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# Carnival/Mardi Gras

### NCC Convention 2001

by Mark Nye, Convention Chair

Early February and it is very much still winter here in Michigan as it is elsewhere. With all the cold and snow we have had, "June is busting out all over" is a pleasant thought and speaking of June, it is time to plan to attend the 2001 NCC Convention, Wednesday, June 20, through Sunday, June 24, 2001. Motel information is elsewhere in this issue [see page 7] and be sure to make your reservations early.

Wednesday is a pre-convention day and members arriving early in the week can spend this day visiting the various antique shops and malls in the area. Don't think that just because you arrive later in the week that it isn't worthwhile going shopping since all the "good glass" is gone. I have shopped Cambridge the Monday after convention and found unusual and even rare pieces. Wednesday evening, at a local restaurant, there will be a "Dutch Treat Dinner."

The Convention Registration desk, located in the Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center Galleria, officially opens Thursday morning. In the afternoon there is an orientation session for those attending their first NCC Convention. This is a chance for newcomers to meet other members, learn what convention is all about, and share their collections. Also on Thursday, Phyllis Smith will be holding another auction featuring Cambridge glass from the Smith collection. Watch for information about this auction from Phyllis since this is not a NCC sponsored event. [See back cover]

Thursday evening features the annual poolside Picnic. This is a great time for first-timers to meet other members and for "old-timers" to renew friendships. A full picnic meal is served and while it is included in the registration fee, reservations are required. A cash bar is provided by the motel.

Tentatively scheduled for Friday morning is a return of "Coffee With Cambridge." For the past two years the Friday morning Continental Breakfast has been held poolside. Prior to that it was held at the former NCC Museum on US 40. This year, if everything proceeds smoothly, we will be able to have it at the new NCC Museum, located in downtown Cambridge.

Following breakfast, Mosser Glass and Boyd Crystal Art Glass will be open for tours. Early Friday afternoon will feature educational seminars, held at the Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center, and late that afternoon, the All Glass Show opens in the Civic Center Exhibition Hall.

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### President's Message



# Harnessing Technology and Talent

At last June's Convention, one of the most well received sessions was Ken Filippini's on Collecting Glass in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century. Ken's forward-looking talk stimulated a lot of discussion and dialogue on how a nonprofit preservation organization like ours can adapt and take advantage of new technology to further our mission and communications.

One very prophetic comment by a member was a wish that we actually took action on some of the ideas rather than gather here again the next year, have another good conversation, but make little or no substantive progress on what we discussed.

I can't remember which of two members made this comment (both are fellow Caprice collectors and have shown great eagerness to assist the club), but I've remembered it often throughout the year in the hope that the prophecy does not come true.

As we now stare at our 2001 Convention just four months away, we have come full circle as our convention chair Mark Nye asked if Ken Filippini would be willing to reprise his session. Ken is willing to moderate another session but this time will make the focus how do we organize ourselves to take advantage of new ideas and initiatives.

As a volunteer organization, we have to rely on the goodwill and expertise of our members. I get many suggestions from people on what they think the club should be doing but I always have to ask "where are we going to get the human resources to do this?" That is a constant challenge because a relatively small number of members (less than 10% of our total membership) do a lot of the physical workings of the club.

One progressive step we made this year is the creation of a Member Services Committee under the chairpersonship of George Stamper. The vision for this position is to serve as a clearing house for anyone who volunteers to help the club. Sometimes in the past, we have had people volunteer to help, but no one took them up on the offer. I'd rather not see that happen again.

George's committee (which by the way, he'd welcome volunteers to help him administer this function!) can function as a "broker" helping to "marry" need with talent. We just needed new chair people for our Glass Dash this year and George was able to line up Larry and Susan

Everett to take on the challenge. We thank them for this generosity and also thank Bud and Anna Walker, as well as Mike Arent and the whole Glass Dash team for the wonderful job they have done over the last few years.

If you feel you have an interest in helping in any regard – at Convention, on an ongoing committee, or anywhere else (say you have an expertise you think could be beneficial to the club but you're not sure where to apply it) – please contact George Stamper at bgglass@aol.com.

