

## The Four Mousequeeters

Roughly twenty years ago, as we were selling our second carnival glass collection in the U'S', a gentleman by the name of Tom Mordini, invited me into his room to show me something special he had for sale.

First he locked the door, then he pulled out a piece wrapped in two wool socks from a drawer, it was a green *Butterfly and Corn* vase, perfect and good iridescence, (attributed to the U.S. glass co, at that time). He told us that at that time it was the only perfect one known as another was known to be damaged. As we were soon to collect a good sum of cash from our auction (mr Mordini no doubt also knew that heheheh), we could not resist 5000\$\$ SOLD!

As many now know, this vase a few years later ended up on my living room floor in many small pieces, (which I wish we had kept). When grieving me often don't think too much about the future.

So, this saturday on june 13th, one week from now, right in the covid, Matthew and Jim Wroda, well known carnival glass auctionners, will be auctionning the Christina Katsikas collection in Cambridge Ohio at 09H30. If you can, go online or go in person, you can even go see results after the auction, you will get to see many rare and some unique pieces of carnival glass go under the hammer.



Amount the first few pieces, items 33-34-35-and 36, are four superb and rare Butterfly and Corn vases (today attributed to Millersburg but am still not sure of that). The marigold one is one of less than 5 known, the vaseline is the only known one, the green one is let's say two known, these three are said to be perfect, the fourth one is the only known amethyst one, and its beautiful to say the least and! It has a crack. Ouch.



At this writing, current bids on these 4 beauties stand at: marigold 1000 \$, green 1550 \$, vaseline 1850 \$ and the amethyst one with the heat crack at 3600 \$\$\$\$. Can you guess who the head case is, at 3600 \$? YYYYYupp That be me...

It's never too late to do the right thing! Right? **One can always dream. Right?**

Seems rightfully ironic that I could, twenty years later, become the owner of a CRACKED BUTTERFLY AND CORN VASE, don't you agree? Or how about: should he really risk another one after breaking one?? Yikes!

In one week we will see, last year was my fishing record breaking year with an 8lb 2oz walleye and an 8lb 14oz. rainbow trout, both weighed at the butcher shop and the walleye in a lake where walleye do not EXIST....

Who would of thought Covid this year, let alone 4 Butterfly and Corn vases in one auction!

We shall see! Anything is possible, right?

Check out that auction. You can even fly into the states now for Canadians.

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