

Amery Area Public Library presents an antiques and collectibles appraisal event featuring author and antiques expert Mark F. Moran of Iola, Wis., on Friday, July 13 from 3-6 pm.

Formerly senior editor of Antiques and Collectibles Books for Krause Publications in Iola, Wis., he has also been a contributing editor for Antique Trader magazine. He has served as editor of Antique Review East magazine; as producer of Atlantique City, an antique show held in Atlantic City, N.J.; and as editorial director of F+W Media's Antiques Group.

He is the author or co-author of more than 25 books on antiques and collectibles, including three editions of the 800-page annual Warman's Antiques & Collectibles. Moran bought and sold antiques for more than 30 years, specializing in vintage folk art, Americana, and fine art. He has been active as an appraiser of antiques and fine art for more than 20 years.

Pre-registration is required. Call the Amery Area Public Library at 715-268-9340 to register.

Moran is available to make home visits for people with big things, or fragile things (or a lot of things). House calls are \$75 an hour and there is no mileage charge if within 10 miles of the appraisal event site. To arrange, call: 715-281-5060 or email: moranm1953@gmail.com.

Categories of objects for appraisal may include:

Fine art, including paintings, drawings, prints and statuary.

Furniture (usually smaller pieces are best).

Ceramics, including figural pottery, vases, dishes, kitchenware and stoneware.

Glassware, including lighting, marbles and souvenir items.

Vintage photographs, including snapshots, tintypes, ambrotypes and daguerreotypes.

Advertising, including posters, lithographed tin, paper and figural objects.

Folk art, including carvings, quilts, weathervanes, windmill weights and "outsider" art.

Assorted toys, including dolls (bisque, composition and plastic), windups and mechanical banks.

Metalware, including iron, bronze, brass, pot metal, silver, silver plate.

Clocks, including mantel, hanging and figural.

Costume jewelry, including brooches, bracelets, earrings.

Musical Instruments, including string, wind and reed instruments.

Excluded items: all weapons, including swords and knives (though folding knives with advertising are accepted); traps (like leg-hold); Nazi memorabilia; coins and paper money; fine jewelry, including precious gems; Beanie Babies.

Questions about objects not covered here can be submitted to Moran in advance to determine if they are appropriate. Suggested categories for advance inquiry include, but are not limited to: Oriental, Native American and other tribal objects (African, Oceanic); ancient artifacts (Egyptian and other early cultures); fossils and minerals; automotive items; nautical and military-related objects; records;

antique tools and technological objects (typewriters, cameras, assorted machinery or instruments for scientific measure, like sextants, telescopes, microscopes, etc.). When in doubt, email inquiry can often address this.

Opinions of value are informal, and may not be used for insurance or charitable donations, which require a certified appraisal.

Moran's books include:

Antique Trader Guide to Oriental Antiques

Antique Trader Furniture Price Guide

Antique Trader Clock Guide

Antique Trader Guide to Metalware

Antique Trader Vintage Salt & Peppershakers

Warman's Antiques & Collectibles, 43rd Edition, 2010

Warman's Antiques & Collectibles, 44th Edition, 2011

Warman's Antiques & Collectibles, 45th Edition, 2012

Warman's Fenton Glass: Identification and Price Guide

Warman's Fenton Glass, Vol. 2

Warman's Guide to Majolica Pottery

Warman's Arts and Crafts Furniture

Warman's Country Antiques

Warman's Fiesta Ware: Identification and Price Guide

Warman's Companion, Fiesta Ware

Warman's Gas Station Collectibles

Warman's McCoy Pottery: Identification and Price Guide

Warman's Companion, McCoy Pottery

Warman's McCoy Pottery, Vol. 2

Warman's Red Wing Pottery: Identification and Price Guide

Warman's Roseville Pottery: Identification and Price Guide

Warman's Guide to Vintage Cookie Jars

Warman's Guide to Lalique Glass

Warman's Guide to Tobacco Antiques and Collectibles

Warman's Guide to Sterling Flatware

Warman's Guide to Dolls, Vintage to Modern

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