Additionally, at this year's Convention, in what we assume will be another outstanding Ken Filippini session, this time we will create a very specific action plan on how we can harness the internet and other new technologies to:

- better benefit membership recruitment,
- retention,
- book and merchandise sales,
- our education mission, and
- the overall benefits of membership.

This past month, FYI, our Museum Committee created a first phase showcase plan for the new museum that our Board just approved. Other phases will be discussed in greater detail at this March's quarterly meeting and Board meeting.

For those of you who wrote and said you wanted to support our new Museum but couldn't sponsor a showcase, please know there are many ways to help. We will have an Associates Fund where unspecified donations will go to critical items like new file cabinets, our historical display area, buying needed items like folding chairs, etc. There are many areas of need and we appreciate each and every one of your attempts to help our efforts to build a lasting memorial to Cambridge Glass through a first class museum. Thanks to ALL of you! And, please make plans now for Convention – it will be a Mardi Gras Celebration!

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#### Tentative 2001 Calendar Planning

#### June 21-24

2001 National Cambridge Collectors' Convention "Mardi Gras/Carnival" Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center Cambridge, Ohio

#### June 22-24

NCC Glass Show and Sale Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center Cambridge, Ohio

#### June 23

"Glass Dash" ("flea" market) Beech Grove Family Development Center Cambridge, Ohio

#### June 24

NCC Annual Meeting Pritchard Laughlin Civic Center Cambridge, Ohio

#### August 25 (tentative)

August Quarterly Meeting To Be Announced Cambridge, Ohio

#### November 3 (tentative)

November Quarterly Meeting Education Program To Be Announced Cambridge, Ohio

### Make Your Reservations NOW for NCC Convention 2001

(There's a lot happening in Cambridge)

# Have Some "Whine and Jeez"

by Georgia G. Otten

The Miami Valley Study Club meets in a library and, as in most libraries, food and beverages are not permitted. However, I have noticed that on occasion at a meeting, **something** is being served. It is "whine and jeez."

I am a proponent of study clubs and have the good fortune to belong to one of the best. There are collectors currently trying to form new study clubs in other cities and states and they are to be encouraged. I have heard people say they "do not know enough" to belong to a glass study club. But that is the point, isn't it? To learn about the glass? If you care about Cambridge glass, and want to learn, a study club is invaluable!

There are numerous reasons why people begin collecting glass. They like a color, it was something Mother received as a gift, they want to match a candlestick, and it just keeps going! Whatever the reason, I do not know any one glass collector who knows everything.

I can recall attending my first several study club meetings. There I was with something etched Rose Point for show and tell, and there were other members with wonderful colored glass, pitchers, candlesticks, perfume bottles, and decanters. All Cambridge glass. My question was: "How do you know that is Cambridge?" I felt so uninformed!

But guess what happened? As the programs continued, more items were brought in for discussion and show and tell and there were items that were *not* Cambridge glass. They were items easily confused with true Cambridge. You know, the look-alikes. I would venture to say that each one of us has bought, with great delight, a piece of glass we "thought" was Cambridge, only to find out, through the knowledge of others, that it was a repro, reissue or a look-alike right off the boat from some foreign shore. And what happens at this point?

The "jeez and whine"! "Jeez, I thought it was Cambridge. Are you SURE it isn't Cambridge? How do you KNOW it isn't Cambridge? I WANT it to be Cambridge. PLEASE tell me it is Cambridge!" I had this experience, not my first and probably not my last, with a squirrel figure. I did not know my colors or items made from a Cambridge mold now owned by another company! So I took that piece home with me determined not to let *that* happen again.

There are many good reasons to belong to a study club. The most obvious: it is hands on and eyes on. One learns to consider color, shape, and time period. Knowledge shared, knowledge gained.

However, a word of warning: being a member of a study club does not guarantee your ability to deal with a major factor of collecting, a factor which must be addressed if one wishes to avoid the "jeez and whine." It is the EF, the *EXCITEMENT FACTOR*. You spot an item in a shop or mall and you believe it to be Cambridge. Your heart pounds. You want it! The price is good, you are *pretty* sure you have seen it in a book... You buy it. You are happy! You take it to show and tell and... guess what?

It's "jeez and whine" time, and you are hosting! But it will never happen again! Right?

There is no substitute for hard work.

