



2007 Let's All Go To The Convention



This year's convention is being held at the Embassy Suites Pittsburgh (International Airport). Located at 550 Cherrington Parkway, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 15108 Tel: 412-269-9070 Fax: 412-262-4119.

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Guest Accommodations

Each suite is beautifully decorated with a private bedroom and spacious living room. All of our suites are fully equipped with two televisions, a refrigerator, microwave oven, coffee maker, two telephones with data ports and a well lit dining/work table. Be sure to visit their website at: <http://www.embassy-pittsburgh.com>

Directions to the Hotel

From The Pittsburgh Int'l Airport

Exiting the Airport stay in the LEFT lanes and follow the signs for Rte. 60 South towards Pittsburgh. Follow Route 60 South for about four miles to Exit #3, (60 Business / Moon Twp) Follow Route 60 Business for two miles to the Thorn Run Rd exit. Stay in the RIGHT

lane off of the exit and continue STRAIGHT through the stop sign. The hotel is straight ahead.

From Philadelphia And Points East

Follow the turnpike to Exit #57, (Monroeville, Pittsburgh). Follow signs for I-376 West towards downtown. Exit at the Fort Pitt Tunnels and Airport Exit, (I-279 South). Follow through the tunnels for about 12 miles to Exit #3, (60 Business / Moon Twp.). Follow Rte. 60 Business for two miles to the Thorn Run Rd exit. Stay in the RIGHT lane off the exit and go STRAIGHT through the stop sign. We are straight ahead.

From Ohio And Points West

Follow the turnpike to Exit 10 (60 Toll South, Pittsburgh Airport). Follow Rte. 60 South to Exit #8, (60 Business / Moon Twp.). Follow Business 60 through three traffic lights. STRAIGHT through the third light on the RIGHT is the Thorn Run Rd exit. Off of the exit turn LEFT and at the next stop sign turn RIGHT. We are straight ahead.

From Lake Erie And Points North

Follow I-79 South to Exit #66, (Sewickley / Emsworth). Follow Rte. 65 North to the 3rd traffic light, and turn LEFT across the Sewickley Bridge. Across the bridge turn LEFT onto Rte. 51 South. Follow to the 2nd traffic light and turn RIGHT onto Thorn Run Rd. Follow STRAIGHT through one traffic light and then two stop signs. We are STRAIGHT ahead through the second stop sign.

From West Virginia And Points South

Follow I-79 North to Exit #59B, (Rte. 22/30 West and Airport). Follow 22/30 West for approximately six miles to Exit #3, (60 Business / Moon Twp.). Follow 60 Business for two miles to the Thorn Run Rd exit, (no #). Stay in the RIGHT lane off of exit and go STRAIGHT through the stop sign. We are straight ahead.

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President's Letter

by Sandy Heerhold

Hello to everyone from the Midwest where all you can see for miles are cornfields! Our weather has been hot and humid, typical summertime "Illinois tropical". I am enjoying it for now, as before you know it, the snow will start to fall, along with the temperatures.

For those of you who haven't, it is NOW time to make your reservations for our Pittsburgh convention!!! The cut-off is **September 12th** to get the \$105 nightly room rate. There are many interesting things planned for the convention and I am hoping we will have a good turnout all three days. Thursday's Ice Cream Social should be lots of fun with the entertainment provided by the Pittsburgh Banjo Club. It starts at 7 pm - and will give everyone an evening for catching up. Don't miss the hospitality room, or "Bovine Bistro", where you'll be greeted by all kinds of surprises & silly things. We will be holding a silent auction for a hand-made Royal Bayreuth afghan donated

by Harriet Lavine (or was it Jerry who did the knitting??). Also, Kat Thacker has promised a new print for the event. She will be donating one for the silent auction as well. (Should you not be able to attend to bid, you may submit to me a bid on either item. Please send your bid to lyricpoet@juno.com). Our Club Auction List is on our new and much improved website, Royalbayreuth.org. It will be frequently updated right up until the actual convention - so check back often. Should you like to absentee bid on an auction item, please send to our Auction Chairman, Chuck Heerhold, also at lyricpoet@juno.com.

