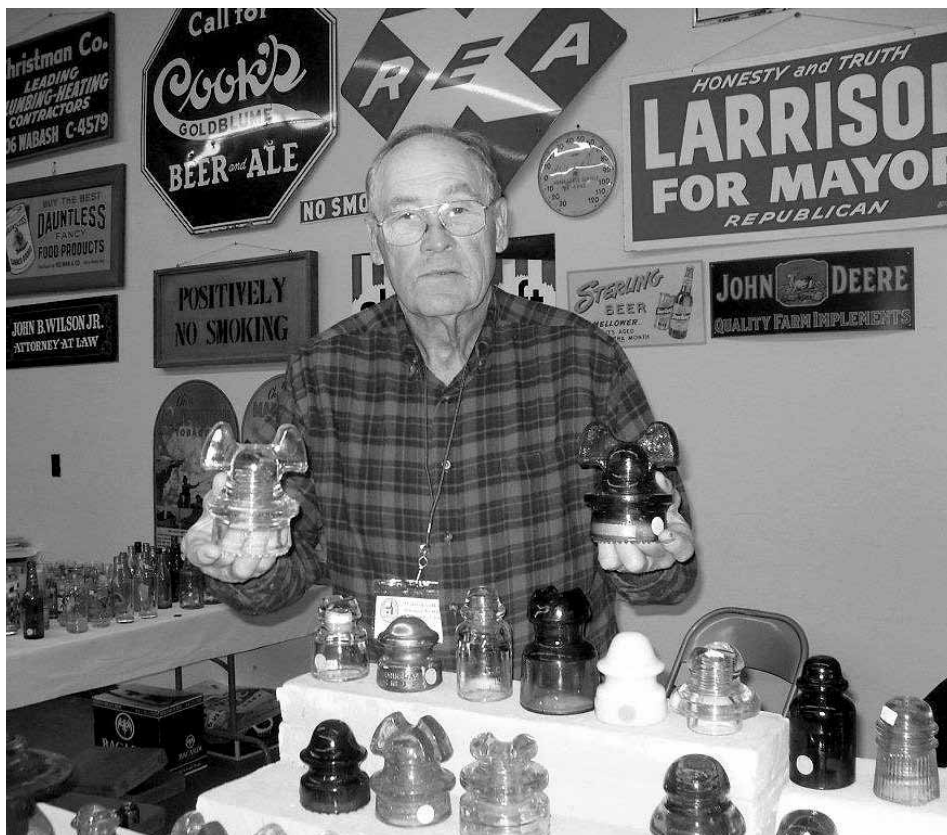


13th Annual Terre Haute Bottle Show and Sale Brings Collectors Out



Above, left: Jim Williams, from Greencastle, Indiana and a dealer in rare glass insulators, holds a pair of popular “Mickey Mouse” designs used through the 1940s.

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Above, right: Brian Ketner exhibited a 19th century fire grenade, intact, and full of carbon tetrachloride. Thrown at base of a fire, the glass burst and chemical was a fire suppressant. Brian is from Rosedale, Indiana.

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Right: Tony Stringfellow shows an odd amber-streaked, throw-away Coke bottle of the 1970s. The clear/amber color indicates the furnace was still in transition when bottle was cast. It is a Midland Glass Company product probably made in the Terre Haute plant.

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All Bottlers; Mike Elling was a dealer in attendance at the 13th Annual Illiana Antique Bottle and Pottery Show and Sale. It was held at the Shadow Auction Barn in the north side of Terre Haute, Indiana, on Saturday, November 20, 2010. There were 35 tables sold with more than 150 visitors in attendance. Parking and admission to the show was free.



Above: Tennessee soda dealer Mike Elling is shown ready for business on Saturday show day.

– Photo by Phil Bennett



Left: Jerry Higginbotham, of Terre Haute, builds and markets bottle lamps. He uses a secret sand-blasting method to place enamel colors inside the glass. He has been perfecting this skill for over 10 years.

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