CHRISTMAS AT THE MUSEUM - 2007

The holiday season at the museum began with the decoration of Christmas trees following the theme “Gifts of the Season.” Many local organizations participated in this annual event and transformed the Lueleman house into a showcase of Christmas spirit. Trees were decorated by St. Peter’s Church, the New Bremen Public Library, Kindergarten classes, Girl Scouts, Shirley James & Relay for Life, Dru Meyer & the Cherry Belles Red Hat Club, Ann Kuhn and Serendipity Nursery School, and the Bicycle Museum. Table displays were provided by Susie Hirschfeld, Delores Stienecker, Joyce Holdren, and Diane Paul. Dorothy Hertenstein displayed her feather tree.

The Christmas Candlelight Dinners were held on the evenings of November 28, 30, and December 5, 7. The menu by Creative Catering included: French Onion Soup, Garden Salad, Herbed Chicken in Wine Sauce, Red-Skinned Potatoes, Glazed Carrots.

NBHA board members provided delicious appetizers and desserts for each meal. Dinner guests and servers enjoyed the musical talents of Barb Lesher, Rachel Barber, Greg and Teresa Bronkema, Todd Rhodes, Yvette Blaine, Joyce Harrison, and Shari Wolf.

On Sunday December 9, 2007, Santa and Mrs. Claus arrived at the museum to greet the children. Cameras flashed and videos recorded the event. The children proudly showed their parents the trees that displayed their handmade ornaments and everyone enjoyed cookies and punch served in the kitchen. [Gen Conrad]

Ann Kuhn and her Serendipity Nursery School children decorating their tree; after the tree was decorated; and “toys on the stairway” (left).

Bottom right, Tom & Diane Fledderjohann at one of the Christmas Candlelight dinners.
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**WISSMAN'S SALOON**

Henry Schwabrow's Store - 102-104 W. Monroe St.
Wissman's Saloon - 106 W. Monroe St.
Old Fahrenhorst building - 7 N. Water St.

**PAST HISTORY**

In the last issue (October 2007), I wrote that in 1873 Herman & Henry Laut went into the saloon business on West Monroe St., west of Water St.

In the July 2004 issue, I had "Letters of Adam Helwig." On page 4, he wrote "In 1872 I bought the building (at 108 W. Monroe St.), where Plucky Laut's jewelry store is now. Herman Laut kept a saloon next door. I built a high fence between the two buildings. One day I happened to be in the yard when I heard an unusual noise. I jumped over the fence and found Emil Laut (born in 1872) in the cistern — a half minute more and he would have drowned. I took him into the saloon where Herman was playing cards and told him 'Here, I pulled Emil out of the cistern.'"

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**C.F. (FRED) WISSMAN**

Carl Frederick Wissman was born on a farm north of New Bremen 11/14/1848, the oldest child of Johann Friedrich Wissman and his 3rd wife, Christine Louisa Langelbach. When a young boy, his parents moved just across the county line to Shelby County, where he helped on the farm and did other odd jobs. Later, he served an apprenticeship as a carpenter at which trade he attained noted success.

On 9/14/1871, he married Louise Katherine Tostrick. Soon after their marriage, Fred purchased the residence property on the side of the North Schoolhouse (at Lock Two?), however he sustained injuries incapacitating him for hard manual labor.

He then purchased a ½-interest in the saloon business with Herman Laut on Monroe St. and in 1882, he moved his family to town. After buying out his partner, he remained in the saloon business until around the turn of the century, when he disposed of it to his oldest son, Emil Wissman. He then entered into an insurance partnership with Theodore Purpus until about 2 months before his death on 11/24/1914.

Fred Wissman served as Township Trustee, Township Treasurer, Village Treasurer, and President of the Village Council. He was also a member of the board of directors of the Concordia Building & Loan Association and a prominent member of the Northern Fire Co. (See his fireman's picture in the January 2007 "Towpath").
Fred Wissman’s sisters & brothers were: Anna Sophia Elisabeth Kuennonig & Herman HEINRICH (both children of Johann Friedr Wissman & his 2nd wife, Christina Elisabeth Schroetke); and 10 others who were children of Christine Louisa Lingelbach – Johann Hermann, Maria Louise Stork/Koepfer, Johann WILHELM, Louise Wilhelmine*, Friedrich Christian, Friedrich August*, Mina Barbara*, Margaret Sophie* (the last 2 were twins), Christian CONRAD, and Anna Louise Wilhelmine* (*died as infants).

Fred Wissman and his wife, the former Louise Tostrick, had 6 children: Mrs. Edwin (Christine FLORENTINE) Jung, Friedrich EMIL (who took over the saloon business from his father), Anna Marie (who died of Bright’s disease at the age of 16), Mrs. Emil (Clara Sophie) Schneider (both she and Emil died a month apart in March & April 1921, and were survived by 2 young children, Ralph, 9, and Ruth, 12 years old), Wilhelm HEINRICH, and Wilhelm GROVER Wissman.

Louise Katherine (Tostrick) Wissman died 6/6/1914 after about a year of suffering from cancer. Just several weeks before her death, Fred was diagnosed with a similar illness. He died just 5½ months later, on 11/24/1914.

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THE OLD FAHRENHORST BUILDING
3/16/1895: William Fahrendhorst this week sold his property on Monroe Street to Fred Wissman who contemplates building an addition to his house adjoining it. The Fahrendorhest building is the oldest frame house in town but is in good condition. Mr. Fahrendorhast will move into his other house on Walnut St. (Lot 426).

12/31/1897: Henry Schwabiker has bought C.F. Wissman’s corner property on Monroe St., formerly the property of Wm. Fahrendorhast, and contemplates erecting a brick block thereon as soon as spring opens. The building now occupying the site will be moved to the alley in the rear of the lot. (see picture)

3/10/1898: The old Fahrendorhast building recently bought by Henry Schwabiker will soon be moved back to give way to a handsome new business. The Fahrendorhast building is one of the oldest buildings in town. It was something out of the ordinary in its day and figured prominently among the business buildings in New Bremen. It is now probably as strong as many new buildings are, as in former years houses were built on a more solid basis because timber was cheap and there was lots of it. The building occupies a prominent corner, otherwise it would probably have stood for years to come. As a business house it has out-lived its day. It will hereafter be used for dwelling purposes.