I have been lucky to surround myself with very capable and willing people this past year. We are all working diligently to offer our membership a quality club and memorable convention. My thanks to all who have 'stepped up'. Should you like to participate in future planning, your assistance would be welcomed as well as greatly appreciated.

Secretary's Message

by Karen Church

Hi Everyone! Well, we have another great convention planned for September in Pittsburgh. I've enclosed a list of places to see and things to do in the area. Pittsburgh has really cleaned up its act and has recently been named America's most livable city for 2007, so come and check it out. The Embassy Suites hotel is close to the airport and there is free shuttle service. The inner atrium has a lot of plant vegetation, a waterfall and small ponds with trout and koi. The hotel offers a made to order breakfast and a nightly Manager's reception. These are available to the hotel guests. A Friday night seafood buffet is also available (for purchase) at the hotel. There is a very large complex nearby with a lot of restaurants and shopping. Your hotel reservations need to be in by **September 12th**, and I need your convention registration forms sent to me as soon as possible. Please send your checks (made out to R. B.C.C.) and registration form to me.

Karen Church
110 Blackwood St.
Beaver Falls, PA. 15010

Also note the registration fee is per membership and not per person as it has been previously. We're hoping to see everyone in Pittsburgh!

This will be my last article as club secretary as my term is over in September at convention. I've enjoyed serving all of you and I've really appreciated all of your words and letters of encouragement. They have meant a lot to me! I know you'll continue to support the next secretary as warmly as you have me. Thanks everyone!

Editor's Message

by Kat Thacker

Greetings fellow Bayreuthers, The time is nigh for getting your plans finalized for Pittsburgh! Don't put off your reservations any longer if you want the special room rate from Embassy Suites. Also don't forget to send in your completed registration forms/checks to club Secretary Karen Church ASAP.

We are all eagerly looking forward to the fun and fellowship awaiting us at the convention in PA. Both Gregg & I are planning on taking lots of notes and pics during the convention to share with absent members via our club web site & newsletter. The web site will be the place to go for frequent updates on the events. Of course our December edition of the newsletter will have details covering the entire convention.

Speaking of the above venues, it would be great fun if you took silly (or serious) photos during your travels to and from the convention to share. Or better yet, write a "travelogue" about any unusual occurrences en-route to PA. And please, let me know if you have any interesting ideas for upcoming

articles - something may just inspire you during the convention. You don't have to be a writer - just jot down what interests you as a collector. It would be great to see photos of your RB displayed as well. ***Please NOTE: Send any articles, photos, or info to me by November 10th for inclusion in this wrap-up edition of the newsletter***

I personally must now get busy on the art for the convention poster. We have a fun theme in "cows" this year, and my plan is somehow to include both figural/scenic versions for both types of RB collectors. (But plans often change mid-stream, so we'll both have to wait and see what the final version will be...)

Our illustrious RB volunteers are working hard to put the last-minute details together. Great entertainment, a variety-filled auction, & educational programming are planned throughout the entire convention. We are ALL hoping to make this a most memorable event for everyone who attends!

See you in Pennsylvania!

Web Site News

by Gregg Thacker

Greetings! We have been busy adding historic newsletters to the Member's area of the web site as well as an updated Auction List. Want a sneak peak of the current newsletter - it is added to the web site at the same time it is mailed to Members - so be the first on your block to get the latest news! Site usage is climbing month-over-month with more than 600 users accessing the site 7,500 times per month. Hopefully you are finding something of interest on your club's site. We are eager to add photos from this year's event - so please send me your best shots from the convention and I'll get 'em on the web ASAP!

Convention Hospitality Room Update

By Joanne Lundquist

Plans for the Bovine Bistro are mooooooooooving along... Lots of surprises and fun in store for all whom attend. Keep your eyes open for the runaway herd, they shall be making an appearance! We welcome the participation of all you little cud-chewers. Any contributions of a bovine nature (or even non-bovine) will be more than welcome.

