RMDGS MINUTES August 16,2016

President Lois Gould called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. There were 18 members present. The minutes of the July meeting were approved as printed. Treasurer Jo Ellen Winther reported a checking account balance of \$11823.26; savings of \$10561.63. Expenses included rent for the church: \$255; \$3 bank fee; refreshments: \$74.68.

Under old business, Marj Becker reported on the door prize drawing committee's conclusions. Options included A) selecting a piece of glass from a collection held by the club; B) gift certificates that do not expire from local antique dealers; C) local business gift cards. It was the committee's recommendation that door prizes should be from options B or C. Marj made the motion to adopt the committee recommendations. Keith Yahn seconded the motion. Some discussion ensued about the antique shop gift cards, noting that smaller operations could go out of business without someone having used their gift card. Thus it would be advisable to provide gift cards from larger malls. The motion carried.

Under new business Martie Grubenhoff reported that she had received an inquiry from Beverly Swain Sherman, daughter of long time club member Minna Swain. Beverly would like to join the club and will try to attend in September. Lois noted that she frequently gets inquiries from people wanting to sell their collections. She asked that anyone interesting in her forwarding those emails to them to let her know. Martie Grubenhoff made a motion to reimburse Harold Keller for the projector light bulb he purchased to be able to show the slide show from the Grubenhoff's visit to the Waterford factory and showroom. Marj Becker and Tom Cotter seconded the motion, which passed.

Vice-President Sue Dawson reminded members that next month's meeting was a cooperative event with members bringing items found in their original boxes. Another suggestion for a meeting was to have members bring items they wished to sell.

Tom Cotter announced a reminder of Jody Uthe's show October 1 & 2 in Loveland. There will be 15 dealers.

The informative program of decorative tumblers was presented by Tom Cotter showing some 70+ tumblers from the 1800 and 1900's in a wide variety of colors, finishes, patterns and decorations. Color names included amberina, bluerina, burmese, cranberry, ruby flashed, as well as opaque colors. Swirl, polka dot, hobnail and thumbprint were some of the pattern names. Some tumblers were made of cased glass; some were reheated to alter the color in part of the tumbler; others were iridescent and opalescent. Companies that produced tumblers included Hobbs Brockunier, Libbey, Mt. Washington, Fenton, Greentown, Webb, Indiana Tumbler, Tiffany, Steuben, and Northwood. Tumblers were typically 3"-4" tall and 3" in diameter.

Carole Keller shared her collection of children's depression era opaque white tumblers with cute poems and pictures, most decoration is done in red. Most of the tumblers were produced by Hazel Atlas and are hard to find.

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Roberta Hankins and Gail Fix provided tasty refreshments.

Show and Tell:

Martie Grubenhoff shared the latest in packaging...small pieces of cardboard with holes used in shipping fragile items.

Tom Cotter: a Cambridge carmen gold encrusted Diane lamp

Steve Bass: a squared off handled pink basket; a Fostoria Fairfax nut cup; an unusual green frosted unidentified vase; an unidentified piece of art pottery

Judy Knoshaug: cut glass pitcher also known as a jug signed Libbey; a handled candy dish and a 7" plate

Marj Becker shared a poem written by Ted Kooser about depression glass; he was the US 2004 poet laureate and a Nobel Prize winner

Roberta Hankins shared her travel finds: a Coors china 4-piece coffee pot; Fenton Jacquelyn Wild Rose bowl; Fenton Mandarin red candlesticks in two shapes; Art Deco ash tray; Cambridge Twilight; DuncanMiller Canterbury blue vase; Moon and Star cigarette lighter; Frankoma Woodland Moss ashtray; Fenton Heirloom taller candleholder; baby bottles, one with a pig and the other with 2 dogs.

Marj Becker won the door prize. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Martie Grubenhoff, Secretary