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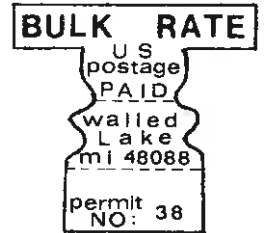
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FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Dear NIA Member;

Howdy y'all! I'm Marilyn Albers from Houston, Texas, and I'm certainly proud to be your NIA President - not only that, but your **first** woman President! Many thanks to Pat Patocka and all those who served with him during his two years as President either as Board Members or as Committee Chairmen - you did us proud! You'll find the names of your new officers listed inside this Drip Points cover.

It was a fine National Show we had in Cedar Rapids July 16 - 18, thanks to Pat and Larry Whitlock. You worked so hard and all your efforts paid off - a star in each of your crowns!

Several of you were not able to attend ( we missed you) and I wanted to be sure you knew that Lifetime Memberships were awarded to Dee and Rosella Willett (Bakersfield, CA) and Don and Dora Harned (Chico, CA). The Outstanding Service Award went to John and Carol Mc Dougald (Climsted Township, OH). These fine people very much deserve these awards for their support and contributions to our hobby and to the NIA. Congradulations to all six of you.

A rather novel idea that took root at our General Bussiness Meeting on Friday night was a Show and Tell session at the conclusion of the meeting so that unusual or rare insulator finds could be shared. It was very well received, And I would'nt be surprised to see it continue each year at the National, including, perhaps, a special showcase to display these items. I carried home several insulators so that Mr. N R Woodward could look at them, and he did assign new C D #'s to some.

The Board of Directors did approve the bid submitted by the Central Florida Insulator Collectors Club for the Eastern Regional Show. It will be November 12 - 14th in Titusville, Florida.

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Dick Bowmans bid to host the 1983 National in Rochester, N.Y., was also approved. Our NIA was founded on July 7, 1973, so this will be our 10th anniversary! Sounds like we will be doing some celebrating, so Dick, batton down the hatches!

Our NIA Handbook was last updated and reprinted in 1978. Since then, there has been several changes and additions. By-laws Chairman Jack Tod has arranged all these on an insert sheet which will be stapled to each of the remaining 300 copies of the Handbook, which is automatically mailed to each new member. When the supply of books is exhausted we will update and reprint. Any current members desiring this insert sheet, please contact NIA Treasurer, Ross Huth.

Feel free to contact me or any of the Board Members and Committee Chairmen with your ideas or your suggestions. We're here to serve you, the collector, and to improve the organization that promotes our hobby. But we're only going to be able to do as good a job as you help us do. Let us hear from you, and keep looking up!

Marilyn Albers NIA#541

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FROM THE TREASURER

I was very pleased to be asked to fill this position, and to be able to help in the work of the NIA in a way which I find to be both interesting and exciting. It's one real good way to get acquainted with so many of our members. The transition from the previous to the present Treasurers job is going quite well, and I now have one of the biggest tasks of the year out of the way - the typing of the mailing address labels. We are starting out a new year with a bank balance of \$2,139.38 ( still a few of last years bills to come out of that), and at this time have 595 paid-up voting members.

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I find we have many active insulator collectors who have still not renewed their membership for 1982; and I plan on making a very big effort to get their names back on our active member roster. I'll always be anxious to receive any comments or feedback from YCU, the members, the big, the most important part of this, or any organization.

Thank you, and: good collecting

Ross E Huth NIA# 901

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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear fellow NIA members,

We have secured bids for the 1983 National (Rochester, NY) and Western Regional (Enumclaw, WA) but sadly, despite the very successful Cedar Rapids show, we STILL have NO BIDS for next year's Central Regional Show. How about it, residents of Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Manitoba, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Northwest Territories, Ohio, Oklahoma, Saskatchewan, South Dakota, Texas & Wisconsin? (whew!) Do you want to miss out on your Regional Show next year, just as you did in 1974, 1977, 1980 and 1981? I don't think you do, so why not bid on one of those big midwest shows for next year's Central Regional?

While we're on the subject of bids, I am now accepting bids for the 1984 shows - the National (which will be held in the Western Region) the Central Regional and the Eastern Regional. Bids are supposed to be in by April 1, 1983, and it would really help to have these bids in by that date. If you have any questions or would like a bid application for any of these shows, please call or write to me at the address and phone listed on the inside front cover of this issue of Drip Points.

Until next time....

Kevin Lawless NIA# 1679

FROM THE INFORMATION DIRECTOR

Fellow NIA members,

It was great to make it to the National. I'll tell ya' - the National just has to be the one thing I look forward to more than anything else during the year. I think many of you feel the same way too. Too bad my Region can't come up with a Central Regional show, I'd look forward to that one too. Maybe the info that follows will get some one motivated.....