We are in great need of round-up personnel, so anyone willing to help by manning the room please let us know who you are. In other words, we need help from anyone whom can "work" a room.

Be on the lookout for any cattle rustlers... Rumor has it that there is one club member so anxious to be coming to the RB Bovine Bistro that they are wearing cow hat and slippers to pick up the morning newspaper. Bet you will never guess whom it is? (and No, it is neither Paul nor I...)

So hurry on down and help Karen by sending in your reservations so we know how many cud-chewers to expect to join in the fun. We look forward to seeing everyone there, and ALL of you participating in the fun at the Bovine Bistro!

Yours in Guernsey,
Paul and Joanne
and the Mystery Person in the Cow Hat

In Deepest Sympathy

The club wishes to extend its deepest sympathy to the family of Martha Fliedner. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them.

Royal Bayreuth Collector's Club Treasurer's Report

by Carolyn Church

May 1, 2007-July 31, 2007

Closing Balance-April 30, 2007\$15,788.64

Receipts 5/1/07-7/31/07

Membership Dues-New and Renewals	\$ 120.00
Plaques	\$ 125.00
Convention Fees	\$ 644.00
Closing Balance Plus Receipts	\$16, 677.64

Disbursements 5/1/07-7/31/07

Newsletter	\$ 1,587.65
Postage	\$ 13.94
Plaque Expenses	\$ 46.70
Disbursement Total	\$ 1,648.29

Closing Balance Plus Receipts **\$16,677.64**

Disbursements Total **\$ 1,648.29**

Checkbook Balance 7/31/07 **\$15,029.35**

Thank You

by Mary McCaslin

Thanks to everyone for their outpouring of cards, notes and calls during both Bob's and my surgeries this past couple years. Our RB friends have made our dark days very bright. Hope to see all of you at the convention in Pittsburgh

Add Your Current E-Mail to the Roster

Hopefully everyone received their updated club roster in the June mailing. If you did not receive a copy, or if you have corrections, please contact Karen Church. Approximately two-thirds of the club have provided an e-mail address, we encourage you to provide your current e-mail address to Karen. We hope to soon provide e-mail updates regarding club activities between newsletters! **Roster Correction** Harold and Nancy Brandenburg's correct e-mail address is: hbbbrand@cox.net.

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Congratulations

Jim and Harriet Land are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on August 30, 2007.

Get Well

Get well wishes are being sent to Harold Brandenburg, he had gall bladder surgery earlier this month. Feel better Harold!

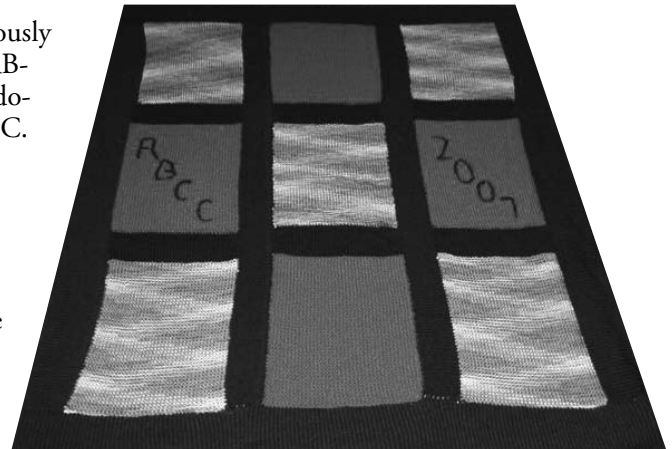
RBCC Afghan to Benefit the Club

by Kat Thacker

Harriet Lavine has generously created a beautiful knit RB-themed afghan she then donated to benefit the RBCC.

