for research.

The first level, a listing of materials, should be computerized by the end of this year. With that, researchers should be able to discover what materials exist in the archives.

The collection also includes many photographs, negatives and maps. "At some point I will bring groups together to try and identify the old photos," she said.

The archives will be open during the RWCS Convention, Weisen said.



Archivist Michelle Weisen is developing a collection of books about Red Wing-made pottery.





Drawings of original pottery designs can be found in the archives at the Pottery Museum of Red Wing, which is overseen by volunteer Michelle Weisen.

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Our documents are here, in one place, and they're protected," she stressed. "Over the course of the coming year, people will be able to access more and more online. ...

There's so much history to these pieces, from the sketches by Charles Murphy" to papers describing processes to documentation about sales and distribution, she said. It's also possible to discern trends through the decades.

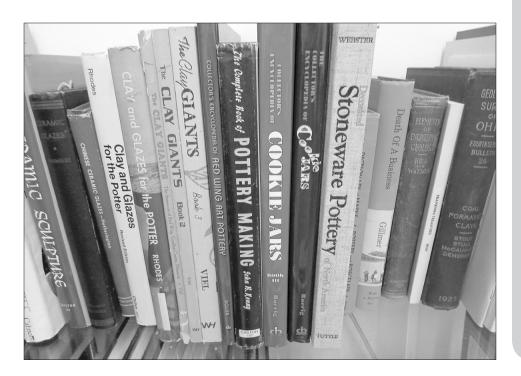
Weisen will offer a seminar on Education Day (11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. H 109)

to provide an update "on where we are and where we're going," she said.

She also will be overseeing the new library room at the museum, just off the gift shop. It is complete with tables and couches.

I'll put out some of the duplicate materials and an old ledger each day," she said, along with books and newsletters people can peruse.

I have loved and collected Red Wing all my life," Weisen said. "This is fun. That's why I do it."





Archival materials are used to safely store old ledgers.

Weisen looking for more scrapbook treasures

Michelle Weisen couldn't be happier with the new archives facilities at the Pottery Museum of Red Wing.

And she's thrilled with all the documents, photos, maps, letters and other materials that have been donated to the museum.

But she still worries.

Former pottery workers are aging, and she's afraid their stories may be

When people think of donating items to the museum, they usually think of stoneware, dinnerware and art pottery, Weisen explained.

If they or their children have documents, I would like them to know that paperwork is part of the collection, too," she said — especially any original materials.

Weisen noted that at one time the pottery put in an IBM system, yet she doesn't have a single IBM card in the archives. "Where are they?" she wonders.

During Convention Week, she is reaching out to collectors as well as to local residents who had some connection to the pottery industry.

I would like people to go through their scrapbooks" and consider donating old photos or newspaper clippings related to the history of the potteries, she said.

Weisen, a volunteer who typically works at the museum two days a week, invites people to come and see the archives and library during the convention.

I would like to show them how well we're going to take care of their things," she explained.

She is also looking for older and out-of-print books about Red Wing pottery. A Ross Hankins book titled "The Potter and the Clay" is at the top of her wish list.

Anyone with anything to donate can call Museum Director Robin Wipperling at 651-327-2220 and leave a message. Weisen will pick up the items or people can bring them to the museum.

We could use some volunteers," she added. She has newspapers that need to be clipped and preserved, and will be looking for helpers in the archives.

2015 Convention Schedule • Red Wing High School, Red Wing, MN

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7:00 – 12:00	RWCS Board of Directors Meeting	Red Wing Area Senior Annex Side	8:00 - 1:30	Courtyard Café Open	Courtyard Café
11:00 - 4:00	Pre-registered attendees badge pick up	Former Players Restaurant	8:00-3:00	Chapter Challenge pieces & Gift Basket Silent Auction	Courtyard Cafe
12:00 — 3:00	RWCS Auction Check-In, Catalogs for Sale	Gymnasium	0.00 10.50	Winners announced at Business Meeting	C 100 NEW LOCATION
12:00 — 3:00	Display: set up by appointment	J 100 Pod	9:00 — 10:50	Commemorative Distribution & Silent Auction	C 102 – NEW LOCATION
6:00 — 9:00pm	RWCS Foundation "WINE-ing for Red Wing	Pottery Museum of Red Wing	0.00	D: 1 0	Hallway to Gymnasium
Thursday	Live Auction at 7:00pm	240 Harrison St.	8:30 - 3:00	Displays Open	J 100 Pod
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8:00 — 4:00	Courtyard Café Open	Courtyard Café	8:00 - 3:00	Richard Spiller Pottery Demonstration	Courtyard Café
8:00 – 1:00	Set up the Display and Rare Items	J 100 Pod		Hands on Session — pre registration preferred \$40	J
8:00 - 5:30	Convention Registration Opens	Courtyard Café	0.00 10.00	One hour session (page 12)	C 100 Ch -:- D
	Chapter Presidents Meeting	K 100	9:00 – 10:00	Orientation for Convention First Timers	C 100 Choir Room
9:00 — 3:00	Hands on Session - Richard Spiller Pottery	Courtyard Café	8:00 - 10:30	HAUL IN Show and Sale/Souvenir Items	Gymnasium
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8:00 — 5:30	Chapter Challenge pieces and Gift Basket Silent Au		10:00 – 2:45	Kids View Seminars (ages 3-12) - Lunch will be provided	Art Room (page 14)
0.00 4.00	Winners announced at Business Meeting	Courtyard Cafe	10:00 - 2:45	Young Collectors Program - Lunch will be provided	Art Room/ Little Theater (page 15)
8:00 – 4:00	Volunteer Room Open	Teachers Lounge C 102 — NEW LOCATION	11:00 – 11:50	Adult Educational Seminars	H 100 Rooms (pages 12-13)
8:00 – 10:00	Commemorative Distribution & Silent		11:00 - 1:30	Lunch available Courtyard Café	Courtyard Café
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9:00 - 3:30 9:00 - 10:00	Orientation for Convention First Timers	Choir Room C-100	2:00 – 2:45	O Native Bird, Sing Our Song! Play	B 104 Little Theater
9:00 - 10:00 9:00 - 12:30	Young Collectors Program — Trip to	Meet Outside Art Room (page 15)	2.00	Performed by the Young Collectors. Everyone Inv	
7.00 — 12.30	Featherstone Pottery. Lunch will be provided.	INICCI COISIUC AIT ROUITI (page 15)	3:00	Chapter Challenge pieces & baskets close Annual Business Meeting	Courtyard Café Auditorium
10:00	Convention Slide Show	Auditorium	3:15 – 5:30	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	Welcome Session	Auditorium (page 7)	5:00 — 9:00pm	CROCKFEST!!!! Celebration of pottery history for the whole	Goodhue Co. Historial Society Shuttles (see page 8)
10.50 12.00	Keynote Address: Ken Magee, "The Little Brown Ju			family, Food Vendors & Fun for Everyone.	Silotitos (see huge o)
11:00 - 4:00	Lunch at the H.S. Café	Courtyard Café		Special Displays & Vault Tours!	
12:15 – 4:15	Auction Preview	Gymnasium	Saturday,	July 11	
1:00 - 2:00	Chapter Meetings	H100 Rooms New Location	7:30 - 9:00	HAUL IN Show and Sale	Gymnasium
1.00 2.00	Puget Sound Chapter H100,	last year Commemorative	7:30 - 1:30	Concession Stand - Winger Volleyball	Gymnasium
	Illinois Chapter H 101, Iowa Chapter H 102,	iusi jour commoniorumo	8:00-10:30	Registration Opens	Courtyard Café
	Siouxland Chapter H 103, Southwest Red Wingers H	104.	8:00-10:30	Commemorative Distribution - Silent Auction	C 102 – NEW LOCATION
	Lewis & Clark Chapter H 105, Trails West Chapter H	•		Close at 10:30	Hallway to Gymnasium
	Wisconsin Chapter H 109, Gopher Chapter H 110	,	8:00 - 11:00	Auction Prices - Realized Catalogs for Sale	Courtyard Café/Gym
12:30 - 2:30	Kids View Seminar (ages 3-12)	Art Room (page 14)	8:00-12:00	Display Open to the Public	J 100 Pod
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1:00 - 4:00	Commemorative Distribution	C 102 – NEW LOCATION	10:30 - 1:30	Show & Sale Open to the Public	Gymnasium (pages 20-21)
		Hallway to Gymnasium	9:30 — 1:00	Commemorative Lottery (while supplies last)	C 102 – NEW LOCATION
2:30 - 3:30	Shared Interest Groups	H 100 Rooms	1:30 - 3:00	Show & Sale Removal	Gymnasium
4:00 - 8:00	Concession Stand - Winger Volleyball	Winger Volleyball Gymnasium	12:00 – 3:00	Display Removal	J 100 Pod
4:30 — ????	Official RWCS Auction	Gymnasium	5:30 p.m. Social	Banquet Celebration	Mount Frontenac Golf Course
3:00-7:00	Displays open for viewing	J 100 Pod	6:30 Dinner	Adults \$28, Children \$10	32420 Ski Rd, Frontenac, MN
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Excursion Red Wing

