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Alvin & Roberta's Big Day

By Roberta Cappel

Alvin and I celebrated our 50th wedding anniversary April 7. Thank you RBCC friends for the many congratulations! Our daughters hacked into our computer and emailed anyone they could find, asking them to send a card to us! I'm surprised we didn't hear from Master Card and Discover! The girls and their families hosted a wonderful family dinner for us. Our granddaughters even had fun trying on my wedding dress.

We both grew up in Gnadenhutten Ohio, a town of 1,000 people where Alvin played basketball. After out-of-town games, my friends and I would go to the corner drug store for Cherry Cokes and wait for the bus to get back into town—you know, "to cheer for the team". I truly thought Alvin was the only one on the team! We girls were 13 years old and I can still hear them giggling, wondering if I thought Alvin would ask to "walk me home." We dated through high school and college and Alvin has been "walking me home" now for 50 years. However now walks detour through any and all antique stores. Fifty years is quite an accomplishment, especially with a man who has spent over a third of our married life searching for tomatoes! Thank you for adding to the memories of our very special day!



Recent Royal Bayreuth eBay Prices

By Dotty Earle

Polar Bear Vase (BM)	\$191
Rooster Masquerade Creamer with Human Face	\$1,380
Santa Match Safe 4 1/4"	\$1,250
Polar Bear Cup & Saucer (BM)	\$228
Jester Candlesticks, signed Noke	\$763
Pansy Candlesticks	\$569
Dog with Victorian Hat	\$14
Jester Humidor, signed Noke	\$516
Tapestry Polar Bear Vase	\$338
Open Wing Butterfly Milk	\$200
Devil & Card Dish	\$123



From Our Co-Presidents

By Mary and Terry Anderson

We're gearing up for another great convention! We hope to have a large group attending. We have lined up 2 (possibly 3) programs which will all be very interesting. Our regular auction which is held on Friday evening promises to be fun; later our silent auction which is part of the Wenger collection, will take place, and that's even MORE interesting. We had lots of fun with that auction last year. All in all, lots of Royal Bayreuth pieces will be on display and will sell to the highest bidder. Steve always does a great job getting neat pieces and Rollie will be our auctioneer again this year (YAY... welcome back Rollie!)

Our convention dates this time around are Thursday, September 26 through Saturday, September 28. A reception will be held Thursday evening. The rest of the time will be filled with meetings, programs, show & tell, RB wanna-bees, our banquet, games, room to room visitations, and of course the hospitality room will be a gathering place for chatting and eating.

We are so looking forward to this convention. We're going to be busy a lot of the time, so if you are planning your vacation around this trip, try to spend an extra day visiting attractions in the area. Don't forget to include

antique shops in your itinerary.

Please make your hotel reservation on or before Thursday, September 5 (the cut-off date) by calling 1-800-228-9290 or 313-271-2700. **Make sure you identify yourself as part of the Royal Bayreuth Collectors Club.** Hopefully, our rooms will be close together. The Dearborn Inn, a Marriott Hotel is located at 20301 Oakwood Blvd, Dearborn MI 48124. Room rates are \$135 a night and include breakfast for two each day. The same rate is available for three nights before and three nights after the event.

In order to help those involved in the planning of the convention, please make your hotel reservations soon. Registration forms should be sent to Chris ASAP.

This year we are trying some new ideas and we will be broadening our horizons. Judy Stockwell and Harriet Lavine are changing our games a bit and there are more changes as well, lots to look forward to...

So, to all of our members who attend every year, to all those who come to convention as often as possible, and to all our new members, we sincerely hope you make every effort to come to Dearborn this September. We look forward to seeing all of you!

Secretary's Message

By Chris Bartlett

Convention time is coming up and this one in Dearborn should be another winner! Our conventions are the best place to learn more about Royal Bayreuth – with members' collections, show and tell, the auction, the Wenger Collection silent auction, programs, the hospitality room – and best of all, the chance to greet old friends and make new ones. Check out the additional information in this newsletter about the hotel and registration. Fill out the registration sheet and send it to me with a check made out to "RBCC" as soon as possible. Early registration is very helpful for those purchasing items for the hospitality room, goodie bags, games, etc.