The afghan measures approximately 43" wide x 52" long. It is made of 100% acrylic yarn - worsted weight and machine washable. The squares are bordered in black. The squares themselves are "Ranch Red", kind of a burnt-orange/brick color and a variegated

yarn with brown, gold, light yellow, and medium orange. It will be auctioned off during the club banquet via a silent auction. Please make any absentee bids prior to the convention - send to club President Sandy Heerhold at lyricpoet@juno.com



Pittsburgh Sites

by Karen Church

Below are a few highlights from: www.visitpittsburgh.com

- Mt. Washington and the "Inclines" - The "Inclines" have been in operation for 130 years and climb the steep hillsides of Pittsburgh. These historic cable car railways, the Duquesne & Monongahala, offer a view from Mt. Washington to the city that is incredible. 412-381-1665
- Senator John Heinz Pittsburgh Regional History Center-Pa.'s largest history museum. 412-454-6000
- The National Aviary-the only independent indoor nonprofit bird zoo. 412-323-7235
- The Strip (Not like it sounds! It's shopping and restaurants)
- Andy Warhol Museum 412-237-8300
- Carnegie Museum of Art & Natural History 412-622-3131
- Carnegie Science Center & UPMC Sportworks 412-237-3400
- Phipps Conservatory & Botanical Gardens-center of horticulture collections both indoors and outdoors. 412-622-6914
- The Gateway Clipper Fleet-inland riverboat excursions featuring sightseeing, dinner and specialty entertainment tours. 412-355-7980
- Just Ducky Tours-newest attraction that takes you on tour by land & water all in the same vehicle. 412-402-DUCK
- Fallingwater-Frank Lloyd Wright's Architectural Design for the Kaufmann home. 724-329-8501
- Amish Country (New Wilmington, Grove City area's)
- Old Economy Village-is a restored 19th century home of the Harmony Society, a highly successful religious communal society. 724-266-4500
- Grove City has Prime Outlets Route 79 Exit 113
- Wendell August Forge-Grove City, PA. Since 1923, a unique American made giftware in aluminum, bronze, pewter or sterling silver, still created one-at-a-time using hammers & anvils. 1-800-923-4438
- Casinos- The Mountaineer Race Track & Gaming Resort in Wheeling, West Virginia 1-800-80-40-HOT& The Meadows Racetrack & Casino in Washington, PA. 724-503-1200
- Antiquing in the area- Cannonsburg, PA.

Club Auction News

by Chuck Heerhold

Below is a list of items to be auctioned (as of mid-August). The latest Auction List is on-line with color pictures. Please contact Chuck Heerhold, Auction Chairman, at 630-466-7601 or email lyricpoet@juno.com for answers to any questions or to submit pieces.