Little Brown Jug, author coming to Convention

By Ruth Nerhaugen Contributor

ne of Red Wing's best-known pottery treasures — the Little Brown Jug that represents the Minnesota-Michigan college football rivalry — will come "home" for a short visit during the 2015 Red Wing Collectors Society Convention.

The society arranged to have the trophy jug on display during the Convention in conjunction with the keynote presentation by Ken Magee, a sports historian who has co-written a book on the Gopher-Wolverine rivalry.

Magee will speak and show slides at 10:30 a.m. July 9 at Red Wing High School. Because there are so many Gopher and football fans in the immediate area, the session will be open to the public without charge.

The Little Brown Jug will be displayed at the Pottery Museum of Red Wing that week, and will be transported to the high school for Magee's presentation.

Magee, who is from Ann Arbor, Mich., is an expert on Wolverine football history.

He stressed, however, that his book, "The Little Brown Jug: The Michigan-Minnesota Rivalry," is entirely neutral in its treatment of the two teams.

Likewise, his presentation will focus on the people and events surrounding the Little Brown Jug, including dispelling some of the myths about how it all began.

Football fans know that the zinc-glazed, 5-gallon stoneware jug made in Red Wing bears the scores of Gopher-Wolverine contests dating back to 1903. It had been purchased by Michigan's student manager for 30 cents, and was left behind when the Wolverines were sent home in defeat.

The jug became a traveling trophy, one that stayed with the winning team.

That's just the beginning of the story, however. In the book he co-authored with Jon Stevens, Magee details the storied history of the rivalry, from the famous people who played in the games to the curious incident in the 1930s when it was stolen.

Many famous people played for the two teams, Magee pointed out, including President Gerald Ford and Heisman Trophy winners Bruce Smith and Tom Harmon. One man — and only one — played for both teams when they captured the jug, he said: Bill Daley.

The book is filled with more than 200 images donated from the private collections of sports enthusiasts, photographers and libraries.



Michigan fan Ken Magee will talk about the Little Brown Jug and the Minnesota-Michigan rivalry at the RWCS convention. The presentation is free and open to the public.

Collectors Society Executive Director Stacy Wegner was among local residents assisting with research. When he contacted the society, she provided information published by the RWCS and connected him with collectors here.

I knew he would be a great speaker for our convention," she said. "With the Minnesota Gophers recently winning the jug back from Michigan, it's perfect timing."

Magee's presentation will include a slide show featuring additional rarely seen photos that are not in the book.

In addition to selling and signing copies of the book, he also will bring some special items to the convention, including a commemorative bookmark with an image of the jug that includes the results of the 2014 game. The softcover book sells for \$20.

I will have with me some artifacts for viewing and for purchase," he said, adding these will be "doubles" from his personal collection. "I buy, sell and trade" Little Brown Jug memorabilia, including contemporary replica jugs.

In addition, he has replica trophies in three sizes, from tiny to very large, and a reproduction pennant resembling one from the 1900s but with the jug on it.

Magee is a retired law enforcement officer whose career included serving as chief of police for the University of Michigan.

A portion of proceeds from book sales is going to a foundation that assists police officers who have been permanently injured in the line of duty and their families. He is currently finishing up a book on the Michigan-Ohio State rivalry.

Magee invited anyone with questions or information to contact him at kenmagee22@aol.com, or to visit with him at the convention. He is looking for contemporary replica jugs that may have been made by collectors groups.



Author Ken Magee will bring replicas of the Little Brown Jug and vintage style banners to Red Wing High School, where he will give the keynote address for the July 9 opening of the 2015 RWCS Convention.



See full menu online at randvsinredwina.com

Twins RW memorabilia on display during CrockFest



bossed with "Make your home plate Minnesota. Karl Rolvaag, Governor."

The souvenir plates were given to dignitaries and members of the press.

Red Wing also commemorated the World Series with a brown double bowl/ashtray. One of the bowls says "Minnesota Twins, American League Champions," and it is embossed with the Minnie and Paul logo showing players shaking hands across the Mississippi River.

Around the same time the pottery came out with a small ashtray in the shape of Minnesota that duplicates the Minnie and Paul characters. Doepner's collection includes this piece in several colors.

Doepner, a member of the Red Wing Collectors Society since the early 1980s, is a former Pine Island High School history teacher and baseball coach.

He's also been a Twins supporter all his life, and has extensive knowledge of the organization. He owns one of the largest Twins memorabilia collections in the world, and it grows every year. Those items span the ball club's history.

As curator for the Minnesota Twins, he is in charge of maintaining the team's collection of historical items. Items from his collection rotate on display at Target Field for fans to see and enjoy.

Before ballgames, he gives tours at the downtown Minneapolis ballpark, explaining the items in the glass display cases, which he puts together and maintains.

Doepner worked with Casey Mathern, the new curator of objects and exhibits at the county museum, to fill three cases with items from his collection. The exhibit will remain in the lobby until late August, she said.

Although Doepner is unable to spend much time at the RWCS Convention because there are day games that weekend at Target Field, he hopes to get down early for Saturday's show and sale, where he sometimes finds treasures for his collections.

The Historical Society has invited Doepner to speak at the museum later this summer. No date is set yet.

He can be reached at clydedoepner@twinsbaseball.com.



FRIDAY, JULY 10 • 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM GOODHUE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY 1166 OAK STREET, RED WING, MN

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CrockFest 'Going Home' to History Center

By Ruth Nerhaugen Contributor

oing Home" is theme for the 2015 Crockfest, which is moving back to where it all began - the grounds of the Goodhue County History Cen-

The annual party, which brings together community residents and convention-goers for an evening of camaraderie, music and food, will be from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. July 10.

The earliest official gathering of Red Wing stoneware and pottery collectors took place in July 1977 at the museum.

At that one-day event they formed the Red Wing Collectors Society with more than 200 Charter Members.

Although collectors have always been welcome at the history center during Convention Week, this is the first time since 1977 that the group is going "back to our roots" with a major gathering, Executive Director Stacy Wegner said.

