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Selected Photographs of Otto Vogl Museum Exhibit, his University Office and Home Office

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Before I began thinking of retirement and was still living in New York, I became concerned as to what would happen to my written contributions to science, chemistry and polymer science. Most of my colleagues, past or present, have always left the “memories” of their scientific work to their scientific heirs or admirers. The results were usually that their work was, in the worst case, lost, or became the subject of legends by admirers. At best, one can find some incomplete presentations of the past.

It was then that I decided to write about my own scientific career, as I knew and recognized it. The central portion of my writings is science with successes and failures recorded in some detail. When I had finished the “scientific” part, it became apparent, that the causes of thinking, work opportunities and personal interrelations also had to be addressed, which I did. The book “My Life with Polymer Science” now has a subtitle “Scientific AND Personal Memoirs”.

Recently the University of Massachusetts has chosen to present and place all my life’s contributions which I provided as an “eminent recognized” scholar, on the Internet. This has been accomplished, is recorded and available for downloading under [http://works.bepress.com/otto_vogl/](http://works.bepress.com/otto_vogl/) in over 250 sections.

I was told by the Archives Department of the University of Massachusetts that I should provide them also with all my writings that were not for the Internet. The writings would be catalogued and they would become a permanent record for library use. More Importantly, the Archive Department of the University of Massachusetts asked me also to provide them with some of my personal memorabilia including pictures of my personal life.

In this section, I am displaying the pictures of my room in the Stadtmuseum in Traiskirchen, Austria, which was dedicated to me on my 70th birthdays in 1997. I am also presenting pictures of my office at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, MA and, as requested, pictures of my office at home, at Canterbury Lane. I am now spending much of my time writing of my past experience and communicating with the scientific community that I knew and still know.
In addition to pictures of my own room, I am also presenting some of the pictures of the Stadtmuseum in Traiskirchen. The Stadtmuseum is an extraordinary Institution of worldwide recognition. It has permanent exhibits, like the Dr. Vogl Zimmer, but also rooms, dedicated to local institutions and households. Most of them show the life in Traiskirchen of about 150 years ago: A room is dedicated to a cobblers shop, a wine “pub”, a local store, how wine is made, and even a section of an undertaker with (wooden) horse and tassels. The museum also show other important local novelties: A car of the Electric train from Vienna to Baden, traditional water wheel, still working in the adjacent mill river, a collection of caps of police and clubs, motorcycles and bicycles of the past.

Most important are the annual major exhibition that are carefully prepared with style and competence: 1.) 100 Years of Matador Toys; 2.) 100 Years of the Stone Toys; c.) 150 Years of the Wr Neustaedter Kanal (an important water way in Central Europe in the 19th century); d.) 150 Years of the first Mountain Railroad, built by Ghega over the Semmering; e.) The legendary pair of actors of the war and postwar period Hans Moser, and Hoerbiger; e.) The occupiers of Traiskirchen, from the middle age all the way to the Soviet occupation by the Red Army.

In this compilation I have provided finally the Archives Department with pictures depicting the life and life style of the scientist Otto Vogl in his office at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst in his early retirement, now as the most senior Emeritus Member of the Department of Polymer Science and Engineering, in the environment of his activities at home.
Stadtmuseum of the City of Traiskirchen, AUSTRIA
Stadtmuseum, Special Exhibition, 100 years Matador
Outside the Museum
Exhibition: Occupation of Traiskirchen since the Middle Age
Professor Vogl’s Office at UMass in Amherst, MA
Wiener Symposium
Macromolecules in the 21st Century, October 6-9, 2002
Aus Anlass des 75. Geburtstags von Univ. Professor Dr. Otto Vog

Palais Eschenbach  St Stefan's Dom, Symbol von Wien

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