- 1 Spiky shell handled dish 4½" long.
- 2 Orange milk pitcher 4¼" high.
- 3 Tomato bowl with lid 3¼".
- 4 Tomato bowl with lid 2¼".
- 5 Sunset scene toothpick holder 2¾" high.
- 6 Tapestry yellow rose hair receiver.
- 7 Highland sheep bowl 5½" across.
- 8 Hunter with dogs creamer 4".
- 9 Hunter with dog in tree cocoa pot (wrong lid) 8½".
- 10 Two men fishing handled vase 4".
- 11 Peasant musician 4½".
- 12 Apple wall pocket 9", blue mark.
- 13 Goose girl relish 5½" long x 4".
- 14 Man with sickle & chickens creamer 2¾".
- 15 Large shell bowl.
- 16 Tapestry double pink rose creamer 4" high.
- 17 Boater hat. 4¼ x 3½. White bisque w/glossy white band/ribbon. Luton crest.
- 18 Elk water pitcher 7" high.
- 19 Candle stick, man with pipe.
- 20 Japanese chrysanthemum teapot, 7" long, blue mark.
- 21 8" Relish in Sunbonnet, Sunday fishing.
- 22 Hunter with dog in tree creamer 4".
- 23 Ping pong creamer with a small age line. Blue marked.
- 24 Otter hunter creamer 3¼".
- 25 Water buffalo creamer 3½".
- 26 Tapestry basket 5½" tall blue mark (little gold wear).
- 27 Highland sheep creamer 2¾" high.
- 28 Corinthian roman figure creamer 4".
- 29 Peasant musician lemonade pitcher 7".
- 30 Dachshund light brown hat pin holder 4½".
- 31 Hunter with dog creamer 4".
- 32 Hunter with dogs vase 7" high.
- 33 Hunter with dogs creamer 3".
- 34 Donkey boy creamer 4" high.
- 35 Arab on brown horse creamer 4¼".
- 36 Cat bank, unmarked.
- 37 Poinsettia relish.
- 38 2 men musketeers vase 5".
- 39 Snow babies sledding creamer 2¾" high.
- 40 Highland sheep vase 3¼".
- 41 Scalloped edge dresser tray in Sunbonnet, Monday washing 9½" x 7".
- 42 Hunter with dog cup 3".
- 43 Elk creamer 4½".
- 44 Two men fishing dish 2¼".
- 45 Lady and chickens creamer 2¾" high.
- 46 Sunbonnet washing candlestick, 5" blue mark.
- 47 Peasant musician vase 3 footed 2¾".
- 48 Arab on brown horse toothpick holder 2¾".
- 49 Hunter with dog pitcher 3½".
- 50 Coachman creamer 4¼".
- 51 Owl hat pin holder.
- 52 The crow creamer is being donated by the Stockwells. 4¼" High.
- 53 Old ivory pitcher 8¾" high.
- 54 Spiky shell water pitcher 6½".
- 55 Horseman and dogs candle stick with handle 5¼".
- 56 Coachman water, 6½" unmarked.
- 57 Pr men's glossy black shoes. 5 1/16" . 1 w/string. Unmarked.
- 58 Old ivory bowl 10½" across.
- 59 Brown apple creamer.
- 60 Peasant musician vase 3¼".
- 61 Stick handled covered sugar and creamer. Sugar with lid is 3½" x 3¼". Creamer is 2½" tall at the lip and about 4" wide with the handle. Sunbonnet, Monday washing.
- 62 Frogs and bees wall pocket.
- 63 Robin creamer 4".
- 64 Floral luster coffee pot, 10" tall, blue mark.
- 65 Lone fisherman dish 2¼".
- 66 Silver tapestry basket 4" tall, blue mark.
- 67 Melon water.
- 68 Mouse milk pitcher 5".
- 69 Ladies 5 eyelet cap toe oxford. Left. 5 1/16" and has scroll & lace pattern white enamel. Unmarked.
- 70 Apple tea pot with lid 4½" high.
- 71 Ping pong ashtray, blue marked.
- 72 Apple milk pitcher 4" high.
- 73 Spiky shell mustard pot white satin finish 3½".
- 74 Apple box, 3" tall, unmarked.
- 75 Pelican creamer 3 ¾".
- 76 Tapestry pitcher 3 ¾" corseted type blue mark superb condition.
- 77 Bell ringer water, 6½" blue mark.
- 78 Christmas cactus, 4¾" vase, blue mark.
- 79 Ladies 5 eyelet cap toe oxford. Left. 5 5/16" Cobalt w/lace pattern in raised white enamel. Some missing white enamel. Unmarked.
- 80 Pelican water pitcher 6" high.
- 81 Arab on brown horse 2 handle vase 2½" high.
- 82 St Bernard water pitcher 5" high.
- 83 Pineapple Cracker Jar with Under plate 6 7/8".
- 84 Men's Victor boot w/strap. 2 tone brown matte finish. 4¾". W/partial string. Unmarked.
- 85 Old ivory creamer 4¼" high.
- 86 White rose creamer 3" high blue mark (gold a little rubbed).
- 87 Leaf and flower plate 6".
- 88 Dutch boy and girl creamer 3".
- 89 Brown toothpick holder is 3½" tall with a sterling top and 3 handles. Sunbonnet Monday washing.
- 90 White rose flowerpot 3" high blue mark excellent condition.
- 91 Rose tapestry miniature basket 3½" high blue mark perfect condition (pink border roses with yellow/cream roses.
- 92 Kangaroo creamer 3" scenic.
- 93 Fish head lemonade pitcher 7½" high.
- 94 Hunter with dog vase 5½".
- 95 Goose girl lemonade pitcher 7" high.
- 96 Highland sheep milk pitcher 4".
- 97 Lady and chickens planter or flower pot 3¾" high.
- 98 Yellow rose creamer 4".