NOTE: Henry Schwabiker completed his new brick store and moved into it on 11/5/1898. (see "The Towpath" – April 2001)

EMIL F. WISSMAN

Emil Friedrich Wissman was born 10/1/1873, the eldest son of C.F. (Fred) & Louise (Tostrick) Wissman. In August 1899, Fred Wissman retired from the saloon business and sold it to his son, Emil. In January 1902, Emil purchased the bar fixtures and became the sole owner of the saloon.


Emil outlived his parents by less than 4 years, dying 3/28/1918 after an operation for a gangrous appendix. The children were only 14, 12, and 7 years old.

Saloon keepers Emil Wissman & Henry Kastens were arraigned Tuesday in Squire Greber’s court on the charge of selling liquor to Henry Schars, whom the saloon-keepers were enjoined from selling liquor. They were each fined $30 and costs and given a sentence of 5 days in the county jail. Mr. Schars is a young man. His mother brought the suit.

(N.B. Sun – 7/13/1900)

ANTHONY H. WISSMAN

After Emil Wissman’s sudden death, the Wissman Saloon was purchased by Anthony H. Wissman (no relation). Anthony Wissman was born 2/2/1877 in Mercer County, the son of Anthony & Bernadine (Brandewie) Wissman. He was married to Mary Frey, daughter of Jacob Frey of Minster, and they had 7 children: Andrew, Raymond, Richard, Urban, Norbert, Mrs. Joe (Rosemary) Turner, and Mrs. Bernard (Elizabeth) Budde. The family resided in Egypt, Ohio for years, but moved to New Bremen on 5/29/1918, after purchasing the Emil Wissman Saloon.

On 3/12/1919, Mary (Frey) Wissman died during the flu epidemic from influenza and pneumonia. Anthony Wissman then married a second time on 9/21/1920 to Mrs. Alvina (Seger) Hoelscher, who had a daughter Adele (later Hilgefort). They then had another child, Jerome Wissman.

Anthony Wissman also did not spend much time as a saloon-keeper in New Bremen as he died 8/25/1922.

It is not known what happened to the saloon immediately after Anthony Wissman’s death in 1922.
FRANZ PETER JUNG, SR.’S STORE

Franz Peter Jung (Sr.) was born 7/13/1830 in Lauterecken, Bavaria, where he was apprenticed to the barber trade. In 1851, he emigrated to America, arriving in New Bremen on 6/28/1851. Here he followed the barber trade until he entered into the hardware business, in which he was engaged when he died.  On 8/14-22/1854, he married Anna Frey, daughter of Frederick & Anna (Wesener) Frey, who was born 11/13/1834 in Pennsylvania & whose parents moved to New Bremen in 1840.

The Jung family occupied the building (shown above) at the corner of Monroe & Water Streets from 1859-1894, where Mr. Jung conducted a hardware and grocery store. They had 8 children: Heinrich Friedrich (1856-1919), Dorothea Agatha Johanne (2/10/1858-1932), Mrs. John (Matilda A.) Hilgeman (1858-1921), Charles (1861-1928), Mrs. Frank (Emelie Elizabeth) Wierth (1863-1923), Pauline Florentine Magdalene (1866-1896), Franz Peter Johann (1/10/1870-1909), Edwin/Eduard Henry Carl Franz Jung (1872-1944).

Franz Peter Jung, Sr. died 4/21/1894. No death had occurred in this building before this.

For several years after his father’s death, Frank P. J. Jung, who had never been in very good health, attended to the small mercantile business, but was unable to perform much hard manual labor.

In September 1903, Mrs. Jung disposed of her husband’s real estate – a 45-acre farm east of town was sold to her son, Henry F. Jung, for $2700; the Monroe St. property was sold to son-in-law, Frank Wierth, for $3155; a lot on East Monroe at the edge of town went to Herman Laut for $94.50; and one on the corner of West Monroe & Herman Sts. went to son, Frank P.J. Jung, for $200.

In March 1904, Mrs. Jung and her son, Charles, purchased lots 427 & 428 on S. Walnut St. from John Tomhafie for $1750. Mrs. Jung and her unmarried children moved into the house at 12 South Walnut St.

Pauline Jung, who had served 10 years as organist & choir director of St. Peter’s Church, was a Sunday School teacher and had worked with the church’s youth, died 7/4/1896. Frank P.J. Jung died on S. Walnut St. on 10/7/1909. Henry F. Jung died there on 6/21/1919. The mother, Anna (Frey) Jung, died on 5/4/1926. Her son, Charles Jung, who had been employed by the Thompson Brothers Dray Service, died on S. Walnut St. 4/10/1928. Dorothea Jung, who lived with her mother and brothers, and after their deaths lived alone, died there 3/23/1932. She was found by her brother, Ed Jung, after neighbors had not seen her around for a day.

This is the same house where Carl & Verona (Jung) Arkenberg later lived for a number of years.

In September 1904, Frank Wierth sold the former Jung store property to Herman Laut & Gustave Boesel for $3200. In March 1905, J.H. Hoverman and son Roy of Spencerville, purchased the business & furnishings of photographer F.W. Greber & leased the 2nd story of the former Jung building from Laut & Boesel. In May 1905, Thomas Flack & Sons Plumbing moved into the Laut & Boesel building (downstairs). Five years later, in March 1910, the Hovermans sold their photograph gallery to Ohio Waterman Taylor and his son, James. In the 1930s, Jim Taylor added 2 rooms downstairs with display windows. In 1946, he moved his studio to the Grothaus building at the corner of West Monroe & Main St.

According to Marge Lietz (The Towpath – July 1989), businesses that occupied this building during the 1920s were Erhardt’s Dry Goods, Haines Millinery, Dr. Bratton (M.D.), Dr. Burk (Dentist), and “The Peacock” beauty shop of Agnes Hardwick. The downstairs later became a dry cleaning establishment – Crown Cleaners, started by Verlin Hirschfeld and later owned & operated by Mack Wellman. The upstairs was used for dwelling purposes.

The former Jung / Laut & Boesel building is now owned by Crown Equipment Corp.
HENRY F. JUNG – STOCK BUYER

Henry Friedrich Jung was born 4/3/1856 on North Main St. in the building later occupied by Gilberg & Hegemier next to the New Bremen Sun office (later Krogers, then Howell's IGA). He was the oldest child of Franz Peter & Anna (Frey) Jung.