As of the beginning of May, the club has 114 memberships. Help us attract new members by publicizing Royal Bayreuth – we have a wonderful website and terrific newsletters so the club is a real asset to anyone looking to learn more about this wonderful porcelain.

The membership roster was included with the March newsletter. As always please let me know of any change of address, phone or email.

Thanks for supporting the club and we look forward to seeing you in Dearborn in September!

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R.B.C.C. Treasurer's Report

By Steve Bartlett

Checkbook Balance as of 2-15-2013\$12,730.70

Receipts

Membership dues \$500.00

1st Quarter silent auction (sales & shipping) \$755.10

Total Receipts\$1,255.10

Disbursements

March newsletter & roster (produce, print & mail)\$1,103.70

1st Quarter silent auction shipping. \$68.75

Annual web site hosting fee \$125.10

Total Disbursements.....\$1,297.55

Checkbook Balance as of 2-15-2013\$12,688.25

2013 Convention Registration – Act Soon!

Starting 2013 the convention registration fee is \$15 per person (compared to \$20 per couple in past years). Also new, each person receives a goodie bag (rather than one per couple). Look for your registration form in this issue and please send it in quickly!

Membership Update

By Chris Bartlett

Susan Szymanski has a new email address: susanannszy@gmail.com.

In Memoriam

We've recently learned about the loss of four members.

Jerry Wilson passed away January 2012.

Karin Hughes, daughter of Denise and Gordon Hughes let us know that both her folks passed away. Her Dad died in November of 2010 after being diagnosed about 6 months earlier with stage 4 melanoma. Her dad lived his life up to the very end, even antiquing the weekend prior to his passing. Her mom passed away last March. She had had a chronic illness for 28 years and was as surprised as any of them that her time had also come. They both loved their collections and she learned so much from them. She enjoyed when they would visit and they would go out searching for the perfect toothpick holder!

Also, JD Mooney's daughter Jo Ann Mooney, let us know that her dad passed away on Thursday, May 23, 2013 peacefully with family at his side.

Upcoming Member Sale

Janet Belcher let us know that she will be selling several RB items at a Mike Clum auction on June 26. She has 20+ hat pin holders including figurals, tapestry, square base, and Sunbonnet Babies. This auction will consist of two collections of hatpins and holders plus some vintage clothing. Be sure to visit www.clumauctions.com for the latest information.

Newsletter Submission Deadlines

- August 1 for late August (September) Issue
- November 10 for December Issue
- February 10 for March Issue
- May 10 for June Issue

Editor's Message

By Kat Thacker

Happy Spring/Summer to everyone!

Lots of things to cover, fellow members, as we get closer to convention time. First off, the issue you are currently holding has the registration form enclosed. Please fill it out ASAP and send (along with your check) to club Secretary Chris. It helps the "convention elves" working behind the scenes if we can get a headcount sooner rather than later. There will be LOTS more info coming in the August edition, including neat places to visit in the Detroit area. We will also be posting on the website, so make sure and check it often...

While you're pulling together your travel plans, be sure and get your hotel reservation locked in now. You have until the first week of September, but you know how time flies during the summer months! Details are in this issue.

We had a lovely visit with some of our fellow RBCC members/friends last month. Gregg had business in Chicago, so we took the opportunity to go see some SPECTACULAR collections in the area. Our generous "hosts with the most" were Sandy and Chuck Heerhold. They let us shoot some wonderful pics of their RB, as well as some amazing Schafer Vater and other vintage German porcelain. We also stopped by Nancy and Mike Rublaitus' home to share their amazing collections. We all had a memorable dinner out at the historic Starved Rock Lodge... beautiful despite the flooded conditions. Our Co-Presidents Mary and Terry Anderson also made the drive down, so all in all, it felt like a

"mini RB convention!" Thanks for all your warm hospitality... we truly enjoyed seeing all your beautiful porcelain!

I would like to thank all our contributors for this month. Roberta Cappel (along with her daughter Gretchen) shot our cute cover layout with their Beach Babies. I can always count on her to do something creative no matter how busy she and Alvin are! Another big thanks to Tim Gaudet for his write-up on being "Featured Dealer" at the Bath Antique Show. He sent along some photos of hand-picked items from his Tapestry collection, some gorgeous tea strainers and rarer salt and peppers. We always appreciate submissions like these to share with our club!

