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A News letter for the collector of Doorknobs and other door hardware

INTRODUCTION

The intent of this news letter is to stimulate the hobby of Doorknob collecting. It is hoped that we will be able to share with each other, articles of interest, events, and a means of trading or buying doorknobs by mail. Also, helping doorknob collectors to get aquainted with each other in their geographic local. There will be no set schedule for the news letter until there is enough data coming in from people to warrant it.

Enough of the formality, I'm Rich Kennedy editor of this the very first doorknob collectors newsletter. I have been in contact with Art Smith for several months exchanging doorknobs and ideas on how to unite all doorknob collectors. One idea was this newsletter to be sent periodically with interesting facts, articles and the like from fellow collectors and the second was in the future perhaps a loose leaf catalog of photos of everyones collection.

Just recently 1 was reading a copy of THE OLD HOUSE CATALOG, by L.Grow, and under the hardware section there were several addresses of were to send for information of reproduction antique doorknobs, handles, plates etc., in the next newsletter 1 hope to have the information to passon.

Also recently I started subscribing to Joe Sater's ANTIQUE NEWS, a newspaper printed bi-weekly giving dates and places of all flea markets and antique shows of the East Coast.

The third source, and most exciting, is a book written about doorknobs by Maude Eastwood, an excellent book, more on how obtain a copy further in the news letter.

Enough about myself and my sources, I'd like to hear from you folks about your collections, sources and anything you might want to share with other collectors.

A list of people is enclosed who are collectors or enthusiast in hopes that everyone will communicate with each other.

DOORKNOB COLLECTING FINALLY GETS A'BOOK

With the publication of THE ANTIQUE DOORKNOB by Maude Eastwood, door-knob collecting has finally got the shot in the arm long needed. All too long, the lonely doorknob collector has had no where to turn for more information than could be uncovered locally. The book does not try to catalog doorknobs but does offere an excellent cross section of information to the doorknob collector. Areas explored by Mrs. Eastwood in her book include; catalog pages of doorknobs, patents, history of doorknobs design, many drawings pictures of her collection as well as photographs from other doorknob collectors.

If you are interested in purchasing one of Maudes books, send a check for \$5.50 (postpaid) to Maude Eastwood 3900 Latimere Rd. N. Tillamook, Oregon 97141, It will be money well spent.

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