For a number of years, Henry F. Jung conducted the hardware business with his father in the building at the corner of Monroe & Water Streets. In later years, Henry formed a partnership with William Schelper in the cattle buying business, a venture in which he experienced much success - a business he was still engaged in when he died in 1919 at the age of 63.

Henry F. Jung married Wilhelmine Erb on 9/20-21/1876. They had 3 children: Theodore Karl (1876-1921) – a former senator from Hamilton County, Ohio; Dorothea (1881-1912); and Leroy Franz (1888- ).

Beginning about 1905-1907, Mr. Jung spent much of his time at Denver, Colorado (where his sons lived) because of his wife's and daughter's failing health. After the deaths of his daughter in 1912 and his wife in 1917, Henry came back to New Bremen and lived with his mother, Anna (Frey) Jung, and his siblings at 12 South Walnut St. until his own death on 6/21/1919.

Henry F. Jung's death followed close on the heels of the sudden death of Herman Laut 36 hours earlier (see October 2007 issue of "The Towpath"). Having complained recently of pains in his chest, Mr. Jung dropped the remark the day before his death that he would likely fall victim to a sudden death similar to Herman Laut. Several hours thereafter his prophecy was fulfilled. Feeling ill, he had just entered the door of the Hegemier Vulcanizing Shop (the former Franz Jung building) opposite the Hollingsworth Hotel when he dropped to the floor, an acute attack of heart trouble causing his death in just a few minutes.

EDWIN JUNG - BUTCHER

Edwin Jung was born 7/20/1872, the youngest child of Franz Peter & Anna (Frey) Jung. For a few years in his young manhood, he assisted in taking care of the farmland which his father owned west of New Bremen, but he soon (ca. 1899?) entered the employ of William Schelper, becoming an expert butcher and assistant in the expanding business. He proved to be a diligent, painstaking and trustworthy employee, and at the death of Mr. Schelper in October 1933, he continued in the employ of Alton Schelper, William Schelper's successor. Only when physical ailments compelled Mr. Jung to withdraw from active labors about 1943 was the 44 year association with the Schelper Old Reliable Meat Market broken.

Edwin Jung and his partner in work, Levi/Lafe Neuman, were often spoken of as two of the most reliable workmen New Bremen ever had. Day in, day out, in rain or shine, they were at their post from early morn and, whenever occasion demanded it, until late at night.

On 4/7/1892, Edwin Jung married Flora Wissman, who was born 4/12/1872, a daughter of Fred & Louise (Tostrick) Wissman. Her father was the proprietor of the Wissman Saloon on West Monroe St. (see pg.2).

Edwin & Flora (Wissman) Jung had 5 children of their own and also raised an orphaned niece and nephew. Their children were: Mrs. Carl (Verona) Arkenberg (1892-1969), Dr. Felix Jung (dentist) (1893-1977), Homer Jung (1895-1970), Mrs. Howard (Anna) Wilson (1897-1950), and Rev. Harold Jung (1905-1978). They also raised as foster children Ruth (Schneider) Eichoff / Zullo (1909-1973) and Ralph Schneider (1912-1989), the orphaned children of Emil & Clara (Wissman) Schneider, the sister of Flora (Wissman) Jung.

Edwin & Flora Jung lived at 11 N. Water St., next door to Flora's brother, Grover Wissman. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on 4/12/1942 with about 50 relatives & friends attending the reception at the American Legion hall on South Washington St.

SCHELPER'S OLD RELIABLE MEAT MARKET

Heinrich Caspar Schelper was born 4/19/1836 in Muenden, Goettingen, Hannover, Germany. He learned the butcher trade from his grandfather in Bremen, Germany which he followed from the age of 20.

Henry Schelper's "Wanderbuch" (Passport), given to him upon completion of his apprenticeship and attainment of Master Butcher License 9/8/1857 permitting him to travel from town to town in search of employment.

Henry & his "intended", Anna Adelheit (Woebse), who was born 10/22/1843, left Bremerhaven 4/14/1866 and arrived in New Bremen 6/7/1866, where they were married 8/11/1866.

Original Schelper house at 205 N. Water St.

Henry & Anna had 7 children: Mrs. Gottlieb (Mamie) Laut (1st wife) (1866-1890), William Schelper (1867-1933), Mrs. Henry (Lizzie) Mader (1869-1951), Mrs. Gottlieb (Rosine) Laut (2nd wife) (1874-1962), Katie Schelper (1876-1920), Henry Schelper (1878-1906) and Mrs. Christ (Dora) Otte (1882-1943) (my grandmother).

THE SCHELPER FAMILY

Standing: Rosine Laut, Katie Schelper, Lizzie Mader
Seated: Dora Otte, William Schelper (between 1906-1920)

Henry Schelper (Sr.) died 12/6/1895. The New Bremen Fire Department, of which he was a member, accompanied his remains to the cemetery. Anna Schelper died 9/8/1925. Their oldest daughter, Mamie (the first wife of Gottlieb Laut) died 8/4/1890, less than a month after the birth of her son, Ben Laut. Henry Schelper (Jr.) died of typhoid fever 7/31/1906, leaving 3 young children: Bendetta, 5, (Mrs. Lee Wallace), Beatrice, 4, (Mrs. Vern Paul), & Alton, 2 years old.

Henry & Laura (Vanderhorst) Schelper children: Beatrice, Alton, Bendetta

Anna Schelper continued to live in the family homestead at 205 N. Water St. with her unmarried daughter, Katie, until Katie's death in 1920, after which she spent the greater part of each year at the homes of other members of the family. She died 9/8/1925 at the home of her daughter, Lizzie Mader, from complications of a broken hip.
Originally, slaughtering was done in a small shed on 2nd St. (next to the house at the corner of Water & 2nd). Later (in 1881?) the butcher shop was brought uptown to 107 West Monroe St. (shown below).

This picture dates about 1887-1888 and shows Anna Schelper with her son, William (carrying in a side of beef) and her daughter, Katie Schelper. Photo below from 1917 Atlas shows butcher shop after it was given a full glass front. (Wm. Schelper on left).

