

## Hobstar Preview: June, 2013



Emerald green blank cut-to-clear in Pairpoint's **Henrietta** design. 15 1/4" tall, 5 1/2" diameter base with a 20-point hobstar. Redlich & Co. created the gold-washed sterling silver adornment in a Vintage design.



"**Patern Quiz**" by Bill Evans discusses a plate cut by Libbey in a variation of the **Isabella** pattern defined by

the patent drawing. The variation appears to have been used on the round blank as opposed to that cut on rectangular or square blanks. The originally patented design features distinctive hobstars with four triangular strawberry-diamond points, nested in a completed blocked grid which is defined by hobnail bars, punctuated by eight-point 'squared' hobstar corners. The pictured 7" diameter plate is round with evenly sized scallops, the grid is not completed, and the small border fans are absent. For comparison of this round plate with an early production Isabella 7"- diameter plate, see the 'No. 36 Ice Cream Plate' shown in the 1894 Libbey archive pictured on page 2 of the 1996 ACGA Libbey Compendium.



"**Brilliant Cut Glass Shaving Mugs,**" by Rob Smith presents eight very unusual examples of mugs cut in different Brilliant Era designs. Here are two views of a cylindrical shaving mug with a thick, fire polished rim. The unidentified decorative pattern has overlapping arcs of beading that form vesicas between which are cut hobstarred diamonds with caned triangles above and below. There is a triple-cut handle. The 3 7/16" diameter bottom is cut in a 24-point hobstar.

"**Wiregrass Museum of Art Shows How Brilliant Glass Can Be,**" describes a special exhibit of Brilliant: American Cut Glass from the Collection of Dr. Tom Fortner, including photos and descriptions of several exhibited pieces.

"**Curiosities: A Cut Glass Automobile,**" by LindaJo Hare describes an unusual cutting pattern advertised by the Irving Cut Glass Company in the May 29, 1913 issue of the Pottery, Glass & Brass Salesman. Pictured there was a bowl cut in a design that featured a representation of an automobile.

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