Speaking of rarer SALT & PEPPERS, Harold Brandenburg will be making a presentation during the convention on just this subject. He is requesting that you bring your more unusual pieces along to share. We'll be reminding you in the next issue, but it's a good idea to think about these items now so we can have greater member participation and sharing of information by all.

Please remember that the next issue (regularly out in September) will ACTUALLY be out in mid-August due to the convention timing. We will need ALL the items necessary for pre-convention at that time (**DUE DATE: AUGUST 1st!**). There will still be updates right up until the BIG EVENT in Dearborn, but only on the website. Have a FUN-FILLED Summer friends!

Antiques Roadshow

By Kat Thacker

BIG happenings here... Gregg and I just attended the Antiques Roadshow in Detroit! It was a truly memorable day and we'll be sharing our experiences with you next issue... Keep an eye out for it!

Publicity Report

By Judy Stockwell

It's just me your Publicity Gal telling you what I have been up to the last few months in regards to spreading the good word of the Club.

I wrote up a Spring Press Release with information about our upcoming convention in Dearborn Michigan and thanked them in advance for whatever they could do for us in regards to putting "a little something" in their papers or magazines. Approximately 25 went out but before the day was over about 6 were returned as no longer in business. So now I will see if I can search out a few more new ones to add to the list. I am asking all of you to help me find additional places to send the press releases. Pick up a newspaper in the shops you go into and send me the contact info for the publication. I will write and see if they would be interested in having our information. So please KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN and help me!

We will send a revised press release

to antique shops in the Dearborn area. We will wait another month or two.

Gregg and Kat compiled a list of friendly local shops which is available on the website here www.royalbayreuth.org/stores_events_2013.pdf.

I wrote to the Antiques Roadshow asking if they had anywhere in New England on their schedule for this year and got a note back that nothing this year but perhaps in 2014. I thought that would be a good thing to go to and show a piece of Bayreuth!

Several New Hampshire publications have places where you can submit a picture and ask for information on an item. I thought I would do that and also submit to *Country Living Magazine*. Do any of you have a piece of Bayreuth that you could send me a picture of and I will submit it? That perhaps would be additional good exposure for our club!

Once again there was an article

by Kovels on Royal Bayreuth.

Someone sent in a question on a Tettau Demitasse Cup and Saucer which was blue and white with a green lion and T mark. Kovels reply was "Your cup and saucer were made by Sontag and Sohne of Tettau, Bavaria, Germany a porcelain factory that opened in Tettau in 1794. It has operated under various owners and names since then and is still in business. The mark on your cup and saucer was used by Sontag and Sons, the owners of the factory from 1887 until 1902. The factory's name became Royally Privileged Porcelain Factory Tettau in 1957. Porcelain made by the factory is known today as Royal Bayreuth. There is a club of collectors of Royal Bayreuth. Its website is RoyalBayreuth.org. Value of your cup and saucer is about \$30."

Well, that's about it for now... hope to see you all in Dearborn in September!

Website News

By Gregg Thacker

Greetings RB Fans. The website is receiving increasing activity as Judy sends press releases, we prepare for convention, and Steve runs the silent auctions. Be sure to visit the site to stay up-to-date for all club activities!

As always, we continue to send out an e-mail blast monthly (or so) with RB news and info. If you are NOT receiving that please send an email to editor@royalbayreuth.org. Hope to see everyone in Dearborn!

Our 2013 RBCC Convention theme is "Travel" so we're looking for some great examples/shots of your souvenir RB with destinations on them. We're not experts in this area, so if you have info as well as images to send us we would be grateful. Even if it's not RB, any interesting souvenir items would be welcome. Look through your collections, and send us your photos soon!

Convention Entertainment – Games, Games, Games!