William Schelper was born 9/30/1867 and quit school at the age of 13 (1880?) to work with his father. In November 1893, Henry Schelper purchased the 6-acre tract of land formerly occupied by the Wm. Langhorst & Son brickyard north of town for $550 on which he planned to build a slaughter house. After Henry’s death in December 1895, William operated the business for his mother for a year after which he became sole proprietor in September 1897.

In May 1914, the slaughter house (brick building) and other buildings were built on the 6-acre tract north of town near the railroad track. There the slaughtering was done along with preparation of the meat for sale in town – lard rendered, sausages made, meats smoked, etc. For some years, 2 meat wagons took the meat to town to be sold to the housewives door to door. Lafe Neuman had the route east of the canal and Ed Jung’s route was west of the canal.

(See Marge Lietz’s article in the October 1997 “Towpath”).

The Schelper buildings north of town, where Shanerton Court is now located. One of the meat wagons can be seen in the center. [The horse pulling a 2nd wagon is shown with its head sticking out of the shed.]

William Schelper also owned a 40-acre tract of land west of town where herds were kept and fattened either for slaughter at home or for the market in the city. William Schelper married Lizzie Ellerman 9/10/1896. They had no children of their own, but they raised their nephew, Alton Schelper (son of Henry & Laura), since his father had died when Alton was 2 years old (1906).

Alton Schelper with his uncle, William Schelper and their prize-winning steer

Alton Schelper was born 6/26/1904 and married Alvera Strofer 10/19/1925. Alton became associated with his Uncle Willie in the butcher business. After William died 10/10/1933, Alton continued to operate the business.

William Schelper (center) & Ed Jung (right) with the covered wagon drawn by oxen and their driver which participated in the Centennial parade in July 1933 just 3 months before William’s death.
5/4/1933: William Schelper, the Old Reliable Meat & Grocery store owner, has added a new clerk to his staff of employees in the person of Don Kettler.

“Butch” is recuperating from a complication of ailments and is planning to take life a little easier from now on. Since Bill entered the employment of his dad many years ago, he has been an early riser and a hard worker. During the spring and summer months, when eggs were delivered by wagon, it was not uncommon to see him in his store as early as 3:30 a.m., lining up the day’s work. His close application to his business has spelled success for him. By treating his help well at all times, he has always had the cooperation of all his employees.

Yes Sir, Butch is entitled to a life of more ease. He expects to do a lot of fishing and camping this summer and is looking forward to enjoying every minute of this new adventure.

10/13/1933: Unfortunately, William Schelper did not get to enjoy a long retirement. He died on October 10, 1933. Among his pallbearers were employees Ed Jung, Levi/Lafe Neuman, Harold Speckman and Donald Kettler.

5/5/1955: Lizzie (Ellerman) Schelper died 4/29/1955. She was the daughter of Henry & Anna (Althoff) Ellerman. Her pallbearers were employees Levi/Lafe Egbert, Glenn Moeller and Alfred Honigford; nephews-in-law Vern Paul & Lee Wallace; and neighbor, Wilfred Poppe. [Wilfred Poppe lived in the old Fahrenhorst building mentioned & shown on pg. 2 – 7 N. Water St.]

William & Lizzie Schelper lived in the little stucco house at 6 North Water St., just behind (north of) the old Franz P. Jung building, which by now housed Crown Cleaners.

10/6/1949: Alton Schelper this week announced the sale of Schelper’s Old Reliable Super Market. The new owners, Leonard Widau of Herman St., New Bremen, and Leon Filson of Lima, will assume management of the store. The transaction involves the transfer of the store on Monroe St., the slaughter house north of town, and the 7 acres of land adjoining it.

Widau is an experienced meat cutter and has been an employee for the past year. Mrs. Widau has also been employed as a cashier. The Widaus are originally from Lakeview, Ohio.

8/20/1951: The Casmire Cieslak family (from Poland) has arrived here from a displaced persons camp at Recknfeld, Westphalen, Germany & are living on a small acreage owned by Alton Schelper north of town. Mr. Cieslak is a butcher. The family was brought here by the National Catholic Welfare Council.
SCHELPER CONSTRUCTION CO.
New Bremen Firm Contracts for 14 Prefab Houses
(New Bremen Sun 9/21/1950)
Prefabricated homes produced by National Home Corp. of Lafayette, Indiana are fast becoming popular in this area. Alton Schelpler & Carl (“Jack”) Abbott, operating as S. & A. Homes, are the authorized dealer-erectors for Auglaize County (except for St. Marys). They also have the franchise for Sidney.

First of the prefabs to go up here was the North Walnut St. home belonging to (1) Mr. & Mrs. George McNamar. Since then a 3-bedroom house has been erected for (2) Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Waidau at 21 Eastmore Court. This week work was started on a residence for (3) Mr. & Mrs. Merlin Fischbach on a lot adjoining that of the McNamaras and another is planned for (4) Mr. & Mrs. Ben Furry. Still another is scheduled for erection next week for (5) Mr. & Mrs. James Cox on a lot near the Cox Greenhouses at 301 South Franklin St.

The New Bremen dealers also have a contract for their first home in Minster, to be built for (6) Mr. & Mrs. Virgil Howe. The firm has contracts for a total of 14 units to be erected before the end of 1950.

National Homes Corp. is recognized as the nation’s largest producer of prefabricated housing. Presently, it is producing 60 units a day. Started in 1940 by 2 Lafayette real estate men, the firm had an original capacity of 25 units a week.

When a truck carrier arrives with a home at the building lot at 7:00 a.m., the home ordinarily will be up by 5:00 p.m., even to the tar paper on the roof. The houses are completed for occupancy in 10-14 days and have 2-3 bedrooms, living room, kitchen, bath & utility room.

The houses sell for $6,500-$12,000, including the lot. Delivery is promised in 30 days. Equipment includes everything in the kitchen except the stove, complete bath (plumbing & fixtures), and utility room with gas or oil heating system and automatic water heater. A deluxe line of houses with 2,3,4 bedrooms, full basements, garages, porches and breezeways are also available.

