

Historic glass containers sought

Americans are discovering treasures in their homes as a result of a nationwide search by the Glass Container Manufacturers Institute for the six most unusual American-made glass containers. In Indianapolis and Los Angeles, for example, several bottlers have found that family keepsakes may be contenders for top honors. The search will continue until September.

GCM's, the glass industry's trade association based in Washington, is offering the owners of the six winning bottles a trip to the Jamestown, Va., Glasshouse, the site of America's first industry. They'll also visit Colonial Williamsburg and Bush Gardens.

Bottle owners are invited to have their antique containers appraised at GCM's traveling Bicentennial exhibit, "A History of Our Country As Seen Through Glass." The exhibit is visiting shopping centers and state fairs throughout the country. It will be at Eastland Center in Detroit July 8-11.

Galleries, bottle dealers or professional collectors are ineligible to participate in the search.

The exhibit's spokesman, Kenneth Wilson, Director of Collections and Preservation, Henry Ford Museum, Greenfield Village, will determine the authenticity of containers brought to the exhibit. Potential prize bottles will be photographed and their distinguishing characteristics will be recorded for the final judging.

Some outstanding contenders singled out thus far include a women's scent bottle, an 1820s and a rare pictorial flask previously unrecorded in standard bottle lists both from Indianapolis, and an 1820s-era medicine chest complete with bottles, scales and weights submitted in Los Angeles.

When the search is completed, a committee of glass experts will review the discoveries and choose the six outstanding bottles, which will temporarily join GCM's "American Collection of Glass."



An 1820-era medicine chest, complete with bottles, scales and weights is among one of a thousand entries so far in a nationwide search for the six oldest or most unusual glass containers.

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Family still strong, youth survey shows

Don't write off the American family yet. Tired and strained though it has been by economic adversity, shifting morals and the divergent demands of modern life, there is strong indication that it is not going to fly apart.

Home health care topic of directory

"Home Health and Related Support Services" is the name of new publication by the Health Planning Council of South-eastern Michigan.

Intended as a source of information for both providers and consumers of alternatives to nursing home care, it is the result of an inventory of home health services in the seven-county region conducted by the council's home health care task force.

The compilation and publication of the directory was a joint effort of CIPCSHM and the Wayne State University Division of the Institute of Gerontology.

An agency or service was included in the directory if it provided a resource for the maintenance of a recipient's independence and well-being in a home setting.

Though many services included are not provided in the home, these services enrich or support the individual's capacity to remain in the home and might avoid, for some, an inappropriate placement in an alternate care setting.

For further information contact Ruben Flores at 964-6850.

More than 1,000 top seniors in the nation's high schools overwhelmingly favor marriage and children, they said in a recent poll.

True, 92 percent of the respondents plan to combine marriage and a career, a significant figure since most of those polled were female. Almost as many, 87.5 percent, said they want children.

Results of the poll were announced by General Mills, sponsor of the Betty Crocker Search for Leadership in Family Living, a national educational-scholarship program. The students queried were the finalists from 735,556 seniors in 14,700 high schools enrolled to take the written knowledge and attitude test on which the scholarships are based.

ONLY SIX PER CENT of the responding high school seniors plan a career without marriage and only two per cent plan marriage without a career.

Most of the high-school seniors who want children want to have them between the ages of 25 and 32 — 82.9 percent. Only 7.5 percent favored having children in their 20-24 years and 2.9 percent plan to wait until they are 33-34 years old.

How many children do today's top high school seniors want?

More than 48 per cent plan to limit their families to two and another 16 per cent said three children. Fourteen per cent want more than three and nearly five per cent plan only one child.

THE DESIRE to wait until their mid 20s and early 30s to have children may be linked to educational goals. More than 85 per cent of the students plan to earn one or more college post-graduate degrees.

The high school seniors, mostly 17 and 18 years old, have some other significant views on life.

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