- Thomas Edison

### 2001 NCC CONVENTION MOTEL INFORMATION

All of the motels are located in Cambridge at Exit 178, Ohio Route 209, off of Interstate 70.

BEST WESTERN CAMBRIDGE 1945 Southgate Parkway 740-439-3581 Approximately 50 rooms available \$55 single or double

BUDGET HOST—DEER CREEK 2325 Southgate Parkway 740-432-6391 Approximately 50 rooms available \$45.95 single/\$52.95 double

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### ATTENTION NCC MEMBERS

IMPORTANT CONVENTION UPDATE

If you are planning on attending the 2001 National Cambridge Collectors, Inc Convention, MAKE YOUR MOTEL RESERVATIONS NOW!

There will be a very large festival in town the same week and hotels are filling up fast. Book your room now.

To obtain the quoted rates, you must specify you are attending the National Cambridge Collectors Convention. Most places will recognize Cambridge Glass Convention faster than they will NCC Convention. As always, it is strongly recommended reservations be made as soon as possible. In every instance, there is a limited number of rooms available at the stated rate. When these are booked, you may have to pay a higher rate.

MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS EARLY ---- SEE YOU IN JUNE

### IN MEMORIAM

We have come to learn of the passing of National Cambridge Collectors, Inc. member Jim Barbian.

Jim Barbian has been a member of the Miami Valley Study Club. He passed away on February 24, 2001, which was his 67th birthday. He leaves behind his wife, Roberta; three grown children, Mark, Yvonne, and Lenore; and three grandchildren.

We wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Jim's family and friends. We and others do care and share in this loss.



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Copies of research articles from the back issues of the *Crystal Ball* are now available there. The old back issues were lost in the flood of 1998, but now the research materials contained in them are coming back to be shared with the entire membership.

To access the site, follow this URL: http://www.cambridgeglass.org/NCCMembers

You will be prompted for an ID and password. These are case sensitive. They will also change periodically, so keep reading your current issues of the *Crystal Ball*. Please do not share the passwords with non-members! The private site is intended to benefit you, and that benefit will be diluted if the ID and password is shared indiscriminately.

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After the Glass Show closes, supper will be served with reservations required. Since this is a year of celebration and the theme is Carnival/Mardi Gras, costumes are optional. In other words, let's have a costume party Friday night! The tables will be decorated with a Mardi Gras theme and there will be a prize for the best costume. Friday evening closes with the annual Mini-Auction. More on the mini-auction, a featured event for many years, in a future issue.

The featured event early Saturday morning is the Glass Dash, formerly known as the Flea Market. Following this, the Glass Show reopens and that afternoon will see another educational seminar followed by Bring & Brag and Glass Identification. That evening's highlight is the Annual Banquet and again, reservations are required.

Sunday morning's events are a buffet breakfast, followed by the NCC, Inc. Annual Meeting. Later in the morning the glass show reopens and that afternoon, the Cambridge Glass Co. Employees Reunion is held at the Civic Center.

More details about Convention and a tentative event schedule with times and locations will appear in the April issue with the registration form coming in May.

## Cambridge Animals and Marine Life

The following pages were a handout that was distributed at the November Quarterly educational program about Cambridge animals.

#### DOG

- a. Bridge Hound # 1371 Novelty Item. Made from 1932 to 1954.
- Glass Dog bottle w/tumbler, in 8 oz. and 22 oz. sizes. (Nearcut Catalog).
   Mosser reproduced some in the small size.
- c. Scotty Dog bookends # 1128.
- d. Hunt Scene etching.
- e. Scotty on enamel ware. (30-34 catalog reprint pg 31-20)
- f. #403 Salt & Pepper Shaker (Smith reprint pg 17)
- g. Cigarette Box (30-34 catalog reprint pg 54)
- TURKEY AND COVER # 1222. Made in 1930. Various publications list it in these colors: Royal blue, Mandarin Gold, Emerald, Peach-blo, Gold Krystol, and Crystal. "Checkerboard bottom is an import as seen in China Glass and Lamps.

