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1986 - CR started with 68/69 free-blown designs (many with color variations), all made in Poland
     - made of tempered glass, acrylic & water-based paints, water-based lacquers
                                                                   [pg 48 & 52 CR The First Decade bk]
     - copyright date usually 1 yr before produced, during design phase
                  (ie: c1997 sold in 1998)
                                                    [via CR senior designer Mario Tare on Facebk, 2014]
     - all hanger pins are circles, in silver-tone or gold-tone
                                                                                       \ [Spring
     - all crowns/caps plain with sides short & straight bottom | | in silver- or gold-tone
                                                                                       \ 2000
     - no word name on crowns/caps
                                                                                        \ Starlight
1987 - crown sides changed to embossed, longer straight & slant ended sides \_/
                                                                                        } Magazine
                                                                                      [pg 251 Olsen bk]
1988 - 1st finials
     - 1st mold blown ornies
                                                                            [pg 64 CR First Decade bk]
     - crown sides changed to embossed, triangle sides w pierced end / \
                                                                                        / pg 8
1989 - crown sides changed to embossed, longer straight sides & rounded end, til '94
                                                                                       / Robba on
     - 1st time word Radko on crowns of those made in Poland
                                                                                       / Radko 1
     - 1st limited edition, hand nbr & initialized: Tiffany, LE 2000 but only 500 made [pg 72&78 Radko bk]
                            [via CR Starlight Mag writer & CR expert Steve Robba on Facebk, Jul 2016]
     - 1st exclusives made
                                                                                        [ CR 199 Cat ]
?1991? - crown sides of pointed end sides w 6 point star in hex phased-in
                                                                             \ [Spr 2000 Starlight Mag,
1992 - 1st German made ornies
     - words West Germany on crowns of those made in Germany
                                                                             / pg 8, Robba on Radko ]
                                                     [pg 258 Olsen bk] [pg 102 CR The First Decade bk]
     - 1st glass garlands
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     - 1st Czech bead ornies
     - 1st Schaller Santa Gift Containers
                                                                                     / First Decade bk1
                                                                                    [ CR 1992 & '3 Cat ]
to 1993 - for identification used only style/item nbr
1993 - 1st AIDS awareness charity ornie: A Shy Rabbit's Heart
                                                                        [pg 110 CR The First Decade bk]
     - 1st Italian made ornies (most De Carlini & Laved)
                                                                                     [ Spring 2000
     - word Italy on crowns of those made in Italy
                                                                                   Starlight Mag, pg 8
                                                                                     Robba on Radko 1
1994 - word Radko on all crowns
                                                                                        [CR 1994 Cat]
     - for identification used 2 digit year nbr then style nbr
                                                                  [pg 128, 154 CR The First Decade bk]
     - 1st nativity set German, 42 pieces
1995 (10th yr) - for identification used 2 digit year nbr then style nbr then coloration nbr
                                                                                             [CR
                   (-0 = original, -1 = 1st recolor, -2 = 2nd recolor, etc)
                                                                                           } 1995
              - renumbered older items to new system
                                                                                             Cat 1
              - standardized name spellings for same style/mold (ex: Alladin & Aladden)
                                                                                      [pg 237 Olsen bk]
              - 1st Disney ornies
1996 - intro Home For The Holidays line of tabletop, decor, & accessories
                                                                                        [ CR 1996 Cat.]
1998 - 1st Cooky Jar made, "Jolly Jalopy"
                                                   [via CR designer Mario Tare on Facebk, Dec 30,2016]
1999 - started put'g name & style nbr on tag
                                                      [via CR expert Steve Robba on Facebk, Aug2014]
2000 - phased in 14kt gold dipped oval charm of CR 8 pnt star[Spr2000 Starlgt Mag,pg8,Robba on Radko]
     - intro Sugar Frost Folies ornies
                                                                                      [pg 246 Olsen bk]
c2001 - crown sides changed to holly shape w embossed veins & 3 berries
                                                                                        [CR 200 Cat]
                                          [KnightRidder newspaper Dec24,'04 said bought SB late '90s]
2001 - intro'd 1940s themed Shiny Brites
2002 - changed hanger pin from circle to CR comp. Starad 8 pointed star
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     - started new identification numbering system with 1st four digits 1010 then style nbrs. / Cat ]
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