At the National the Board of Directors voted to make some changes in the NIA By-laws. And under Administrative Show Rules the Board added item # 23 as follows...

"A National or Regional Show Host may receive a reimbursement from the NIA for PAID advertising by submitting paid receipts to the Board of Directors. The NIA will reimburse 50% of the first \$500.00 spent for advertising a National Show and 50% of the first \$200.00 spent for advertising each Regional Show".

Heretofore no fakes or altered insulators were allowed on the show premisses at all, but the Board felt an educational purpose could be served if we reworded item #3 under NIA General Show Floor Rules to read:

"Fakes, alterations, deceptive reproductions and/or highly questionable insulators or related items may only be brought onto the show premisses if they are clearly labeled as such. It shall be the Show Hosts responsibility to strictly enforce this rule and his decision will be final".

Related to the above, it then became necessary to delete the words "Sale or Exebition" from item # 1 NIA Code of Ethics which reads....

"NIA Members shall not engage in the manufacture of insulators or related items which can generally be termed frauds and which include, but are not limited to, deceptive reproductions or altered physical characteristics in any manner"

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Concerning awards given at the National Show: The Board would like to make it clear that the "Dr. Fred Griffin Memorial Award" for the most outstanding exhibit of threadless insulators is given in lieu of the standard First-Place trophy. There had been some confusion about this.

In other news John McDougald will be producing a special NIA 10th Anniversary commemorative insulator. You can catch more on this a little further on in this Issue.

Did you notice the cute little Drip Points used on the front cover? Take a look if you didn't. Boy - I'll tell ya' it takes a real insulator enthusiast to come up with with an idea like that. We can thank Clarice Gordon NIA #1597 for making our front cover a little more like it should be - (why don't I think of these things?).

Enclosed somewhere in your Drip Points is a 15% discount pass to "Sea World". If you're going to be at the Eastern Regional in Titusville, Florida, or the National in Rochester, New York, you might want to consider a trip to "Sea World", which would make a nice side trip. The cards are good until 12/31/83.

Grant Salzman, our Western Region VP, wants me to remind you that the Bakersfield, CA show which is usually held in October has been changed to November 13th & 14th. For information contact:

Jerry Gibby  
P.O. Box 691  
Taft, CA 93268  
805-765-2706

Mel Shootman, our Nomination Committee Chairman says that this year we will be voting for Eastern Region Vice-President. Mel wants to hear from any of you in the East that would like to run or nominate someone for the office of Eastern Region Vice-President

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Don't forget that the Central Florida Insulator Club is sponsoring the Eastern Regional in Titusville, FL - November 12, 13 & 14th. You can get more info by calling :

Len Linscott NIA #255  
3557 Nicklaus Drive  
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Well thats about it - looks like this issue of Drip Points is going to be some kind of record breaker for number of pages. Hope I can get the staple through everything - maybe I'll try nails .....

hang in there

Mike Bruner NIA #1482

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FROM THE EASTERN REGION VP

Summer months are over and an exciting summer it has been here in the East. The Perkiomeville show in June was an interesting outdoor get-together in the Pennsylvania countryside. The following week the Yankee Pole-Cat Insulator Club had its summer outing and election of new officers. New insulators and a table of threadless sure perked the interest of all.

Talking with fellow collectors throughout the East, flea markets are again turning up interesting finds. And again the Yankee Pole-cat Insulator Club had another outing with several good displays of glass collections to show newcomers whats available in the field of collecting insulators.

The Eastern Regional will be in Florida November 12-14th, an interesting winter vacationland, so make your plans now- space shuttle and all!

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Other up-coming shows in the Eastern Region are:

The Capitol District Insulator Club show & sale  
Sunday, October 24th, Schenectady, N.Y.

Also, many bottle shows throughout the fall months will make possibilities of great finds. Support your area shows and display your collections to share with us all.

Support has begun already for the 1983 National in Rochester, New York, and I'm sure this will be the best of all shows. Past history of Eastern shows has proved this time after time.

Feel free to write or call for any info or ideas to help the NIA and the insulator hobby - I'm waiting here to support you-all.

John deSousa NIA# 419

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FROM THE CENTRAL REGION VP

Of importance to all of us as collectors or dealers are the shows. Fortunately there are quite a few good, established shows this fall that may be attended in our area.

The time, energy, and initial outlay of money required to put on an insulator, or for that matter any show, is probably not surprising. But what is important is to participate and keep local shows on the calendar. This in turn maintains a strong hobby. Either in the capacity of 'dealer' or 'walk-in', it is always appreciated. Every single person who makes this effort only betters the outing. Lack of support can discourage enough to eventually kill a show. I know it has been said more than once - "sure would

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be great if someone would get a show going in our area".

Well, it's never too late or too early to plan. I hope to see all of you around. Looking forward to a CENTRAL REGIONAL this year.

