

To The Glendale Historic Preservation Museum

From Peggy and Alec Brockmeier

These Italian pottery plates and pitcher were given to my mother Elaine Brockmeier (along with other pieces now gone) long ago by Miss Clara Olds Loveland (3/1/1899-2/21/1974). She was the daughter of Franklin Olds Loveland and Blanche Richardson Loveland and Sister of Angeline Loveland Faran and Franklin Olds Loveland, Jr. My mother and "Miss Clara" were dear friends. I would say that Miss Clara was a mentor of sorts for Mom.

The two sisters, Miss Clara and the widowed Mrs. Faran were well known in Glendale and lived together at Mrs. Faran's house at 120 Oak (the Clipson house today). They both attended Christ Church. Mrs. Faran was, as I recall, the Glendale Editor for the Millcreek Valley News before that position was taken over by Julie Clarke, wife of Rev. James E. Clarke, Christ Church. Both sisters, I believe are buried at Spring Grove Cemetery.

Miss Clara was highly educated, having attended Wellesley College, as did Mrs. Faran. It was said that she had a PhD in Divinity Studies. She was a world traveler and gave my mother several gifts from around the world including this pottery. Other gifts have since been lost.