

## Federation of Historical Bottle Collectors

President's Message President:

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Just got back from the National Show at Pomona, California, had a great time and picked up some Cutter whiskies for my collection. Home for a day, then off to Reno, Nevada for the Hot August Nights car show. Will be there for a week, and while I'm there, I will be looking into having the 2012 Expo in Reno. Sacramento, California Is also under consideration as well as someplace in the New England states. Next year, the National will be held in Wilmington, Ohio the first weekend in August. Put that date on your calendar. 2011 will be somewhere in the Southeast.

At the board meeting, we approved revisions to the By-Laws. These will be made available to the general membership to view on the web site and a final vote will be taken at the Baltimore 2010 meeting.

Now that the magazine is up to date again and on time, we are turning our attention to the web site. It needs to be brought up to date and have current information for the viewers to access. One of the things we discussed was building a museum. Not a brick and mortar museum but a virtual museum on the web

site. The museum part of the web site other than a teaser would be available only to FOHBC members in good standing. Our goal is to increase the membership by offering this program. We have already had some collectors offer images of their collections for these programs. This will give collectors a chance to view bottles that are extremely rare and are not ever put out for public display. Details for this project are being worked out and a person knowledgeable about web sites will be submitting a proposal to do this.

Increasing the membership is a goal we all need to get involved in. It spreads the cost of what we do over a greater number of people, which means we can hold the membership costs down and do more for members.

Get those stories and articles in to the editor. We want you to share your knowledge and experiences in the hobby with the rest of us.

Sincerely, Richard Siri - President FOHBC

## Support your local club!!

Get involved in this great hobby.

Attend meetings.

Become a club officer.

If you need assistance
finding a local club,
your local editor or
FOHBC Regional Director
can supply you
with a list of clubs in your area.

See page two for a list of officers including your regional director.

## Where there's a will there's a way to leave collections to FOHBC

Did you know the Federation of Historical Bottle Collectors is a 501C(3) charitable organization?

How does that affect you?

It allows tax deductions for any and all donations to the FOHBC.

You might also consider a bequest in your will to the FOHBC. This could be a certain amount of money or part or all of your bottle collection. The appraised value of your collection would be able to be deducted from your taxes.

An example of a bequest would be:

(This is not legal advice, please consult an attorney)

I give and bequeath to the Federation of Historical Bottle Collectors, 401 Johnston Ct, Raymore, MO 64083, the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be used as its Board of Directors determines.

The same type wording could be used for bequeathing your collection or part of it, however, before donating your collection (or part of it), you would need the collection appraised by a professional appraiser with knowledge of bottles and their market values. This is the amount that would be tax deductible.

Thank you for considering us in your donation plans.

Richard Siri, President

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