This year's CrockFest will feature live music by Sheep for Wheat, a Winona area band featuring the museum's Education and Outreach Director James Clinton on drums. Other members are singer/guitarist Andrew Hudson, guitarist/keyboardist/singer Joseph Martin; and guitarist/ singer Steve Bernstein.

They'll perform blues and rock 'n' roll tunes, mostly covers from the 1960s and '70s. The crowd can expect hits



by Creedence Clearwater Revival, Eric Clapton, James Brown and the like, along with classic blues by artists such as Howlin' Wolf.

Liberty's Restaurant will be back selling food, and this year the Historical Society will have hot dogs, bratwurst and root beer floats. No alcohol will be sold there, but people can bring their own.

Admission to the museum will be free, said Executive Director Dustin Heckman.

Staff will conduct vault tours allowing visitors to "see our archives and collections storage areas - things people don't usually get to see," Heckman said. The focus will be on pottery and pottery-related items and materials.

The museum also will be displaying art pottery, stoneware, sewer pipe and a number of one-of-a-kind "lunch hour" pieces, he added.

In the lobby, visitors will find a unique exhibit — a collection of Minnesota Twins memorabilia owned by Clyde Doepner, curator for the Twins.

Included will be pottery pieces made in Red Wing for the 1965 All-Star Game and World Series.

CrockFest will be the largest gathering at the History Cen-

For us," Heckman said, "this is just a huge opportunity to have a big community event like this... It will give us an idea about future things we can do."

CrockFest attracted 200 to 400 people from the community and the Convention when it was held in Central Park in the past.

Because parking is limited, the RWCS has arranged a shuttle service for use by anyone who wants to come to the fest, Wegner said.

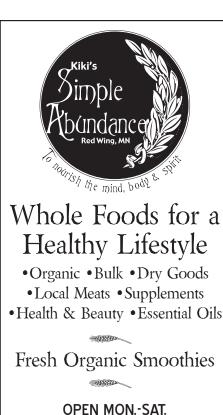
Pickups will be made at the AmericInn, the Pottery Museum of Red Wing, and the parking lot of the Goodhue County Education District (formerly Jefferson School) at 601 Buchanan St., just down the hill from the museum. The shuttle run from 5 p.m. to about 9:30 p.m.

People also encouraged to BYO lawn chairs.









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Keynote

Title: The Little Brown Jug: The Michigan-Minnesota Rivalry Speaker: Ken Magee Thursday: July 9, 10:30 a.m.

The 110-year legacy of the Little Brown Jug rivalry of Michigan and Minnesota Universities lives on. Ken Magee, key note speaker, will take you on a journey of one of college football's greatest rivalries and the first "trophy game." Throughout his presentation Ken will show you many rarely seen photographs that memorialize this great rivalry, and the many myths and stories surrounding the famous traveling trophy. This session hopes to share some of these stories, and debunk others! There may be some new stories you have not heard before. What may well be the most publically famous piece of Red Wing Stoneware is sure to be of interest to all, college sports fan or not. Speaker Biography:

Ken Magee is a highly decorated retired law enforcement officer of over 30 years. Ken was raised in Ann Arbor Michigan in the shadows of Michigan Stadium and began attending Wolverine football games at a very young age. A family friend of the Schembechler's led to a life long love affair with Michigan football. As a historian of football, Ken also owns the largest private collection of vintage Wolverine football artifacts in the world and is honored to have many of his historic rare items on loan and displayed at the University of Michigan Football Museum in the Ann Arbor. In 2014 Ken co-authored the book "The Little Brown Jug: The Michigan-Minnesota Rivalry", and has recently completed his second book "The Game: The Michigan-Ohio State Rivalry". Both books take a neutral viewpoint on these outstanding rivalries. Ken encourages football fans and collectors to contact him directly via cell phone 503-781-3174 or email "Kenmagee22@aol.

FRIDAY, JULY 10 EDUCATIONAL SEMINARS

Technology and the RWCS

Speaker: Paul Wichert Session 1: 10:00 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.

Did you know that there are more than 20,000 pages on the RWCS website? Whether you're looking for information about upcoming meetings, events, Chapters, classified ads, or even current or past RWCS Newsletter issues, it's all there for you in an easy to navigate format.

Paul Wichert will present a tour of the RWCS website and all it has to offer. From smartphones to the traditional PC, the RWCS is embracing technology and we want to help you harness that power.

This is a great opportunity to see our website, ask questions, and offer your ideas to help expand the Society's technology opportunities. Paul will also discuss smartphone apps, online voting, QR codes, and a host of related subjects to give you a better idea of where we are and where we intend to go.

Speaker Biography:

Paul Wichert, RWCS Vice President, is an Information Technology professional by trade. He is a longtime collector of Red Wing and advertising stoneware and has been a RWCS member since 1992. He presently resides on the Technology Committee. He has also worked on the Commemorative distribution crew since 1993. He is a Charter Member of the RWCS Badger Chapter. Paul and his wife live in Waukesha, WI.

Red Wing Saffron Ware

Speakers: Brent & Debbie Mischke Session 1: 10:00 a.m. to 10:50 am. Session 2: 11:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

This presentation will cover all the basics of Saffron Ware collecting – types of pieces available, styles of decoration, etc. New discoveries from the past few years will also be included.

Speaker Biography:

Brent & Deb were introduced to Red Wing collecting by RWCS Charter Member Martha Behrens, and they joined the Red Wing Collectors Society in 1980. Besides Saffron Ware they are interested in collecting bowls, Gypsy Trail and Town &

Country dinnerware lines, and New Brighton, Pennsylvania stoneware.

DuoTone (Cylinder) Line & Recent Dinnerware Updates

Terry Moe and Larry Roschen Session: 1 10:00 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. Session: 2 11:00 a.m. to 11:50 a.m.

Larry Roschen and Terry Moe will review the Duo-Tone line (also known as Cylinder). Red Wing produced six patterns in the Duo-Tone shape, including Pepe and Flight as well as seldom seen patterns. In addition, they will present updates on recent dinnerware finds including Pansy Kiitchenware, and Mixer Bowls. They will also be revealing, for the first time, exciting new Village Green discoveries.

The seminar is based almost entirely upon primary source materials from Red Wing Potteries. Brochures, Price Lists, Company internal documents, advertising materials and displayed dinnerware items provide the resources for the pre-

sentation.

Speaker Biographies:

Terry Moe and his wife Marilyn have been collecting Red Wing pottery since they inherited a partial set of Gypsy Trail

Hands-on Pottery Experience & Shared Interest Groups HANDS on with COLOR- Create your piece of pottery Presenter: Richard Spiller Thursday July 9 and Friday July 10 Every Hour on the Hour 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. 4 students per session

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Presenter Biography:

Richard Spiller a resident of rural Wisconsin, Spiller was educated at Western Michigan University and the University of Wisconsin — Madison. An Emeritus Professor of Art at Eastern Carolina University, Spiller has been a practicing potter and ceramic artist for nearly 50 years. His expertise included kiln building with firing experience from corn cob raku to Tozan Noboigama and firing to cone 10 reduction. Walk-ups welcome.

Orientation for First Timers Speaker: Catherine Beall Thursday: July 9, 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Friday: July 10, 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

If 2014 will be your first time attending the Red Wing Collectors Society Convention, there is a lot to see and do! Start your first Convention experience out right by attending an Orientation Seminar led by longtime RWCS member Catherine Beall. Catherine will discuss all of the activities that are lined up and offer tips on making the most of your Convention experience.

