Fenton Finders Of Greater Kansas City presents Our **25**th!!! Annual

Mid America Fenton Gala - 2025

Embassy Suites 7640 NW Tiffany Springs Parkway I-29, Exit 10, Kansas City, MO 64153-2304 816-891-7788

\$145.00 (plus taxes) includes Hot Breakfast & Evening "Manager's Reception" Cocktail Party

Call for reservations on a weekday to 816-891-7788. Be sure to tell them you are with "Fenton Glass" to get the Gala Rate, good through August 20, 2025

Go to fentonfinderskc.net to register online.

Thursday Friday Saturday **Sept. 11th, 12th, & 13th, 2025**

We have lots of fun! We provide great value for a little bit of money! Free Barbecue & so much more in our Outstanding Hospitality Suites!

Thursday, September 11

Registration will be 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. You will pick up your registration packet at that time. Each person attending a Gala function will be charged a one time registration fee of \$35.00 for "Early" registration and \$40.00 after August 15th. Children age 12 and under are registered for free.

Authentic Kansas City Barbecue Party (Badge Required) in the Hospitality Suites 219/220 from 5:30 pm to 6:45 pm. **Glass ID (Badge Required)** is at 7:00 p.m., so be sure to bring your glass to be identified.

Our Display, "Fenton Glass of the 1920's & 1930's" (Badge Required) is provided by the members of Fenton Finders of Greater Kansas City. This display will feature an array of Fenton Art Glass that shows the many and varied colors of glass offered by our favorite glass company during the Roaring 1920's through the Depression era.

Friday, September 12

The morning seminar (Badge Required) will be a review by Anne & Max Blackmore and Sarah Smith of the Individual Display Tables.

The luncheon (Badge Required) speaker is going to be **Les Rowe.** His topic is **Fenton Liquor Decanters from the 1930's.** He is a member of the Stretch Glass Society and a charter member of the National Fenton Glass Society. He has served on the board of the NFGS for more than 25 years. He has served as the Finance Chairman, whose duties include purchasing glass for the club and being in charge of glass sales, as well as Vice-President and President several times. He and his wife Roxanne started collecting Stretch Glass in the late 1980's followed by the crested lines Fenton had to offer. Over the years, their collection has evolved into many other areas.

Everyone enjoys watching our favorite painters, so Karen Easton or CC Hardman has agreed to paint for us after the Luncheon Seminar! Salon ABC

Friday evening is a **Seminar (Badge Required)** on the **"Fenton Glass of the 1920's & 1930's."** The Seminar will be followed by **Viewing of the Auction Glass**. An auction of good quality Fenton glass will be offered. An auction list and pictures are available on our website fentonfinderskc.net and on the website of **Jim Wroda** of **Matthew Wroda Auction Services**.

Saturday, September 13

Morning will be viewing of the Auction Glass from 8:00 am to 9:00 am with the Auction at 9:00 am.

No Badge Required. The Public is welcome to attend the Auction.

After the auction, all glass displays will be taken down.

Saturday evening at 6:00 pm is the Banquet (Badge Required).

Door Prize Drawings will be held for many pieces of high quality Fenton Art Glass. (Winning will be limited to one per household.) After the Banquet is the **Whimsey Auction**.

Glass for Sale in your Room

You are encouraged to sell Fenton Glass (25 pieces or more) from your room. We plan lots of time for "shopping the rooms." The hotel has tables available for \$25.00 (plus tax) each for length of stay. Please bring your own table covers and/or skirting unless you would prefer the hotel to furnish white tablecloths. The tables are 30 inches wide by 72 inches long. Let **Connie Duncan** know how many tables you will need so she can coordinate with the hotel.

Individuals Displays

You are encouraged to set up a display table. Full table displays are requested with identification requested as education is one of the keys to enjoying our glass passion. Choose your own theme. Please indicate on your registration form if we should reserve a display table for you as our available space permits only a limited number of display tables. Tables are 30 inches wide by 72 inches long. You may bring your own table covers and skirting or the hotel will provide them. Set up will be Thursday evening after Glass ID or on Friday at 7:00 am to 9:00 am in main Display room. For security purposes, plan to turn in a list of your display glass before your display is set up.

We will have **Silent Auctions** for a few items. For an opportunity to purchase, you need to be at the Gala!

Check Our Website for Announcements & Pictures. fentonfinderskc.net

!!! Important Hotel Information !!!

If you need to cancel your hotel room reservation, please call our Gala Committee member who coordinates with the Hotel, **Connie Duncan**, so that we won't lose a **Gala Rate blocked room**. She can be reached at (913) 634-4544 or fenton123@aol.com. Rooms on the Second & Third Floors are for people to sell glass. You still call the hotel for your room reservation first. The Hotel has blocked rooms for us on the 2nd Floor and the 3rd Floor. We cannot guarantee the room of your choice! **Please note: This is a non-smoking hotel.**

Embassy Suites — This is such a great hotel for the Gala! All rooms are two room suites with a king size bed or two double beds and the sofa folds out for another bed. There is a Hot Breakfast from 6:30am to 9:30am every weekday, 7:00am to 10:00am on weekends. And to top it off, a free "Manager's Reception" Cocktail Party every evening from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

Kansas City has a New Airport! The airport is in the same location, but the free hotel shuttle service procedure is different. Once you arrive and have collected your baggage, call the hotel on your cell phone at (816) 891-7788. They will send the shuttle. Follow the signs for hotel shuttles and to the green columns 3E-H and wait for pick up.