Michael Sovereign NIA#1548

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A LOOK AT THE 1983 NATIONAL CONVENTION, SHOW AND SALE .....

As many of you know, it will be my pleasure to host the NIA National Convention, Show & Sale. This event will be in Rochester, New York on July 8th, 9th & 10th 1983 at the Monroe County Fairgrounds. Rochester is about 90 miles East of Niagara Falls and about 150 miles West of Herkimer, the 1980 National Show site. Located on the shore of Lake Ontario in the Finger Lakes region; the summer climate, scenery and many near-by attractions place Rochester in or near some of the top vacation spots in the country.

Building No 2 of the fairgrounds has been the location of several past successful bottle shows. Good lighting, plenty of parking, on grounds camping and proximity to the New York State Thruway are onle some of the attributes.

Show accommodations will be at the Quality Inn, right near the I-90 exit and close to the Fairgrounds. A block of rooms has been reserved (\$26 single, \$32 double) and the NIA meeting room and banquet will be at the same site. The banquet should satisfy your appetite and pocketbook also.

Dealer tables will remain at \$40 for an 8ft table. The first mailing of show packets containing general information and dealer exhibitor contracts will be right after the first of the year. Please, if you want a show packet and particularly a contract, send

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me your request NOW to be sure you are on the list. We should have space enough, but I doubt there will be any left over. So don't be disappointed. Also - electricity for dealers is limited and will be allocated on a first come - first served basis.

On behalf of the NIA and especially all the collectors in the Eastern Region, we welcome you to the best possible show that we can arrange. Consider building a memorable Eastern vacation around the entire week. Keep in touch. Be in Rochester in '83.

DICK BOWMAN NIA# 597  
1253 LaBaron Circle  
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FROM THE HISTORIAN

As NIA Historian it is my job to compile information for the NIA Library. I am totally dependent upon you, the members, to supply me with the historic events of our hobby.

Please send any or all of the following....

- Snapshots of collections
- Snapshots taken at swaps or meets
- Show articles which appear in local papers
- Research that you have done
- Any information that you feel would be a valid contribution to our future collectors

I have scrapbooks and albums, sissors, paste and tape ready to go!

Your Historian,  
Carol McDougald

10th ANNIVERSARY N.I.A. COMMEMORATIVE TO BENEFIT ORGANIZATION

To commemorate the 10th anniversary year of the NIA, a glass insulator commemorative, the actual size of a CD 257 (Mickey Mouse) with a smooth pin hole and having the following rim embossing: " NATIONAL INSULATOR ASSOCIATION 10th ANNIVERSARY 1983" is being offered for sale.

During 1983 five different runs will be made with approximately 250 - 400 in each color, depending upon glass manufacturing variables. The anticipated colors for production are: BLUE, RED, EMERALD, AMBER and WHITE MILK GLASS. Color order will be determined by the glass manufacturer.

This project is fully sanctioned by the NIA. As members of the NIA, you are receiving the first notification of this project. \$2.00 for each commemorative sold is being given to the NIA to further the hobby.

Please use the form below to order.

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Enclosed is my check (or money order) for \_\_\_\_\_ BLUE NIA 10th Anniversary Commemoratives at \$18.00 each plus \$1.95 each for postage. Ohio residents add 6½% sales tax Amount of check \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if applicable:

\_\_\_\_\_ I am interested in purchasing future colors of the commemorative. Please notify me of each additional color at the time of production

----- DISCOUNT PRICE for a complete set of five colors

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ complete sets at \$85.00 each postage paid. (Ohio residents 6½% tax) This guarantees that I will receive complete sets with each color of the commemorative being sent to me upon its production.

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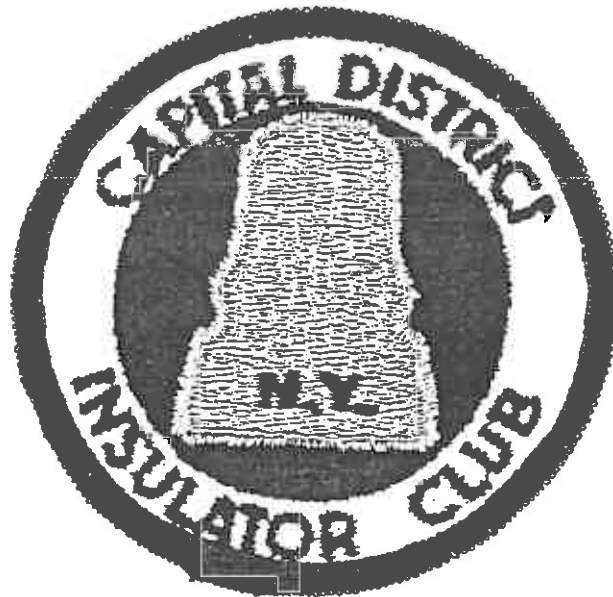
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