It's a Burgh Thing

by Karen Church

I've written this short article about some of our local Pittsburgh attractions. It's also my attempt at the local dialect called Pittsburghese.

We have a number of special places to visit. Yunz will want to go dahntahn to visit the car-NEGGY (instead of CAR-negie) Science Center or the Museums of Art & Natural History. Yunz may want to take a boat trip dahn the Mon (Monongahela), the Allegheny, and the Ahia (Ohio) on the Gateway Clipper Fleet. Catch a glimpse of the Point (Point State Park and the fountain, where the Allegheny and the Mon meet to form the Ohio). The Incline is a fun trip to Mt. Worshington (Mt. Washington) with its great view of the city. Be sure to put Frank Lloyd Wright's Fallingwater on the list. It's located in Ohiopyle, and was the summer home of the Kaufmann family. There are many other places to see and things to do, so be nebbby (nosy), ask questions!

Permanees or P-Bros. (Primanti Brother's Restaurant-famous in Pittsburgh) is a must. They'll be sure to fill your deesh with huge sammitches. You won't believe you et the whole thing! And you'll need to order pop, not soda, and wutter, not water.

As with any trip, preparation is the key. Yunz will want to have your clothes all worshed and arned. Also make sure the car is in working order. Does the raadiator (pronounced like gladiator) have enough water? Bring your cammra and filum for those special memories!

We're reddin up (picking up or light cleaning) around here for everyone to come to town, so yunz better not be late. See you in September!

Convention 2007 Program Survey

by Harold Brandenburg

The program subject I will be presenting at the upcoming convention is RARE FIGURALS. I have already sent out surveys to our membership. If you are interested in participating but have not received one, please e-mail me at hbrand@cox.net, or call 316-722-1200. I would also ask that you bring your examples of rare figurals for display during the program. Thanks for your help - we'll see you in Pittsburgh!



eBay Prices July 2007

by Judy Stockwell

- Strawberry Marmalade Jar , Blue Mark, 6"x 3 ½"\$430.55
- Apple Salt and Pepper Shakers, UNM168.00
- Devil & Cards 7" plate, green mark.360.00
- Twin Basket, Hunting Scene , gold number on bottom141.59
- Tapestry Clock, Christmas Cactus, BM195.00
- Pansy Candlestick, green mark.321.99
- Poppy Chocolate Pot, white with green, blue mark760.00
- Squirrel Milk Pitcher 5 ½"high, blue mark1,282.77
- Purple Lobster Creamer, 4 ½ " high.381.51
- Leopard Creamer, 5 ½ x 3", blue mark6,711.99
- Ping Pong and Cards Cube Shaped , opening on top, BM..... 442.50
- Tapestry Hat Pin Holder, Lady with Horse, UNM531.23



Royal Bayreuth Miniatures and Gemma

by Ken Russell our reporter in New Zealand

NOTE FROM EDITOR: After reading the June issue, Ken Russell offered some interesting information regarding miniatures found in New Zealand. Thanks Ken!

The notes and pictures on Miniatures in the June issue raise the question as to what exactly is to be classified as a miniature for Royal Bayreuth collectors. By one definition, many of the scenic pieces, plentiful here in New Zealand, are miniatures in the sense that they are tiny versions of shapes that would have been commonplace on the dining tables of Bavaria in the early years of the 20th century when the Tettau factory was producing such a wondrous array of shapes - vases, urns, baskets, candlesticks etc as well as the vast array of shapes now called TPH's. Here are four pieces from my own collection which might be described as miniatures.