Speaker Biography:

Hello all, my name is Catherine Beall. I have been involved in the Red Wing Convention for over ten years now. I have been speaking at the Convention for four years now. My interest in Red Wing is the history and preservation of that history. The Charles E. Murphy prints are my particular area of interest. Hope to see you all there.

Shared Interest Groups Groups: Stoneware, Dinnerware, Art Pottery, Social Media H100 Classrooms Thursday, July 9, 2:30 p.m. = 3:30 p.m.

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Come show off your favorite piece, new find at Convention, or photos of your collection. Talk with other RWCS members that share your specific Red Wing collecting passion for Dinnerware, Stoneware, or Art Pottery. This is your time to network with other collectors and swap stories, ask questions and get connected with other RWCS members with your area of interest.

Rooms will be marked for each major area of Red Wing pottery production, history, and future: Stoneware, Dinnerware, Art Pottery, and Social Media will be featured this year. More groups may be created on site as requested.

Terry Moe & Larry Roschen — Dinnerware Sue Chapman — Facebook Group Meeting

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Plain and Reed in 1975 from Terry's Grandmother. They primarily collect dinnerware. Gypsy Trail, Wreath, Ivanhoe, Nassau, Ardennes, Hotel or Restaurant, and Normandy along with Merrileaf have been their main focus. Primary source materials allowing them to document dinnerware have become a major interest.

Larry Roschen and his wife Kathy have collected all forms of Red Wing pottery since 1980. Red Wing pitchers, teapots, salt & pepper shakers are primary collecting interests along with building complete sets of several dinnerware patterns. Larry's interests have turned from growing the collection to learning more about the Red Wing dinnerware lines through research of vintage documents. Larry currently serves as the dinnerware advisor for the "Ask the Experts" section of the RWCS website and serves on the board of the Red Wing Collectors Society Foundation.

Larry and Terry have conducted numerous dinnerware seminars for RWCS Midwinter and Summer Conventions.

Hunting History

Speaker: Nancy Lambert Session: 1 10:00 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. Session 2: 11:00 a.m. to 11:50 p.m.

Grocers, hardware stores, liquor dealers and general mercantile stores used zinc stoneware to advertise their businesses in the late 1800s into the twentieth century. They are the topic of a new book Nancy Lambert has published - Kansas & Missouri Advertising Stoneware, made in Red Wing. Methods used to research, assemble and publish the book will be discussed, as well as the task of photog-

raphy and design. She got the idea when she acquired a special piece from Topeka, Kansas and did the research about the business. The project was supported by the Trails West Chapter and all profit from the books will be donated to help fund the Pottery Museum of Red Wing.

Speaker Biography:

Nancy Lambert has been a member of RWCS since 1997. She holds a masters degree in journalism and worked in the printing industry for 45 years before retiring. She collects brushed ware and anything else that catches her eye and her husband Wayne collects North Star. She has always had an interest in history and put together the updated commemorative book for the 2012 Convention. She is a charter member of the Trails West Chapter and served 10 years as Treasurer. She joined the RWCS Foundation Board in 2013.

Dump Finds

Paul Boudin & Connie Matthison Session: 1 10:00 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. Session 2: 11:00 a.m. to 11:50 p.m.

Come and join us for some fun and informational discussions on our coolest digs from Pottery Road and the Red Wing Dump. It has been another good year of digging. We have unearthed some neat and unusual pieces. Last but not least, due to my overflowing shed, we will have a "few" shards to give away!

Speaker Biographies:

Paul and Connie joined the RWCS in 2007. After attending Steve Showers seminar that year, they were hooked on digging. They also go with Steve and Phyllis Showers around the area digging old

bottle dumps. They have been collecting stoneware since the year 2000. Paul collects salt glaze, advertising, and has recently started collecting art pottery. Connie loves bowls, but does collect other RW pieces. They are members of the Gopher and Trails West Chapters. They attend MidWinter also.

Title: Baseball in American Art and Culture

Doug Ernst, on behalf of the Goodhue County Historical Society Session: 2 11:00 am. To 11:50 a.m. Session: 3 1:00 p.m. to 1:50 p.m.

Baseball in American Art and Culture will explore ways that baseball is woven into the fabric of America. Through hands on, interactive opportunities the audience will be involved in the discussion of "America's Sport." Additionally, the audience will be brought through some aspects of American history using Baseball art as a basis of illustrating the points being made. Baseball has been used to help define aspects of American politics, retail manufacturing, attitudes about fair play, amateur play, health, photography, advertising, and even religious beliefs. We will touch on all of this.

Speaker Biography:

Doug Ernst taught writing, literature, and history for over 25 years. He has written for The National Pastime, official publication of the Society of American Baseball Research, distributed to members in this country and world-wide. Doug has been a living history interpreter at "The Landing" near Shakopee for 9 years. He has played on the 1860 Quicksteps Base Ball Club

for 11 years, been field Captain for 5 and now club Manager. He is a member of the Vintage Base Ball Association for 10 years and elected Secretary of the National organization. He has lectured to school and church groups.

Historical Potteries of Central Iowa

Speaker: Mark Wiseman Session: 3 1:00 p.m. to 1:50 p.m. Session: 4 2:00 p.m. to 2:50 p.m.

Session Description:

The researched historical information concerning the Potteries that were present in Des Moines, Iowa, and the potters of Des Moines from 1850 to 1900 (approx) and the connections to the potteries and potters that also worked in Hartford, Carlisle, and Palmyra in Warren County, and Boonesboro in Boone County, Iowa. Photographs of the known historical pottery pieces, and display and discussion of actual pottery pieces from these potteries.

Speaker Biography:

Mark C. Wiseman is a geologist and author. He is Newsletter Editor for the Iowa Antique Bottleers, author of multiple articles on Iowa bottles and breweries, and the author of the books "A History of the Moingona Potteries," "A History of the Eldora Potteries," and A History of the Des Moines Potteries." His hobbies include bottle and stoneware collecting, and digging for both groups.

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ORIENTATION FOR FIRST TIMERS Catherine Beall Choir Room C-100

Thursday, July 9 & Friday, July 10 9:00 a.m.

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SHARED INTEREST GROUPS

H100 Rooms Thursday, July 9 2:30-3:30 p.m.

HANDS-ON POTTERY Richard Spiller

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Looking Back at the Finds

Speaker: Steve Showers Session: 3 1:00 p.m. to 1:50 p.m. Session: 4 2:00 p.m. to 2:50 p.m.

Steve Showers Red Wing passion can be found in his Pottery Dump digging experience. This session will be a look back of his discoveries both past and present while digging in the pottery dump. She will be sharing some recently repaired one of a kind pieces for your viewing pleasure. Come and see Red Wing Pottery through the eyes of a dump digger.

Speaker Biography:

"Red Wing Archeologist" Steve Showers has been a Red Wing pottery dump digger for over 50 years and is a RWCS Hall of Fame Member He has been a speaker at every Convention since he joined the RWCS. Steve and his wife, Phyllis, are active members of the Gopher Chapter, Iowa Chapter, and Cannon Valley Red Wing Collectors Club. Steve and Phyllis are avid gardeners, using their Red Wing sewer pipe as planters, and shards as ground cover and stepping stones. They live in Welch, Minnesota.

Pottery Museum of Red Wing "The Archive"

Michelle Weisen, Archivist, Pottery Museum of Red Wing Session: 2 11:00 am. To 11:50 a.m. Session: 3 1:00 p.m. to 1:50 p.m.

