RMDGS Minutes 5/19/2015

President Roberta Hankins called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. In the absence of Treasurer, Jo Ellen Winther, Roberta reported a balance of \$10,557.66 in the club savings account and \$21,572.48 in the club checking account, which will decrease as the remaining show bills are paid. Tom Cotter and Tina Broderson will provide a show wrap up at the June meeting. Roberta noted that the club show profit will be determined once the final bills are settled.

Vice President, Sue Dawson noted that there are still program slots available and sent around a sign up sheet.

No corrections were made to the April minutes. Martie Grubenhoff passed around a card for Carol McEwen. Martie made a motion to send a donation of \$25 to the NDGA museum in honor of Carol McEwen. Roxanne Hughes seconded the motion, which carried.

Roberta noted that dues are payable in September. She provided an updated membership list, noting that Julie Wentz had been married in January and her new husband's name was Monroe.

Marj Becker raised the question of how the club was going to function now that there is no longer a show. Questions included revising the club constitution and by-laws, financial issues of reimbursement to the meeting host/hostess, door prizes, increasing membership and ideas for the future. Roberta suggested a committee to explore the issues and options. Roberta also noted that elections would be coming up and that at a minimum a new president was needed.

The main program on center handled servers was presented by Barb Garrison who showed off her extensive collection. Barb noted the servers were popular in the '20's and '30's for serving at bridge parties and luncheons and were produced by all the major glass companies. They came in a variety of colors, decorations and handle shapes, which often can help in identifying the maker. She showed servers from Cambridge, Fostoria, Imperial, Duncan and Miller, Fenton, Hocking, and others in a wide range of colors, etches, and finishes.

After the delicious refreshments provided by Sue Dawson, members shared their various show finds. Gail Fix displayed several pieces of Fenton Rosalene: a 1970's banana boat available only at the gift shop; a satinized basket with lions and orange peel design; a Jacqueline Apple Blossom cased piece not in any book; a Vasa Murrhina. Blue Mist basket; a Van Briggle bell and two Van Briggle tiles.

Helga Day showed a pink Windsor sandwich plate, Fostoria water goblets that had been donated to an antique mall drawing by Bill and Gretchen Bailey (club members back in the 1990's) which Helga had won, and a Fostoria Vintage sherbet.

Curtis and Roxanne shared a Fenton Flame Crest 2 tier tid-bit tray and a Tiffin Carrera vaseRoberta showed off her glass mailbox with "US Mail" embossed, a Blenko strawberry and a Fostoria blue satin mother duck in need of her three ducklings.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45.
Respectfully submitted,
Martie Grubenhoff,
Secretary