#### 3. OWI

- a. Owl Lamp 1925. Seen in Ivory color, Ivory with brown enamel decoration fired on. sits on Ebony base.
- b. 3 1/2 oz. Owl # 2829. (Near Cut) Candy Container.
- MONKEY LAMP 1920 1925. Seen in Ivory color, Ivory with green enamel and brown enamel decoration fired on. Sits on Ebony base.
- SEAGULL # 1138. 8 1/2" high flower block in Crystal and satin finish.
- RABBIT 1934.
  - Large Bunny Box and cover # 1316. 7".
  - b. Small Bunny Box and cover # 1315. 5 1/2". (Both seen with and without detail. Seen in Peach-blo, medium blue, dark pink, light green, and crystal. Some of colors pictured in Welker color books and NCC color book.
  - c. 2 1/2 oz. Rabbit (Near Cut) Candy Container.
- HERON 1931.
  - a. 12" # 1111 Heron flower block.
  - b. 9" # 1136 Heron flower block.
- 8. CAT BOTTLE w/tumbler. 8 oz. and 22 oz. sizes (Near Cut Catalog) Mosser reproducing the 8 oz. size.)
- BUTTERFLY 1932.
  - a. (Novelty) Made in two sizes.
  - Etching on two different etchings: Pamona vase and included in etching # 717.
- MOTH 1932. (Novelty) Made in one size. Was also called a butterfly.

#### 11. SWAN

- a. Everglades pattern with swans, herons, ect. 1933. Comes in plates bowls ect.
- b. # 1040 3".
- c. #1041 4 1/2".
- d. # 1042 6 1/2".
- e. #1043 8 1/2".
- f. #1044 10".
- g. #1045 13".
- h. # 1046 16".
- i. # 1221 15 pc. Swan Punch Set.
- i. # 1050 4 1/2" Candle Holder.

#### 12. FROG

- a. (Novelty) 1932. Transparent and satin finish colors.
- Handled and un-handled Pitcher/Vase. 1933. Forest Green, Ebony and Amethyst. Smooth and textured surface).

#### 13. **BIRD**

- a. (Novelty) 1932. Made in three sizes. Numbered 1, 2, and 3 in one catalog and 11, 12, and 13 in another catalog. Crystal and satin finish. Reproduced by Mosser.
- b. Included in etching # 736. (30-34 catalog reprint pg 50)
- c. Included in etching # 717. (30-34 catalog reprint pg 52)
- d. Sport novelty glass D986 (30-34 catalog reprint pg 31-20)
- e. Bird on stump flower frog.???

#### 14. SQUIRREL

- a. (Novelty) 1932. (Amber, Pink and Crystal). Mosser reproduced these also.
- b. 4 oz. Squirrel # 2930. (Near Cut) Candy container.

#### 15. BLUE JAY

- a. #1137 Flower block. 5 1/2". Seen in Crystal, and Crystal w/satin finish. Seen in Moonlight blue also.
- b. #1636 Pegged Nappy (for Cambridge Arms. Seen in Crystal, Crystal with satin finish, dark Green and Mandarin Gold

#### 16. EAGLE

- a. # 1676 6" Ash Tray with Eagle handle.
- b. # 1675 8" 3-part Relish with Eagle handle.
- c. # 1144 Eagle Figure on 5 1/2" ball.
- d. #1119 Eagle Bookend (retail in 1940 was \$5.00/pair).
- e. Low Flower Frog. 6".
- 17. LION # 1129 Bookends. Crystal and Satin finish. (retail in 1940 was \$5.00/pair.)
- 18. POUTER PIGEON # 1124 Bookends. Crystal and Milk glass.
- 19. BUFFALO 1933 (Everglades bowls and plates).
- 20. HORSE 1933 (Everglades bowls and plates).
- 21. HOBBY HORSE 1 1/2 oz. (Near Cut) Candy container.

#### 22. RAM

- a. Rams Head bowl (1926-1935) Was a reproduction of Wedgewood design pattern called "BELMAR" with laurel wreath introduced in January 1924 in opaques, and some transparencies. September 1933 introduction of revised design with Gadroon design.
- b. Rams Head Candlesticks.

#### 23. FISH

- a. Fish on pitcher (Near Cut).
- b. Fish head for handles on bowl. (Two styles) Full fish and partial fish.