Join Michelle for the story behind the Red Wing Pottery Archives. Find out what an archivist is, and the responsibilities associated with the position. Michelle will relate her experiences from the initial sort of the documents, cataloging with the assistance of St. Kate's Master of Library Science Graduate students, and the construction of the vault at the Red Wing Pottery Museum. Historical documents will be on display during the session. The digital age makes it possible to enter information on the computer and make it available to our patrons. Learn more about this important part of the Pottery Museum of Red Wing collection.

Speaker Biography:

Professor Michelle (Felmlee) Weisen grew up in Red Wing, Minnesota. After graduating from Central High School, she moved to Miami, Florida where she earned her Master's Degree in English from Florida International University. Her graduate degree and children's series focuses on Victorian literature. She has been on the English faculty at Florida International University and the University of Delaware. Michelle has recently completed a year of archival studies at St. Catherine's University in St. Paul.

A self-described "old soul," Michelle lives in Rochester with her pug Elmo and three turtles (parting gifts from former students). Her son, lan, follows in his mother's footsteps and runs his own video production company in Los Angeles.

Michelle is an avid collector of Red Wing Pottery. "Wherever I traveled, I always had a piece of home to take with me. The opportunity to start a library at the museum is a dream come true. Returning to my home town has brought my life full circle."



KIDS VIEW FAMOUS JUGS OF RED WING

THURSDAY, JULY 9			
TIME	ACTIVITIES		
8:00 - 12:00 Art Room	DONATION PIECE(S) CHECK IN		
12:00 – 12:30 ART ROOM	REGISTRATION & INTRODUCTIONS PLEASE ATTEND THIS SESSION FOR INSTRUCTIONS FOR BOTH PARENTS AND KIDS		
	THE LITTLE BROWN JUG Ken Magee, author of The Little Brown Jug – The Minnesota Michigan Rivalry will share this famous jugs history.		
12:30 – 2:30	PAINT YOUR OWN PLATE		
ART ROOM	Kids will design and paint on an authentic Red Wing plate. The plate will dry overnight and available on Friday		
	STAMP YOUR OWN STONEWARE Mike Robinson will assist kids as they design their own specially made version of miniature stoneware. The piece will be fired and available for pick up on Friday		
LITTLE THEATER	AUCTION Kids View participants will be broken into small bidder groups. They will be able to bid with Red Wing Bucks to purchase member-donated Red Wing and other American Pottery.		
	DIGGING IN THE DUMP Younger Kids View Participants will dig for their own piece of Red Wing to add to their collection.		
For All Children Ages 3 – 13			
ALL CHILDREN INITIALLY MEET IN THE ART ROOM FOR ALL SESSIONS.			

PARENTS: Your child will be expected to stay in the Art Room for the duration of the activity **UNLESS** you have given express permission that your child may leave independently.

	FRIDAY, JULY 10			
Тіме	ACTIVITIES			
9:45 – 10:00 ART ROOM	REGISTRATION & INTRODUCTIONS PLEASE ATTEND THIS SESSION FOR INSTRUCTIONS FOR BOTH PARENTS AND KIDS			
	LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED FOR KIDS.			
10:00 – 2:00 ART ROOM	FAMOUS JUGS OF RED WING DAVID HUTCHSON David Hutchson, son of the last employee of Red Wing Potteries, will join us to talk about the famous jugs of Red Wing. We will take an Excursion to our own display room to see a gathering of famous jugs.			
	MAKE CARDS Kids View participants will get to put their creative touch on program thank you cards and create ones to take home with a Red Wing pottery look.			
	COLOR BIG JUG Participants will be able to decorate several large poster jugs to make a Kid View famous jug.			
	FAMOUS JUGS OF RED WING "AMAZING RACE" Young Collectors will team up with Kids View on the race to complete small challenges throughout Red Wing High School			
	BREAK THE MOLD!!! Bob Morawski, RWCS Commemorative Manager, will give participants a crack at breaking the commemorative molds.			
	AND EVEN MORE ACTIVITIES!!			
2:00 - 2:45 LITTLE THEATER	PLAY Watch the Young Collectors performance of "O Native Bird, Sing Our Song!"			

Excursion Red Wing

HANDS-ON with COLOR – Create your piece of pottery

Presenter: Richard Spiller
Thursday July 9 & Friday July 10
Every Hour on the Hour 9:00 am – 3:00 pm
4 students per session

Pottery creation opportunities, CHOOSE ONE:

• Two, 6 inch tiles

One, 6 inch tile and One, 4 inch crock (designs should be 4x10 inches for the crock)

COLOR using Engobe colors and scraffito technique, that is scratching thru both through layers of slip which is the white engobe. After the Convention, the pieces will be fired and shipped to you!

(See page 9 for more information)



MOUNT FRONTENAC GOLF COURSE

Frontenac, MN

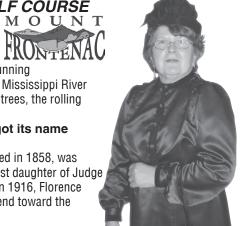
Tickets: \$28 adults, \$10 children 5:30 social • 6:30 dinner

Just off of Highway 61 Mount Frontenac is a stunning 18-hole golf course that overlooks the beautiful Mississippi River Bluffs and Lake Pepin. Surrounded by beautiful trees, the rolling terrain and excellent scenery.

Presentation: How Florence Township got its name Special Guest: Florence Graham Tabor

Florence Township was settled in 1854, organized in 1858, was named in honor of Florence Graham Tabor, oldest daughter of Judge Christopher C. Graham, yet living in Red Wing in 1916, Florence "is known for her interest in all matters which tend toward the betterment of the city and county."

Florence Graham Tabor portrayed by Judy Johnson in period costume.



Tickets @

registration



YOUNG COLLECTORS FAMOUS JUGS OF RED WING

Thursday, July 9			
TIME	ACTIVITIES		
8:00 - 12:00 ART ROOM	TRIP TO FEATHERSTONE POTTERY Tom and Claire Larkin will host the Young Collectors' tour of the farm where pottery is made. They will make their own pottery and see the wood burning kiln.		
	Lunch will be provided during the visit. Return to High School by 12:15.		
12:30	THE LITTLE BROWN JUG		
ART ROOM	Ken Magee, author of The Little Brown Jug – The Minnesota Michigan Rivalry will share this famous jugs history.		
LITTLE THEATER	AUCTION Kids View participants will be broken into small bidder groups. They will be able to bid with Red Wing Bucks to purchase member-donated Red Wing and other American Pottery.		
	During this time Young Collectors will also assist with Kids View events and activities.		
2:00 – 3:30	PLAY PRACTICE Young Collectors will become the actors and put on "O		
LITTLE THEATER	Native Bird, Sing Our Song!" by Margot Galt.		
	They will work together for assigned parts and work on the performance for Friday afternoon in the Little Theater.		

	FRIDAY, JULY 10
TIME	ACTIVITIES
9:45 – 10:00 ART ROOM	REGISTRATION & INTRODUCTIONS PLEASE ATTEND THIS SESSION FOR INSTRUCTIONS FOR BOTH PARENTS AND KIDS
	LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED FOR KIDS.
10:00 – 11:30 Акт Room	THROWING ON THE POTTER'S WHEEL Golden State Chapter member Frank Sheldon will teach the technique and design principals to create their own piece on the wheel. The pieces will be fired by local potter Richard Spiller and mailed after the convention.
10:00 Акт Room	FAMOUS JUGS OF RED WING DAVID HUTCHSON David Hutchson, son of the last employee of Red Wing Potteries, will join us to talk about the famous jugs of Red Wing. We will take an Excursion to our own display room to see a gathering of famous jugs. FAMOUS JUGS OF RED WING "AMAZING RACE" Young Collectors will team up with Kids View on the race to complete small challenges throughout Red Wing High
	School BREAK THE MOLD!!!
	Bob Morawski, RWCS Commemorative Manager, will give participants a crack at breaking the commemorative molds.
	REHEARSAL Young Collectors will rehearse before the performance.
2:00 - 2:45 LITTLE THEATER	PLAY Performance! Everyone welcome to attend "O Native Bird, Sing Our Song!"

