Mt. Washington and Pairpoint Glass Society 17th Annual Seminar November 6-8, 2008, Williamsburg, Virginia PRELIMINARY INFORMATION

Please join us for the 17th Annual Mt. Washington and Pairpoint Glass Society Seminar. It will be held November 6-8 in beautiful, historical Williamsburg, Virginia. We're excited about the Seminar because it has something for every glass lover:

- Visit a private residence to see a collection of Mt. Washington and Pairpoint glass and silver
- Visit the fabulous glass collections at the Chrysler Museum
- Enjoy a gourmet French banquet
- See Colonial Williamsburg, Jamestown, Yorktown before or after the Seminar

Speakers include:

- Kelly Conway, Curator of Glass, Chrysler Museum
- Marion and Sandra Frost, authors. *Identification of Pairpoint Glass*.
- Kirk Nelson, Executive Director, New Bedford Museum of Glass
- Jane Shadel Spillman, Curator of American Glass, Corning Museum
- Beverly "Bly" Straube, Senior Archaeological Curator, Jamestown Rediscovery. Glass in America's Birthplace: the Archaeological and Historical Evidence from Jamestown
- Speakers from the Auction community.

Preliminary Program

Thursday, November 6, 2008

Evening of glass, food, and camaraderie in a private home

Friday, November 7, 2008

- A full day of our wonderful speakers who will be covering Mt. Washington decorated glass, Pairpoint identification, Smith Brothers, Pairpoint cut glass, and the beginning of glass in America – the 400th anniversary of Jamestown glass. Lunch and breaks included.
- Evening and dinner on your own, a few suggestions:
 - We have reserved the Chef's Kitchen for the first 26 people who register. See: http://www.achefskitchen.biz/ The fixed price of \$74.50, plus tax, includes hors d'oeuvres, champagne, a five course dinner, three glasses of paired wines, and recipes. Chef John Gonzales currently has his menu posted through September 27th. He usually posts the menus about 3 months ahead. To make reservation, call (757) 564-8500 and note that you are with the MWPGS. Within walking distance of the Williamsburg Hospitality House.
 - The Colonial Williamsburg taverns are very popular so we suggest you make reservations early if you want to sample their fare. Our favorite is King's Arms (meat) but Christiana Campbell's (seafood) is very nice too. To make reservations, call 1-800-828-3767.

Saturday, November 8, 2008

- MWPGS Business Meeting
- Bus to Chrysler Museum see the fabulous glass collection and participate in the opening day of the special Norman Rockwell exhibit. Enjoy an introduction and tour of the newly installed cameo glass collection with an overview given by Curator Kelly Conway. Lunch on your own.
- Banquet at Le Yaca Restaurant. You will have a choice of several entrees
 including a roasted breast of chicken with Pommery mustard sauce,
 seared boneless breast of duck and white peach with a Port reduction and
 orange zest sauce, poached filet of salmon with sautéed spinach in a light
 lemon sauce with capers, or pepper-crusted beef tenderloin, deglazed
 with cognac. Le Yaca is one of our favorite restaurants in Williamsburg;
 we know you'll enjoy it too.

Accommodations have been arranged at the Hospitality House at the rate of \$99 per night. The hotel is across from the College of William and Mary and within a few short blocks of the Colonial area. Please make your reservations by calling (800) 932-9192.

Transportation: You can fly into Newport News (30 minutes), Richmond (45 minutes), or Norfolk (50 minutes). All airports have limo service to Williamsburg. There is also a convenient train station in Williamsburg with service from Washington and New York.

More Information For Your Visit:

Colonial Williamsburg http://www.history.org
Williamsburg Convention and Visitor's Bureau http://www.visitwilliamsburg.com
The Chrysler Museum http://www.chrysler.org/
Jamestown http://www.nps.gov/jame/

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