#### 24. DOLPHIN

- a. Dolphin candlesticks with flat base # 1612. Introduced in 1925.. Copied from and old Sandwich Glass design.
- b. Dolphin Candlesticks with Mount Vernon base (Stratford). Introduced May 26, 1925.
- c. 2 lite Dolphin Candlesticks.
- d. Caprice # 207 or #208 Cigarette Box and Cover with Dolphin feet.
- e. #66 4" Candlesticks with Dolphin base.
- f. #110 41/2 oz. Seafood Cocktail with Dolphin stem.

#### 25. TURTLE

- a. Turtle flower block # 70, 3 1/2". (Two styles) Rounded top and flat top.
- b. Turtle flower block with lid. Bennett color book.
- LAMB Two Kid flower holder # 509, 8 1/2".
- 27. LOBSTER Lobster plate.

#### 28. ROOSTER

- a. Rooster Muddler # 2 1932 1933 era.
- b. Rooster (or Peacock) etching on etching # 733.
- 29. PEACOCK # 2837. On 1/2 gal. tankard jug and tumblers. (Near Cut).
- 30. HOG # 2828 4oz. On-the-Hog Candy container. (Near Cut).
- 31. ELEPHANT 3 oz. Standing Elephant Candy container. (Near Cut)
- 32. ELK 2 oz. Elk Tooth bottle. (Near Cut)
- 33. DRAGON Etching on various early items. (Smith reprint pg 47).
- 34. BEAR Varsity Sports glassware (30-34 Catalog reprint 32-31).
- 35. TIGER Varsity Sports glassware (30-34 Catalog reprint 32-31).
- 36. PANTHER Varsity Sports glassware (30-34 Catalog reprint 32-31).
- 37. BADGER Varsity Sports glassware (30-34 Catalog reprint 32-31).
- 38. WILD CAT Varsity Sports glassware (30-34 Catalog reprint 32-31).

## **Hurricane Lamps in the Circular Letters**

by Mark A. Nye

Reprinted in this issue are two circular letters sent in the late 1930s by W.C. McCartney, Cambridge Sales Manager, to all the Cambridge sales agents. They both deal with hurricane lamps. The catalog page illustrating the specific items is from the 1940 catalog. (To facilitate printing, it has been reversed.) The letters are reprinted as they were issued except for the extraneous marks added later. The letters provide insight into the ways Cambridge promoted the sale of these items.

When reading these letters, keep in mind list price is per dozen retail. The basic wholesale discount was 50% and the best customers received additional discounts on top of this.

January 23, 1939

HURRICANE LAMP

CIRCULAR LETTER #36 TO ALL AGENTS:

There is more or less of a demand for Hurricane Lemps today in some parts of the country.

We have worked up a double Hurricane Lamp, which will be known as #1590. This consists of the double holder with two bobeches and two of the glass shades. This should be a very good one, as the Hurricane Lamp is an antique proposition and this and this outfit is quite antique.

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We worked this up during/early part of January, when we had a great many buyers here from New York and other points and all of them liked this very much and purchased it.

The price is right on it as it lists at \$75.00. Where the extreme discount is used, we would like at least for an order to be placed for a dozen.

It will be necessary for you to get some short candles to be used in this.

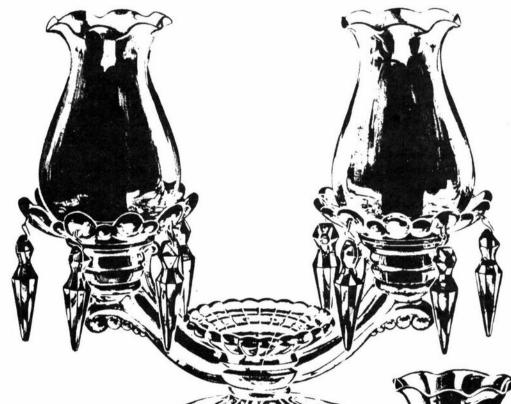
We hope we will see some nice orders from you on this item.

Yours truly,
THE CAMBRILGE GLASS COMPANY
W.C.McCartney





### HURRICANE LAMPS



1590 Twin Hurricane Lamp Height  $9\frac{1}{2}$  in.



1601 Hurricane Lamp Height 8 in.



1603 Hurricane Lamp Height 10 in.

711 Cartain.

February 25, 1939

#### SMALL HURRICANE LAMP

CIRCULAR LETTER #60 TO ALL AGENTS:

We are sending you sample of a new small Hurricane Lamp, which will be known as #1601, the price of which will be \$30.00 a dozen list. netting \$12.00.