Reunion of Potters' Excursion jugs is planned

Union raised much-

needed money to help

fund disability and retire-

ment benefits for potters,

whose employers did not

Whatever happened to

For that matter, how

many Potters' Excursion

jugs were made? How

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He figures that the 100th

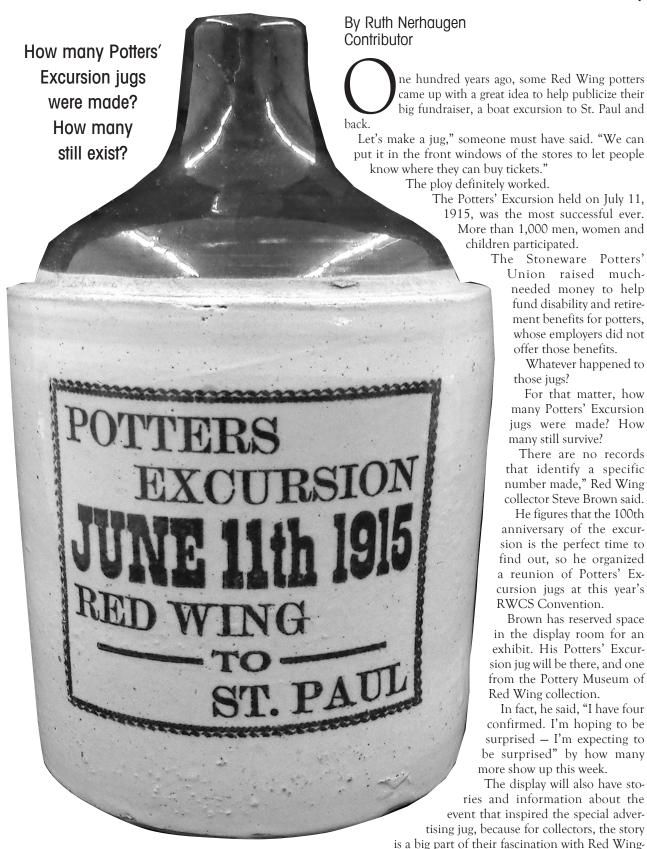
Brown has reserved space

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many still survive?

offer those benefits.

those jugs?



plays at the Sheldon Theatre after it opened in the early 1900s.

The biggest and most successful" fundraiser was an excursion, Brown said.

Starting around 1912, the group began hiring the steamboat G.W. Hill, of the Wisherd Lines, for day trips. At 190 feet in length and 36 feet in width, it could accommodate 2,000 passengers.

The 1915 excursion was an early morning to late night affair, with stops in several towns going up and down the river. The pottery declared the day a holiday so all the workers could participate.

The G.W. Hill had a dance floor, an orchestra and a calliope, plus tables for those who preferred to play card games. No liquor was allowed, but picnic lunches were

The cost, Brown said, was 75 cents for adults and 40 cents for children. At that time, he pointed out, a typical pottery employee made \$2 a week.

In 1915, the cruise was promoted as the social event of the season. Large ads were published in newspapers, and Red Wing Union Stoneware Co. made one-gallon, browntop shoulder jugs with the date. The jugs have no back or bottom markings.

Brown acquired his Potters' Excursion jug years ago. He and his father, Dave Brown, collected Red Wing pieces together when Steve was growing up. "We gravitated to lunch hour pieces and local Red Wing advertising items,"

It was one of the pieces we were able to acquire early on" because it fit their "collecting niche," he added.

Brown even commissioned local artist Larry Veeder around 1980 to paint a picture of the prized pieces in their collection - including the Potters' Excursion jug. Prints of that painting are still prized by collectors.

Fascinated by the stories that accompany the pieces, the former RWCS and Foundation historian did his research. "The majority of the (Potters' Excursion) story has been pretty well documented," he said – except for little details such as how many were made.

There's a particularly interesting story about one way-

About a month before the excursion, one of the jugs was dropped in the water near Prescott, Wis., corked and with a note in it.

The note said that whoever found the jug should return it to Red Wing boatman Roxie Nelson for a free ticket on the excursion.

But the jug wasn't found until after the event. Chas. L. and C.A. Carlson, who found it near Trudell Slough. were instead given 5 gallons of gasoline as a prize. Nelson reportedly kept the jug as a souvenir.

That story and other details about the trip and the jugs have been compiled by Brown because he wants to share the stories with the other Potters' Excursion jug owners.

He's spread the word via the newsletter and other sources, reaching out in hopes the others will bring their jugs to the convention, where he'll be waiting in the display room.

In 1895, the employees of the various local potteries formed a committee to arrange and coordinate benefits. They held dances and shows at the old Opera Hall, and

made pottery.

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More than 1,000 people participated in the 1915 Potters' Excursion aboard the G.W. Hill steamboat.

We're trying to get a baseline of all the information so it will always travel with the jug," he said.

But more than that, "It's just plain cool to get them together on their 100th anniversary. It's good for Red Wing and for collectors."

Anyone who has a jug, a story or other information can contact him at convention or call and leave information with Pottery Museum Director Robin Wipperling at 651-327-2220.

RED WING COLLECTORS SOCIETY INC. COMMEMORATIVE INFORMATION

1977	Salt Glaze Crock	250
1978	Common Jug	350
1979	Butter Churn	400
1980	Sponge ware Bowl	400
1981	Brown-top Jug	750
1982	Cherry band Mug	697
1983	Stone Mason Fruit Jar	•
1984	Salt-glazed Cooler	1,161
1985	Ice Water Cooler	1,750
1986	Acid Proof Measure	1,982
1987	Red Wing Ashtray	2,328
1988	Pompeii Plate	2,600
1989	Gray Line Pitcher	2,682
1990	Fancy Jug	3,540
1991	Pantry Jar	3,551
1992	North Star Jug	4,260
1993	Chicken Fountain	4,819
1994	20-lb Crock	5,660
1995	Giraffe Planter	6,186
1996	Cookie Jar	7,175
1997	20# Salt Glaze Crock	7,508
1998	Blue Iris Pitcher	7,564
1999	5 Gal. Koverwate	7,444
2000	Hamm's Pitcher	7,190
2001	Sponge Bowl	6,901
2002	5 gal. Ball Lock	0.000
	Packing Jar	6,888
2003	Leaping Pegasus	0.000
0004	figurine planter	6,089
2004	Brushware Vase	5,790
2005	Red Wing Self	F 000
	Draining Jar	5,323

	Round-Up Teapo 5 gal. Birch Leaf		5,191
2007	Threshing Jug		4,500
2008	Century of Progre Transportation Ma		3,700
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	Bean Pot	_	3,606
2010	Stoneware Pig		3,421
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2013	Stoneware Dog		
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Rowe Pottery produces first RWCS commemorative

By Ruth Nerhaugen Contributor

or the first time, Rowe Pottery Works of Cambridge, Wis., produced the commemorative for the 2015 Red Wing Collectors Society Convention.

Rowe also is responsible for 2-gallon shoulder jugs ordered by individual collectors chapters to be auctioned off at Red Wing High School during the July 9-11 Convention.

What exactly the 39th commemorative is will not be revealed until Thursday of Convention Week.

Bev Semmann, owner of Rowe Pottery since spring of 2013, would only say that there are three versions again this year. Collectors will not know which version they get until they open their box at the distribution site.