By Harriet Lavine & Judy Stockwell

We are once again preparing games for the convention to make the banquet a fun experience for all. This year we are asking you to bring a Yankee Swap gift with a value of \$20 or so. This HAS to be a piece of Royal Bayreuth. There are many pieces going for \$20 or under in the silent auction that the club is having, on eBay you can find something, or you must have something that you picked up over the years for under that price that you no longer want. Just get out into the antique shops/flea markets and find something. It can be one swap gift per person or per couple. The fun will begin as we start SWAPPING to get the piece we want from someone else. Remember to put this item in something sturdy in case it has to travel a long way. Any questions contact one of us; Harriet Lavine email: harrietlavine@yahoo.com or phone 781-821-1202, Judy Stockwell email buckhill1@comcast.net or phone 603-924-3539. Hope to see you all at the convention in Dearborn in September!

2013 Convention Auction Update

By Steve Bartlett, Auction Chair

Three months until the 2013 Convention in Dearborn, can you believe it? Last year's auction was the most successful we've had in recent years. We had a wide variety of RB pieces (some rare ones) many on-site bidders and a few absentee bidders. The result was an exciting and financially successful auction.

We are poised to do it all over again this year. Our Club Auctioneer Rollie Rosenboom will be holding the gavel once again. Several members have consigned 60 pieces so far. We will add more from the Wenger Collection whose sales will benefit the Club. There is still time for you to consign pieces. Contact Steve Bartlett at 401-885-5889.

Act quickly auction pieces will be on the web site starting this month! The auction chair can accept or reject pieces for the auction. Remember the Club Auction has no buyer's premium, no seller's fees and the consignor controls the minimum selling price.

Members can bid on auction pieces by submitting their maximum bids to me before Sunday, September 22. We will have another silent auction LIVE at the convention with about 60 pieces in it. Members who attend will have an opportunity to get some real bargains. The auction has always been a highlight of the convention so do come, make it "Delightful in Dearborn!"

Summer 2013 Silent Auction

By Steve Bartlett, Auction Chair

The RBCC is pleased to announce the Summer 2013 Silent Auction. This auction consists of 25 selected pieces from the Wenger Collection. If you wish to bid on any item(s), send or email your maximum bids to Steve Bartlett no later than **Sunday, June 30, 2013**.

Bidders should include the item number and description for each auction item they want to bid. Please include mailing address, email and telephone number. The winners will be notified within seven days of the auction close and will be informed of the total cost to buy, ship and insure all pieces they won. If you win more than one auction item, pieces will be shipped together where feasible to save on shipping costs.

Maximum bids should be emailed to dufferdog@aol.com or mailed to 1320 Waterford Drive, East Greenwich RI 02818. If you have any questions please call Steve Bartlett at 401-885-5889.

No.	DESCRIPTION	MIN BID
1	Pinch Nose Pitcher 5¾" H - Pipe Smoker (BM)	\$35
2	Yellow Grape Marmalade w/Spoon 3½" H (BM)	\$25
3	Gray/White Bull Creamer 3½" H (Gr M)	\$30
4	White Satin Footed Pansy Bowl 2¼" H x 4½" W (BM)	\$25
5	Purple Grape Creamer 3½" H (Bk M)	\$15
6	Nut Bowl 2" H x 4" W (unmarked)	\$20
7	Purple Grape Demi Cup & Saucer 2" H x 4" W (unmarked)	\$25
8	Pinch Nose Pitcher Girl w/Turkeys 4½" H (BM)	\$30
9	Open Sugar Two Fishermen in Boat 3" H x 4½" W (BM)	\$20
10	Man w/Rearing Stallions Plate 5¾" H (BM)	\$15
11	Opalescent Spiky Shell Creamer 4" H (BM)	\$20
12	Small Pitcher Man w/Draft Horses Orange Bottom 4½"H (BM)	\$20
13	Elk Toothpick holder 3"H (GM)	\$35
14	Red Frog Creamer 2½" H (BM)	\$30
15	Black Water Buffalo Creamer 3½" H (BM)	\$25
16	Bell Ringer Creamer 4½" H (BM)	\$25
17	Small Pitcher Cows 5" H (BM)	\$20
18	Small Green Corinthian Creamer Woman w/Lyre 2¾" H (BM)	\$25
19	Small Two Handled Vase Arab on Horse Scene 2¾" H (unm)	\$15
20	Oyster Shell Nappy or Small Dish w/Handle 4" sq. (BM)	\$25
21	Skiff Scene on Creamer 3½" H (BM)	\$20
22	Small Musicians Vase w/Silver Top 3" H (BM)	\$15
23	Elk Ashtray or Pin Dish 6" Long (BM)	\$30
24	Tomato Demi Cup and Saucer 2" H x 4" W (BM) on Saucer	\$20
25	Bowl or Celery Dish. Woman Tending Geese 2"X 12"x 5" (BM) . . .	\$45