New Homes Open for Inspection
3/7-18/1951: The home at 115 N. Walnut, purchased by the Furrys, will be open for public inspection. It has 3 bedrooms, living room, kitchen, bath, utility room and gas furnace. Painting and decorating was done by Kroest Brothers. Floor covering will be laid by the Arcade Dept. Store. It will be completely furnished by the Home Furniture Company. S. & A. Homes has completed 8 homes since it was organized last year. Six more are scheduled for this spring - 1951.

9/8-15/1951: S. & A. Homes’ latest 4-bedroom home on South Washington St. will be open for inspection. It has been completely furnished by the Home Furniture Co.

SHANVERTON COURT

1/14/1954: A Fourth National home is scheduled for erection by the Schelpler Construction Co. at Shanverton Court next week. Buyers of 3 other Shanverton homes include Mr. & Mrs. Ward Landis of Union City, Indiana, Mr. & Mrs. William T. Silvers of Minster, and Mr. & Mrs. James Sipe.

What / Where is Shanverton Court?
In October 1949, Alton & Alvera Schelpler sold their Schelpler’s Old Reliable Super Market on West Monroe St. to Leonard Waidau and Leon Filson. The sale included the slaughter house north of town and the 7 acres of land adjoining it.

The next year, Alton Schelpler and Jack Abbott joined forces to create S. & A. Homes and started building prefabricated National homes in the area.

By 1951-1953, slaughtering had been discontinued & Alton had regained ownership of the slaughter house & the land around it. In 1953, he started his own construction company and began building homes on the slaughter house land. He named this new addition to New Bremen “Shanverton Court” for members of his family: SH-Irvin, AN-ita, Al-VER-a, Al-TON.

In 1957, Alton Schelpler sold the supermarket to Thomas Moeller, who ran it for 10 years before going out of business in 1967.

After retiring, Alton still made sausage for area markets for a number of years. Alton died 2/26/1999, the last of the Schelpler family. Alvera, daughter of Edward & Malinda (Schelugen) Stroefer, died 11/21/1994 at the age of 93. She worked with Alton at the store and prior to that, she had worked at Rabe Lumber Co. Alton & Alvera had 2 daughters – Shirley Schelpler and Mrs. Richard (Anita) Martin; 2 grandsons, Tony & Dane Cook; and 2 great-grandchildren. Dane Cook and his family still live in the old Schelpler homestead at 205 North Water St.

MONSTER SAUSAGE!
Oh my Gosh! I wouldn’t have believed it if I hadn’t seen it. It has just been my pleasure, and much to my astonishment, to view the longest and thickest hunk of summer sausage I have ever seen. In fact, if there has ever been a more massive hunk of the stuff, I have never heard of it.

Over at Schelpler’s Old Reliable Market, they have recently created this monster sausage. And it’s an actual order! The sausage is approximately 6’ in length and approximately 3” in diameter. Whether this customer actually has an explicit need for this extra big sausage or if he was merely testing Schelpler’s ability to handle such an order, I don’t know. Nevertheless it was made, and I might add for all sausage lovers “It looks mighty tasty”.

(G.B. Sun – 4/19/1950)

Gottlieb Laut was a barber in New Bremen, and also ran the “Star Bakery” for a while. He was the son of Christian and Katherine (Wiegars) Laut (see October 2007 “Towpath”). In 1915-1916, he and Rosine moved to Columbus to open a barber shop in partnership with his son, Ben. Rosine (Schelpher) worked a number of years at the “School for the Blind” in Columbus.

Ben Laut married Hilda Geib, daughter of Peter & Wilhelmina (Papenhagen) Geib. They had 2 sons – Lothar and Richard Laut.

Christ and Dora (Schelpher) Otte’s daughter, Marie, married Laffe Topp 2 days after William Schelpher’s death – October 12, 1933. Their children are Lucille Francis (me), Kathien Topp, and Stanley Topp.

Grandpa Christ Otte was a carpenter & worked at different times for several other carpenters - Henry Kuck & Herman Schaefer. He kept diaries from about 1895-1947, which I gratefully have possession of.
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SCHLESSELMAN FAMILY UPDATE

In response to the October 2007 issue of The Towpath and the article about the Schlesselman sawmill, I was given material (including these pictures) that had been sent to a recent owner of the old Schlesseleman house on North Water St.

Apparently, the owners at that time were inquiring about when the porch had been added to the house (see pictures below).

I believe that I may have the answer to that question, since my grandpa, Christ Otto, was a carpenter, and in his diaries for September 25 – October 2, 1906, he said that he worked 45 hours at “Mrs. Schlesseleman”.  [Material & photos provided by Dina (Spieles) Tankman]

JACOB & ANNA (PETERS) SCHLESSELMAN FAMILY - 1889
John (6), Jacob Sr. (58), Alvina (3) (in the rocker), Anna (41), Rosina (8-9)
BACK: Jacob Jr. (14) flanked by his sisters, Emelie (16) & Anna (17)
(not known which sister is which - just guessing)

MORE ABOUT THE FAMILY OF FRANZ PETER JUNG SR. & ANNA FREY

Did the names John Hilgeman & Frank Wierth (on pg. 4) sound familiar? They married sisters Matilda & Emelie Jung, daughters of Franz Peter Sr. & Anna (Frey) Jung. Both men were in the brick making business north of town. [See the July 2005 issue of The Towpath for more information about the brick & tile makers of New Bremen, including William Langhorst, whose brickyard property was later sold to Henry Schelper (see pg. 7) and is now the site of Shanwater Court (see pg. 9)]. Frank Wierth was also the sexton of the German Protestant Cemetery from 1915-1926.
FRANK P. JUNG JR.'S HARNESS SHOP

Franz Peter Jung, Jr. was born either 9/30/1870 (his son's version) or 10/3/1870 (St. Peter's Church baptism records), a son of Carl Jung (5/22/1822-4/23/1886) and Elisabeth Vizedon (4/29/1843-5/7/1929). Carl Jung's second wife. On 9/10/1896, he married Anna Marie Greber, a daughter of Henry William & Dorothea (Kohlhorst) Greber. They had one son, Albert Carl Wilhelm Jung, who graduated from N.B.H.S. in 1915 and was the manager of the newly organized New Bremen basketball team in 1915-1916. He later became the curator of exhibits in the Cleveland Public Library.

