

Jane Dinkins Gifts Collection to Texas Carnival Glass Club

By Emmett Morgan

Jane Dinkins called me one Saturday morning last November and said she wanted to give our club her carnival glass collection. I thought or assumed that she was going to leave her collection to the club in her Will and told her I would give her a call the next week to discuss. When I called her back I found out that she wanted to give the glass NOW! My chin dropped in shock. Jane's gift was formally announced during the 2009 TCGC convention at the business meeting on Friday, February 27. The legal documents were signed by Jane and your board members and notarized by Jeannie Whitley.



This is the most magnanimous gesture and gift that any carnival club has ever experienced and, as far as I can determine, the first time a club has been gifted with a collection.

Jane's wish is for our club to promote carnival glass in Texas via the display of some of her glass at museums and libraries around the state. It is the board's plan to honor her wishes. The facility must have lockable cabinets and the building must have a security system. More details on the process will follow in future issues of the *RANGER*.

On Valentine's Day, Bob and Sandy Sage, Nona Taylor, Tom and Jeannie Whitley, and Dorothy and I inventoried and packed 524 pieces of her collection. Our next trip was on March 28. We inventoried and packed an additional 304 pieces.

The glass is stored in a climate controlled facility and will be insured in the near future.

Thank you Jane for this wonderful gift to our club. This will be remembered for years to come.