This is made up in combination with the #506 3 in. Pristine Candelabra, using our regular Hurricane Lamp Shade.

This makes one of the most attractive little Hurricane Lamps that we have seen on the market and already we have sold several dozen of these to customers who have visited the factory, and the representative who originated the idea (we are glad to say) has sent us orders for quite a few of them. We trust we will see some nice business from you on these.

The price on this Hurricane Lamp is one that will allow it to retail at a popular price and after all that's what the trade are locking for today.

In closing will say that some of our representatives are not selling the amount of the #506 Candelabra that they should. Have you overlooked this? Are you carrying a sample of it? If not, you better got sample and concentrate a little more on this item for it is a Candelabra that is very easy to sell.

Yours truly,
THE CAMBRIDGE GLASS COMPANY
H.C.McCartney

# NATIONAL STUDY GROUP REPORTS

### Study Group #17 The Cambridge Wildflowers

On Thursday evening, January 25, 2001, the Cambridge Wildflowers met at the home of Barbara Wyrick.

Refreshments of smoked salmon with poppy seed dip, relish tray, chocolate caramel shortbread, and Hawaiian macadamia nut candies were served.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m., and since there was no old or new business this time, we got right into our program on Reproductions (or "Yikes, I'm at the Flea Market, Is It Cambridge Or Not?") We studied information on reproduced items compiled into various categories such as Animals, Swans, Near Cut Lines, Caprice Lines, and Misc. items such as Georgian tumblers and cigarette boxes. Many of our show and tell items were pieces that had been reproduced or actual reproductions, and we were able to study the differences. Items included: Cambridge Crystal hand-painted dog and cat bottles next to a New Martinsville dog bottle; a Cambridge Crown Tuscan bridge hound and a Bennett green bridge hound still on the mold piece; a Cambridge Amethyst butterfly compared to Westmoreland; a Near Cut Wheat Sheaf goblet to see how the forks extend only up to the band of rosettes; a Cambridge Royal Blue Georgian tumbler with row of full diamonds; an Imperial Ebony nude stem cocktail as compared to Cambridge; a 1066 Amethyst ivy ball with floral cutting compared to a Morgantown goblet with similar golf ball stem; the large Cambridge #1043 Mandarin Gold swan; and a Cambridge Ebony cigarette box etched Cleo compared to a McKee cigarette box with silver overlay. We also studied a handout on "Known Locations of Existing Caprice Molds" and looked in depth at the #165 Caprice covered candy box produced by Imperial in a color called "Verde Green" and the #136 Imperial Caprice comport in Carmen. Ways to tell a reproduction were also noted in the small fourfooted almond, the #12 3-ounce tumbler, the 12-ounce Caprice tumbler, and the Caprice butter dish.

Other show and tell items included a Cambridge Square #3797/91 belled vase in Ebon with gold stars; and the #316 Apple candy box and cover with delicate Carmen stem and Blossomtime etch.

We all felt we had really learned a lot from our program.

Our meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

-submitted by Barbara Wyrick, secretary

# Study Group #14 The Cambridge Cordials

The Cambridge Cordials study group met at the home of Carl and Shirley Beynon at 7:00 p.m. on December 2, 2000. Most of the members were present for this annual holiday celebration and gift exchange. Bob Gallagher was present with the group as their guest.

The Cordials discussed participating in a paperweightmaking workshop and possibly a visit to the Heisey Museum in February in lieu of the regular study group meeting. Jeff and Jill Ross will check on details and report back with details.

A calendar update was reported. There were still some calendars from the fundraiser available. A discussion followed with ideas for fundraising. It was agreed to sponsor a showcase for the new NCC museum.

The gift exchange followed with each member bringing a gift of Cambridge glass for the exchange. Some wonderful pieces of glass changed hands. This was followed by a show and tell session. There was a lot to see between the gift exchange glass and the show and tell items.

Next scheduled meeting will be April 21 at the home of Joe and Sharon Miller.

#### Pre-convention 2001 Schedule

April Crystal Ball – Convention schedule

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