Frank Jung was born "at the old homestead" on the Kettlersville Road, about 3 miles east of New Bremen. At the age of 16 (1886?), he left the farm to go to Rockford, Ohio where he learned the trade of harness-maker in the shop of Jacob Fritz. He worked there for the next three years (to 1889-1890?). He then went to work in the Limbacher shop at St. Marys. After a total of 7 years of apprenticeship, on 2/1/1894, he purchased the harness shop of Henry G. Barenbrack which was in the south room of the John A. Kooper building on South Washington St. and was known as the "Big Whip" harness shop.

Frank Jung's harness business occupied several different locations on Washington St. at various times. At the time he acquired the business, it was located in the building then owned by John Kooper.

When John A. Kooper was appointed in 1904 as postmaster of New Bremen and transferred the post office from the Schulenberg building on West Monroe St. into the south room of his building, Frank Jung moved his harness business across the street into the former Boesche warehouse (1st building to the right of the light pole). Later, he moved back to the east side of the street into the Lanfersieck building - only 4 doors south of the 1894 location (#20, next to the Fire Dept., under the twin towers).

For a long time, Frank Jung was the principal harness maker in these parts. Besides making harness, he also carried a complete line of leather goods as well as robes, blankets, collars, and all repair parts needed in an up-to-date harness shop. Some of his employees were: Walter Neuman, Herman Pape, Adam Schneider, John Troring and August Wehrman.

Frank Jung was also an officer of the Concordia Building & Savings Association, a member of the board for the German Protestant Cemetery Association, and served as vestryman & secretary at St. Paul's Church.

Frank & Anna (Greber) Jung lived at the corner of North Herman & Pearl Sts. (in 1948, that house became the rectory for the newly organized Catholic church.) Frank died 3/7/1944 in Cleveland, where he and Anna had gone to live with their son about 1940. Anna had died 11/20/1941 at the age of 73. In addition to their son, Frank was survived by 2 sisters, Mrs. Gust (Hannah) Maurer and Mrs. Christ (Minnie) Paul, and his youngest brother, Christ Jung. Anna was survived by a brother, William F. Greber.

Frank Jung's father, Carl Jung, had first been married to Elisabeth Pohlman. Half-sisters and half-brother to Frank were: Mrs. Carl (Elisabeth) Geib (1856-1916); Anna Catharina (died at 1 month, Feb. 1858); Mrs. Jacob (Caroline Wilhelmine) Schneider (1862-1929); Mrs. Wilhelm H. (Dorothea Philippine) Schroelake (1864-1927); Charles Jacob Jung (1866-1927).

Full brothers and sisters (children of Elisabeth Vizedon) were: John Christoff (1868-1919), Mrs. Heinrich (Anna Catharine Elisabeth) Brockmann (1872-1939); Wilhelmine Mathilde (1874-1876); Mrs. Gust (Johanne Elisabeth) Maurer (1877-1954); Mrs. Christ (Wilhelmine) Paul (1880-1962); and Christian Adam Jung (1884-1951).
I have been reminded that there used to be two houses in town with tile roofs. Herman Laut was the first to build his tile-roofed house in November 1907 on the northeast corner of South Washington & Cherry Streets (232 S. Washington — see pg. 5 of the October 2007 "Towpath"). In December 1912, Frank Sunderman built the house above on the southwest corner of Walnut & Plum Streets at 203 S. Walnut St.

In 1915 (and again in 1920 — see the October 2001 "Towpath"), Frank's parents, Henry & Louise (Keuthan) Sunderman moved into the house.

Henry Sunderman died in 1940 and Louise continued to live there by herself until 1948, when her daughter and son-in-law, Rev. Herbert & Lillie Dickman, moved in with her. After Louise died on 8/15/1956, the Dickmans had a public auction of household goods on 8/25/1956 and moved to Warsaw, Indiana.

At some point before 1968, Lowell & Betty (Holdren) Quellhorst bought the house and moved into it. In 1975, due to cracking and leakage, the tile roof was removed and replaced with shingles. So says Bob Finke, brother-in-law of Lowell Quellhorst, who says he helped to do this.

Dear Lucille: 10/29/2007

I am sending you this Autograph Book that belonged to Pauline Jung, sister to my great-grandfather, Edwin Jung. Perhaps you can use some of the legible verses in The Towpath, then keep the book for the N.B.H.A.'s museum.

Joan Brown — Mansfield, Ohio

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From the Mailbox

I was delighted to receive from you the announcement of the wedding of Clara Elizabeth Boesel and John Henry Koenig on 6/24/1903. It is the first one we've seen, although we have a picture of Clara in her wedding dress. My husband, John Henry Koenig, Jr., was the 3rd of 5 children in this marriage.

Clara said that her mother, Mary (Schroeder) Boesel (3rd wife of Charles Boesel Sr.), told her that when she was growing up, her family (the Schroeder family of Montezuma) used lard on their bread so that they could sell the butter.

Dear Friend: 10/2/2007

The New Bremen and St. Marys area German immigrants produced wonderful citizens for the United States. Their grandchildren served as Navy officers, football heroes, doctors, lawyers, engineers, business executives, company presidents, research scientists, professors, teachers, directors of University departments and more.

Yours truly, Shirley A. Koenig — Owena Crossroads, Alabama

Please find enclosed a check for $24.00 for 2008 & 2009. I've been enjoying The Towpath very much. Thanks for all the hard work and time that goes into it.

Rosanne (Schaafsma) Meyer — Celina, Ohio (11/1/2007)

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Dear Friend:

'Cease this day and cease the night,
And let the joy and hope be bright.
May health and happiness be yours,
And may your days be bright.