As in the past, 90 percent are Version A, 8 percent are Version B, and only 2 percent are Version C.

We have really enjoyed working on the Red Wing project," Semmann said. "It's been fun."

Rowe Pottery was chosen after commemorative manager Bob Morowski interviewed officials and toured the facility to check the quality of their work, Semmann said.

The company apparently came to his attention because Rowe formerly worked with Maple City.

We specialize in customized and personalized crocks and pottery," she said, along with household décor, dinnerware and serving pieces. "We work with a lot of groups, organizations and businesses to create custom pottery."



Longtime collector Bev Semmann is now owner of Rowe Pottery, which produced the 2015 RWCS commemorative.

Rowe, which has four potters on staff, produces both molded pieces and hand-thrown pottery.

The Red Wing project was especially interesting, Semmann said, because it also involved glaze development.

The 32 Chapter jugs are two colors, she

noted, plus a Rowe employee hand-painted the designs submitted by the Chapters for their individual auction items.

What a cool project to be associated with the history and heritage of such an amaz-

ing pottery organization," she added.

Rowe Pottery Works was established in 1975 in Cambridge, Wis., about 20 miles east of Madison. Originally a one-man potter's studio, it has grown substantially while staying true to the craft's tradition.

Rowe has a retail store in that community and also sells via an online store, rowepottery.com; through about 300 retail stores nationwide, and through catalogues.

2015 Commemorative Unveiled Thursday, July 9th at 8:00 a.m. Red Wing High School

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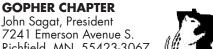


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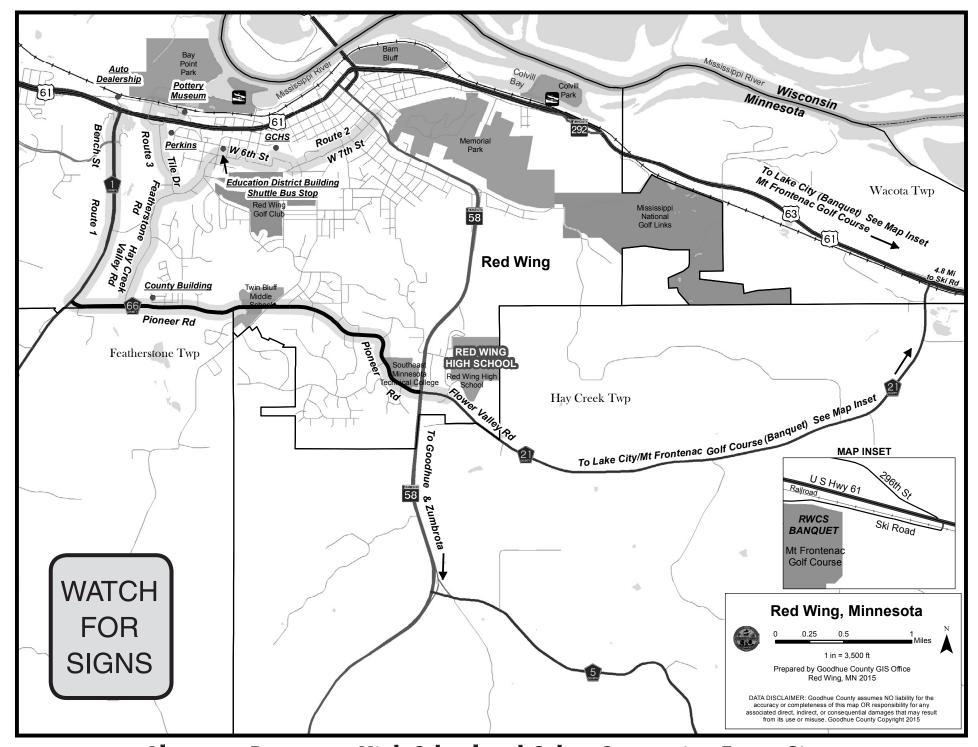
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Alternate Routes to High School and Other Convention Event Sites

Route 1: Pottery Place to Red Wing High School (RWHS) and Banquet

From the Pottery Place Lot take a left on to Old West Main Street. Turn left on Bench Street (County 1). Cross HWY 61 until you get to Pioneer Rd (County 66) and turn left. Continue on Pioneer Road passing the Middle School and the Tech College both on left. Cross HWY 58 and continue straight on Flower Valley Road (County 21). RWHS will be on the left.

Banquet (32420 Ski Rd): Continue past RWHS on Flower Valley Road (County 21) until it comes to an end at HWY 61 (10 miles), turn right on HWY 61 continue for 5 miles and turn right on Ski Road (which runs parallel with HWY 61).

Route 2: Crock Fest - Goodhue County Historical Society (GCHS)

From Pioneer Road turn on Hay Creek Valley Road which merges with Featherstone Road. At the stop sign at Tile Drive continue straight up the hill to the intersection of West 6th. Turn Right on West 6th Street and follow up the hill and past Red Wing Golf Course. Make a left turn and the GCHS is straight ahead.

From Highway 58 (Plum Street) find West 7th St, and go West until it comes to the 5th street intersection. Go straight on College Ave and up the hill. Turn right on Oak Street. GCHS is on the right.

Parking for Crock Fest is available at the Goodhue County Education District Building on the corner of West 6th and Buchanan Street. Shuttle service runs from Good-

hue County Education District parking lot, Pottery Place parking lot, and AmericInn parking lot to Crock Fest.

Route 3: Alternate Pottery Place to Red Wing High School

From the Pottery Place Lot take a left on to Old West Main Street. Turn left on Withers Harbor Drive and go under the HWY 61 bridge. Turn Right on Tile Drive. Follow Tile Drive until it ends at Featherstone Rd. Turn Right on Featherstone Road and continue until you reach Pioneer Rd. Turn Left on Pioneer Road. Continue on Pioneer Road passing the Middle School and the Tech College both on left. Cross HWY 58 and continue straight on Flower Valley Road (County 21). RWHS will be on the left.

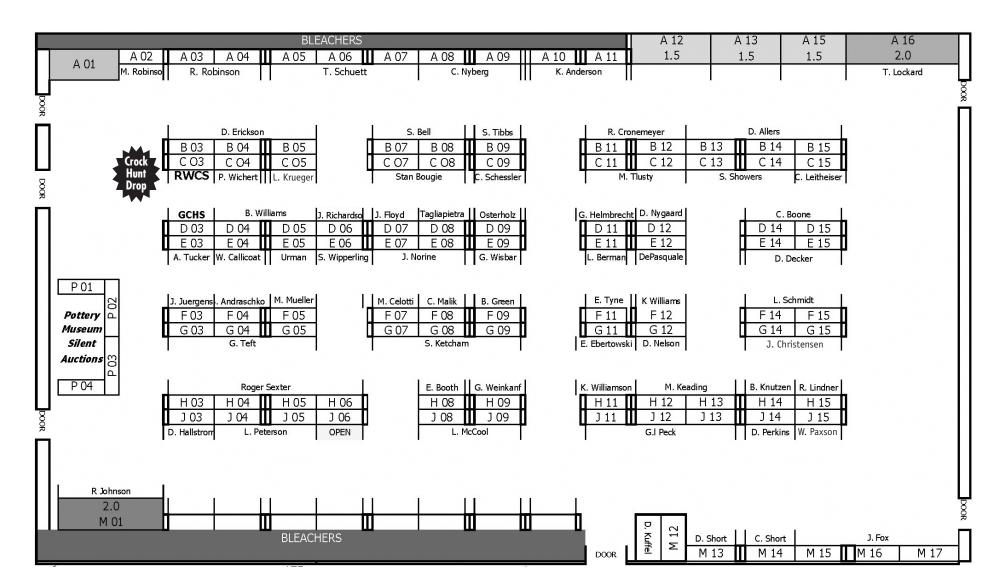
Show & Sale: Stoneware, Dinnerware, Art Pottery, Memorabilia and so much more!

