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George Kandel



Hello Prussia Members:

I'm writing this on a very special day for me. This is my 50th anniversary and a song I remember from years ago keeps running through my mind. It was titled "Seven years with the wrong woman." How blessed I've been that this was not a theme for me. Gwyn has been a delight for me and a great mother for our children. She maintained a warm home and provided for my needs extremely well. God Bless Her!!!

This last year continues to be a challenge. Yesterday, the doctors released me from the effects of having hernia surgery and said I could do whatever within reason. This I do not do well but will try to the best I can. I have not been doing much regarding the convention as I thought things were in order and the Michigan club has been hard at work. Then I was informed that my contact person was no longer an employee and I have had to go over most everything with new people. If you made reservations in the evening hours, some of the calls were transferred to an office in Ontario and they were not aware of some of the

arrangements. I believe this has been corrected. Please call direct to Novi, Mich to phone: 248-349-4000. If problems arise, the person to talk with is Jamel Nehmeh. They have diligently worked with us on any problems. Also, when arriving at the hotel, exit 167 on I-275 at the 8-mile road, go west (1-2 miles), then right on Haggerty Road 1/3 mile. You have arrived. Have a safe trip.

Also, some difficulty has cropped up for next year at Peoria, IL as the hotel has been sold and now operates under the Ramada Inn franchise. Terry Coy and Fred Kunz are assisting me on this and I'll report more at the convention.

Mr. Scott Brown is preparing a choice selection for the auction. So, pack the bags, gas up the car, bring some fine china to tempt us and get ready to head to Michigan. May God grant us all safe travel and understanding that others have difficulties also. See you soon, George Kandel-Bless



FUND RASSER RAFFLE

Again this year we have some nice pieces for our raffle. If you are not attending the convention this year and are interested in buying tickets for the raffle, they are 1 for \$5.00 or 3 for \$10.00. Send checks made out to International R.S. Prussia to:

Terry Coy 212 Wooded Falls Rd. Louisville, KY 40243

Convention Seminars

2006 Convention Seminars are scheduled as follows:

- "Wings & Arrows" by Lee & Carol Marple
- "How China is Made" by Ken Bougher

Oops!

On the convention registration form sent with the April RS Prussia issue, we stated that the meal was \$28.00, but in total amount enclosed line we asked you to take the number of persons $X \underline{\$30.00}$. The correct cost is \$28.00. For those of you who prepaid at the \$30.00 rate, refunds will be made at the convention.

Also, note that the dates of the convention are July 27, 28, 29, and $\underline{30}$, not the 31st as was listed.

Newsletter Policy

This newsletter is the voice of the members of the International Association of R.S. Prussia, Inc. We welcome articles from members. We ask that articles be constructive and contribute positively to the welfare of the club and its members. The newsletter is printed four times a year. Publication mail dates are February 15, April 15, June 15, and October 15. Articles submitted for publication are due to the editor by the 15th of the month <u>prior</u> to publication and are subject to editing. (For example, items for the April issue would be due by March 15th) We look forward to hearing from you!



Linn & Leslie Schultz

It won't be long now—and we are looking forward to seeing many of you at the International Convention in Novi, Michigan this July. A big *THANK YOU* to all who have sent their registrations in early. It makes our job much easier and also helps facilitate easy pickup of your packets upon your arrival at the convention (check the convention schedule for registration times).

This is our last "tour of duty" as your secretary & treasurer and we want you to know that it has been absolutely great getting to know all of you. Some we haven't personally met, but we still feel we know you when you send in your membership dues each year. The International Association is composed of wonderful people, and you have given us such great support during the last four years. It has been truly appreciated!

So, for the last time in this column, we hope to see all of you in Novi, Michigan. We'll be eagerly awaiting your arrival at the RSP registration desk.

Linn & Leslie Schultz



Better Luck This Time

Submitted By: Terry Coy

Do you remember that we did not get anything at Woodys' last auction and we ended the article that we were off to Carmel, Indiana, for another auction which had some RS Prussia. We arose early that Saturday morning, headed north on Interstate 65. discussing on the way who was going to be there and what we could afford to pay for some of the items. As we got closer to Carmel, one member went flying past us and honked his horn. We thought "oh there goes our shot at getting any of the Prussia" because everyone in Indiana will be there. We arrived about an hour early, looked at the items for auction, marked down what we were going to bid on. We looked at some of the other items that were up for auction, jewelry, paintings, furniture and etc. All were very nice. We said to each other, "where are all the Prussia collectors?" There were only ourselves and the person who passed us on the Interstate. Oh well, there will probably be a lot of write-in bids or telephone bids. Also, we thought that there would be a lot of dealers from the area. We went back to review the items one more time.