Left to right: Coal Scuttle. Flower Basket. Coal Scuttle Ornate Urn

Wanda Friedrich or Judy White might like to comment as to whether these can be legitimately described as miniatures. I was equally interested in Judy White's inclusion of photos of small pieces marked GEMMA. It is

apparent that in the colonial years in New Zealand there were a large circulation of European pieces made for the souvenir shops that grew up in the locations made popular by early tourists and holiday-makers. Most prominent among these were Royal Bayreuth and Gemma. Photos or pictures were apparently sent to the factories in Europe and transferred to a very wide range of tiny shapes designed as souvenirs of the various tourist attractions. I have seen many of these Gemma items in New Zealand antique shops over the years, and I wish now I had collected them seriously for inevitably they sold much cheaper than Bayreuth. The molds for the Mini cheese dishes are almost identical to those very collectable Royal Bayreuth equivalents.



Four GEMMA Cheese Dishes and one Royal Bayreuth featuring left to right; Dunedin and Harbour (my home city); A Poketeraki Maori; The Goosegirl (R.B.); Colony of New Zealand, Wellington (New Zealand ceased to be a colony of Britain in 1907); Post Office, Invercargill NZ.



Four GEMMA miniatures; Left to right Wheelbarrow with Maori maiden Susan at Rotorua Hot Springs; Candle Stick with Susan, again; Top Hat with original wax vestas and striking surface underneath; and Mug featuring the prominent Grafton Bridge, Auckland.

Finally, a question. Can any of our readers offer a clue as to the origin of the GEMMA mark?



This photo shows (left to right) the familiar Bayreuth Blue Mark on a Cheese Dish base. The base of the Wheelbarrow shows the GEMMA Crown & Crest, and the word "Austria", while another Cheese Dish base shows the GEMMA Crown & Crest over the name "Czecho-Slavakia". It's all a bit of a puzzle!

Royal Bayreuth Prices Circa 1970

by Judy Stockwell

I thought it might be fun to read what Bayreuth was going for in 1970 from the Warman's Price Guide:

1. Devil Ashtray, arms extend over top, legs around base \$24.50
2. Rose Tapestry Basket, ruffled edge \$65.00
3. Santa Claus Candle Holder, saucer-type with ring holder \$75.00
4. Pig Creamer \$21.50
5. Tomato Creamer \$24.00
6. Tapestry Hair Receiver, Turkey décor \$45.00
7. Devil and Card Match Box \$35.00
8. Hunting Scene Pitcher 7 1/2" \$26.50
9. Robin Milk Pitcher \$39.50

Royal Bayreuth Wanted

- Lady Bug Milk Pitcher
- Black Rooster Milk Pitcher
- Multi-Colored Rooster Milk Pitcher
- Brown Monkey Milk Pitcher
- Pear Milk Pitcher
- Rabbit Milk Pitcher
- Squirrel Milk Pitcher
- Oak Leak Creamer
- Brown "Santa" Lemonade

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RBCC, Inc.

2007 RBCC Convention Agenda • Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania • September 27, 28, & 29

Thursday, September 27th

- 1 – 2pm **Registration**
Presidential Room
- 1 – 2pm **Auction Pieces Submitted
for Inspection**
River Terrace
- 3pm **RBCC Annual Board Meeting**
Salon A
- 6:30 – 7pm **Registration**
Presidential Room
- 7pm **Ice Cream Social with
Pittsburgh Banjo Club
Performing**
Salon A

Friday, September 28th

- 9am **Welcome Meeting
Show and Tell**
Salon A
- 10:30am **Break For Lunch**
Primanti Brothers
- 1:30 – 2pm **Registration**
Presidential Room
- 2pm **Program**
Salon A
- 3:30pm **Move Auction Pieces
from River Terrace to Salon A**
- 4pm **Auction Pieces Offered
for Viewing**
Salon A
- 6:30pm **Auction Registration**
Salon A
- 7pm **Auction**
Salon A

Saturday, September 29th

- 9am **Annual Business Meeting
with Reports, Club Election**
Salon A
- 2pm **Program**
Salon A
- 3:30pm **RBCC Board Meeting**
Salon A
- 7pm **Banquet and Entertainment**
Salon A

NOTE: Room-to-room visitation will be on-going – check hospitality room for list and times.