Your friend, Sophie H. Wohlgemuth

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Autographs date from 1883-1888. Names include Amalia Beckhaus; J.H. Bordewich; Paul Buerkle; Katie Buttermeyer; Georgina Dietrich; Louisa & Malinda Gehrenhorst; Anna & Juliana Finke; Anna, Charles, Edward & Florence Garmhausen; Charley, Gusta, Gustave, Louisa & Mary Gilberg; Emma Grewe; Fannie Hell; Lena, Martha & Matilda Hagemann; Emilie & Pauline Jung; Flora Kellermeyer; Fredonia Koop; Emilie, Ida, Lena & Rose Kuenzel; Cordelia Langhorst; Henry, John & Rosine Miller; Hermann & Sophie Mohrmann; E.J. Neumann; Auguste Oberhardt; Katie Pohman; Martha, Mary & Marvin? Schmidt; Carrie & Gus Schneider; Anna Schuleenberg; Alvina & Ellen Strafer; Ernst & William Wiehe; and Carolina, Julius & Lizzie Zwez.
E-mail to Tom Braun: 11/5/2007

I enjoyed reading the last (October 2007) issue of The Towpath, especially the history of the Central Hotel, since my great-grandfather, Max Berend, was the Hotel's manager for a while in the very early 1900s (October 1901-March 1902). The Mr. Berend mentioned on page 5 is my maternal grandmother's father. His full name is Philip Max Berend, born 3/24/1855 in Potsdam, Germany, and died 6/27/1943 in New Bremen. He married Martha Emma Dorothea Hoffmeister (1/2/1863-11/6/1927) in Germany on 10/10/1886 and they started their family there.

My grandmother, Elsie Emma Berend, was born in Germany 4/16/1893. The family came to America in 1895-1896 and settled in Cincinnati for a short time until they made their way to New Bremen in 1901 to manage the Central Hotel. My grandmother said her job after school was to go to the Hotel and make beds, along with other duties. After this, she could go out to play with her friends.

The Berends had 4 children who lived to adulthood: Max (Jr.) (2/2/1888-2/1973), Dr. Kurt Berend (1889-_), Elsie Emma (4/16/1893-5/3/1968), and Albert William Berend (10/10/1896-1/19/1924). All graduated from N.B.H.S. Max played on the 1905 & 1906 N.B. football teams, graduated in 1906, taught school in N.B. and later became an attorney in Cleveland. Kurt graduated in 1907, became a doctor and lived in Cincinnati (in 1943). Elsie Emma Berend married Albert (Mack) Huenke (the baseball player) on 2/24/1916. My mother, Mrs. Frank (Louise Huenke) Dicke, is their daughter. She has one sister, Marguerite Rackle. Albert Berend graduated in 1914, attended Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, then went into partnership with fellow New Bremenite, Herbert May, in a restaurant in Dayton. At one time, Albert managed a chain of 3 eating places in Dayton. He died of uremic poisoning at the age of 27. His funeral was held in the family home on Front St.-N.B.

Thought you would be interested in the family history.

Jack Dicke – Worthington, Ohio

N.B.H.S. CLASS OF 1942 - 65 YEAR REUNION

The N.B.H.S. Class of 1942 held their 65 year class reunion at the Fireside Pub in New Bremen on 9/8/2007.

Present were Charles Vornholt, Don Isenm, Robert Heinfield, Dorothy (Donnerberg) Feltman, Lodema (Egbert) Dicke, Dorothy (Koenig) Dunlap, Rosemary (Landwehr) Gerling, Dorothy (Fark) Haupt.

[photo provided by Dorothy Haupt]

NEW BREMEN - A SMASH HIT!

October 11 and 12, 2007 will go down in the Ohio Historical Decorative Arts Association’s history as one of our best trips ever. Everyone found it hard to believe the astronomical amount of American art and antiques that Jim Dicke II has collected and displays in Crown Equipment Corp.’s buildings. Jaws were dropping constantly. There were paintings by well-known-artists by the dozens, great sculpture, New Bremen furniture, Stickley furniture, important movie and political memorabilia. Ohio’s top museums would have a hard time competing.

Then there was our housing, with more art and antiques, to say nothing of soft drinks and snacks on the house. Phyllis and Tom Kuhn and daughter Stacey Eymon slept in Victorian splendor. Louise Davis slept in "Republican Headquarters" complete with a picture of her husband, Jim, who was the state legislator from west central Ohio for 10 years. Republicans Edythe and Don Ackerman had to make do with Democratic headquarters. Pat Rice and Dorothea Ten Eyck held forth in the Pullman car.

A delightful change of pace was the Bicycle Museum of America where we had lunch. Then it was on for tours of the New Bremen Historical Museum, the 1897-built German Lutheran Church (now a Church of Christ), and Dave Hemmert’s farm to see those collections. A bonus was that both Dave and Tom Braun, our speaker from the Historic Association, accompanied us throughout the day answering our many questions.

An unexpected treat occurred when we stopped at the old German church in New Knoxville. It had been closed for renovation all summer. That day it was open and we got to see its spectacular huge stained glass half dome over the altar which could not be seen from outside. In addition, the minister there popped out to greet us and gave a hilarious account of the history of the church.

Those in the know knew the trip was a winner and it was filled within six days of our announcement going out, and there was a long waiting list thereafter. Don Ackerman deserves a Nobel prize of some sort for his work putting this trip together. As Cincinnati member Cathy Chapman said "On a scale of one to 10, it was an 11."

[published in the November 2007 newsletter of the O.H.D.A.A.]
The New Bremen Historic Association

Thomas Braun, Treasurer

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**Total Yearly Income** $27,862.06

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**Total Yearly Expenses** $41,843.51

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Lock One Preservation Project

Thomas Braun, Treasurer

LOCK ONE ACCOUNT (as of 1/1/2006) $26,445.94

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Lock One Restoration Donation (December-2007) 5,000.00
Paid to New Bremen Village                    -8,000.00
Garmann & Miller / Architects-Engineers (Lock Tender's House) -945.00
Transfer to Lock Tender's House project       $20,715.94

BALANCE AS OF 12/31/2007 $24,660.94

LOCK TENDER'S HOUSE PROJECT

Transfer from Lock One $20,715.94
Lock Tender's House donation (November-2007)* 1,000.00
Lowell Ziegenbusch Memorial Donations* 2,650.00
Sale of canal books & games (2007)* 795.84

BALANCE AS OF 12/31/2007 $25,161.78

(*$4,445.84 Receipts still in regular checking account)

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...A Page From the Past...

-20 Years Ago-

[from "THE TOWPATH" - January 1988]

A WINTERTIME HERITAGE—
Ice Skating On The Canal
(by Marge Lietz)

During the winter most every window was covered with frost. Sometimes it stayed most of the winter. Mom always said that Jack Frost painted the windows during the night! He must have been a very busy little man. The patterns in the frost were exquisite - ferns, fronds and beautiful leaves, all woven together in a design that was breathtaking! It was truly frosted glass.