Auction time arrives! It was about half an hour before the first Prussia piece came up. The first lot was two vases and a three footed bowl with



Photo 1



Photo 2

farm scene motif (photos 1 and 2). The auction continues, intermittently, with putting a Prussia piece up for bid. The next item we bid on was a 11" open handle cake plate with



Photo 3

Lebrun in green iridescent tiffany (photo 3). The next item that we bid on was a chocolate set (photo 4). We were successful bidders on these



Photo 4

pieces and several others. Remember the person who passed us on Interstate 65? That person ended up with several of the items also. Well, by now all the Prussia has been auctioned. Time to check out and to pay for our habit.

There is, as you are aware of, a good feeling when you end up acquiring pieces for your collection at an auction. Those pieces are now sitting in our china cabinets. So I guess it is now time to start looking for another auction. Oh my, there is now one in Jasper, Indiana.

Oh well, that is another story, another time.

Terry

ATTENTION RSP Membership:

The Nomination Committee and the RSP International need your help in recruiting nominations for the positions of Officers and Board Members.

It is our responsibility to keep our organization running smoothly. We need candidates for President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. We will also be accepting nominations for the three positions for Board of Directors. One of these positions will be up for re-election.

If you have an individual you would like to nominate for a position or would be interested in the positon yourself, please contact me or one of my committee members. Please ask the individual before submiting his/her name or let us know and we will contact him/her. We need to have a full slate of officers before convention begins. It is your Organization and your Convention, please keep it running smoothly. Candidates will be announced at the Welcoming Meeting and the election will take place at the Business Meeting of the 2006 Convention.

If you need information concerning the rules for election of officers etc., please check the back of the Membership Roster for the RSP International Constitution. Refer to pages 64 and 65, Revision: Article VI and VII.

Contact any of the following members of the Nomination Committe with a candidate or any of the present officers, they would be more than pleased to help.

Thank You,

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—Regional Club News—

Attention Michigan Members!

Please come to the Hospitality Suite shortly after arrival at the convention and sign up for a time slot for work. Or please look up Beth VanderMeer for assistance in signing up.

Thanks so much for your SUPPORT!

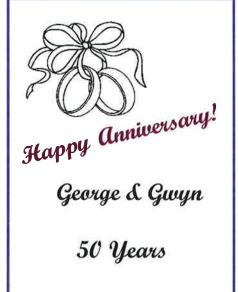
NOTICE -

ILLINOIS Prussia Collectors Club We will have a meeting immediately following the Welcome Meeting on Friday, July 28. All Illinois members are asked to attend for additional Convention 2007 plans.

Congratulations!

GAYLE NANCE 2006 AWARD WINNER COLLIER COUNTY FLORIDA

GOLDEN APPLE TEACHER





Our deepest sympathy goes out to the Pence's on the loss of Robyn's Mother.







The Michigan Club is presenting a second raffle as a thank you to R.S. Prussia members for coming to our home state to enjoy the 2006 convention.

There is no cost to be entered in the raffle, Each family will receive one ticket for a chance to win either of the two prizes. The raffle will be conducted at the convention banquet.

You will find your raffle ticket in the welcome package you received at the registration desk.

Bring the ticket to the Hospitality Suite (before the banquet) and drop in the designated box and you will be entered in the drawing.



Scott Brown Auction & Real Estate to Conduct 2006 R.S. Prussia Convention Auction

We are pleased to have been selected by the auction committee to hold this year's convention auction.

The collection that we are presenting belongs to Col. David Irvin. David & his late wife, Beverly, collected for over 35 years. Beverly truly loved R.S. Prussia & David loved presenting her with each piece. Beverly passed away in 1999 and all the excitement of collecting waned for David. He soon packed all the Prussia & moved from California to Georgia to live near his son. Col. Irvin called us to sell their splendid grouping & when we

arrived to pick it up, it was still boxed – had never been unpacked. David says with his health, it is time to let others enjoy their items!

We think you will enjoy the selection featuring many pieces that we haven't seen on the market for many years! Our plan is to mail each member a brochure by the end of June with a complete listing & many photos. Visit our web site @ www.brownauction.net for nearly 200 photos!

See you in Novi in July!!