Saturday, July 11

10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Red Wing High School Gymnasium OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - FREE ADMISSION

(open to registered attendees at 9:00 a.m.)



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2014 Convention Attendance Red Wing Collectors By State:

MN63	36	AR	.7
WI2	51	OK	.5
IA	99	FL	.5
IL	44	OH	.4
SD	39	AL	.3
ND	26	WA	.2
CA	23	KY	.2
MO	22	MT	.2
NE	20	NY	.2
KS	19	MD	.2
AZ	15	TN	.2
CO	12	LA	.2
IN	.9	PA	. 1
MI	.9	NC	. 1
TX	9	UT	.1

TOTAL: 1274

The Courtyard Café — Menu Red Wing High School — July 9-10, 2015

THURSDAY, JULY 9

Lunch 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM Cost: \$6.50

Choice of sandwich: Chicken Salad on Croissant - OR - Sloppy Joe on Bun. Served with a pickle

Choice of three side dishes: Choice of three side dishes: Cole Shredded romaine & tomato slice, baked beans, potato chips, carrot sticks, fruit cup, chocolate chip cookie.

Milk, lemonade, or coffee in- cluded with meal. cluded with meal.

FRIDAY, JULY 10

Lunch 11:00 AM - 1:30 PM Cost: \$6.50

Choice of sandwich: Pulled Turkey on Bun - OR - Egg Salad on Croissant. Served with a pickle

slaw, calico beans, potato chips, carrot sticks, fruit cup, chocolate chip cookie.

Milk, lemonade, or coffee in-

THURSDAY, JULY 9 8:00 AM-4:00 PM

FRIDAY, JULY 10 8:00 AM-1:30 PM

Assorted drinks	•
Coffee	\$0.75
Lemonade	\$0.75
Milk	\$0.75
Breakfast sandwich	\$2.25
Cinnamon roll	\$1.35
Cookie	\$0.65
Extra side dish	\$0.85
Malt cup	\$1.75
Ice cream bar	

Winger Volleyball: Auction Concession Thursday, July 9 - 4:00-8:00 PM

Winger Volleyball: Show & Sale Concessions Saturday, July 11 - 7:30 AM-1:30 PM





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Red Brick Pottery starts new chapter at Pottery Place

By Ruth Nerhaugen Contributor

he latest incarnation of the pottery industry in Red Wing has a new name but a familiar face.

Scott Keith, who was an onsite potter at the former Red Wing Pottery Salesroom for 17 years, has opened his own business: Red Brick Pottery.

Located in the Pottery Place mall, which is a former pottery factory, Red Brick Pottery is named in honor of the multitude of red bricks that were used in the construction of the historic building. It's just across the parking lot from the Pottery Museum of Red Wing.

Keith plans to be open daily during the RWCS Convention to meet and greet many of the collectors he has gotten to know since 1996.

He spent much of his life and got much of his education in Wisconsin, although he first learned the potter's craft through an apprenticeship program "out east." He returned to Wisconsin and established a studio and kiln near Viroqua.

"I bought what was left of an old town, Newton," he explained, and created a studio and kiln — Newton Valley Pottery — in what had been the town store. It remains a part of his life.

After a few years of art fairs, Keith went to work for Rowe Pottery, a larger production facility in Cambridge, Wis., in 1983. Coincidentally, Rowe is producing this year's RWCS commemorative.

As he continued developing his skills, Keith was associated with Rockdale Union Stoneware and Cedar Swamp Stoneware where he got additional training in salt-glaze methods.



Simple tools are used to create design elements.

When he heard that Scott Gillmer of Red Wing was looking for someone to start up a salt-glaze operation here, Keith pursued the opportunity. In 1996 he built a kiln at the Pottery Salesroom, and firing began that summer.

"Every year we did a firing for the (RWCS) convention," he said. "In the beginning collectors would camp out overnight, waiting for the annual convention piece."

Each potter would create perhaps a half-dozen numbered pieces for the convention, Keith recalled. During his 17-year tenure, he figures "we sold close to \$2 million in pottery, and a lot of it went to collectors."

Each of the potters had his own personal stamp, plus sometimes collectors would request signatures as well. Keith marked his pieces with "SK."

"When Scott Gillmer sold the business, I decided to take some time off," Keith said. He did some substitute teaching in Red Wing and Goodhue schools.

Then toward the end of last year, Keith reconnected with Philippe Petit, owner of Pottery Place Mall, who expressed an interest in getting a pottery business started in the mall.

"I started working on the space in January and February," Keith said, and he ordered the necessary equipment and materials to create and market pottery onsite.

By mid-March he was producing pottery; a grand opening was held in April. He is continuing the practice of marking his work. The Red Brick Pottery stamp depicts — our course — a brick.

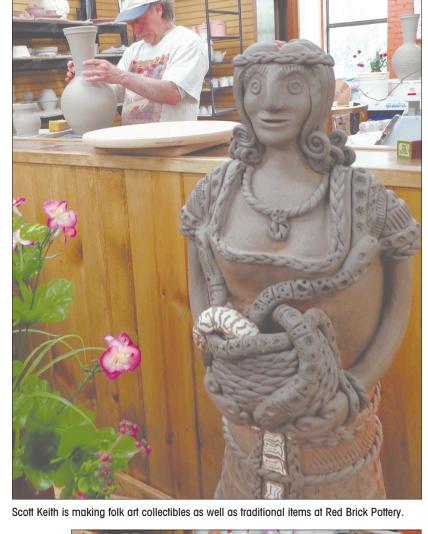
Keith is now making functional earthenware and stoneware, mostly glazed in an earthtone color palate. "It's not salt-glaze," he said, but is more a matte finish he considers "reminiscent of Red Wing's Art Deco art pottery look."

This summer he will work to develop his own glazes.

He creates individualized folk art collectible pieces in addition to bowls and mugs, teapots and cups, three-neck vases, magnets and key chains, miniatures, snakes and lizards, and crocks of many colors.

"It's my own style," Keith said. "As a potter, I'm developing all along. This is another chapter in my development as a potter."

Red Brick Pottery also expects to carry local handcrafts and other items.





Mugs and bowls in a matte finish can be found at the new pottery business in Pottery Place mall.



Scott Keith's handthrown pieces are fired in a kiln at Red Brick Pottery.

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RULES: The Crock Hunt begins on Friday, July 3. Both Red Wing Collectors Society Members and non-members are eligible to participate in the 2015 RWCS Convention Crock Hunt. Partic-

ipants must locate each display pictured site during regular business hours to match the business

logo and photo. Participants must obtain an employee initials (or other mark chosen by the site) from each site. Winners drawn will have their forms checked to ensure that answers are correct

Completed forms must be brought to the Convention Show and Sale, Saturday, July

Participating businesses feature at least one piece of old or new Red Wing pottery in their picture. The business logo is not included in the picture. Both the photo and business logo are printed at random on the Crock Hunt form published in the Convention Supplement, for

before a prize is awarded. Winners do not need to be present to win.

download at ERWCS.org or at selected site locations.

11 between 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. at Red Wing High School.









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Forms must be brought to the Show and Sale. Visit as many locations as you can. Bring your form to the Show and Sale between 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, July 11, to be included for drawing(s).

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