Spring Silent Auction Results

By Steve Bartlett, Auction Chair

In February 2013, the Club listed 25 pieces from the Wenger Collection. The Spring 2013 Internet/Newsletter Silent Auction closed at the end of March. Of the 25 pieces listed, 17 received bids from nine different bidders. In this auction, eight bidders

won at least one piece. Several auction pieces received multiple bids. Once again, in every case the buyers received some great bargains. The results of the auction were posted on the members section of the club website. If you are unable to access

the web, contact Steve Bartlett and we will mail/email a copy to you. This is a great way for collectors to add pieces to their shelves at mostly bargain prices. As a result of the Spring 2013 Silent Auction, the club added over \$700 to the Treasury!

A “Featured Dealer” at Bath

By Tim Gaudet

April 14, 2013 marked the final date of the Winter Bath Antique Show managed by local dealer and promoter Paul Fuller. This local show is now in its 24th season and presents 50 dealers offering a variety of antiques; most exhibitors are New England area dealers who display monthly from October to mid April. This year, Paul offered a featured Guest Dealer/Collector booth for folks with a specialty to share their collections and share their expertise and interest. I was honored to be invited to hold this booth for the final show of the 2012-2013 season.

I displayed two tables of my usual stock of Victorian glass, porcelain, flow blue and majolica. The display case and the third table were both devoted to a display of Royal Bayreuth pieces from my own personal collection of nearly 40 years. I also offered mint, unused copies of Ginny Salley’s original Bayreuth book that she had given me back in the early 1980s. In general, people know the Sunbonnets and children's lines and many had seen some of the common tapestry forms but many folks had no knowledge of the other Bayreuth production.

I was surprised that there was little interest in the rare figural shakers that were displayed. Even the very scarce pieces like bellringer, oyster and pearl, pansy and owl didn't create much excitement! (One local dealer/collector that I've know for years stopped to admire them.) I expect that people are so used to seeing novelty shakers at shows and shops that they perhaps did not know that these were rare and special. Many people were fascinated by the tapestry pieces, especially the variety of shoes. I showed several and no two are exactly the same. Most admired and asked about were the Christmas Cactus and Sterling Silver shoes. I explained to those who asked how the tapestry finish was obtained. Another item that gathered much interest was a complete dresser set in Christmas Cactus pattern. Several people commented that they could not imagine using something so delicate in this day and age when we have become such a “throw away” society.

The most admired items were the rare figural flower tea strainers and these generated many questions from the public and dealers doing the show. Most people had never seen porcelain strainers and thought they were only made in silver and silver plate because these are the ones most commonly seen. I explained that these were not marked with the company crest and one really has to know the forms and colorations and the impressed Deponiert mark which is sometimes found and the unglazed back. I urged the dealers to look for the small Germany and Bavaria stamps as well for further proof of production on the



strainers and other small pieces like the shakers. Most of the show dealers are generalist or folks who deal in country antiques and more primitive items; I cautioned all of them “Be sure to call me if you think you've found something good!”

A local woman brought photos on her iPhone of numerous pieces of blue and white Cornflower and the mark; most of the items carried the green single lion mark shown in Mary's books. The lady indicated she did not think her children were interested in the china and she may

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“Featured Dealer” continued...

have interest in selling it. I encouraged her to make a list of pieces, the sizes and condition and contact me if she decided she was going to sell these. Club members who have interest in this pattern may email me at tgaudet13@gwi.net or call me at 207-407-8004 and I will supply her with your information if she wants to sell. I talked with many of the dealers about which figurals are considered to be scarce/rare and urged them to watch for brown Santa figurals which are not usually marked. For dealers who don't deal in this type of material it is good information to have.

Happy hunting and may you find yet another great piece for your collection.