Scott, Susan, Jamie & Families

Welcome New Members

Sharon Draheim 10915 Goodall Rd. R-Box 1 Durand, MI 48429

Ann & Charles Burgess 308 Jodi Drive Brownstown, IN 47220

Carl & Jennie Peterson 4320 Fountain View Ct. Fenton, MI 48430

Rodger Aitchison R.D.H. Palmerston North, New Zealand



BRING SOMETHING TO SELL AT THE "DO-IT-YOURSELF AUCTION"

The 13th Annual "Do-It-Yourself Auction" is scheduled for Friday, July 28, at 10:45 a.m. This auction is dedicated to the memory of Joyce Williams who, with her husband Jack, donated valuable pieces of RSP to all previous 12 "Do-It-Yourself Auctions."

The past auctions have raised over \$32,500 for the club from our

many generous donors. Please bring something to donate and auction yourself or have one of the Committee do it for you. The Committee has voted 100% to nominate **Tim (Booyah) Nance** honorary Co-Chair. All in favor say (BOOYAH). Spend an enjoyable hour at the auction, laughing and having a lot of fun.

- Howard Greenberg

Committee Members:

Terry & Francis Coy Mary Lou Bougher Howard Dobbs, Jr. Selma Greenburg Fred Kunz C.L. Riley Ben Thompson Allison Thomas Matt Wroda & Angela Atkins

10 Steps on How to Write an Article for the RS Prussia Newsletter

Submitted by: Miriam Corban

- First, promise your editor that you will do so for a certain date, even if that date is eight months away. Enjoy the summer! It will then surprise you how quickly time does fly!
- 2. Pick your subject. How? Sit in front of your favorite RS Prussia display cabinet. Look at each piece in it, and remember and relive the story that goes with each purchase, whether it be happy or sad, etc. Some pieces will really stand out. In fact, they will almost leap out of their places and say, "Please choose me!" Make a list of possible articles so you don't forget. (Also be sure to remember where you put the list)
- 3. Find the time to start writing. This can be difficult for a serious RSP collector because all of your spare time is spent searching for more pieces to put into your overcrowded cabinets. Or you may be out looking for more display cabinets to put your cabinetless pieces in. Alternatively, you may be busy househunting because you can't fit any more cabinets in the house you are now living in! You may even be trying to move into art area or state where you have more chances of finding RS Prussia?
- Again, find the time to start writing! You have just heard of another auction or antiques fair this weekend that you didn't

- know about. You must go even if it is nearly 300 miles away and you have to drive half the night in case you miss a bargain! (Who cares how much the gas costs!)
- 5. The next day, leave starting the article until tomorrow because you are still recovering from yesterday's traveling!
- You just can't write during the daylight hours. There are too many distractions; the laundry has piled up, phones ring, visitors call, the potted plants need watering, emails have accumulated and need attending to, etc. Again, leave writing until tomorrow.
- 7. You have already formed an article in your head. Wonderful phrases come to you out of nowhere. The only trouble is that they arrive at very inconvenient times. You have your hands in dishwater, or you are sitting in a traffic jam, or maybe you are in bed and just about to fall asleep and you don't have pen and paper with you. Next time, remember what your mother told you. Always have pen and paper on your bedside table even if the next morning you cannot decipher a word of what you have written down overnight in the dark.
- 8. Have you ever noticed how inspiration always comes to you while you are taking a shower?

- The words for an article flow as freely as the water surrounding you. But by the time you have dried yourself, your mind is a complete blank, and the words have already gone with the water down the drainpipe!
- 9. Next time take a waterproof pen to write with on the shower walls. Perhaps include a whiteboard with your shower. Or set up a tape recorder while you wash. Take a very long shower. Shower all day if necessary!
- 10. You have just gone to bed after another busy day of nonwriting. You are beat. With that clarity of mind that you often get, just when you are about to temporarily leave this world for a night of rest and the non-written article intrudes and inspiration beckons, discipline yourself by leaping out of bed again. You'll catch that article unaware! In the still of the night, while there is complete silence, FOR GOODNESS SAKE WRITE THE ARTICLE! This is how this one was written!

P.S. TO THE EDITOR -

I still have to write the RS Prussia article - it will just have to wait until next year!



2006 Convention Info... Plans No Will

Sheraton Detroit Novi Novi, Michigan

Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday July 27, 28, 29 & 30, 2006

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Bring something to sell at the "Do-It-Yourself Auction"

> before the ce Cream

Come to the Scott Brown **Auction** on Friday!

REMEMBER TO **BRING YOUR** LANYARD/NAME TAG

Tables available for \$15.00 This charge will be added to your room bill. (This charge is for convention - not per day) Reserve tables with room Bring Own Table Covers

2006 COMMEMORATIVE MUGS \$5.00 ea



if given prior notice of needs.