Lock One in New Bremen was a gathering place for ice skaters! Because New Bremen is a canal town, the children had a splendid opportunity to learn how to ice skate. It was Dad or Grandpa who drilled the small round hole in the ice to measure the thickness, and when he put the folding rule back in his pocket and smiled, then you knew it was time to get your skates ready! One of the first jobs was to sweep the snow off the ice. There were good places to skate back of Rairdon's Garage and Tony Schwieterman's Blacksmith Shop or further south by Long's packing house near the Plum Street bridge. Word spread rapidly through the village.

EDITOR'S NOTE: These are some of Marge's wintertime stories from her second issue of "The Towpath". Marge had a way of painting a picture with words and it is fun to read some of her early articles again.
Curators’ Report

Curators’ Year End Report

We are celebrating the 175th Anniversary of the platting of New Bremen. Our celebration will start on the 20th of January at the Auglaize County Courthouse. Our celebration will continue with all of our events throughout the year.

In downtown New Bremen, we are doing the window display at the Old MESCO building. We have changed the display once.

We areInitiating the cleaning & refurbishing of the tools in the barn for display in our new cases.

The museum has been repainted inside & out.

We have received a lot of good & diverse items. We had new tags made for identifying some of our inventory. Annette Thompson at the Bicycle Museum of America made the tags for us.

By the end of the year we will have lighting available in all rooms.

We have had many tours go thru the museum.

We look forward to 2008 & all that it may bring, including working on the Lockkeeper’s House.

The Curators, De & Joyce

From the Evening Leader:

The opening ceremony for the 175th anniversary celebration of Wapakoneta and New Bremen will begin inside the main lobby of the Auglaize County Courthouse at 1:30 p.m. Jan. 20th. The keynote speaker will be James Dickie II, CEO of Crown Equipment. A short reception will follow the speakers. A snow date is planned for January 27th.

Other events scheduled throughout the year as part of the anniversary include the introduction of a commemorative postmark, special exhibits and talks at the Auglaize County Public District Library, lectures by a direct descendant of the Wright Brothers, dedication of an Ohio Historical Society marker, a parade, river fire, community pot-luck, harvest festival, and tour of historic homes.

Recent Acquisition

ST. PAUL CHURCH’S WOMEN’S CIRCLE

Mrs. Ernst (Frances Schuemberg) Kuck, Mrs. Heisler, Mrs. Marvin Bernice Schroeder Blanke, Mrs. Willis (Leta Bertke) Queihlorat, Mrs. Harry (Frieda Dammeyer) Schroeder, Mrs. Elwin (Louise Meckstroth) Hespe, Mrs. Frank (Marie Dickey) Buckloh, Mrs. Artando (Irene Tontrup) Schmidt, and Mrs. O’Hara (Elva) Kuck.

[Picture taken at Heisler’s cottage at Behm’s Landing - 8/11/1954]

New Members This Period (Thru 12/31/07)

*Spousal Memberships @ $6.00 or $60.00/2M

11/5/07 Burgess, Kevin - Chagrin Falls, Ohio
11/5/07 Burgess, Ryan - Columbus, Ohio
10/8/07 Clark, Sandra (Woeheier) - Melbourne, Florida
10/2/07 Fledderjohn, Scott (LM) - Telford, PA
10/30/07 Frey, Joan (Prander gast) - St. Marys, Ohio
10/3/07 Gehle, *Roberta (Rempe) - Celina, Ohio
10/3/07 Gehle, Donald L. - Celina, Ohio
10/20/07 Purpus, Norma (Woehmyer)(TR) - Minster, OH
11/25/07 Schulte, Sylvia (Bernard)(TR) - Piqua, Ohio
12/18/07 Truster, Ken - New Bremen

Additions to Lifetime Membership Roster

10/2/07 Fledderjohn, Scott (new)
12/6/07 Huckriede, Richard
10/22/07 Scheer, David

Member Deaths This Period

10/20/07 Purpus, Theodore (died 10/20/07)
11/25/07 Schulte, Leo (died 11/25/07)

Memorial / Honorary Donations

The following donations have been received this period:

In memory of Lowell Ziegenbusch
by Mark & Patty Cisco, N.B./N.K. Rotary, Jason This

Memorial / Honorary Donations

Donations to memorialize the deceased or to honor the living are welcomed in any amount. When donations in memory of or in honor of any one person or couple have reached $100.00, a brass plate engraved with their name(s) is attached to the Memorial Plaque.

New Cook Book!

What foods remind you of New Bremen? Do you remember sweet rice and pork and kraut on the school menu? Do you still look forward to gritz in the winter and summer sausage in the summer? A new publication is available from the New Bremen Historic Association entitled Preserving the Abundance - New Bremen's Food Legacy. It describes the provision of food for families in or around New Bremen during the last 100 years, shares memories relating to food, and gives some of the old recipes. We hope readers will enjoy reading the stories about food and will try some of the recipes today.

The book is on sale at The Artist's Touch, Howell's IGA, New Bremen Coffee & Books, The Crown Store, or from any NBHA board member. It is also available on-line at www.newbremenhistory.org. The book sells for $7.00. If mailed add $2.00 for S/H. All proceeds will go towards building the Lock Keeper’s House at Lock One.

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UPCOMING EVENT

ANNUAL DINNER MEETING

Monday, March 17, 2008
6:30 p.m.
Holy Redeemer Church

SPEAKER: Jim Dicke, II

Tickets: $10.00
For more information, Call 419-629-3495

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The History of Fire Fighting in New Bremen
Then and Now (Village Pictures)
A Journey Through Time (Miami-Erie Canal)
CANAL Board Game (related to book)
Recipes and Reminiscence (by John Dickman)
A Military Memoir of W.W.II (by Katy Gilbert)
Ralph May Remembers New Bremen
New Bremen Marriages (genealogy information)

SCHOOL COMMEMORATIVES:
Central School: Paperweights, Pencil Caddies
1929 High School: Trinket Boxes
BOTH: Porcelain Medallions
Snow Globes

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:
"Interurban on Main St." colored prints
"Monroe St." colored prints
N.B.H.A. Shirts & Caps
N.B.H.A. Mugs & Pencils
N.B.H.A. Christmas Ornaments
N.B.H.A. Note cards

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