

NO. 8 - LION BASKET - LAST IN SERIES

THE #8 BASKET "LION" WILL BE OUT ABOUT AUGUST. WILL PROBABLY PICK THEM UP AT THE TIME OF THE FENTON CONVENTION.

WE HAVE DECIDED TO STOP AT #8 INSTEAD OF #9. THE REASON FOR THIS IS: WE DIDN'T GET THE MOLD MADE FOR THE #9, HORSES HEAD AT THE TIME WE HAD THE OTHERS MADE BECAUSE I DID NOT HAVE A BOWL TO SEND HIM FOR THE PATTERN. NOW THE MOLD MAKER SAYS THIS WOULD BE A VERY HARD MOLD TO MAKE AND THE PRICE WENT UP A WHOLE LOT.

WE HAVE TRIED TO KEEP THE BASKETS AT THE SAME PRICE EVEN THOUGH IN THE LAST 3 YEARS THE PRICES HAVE GONE UP AND WE DIDN'T GET 500 OF SOME, SOME WE ONLY GOT AROUND 300. IF WE WENT AHEAD WITH THIS MOLD NOW, IT WOULD MAKE #9 A LOT MORE EXPENSIVE. I WOULD HATE TO START A SERIES AND GET EVERYBODY COLLECTING THEM AND THE LAST ONE, WHICH THEY WOULD HAVE TO HAVE, GO WAY UP IN PRICE. WE ALREADY HAD TO ADD \$1.00 MORE FOR POSTAGE AS THE \$1.50 WASN'T DOING IT. HOPE YOU ALL FEEL THE SAME WAY AND THE SERIES WILL END WITH #8 BASKET INSTEAD OF #9. WON'T KNOW THE COLOR UNTIL CLOSER TO THE TIME. THE PRICE WILL STILL BE \$18.50. THE 8TH ONE WILL NOT BE SHIPPED OUT UNTIL THE LATTER PART OF AUGUST.

WE STILL WILL HAVE THE MOLDS AND COULD MAKE A SERIES OF BOWLS OR PLATES IF YOU THINK THAT WOULD INTEREST YOU. THEY WOULDN'T COST NEAR AS MUCH BECAUSE WE WOULDN'T NEED HANDLES. ALSO, WE COULD TRY TO DO A SERIES OF BASKETS USING DIFFERENT KINDS OF GLASS LIKE ONE OF CRYSTAL, ONE BURMESE, SLAG, ROSALENE ETC.

PLEASE LET ME KNOW YOUR FEELINGS ON THIS. GIVE ME SOME IDEAS.