Just Ask One Of Our Members!

Wagner and Griswold Society is a group of people that is interested in all facets of old cookware—cast iron as well as cast

aluminum. Some of the areas of interest include cleaning and restoring old cook-



ware, foundry his- Wagner Ware style K gem pan tory, identifying and documenting variations, and using old cookware.

In addition to skillets, other cookware



items that were manufactured in iron and aluminum include Dutch ovens and roasters,

Griswold waffle iron patented in 1908

cake molds, waffle irons, muffin and gem pans, tea pots and kettles, food grinders, and griddles. And there were many manufacturers in the business of "hollowware" and "stove furniture." Some of the trade names you might recognize include:

Favorite Piqua Ware R & E Manufacturing

G. F. Filley Savery & Son
Griswold Wagner Ware

Lodge Wapak

Martin Stove & Range Waterman

Here's How To Join

A membership application can be obtained on-line at www.wag-society.org or by writing to the address below. In addition to receiving the application, you will receive information on individual and family memberships, upcoming events, how to access the Forum, and the WAGS ethics guidelines. When writing, please include the following information:

- Name
- Address
- Telephone number
- Email address
- A brief summary of your cast iron collecting interest



Wagner and Griswold Society

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Cast Ir on cook war e

is more than old skillets



The WAGS Forum Is Second To None

We have more information on cast iron and aluminum cookware than anyone. The WAGS Forum, located on our web page, has boards dedicated to cooking and recipes, foundry information, cleaning and seasoning techniques, items on eBay, and a lot more.



Member Dave Smith, author of reference books on Griswold, Wagner, and other hollowware foundries, pointing out a feature of an early "spider" made by Savery and Son of New York

Have a question about your grand-mother's skillet? Just log on and ask. Wondering what the old waffle iron you saw at the antique mall is worth? WAGS can help. Not sure how to get rust off an old skillet and season it properly? Visit our cleaning and seasoning board. Looking for an rare item to complete a set? It might be for sale by one of our members. Are you thinking a cake mold you saw at an auction might be a worthless reproduction but don't know who to ask? Our Forum has what you need to know to distinguish the junk from the jewels.

When you join WAGS, you will have unlimited access to an extensive amount of information that is impossible to find anywhere else. Our members are constantly researching old records, catalogs, files, and other ephemera to document the history, products, and manufacturing techniques that were used in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

Great Annual Conventions

Annual conventions are attended by WAGS members from all over the country. There is no better way to network with people who share an enthusiastic interest in old cookware. Conventions



WAGS members looking at a display of items at the conclusion of "Show and Tell" at the 2009 convention in Plano, Texas

include a golf outing, workshops on various aspects of the hobby, displays of members' favorite pieces, a banquet, and a swap meet that includes more unique cookware that you could ever imagine.

Newsletters And Special Publications

WAGS regularly publishes a newsletter, *The Casting Call*, which is always packed with useful information. Features include information on upcoming conventions, interesting items that have sold on eBay, hollowware foundry history, cleaning and seasoning techniques, recipes, and classified ads. Many WAGS members submit articles for the newsletter on special topics of interest.



The Casting Call keeps the membership up-to-date

In addition to the all of the news and cookware-related information found in *The Casting Call*, WAGS also publishes special issues that are detailed articles of topics of interest. Past works have included "ERIE" skillets and plett pans.