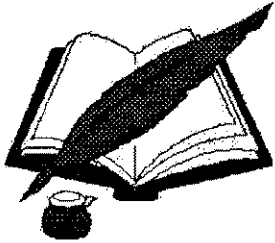


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On The LIGHTER Side

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Notes from Judith

Here we are in a new Century - I am hesitant to say "the new millennium", since some purists are saying the millennium doesn't start until next year? I won't get into THAT discussion! I will wish each of you a Happy New Year, and may our hobby continue to grow.

For the first business of the year, I must make a **CORRECTION!** In the Nov. paper I said "...the club started in 1994 - OTLS, of course, actually started in 1984! I was pleased at how many people noticed this mistake because it means to me that people actually read their paper!!!

ALSO I forgot to mention - if you want a membership card for the year 2000, please send a stamped & self addressed envelope. Overseas members can send a "postal coupon" which can be purchased at your Post Office.

You may have noticed I changed the top of this column? I was tired of the old one - wanted to try something new for this year - do you like it? Do you have any other suggestions?

Recently one of the members called to tell me a phone number appearing in the classified ads went directly to another business, not connected with the ad. The phone company has now straightened this out. For any of you who may have reached this number, our apologies for this.

As mentioned in our last issue, we now have a web page (otls.com). For you who have looked at our page recently, you will see we have added a couple of items. Thanks to Paul Rowan for his help with this! We will continue to change the page all the time, so check it frequently. We hope shortly to offer some lighters for sale on this web page also. (As soon as your Editor figures out how to do this!)

One thing I **LOVE** about everyone sending in their dues is the lovely notes I get from so many people. So **THANKS** to everyone who sent notes, Christmas

cards, gifts, pictures, & emails - I **REALLY** love the photos. Some great photos I received this year: one of Paul and Marissa's new baby Vanessa and Dave & Sherie Markey's kids - and a picture of Koichiro & Tomoko Yoshimoto with their children Takahiro and Masumi, - Marty Inman with his grandchildren & a photo of a Barcroft with my name on it from Hiroshi & Tomoko Kito (how did he do that?). Also got a great photo of Emma and Kyle from Larry & Jacquie Tolkin.

The Board of Directors are pleased to announce the following Officers have been chosen to serve for the year 2000. Congratulations to each of them.

President	Michael Cassidy
Vice President	Paul Rowan
Editor/Sec	Judith Sanders
Social Sec.	Karen Politi
Conv. Lighter Chrm	Corky Horner

IF YOU HAVEN'T PAID YOUR DUES FOR THE YEAR 2000, PLEASE DO SO ASAP!

And now a word from our President

Here we go
lighters in tow
into The Third Millennium
.....and
here I go
backwards I know
to nineteen-ninety-one-lum!
(silly I know...it just kinda' flow(ed)

In "my" first OTLS newsletter of January 15, 1991 (Vol. VIII, No. 1), Judith took three **SENTENCES** to request "content" for the newsletter. In our last newsletter of 1999, she took three **PARAGRAPHS!** Proof positive that we've grown in the nineties!

And how about this, from a 1991 100+ page catalogue from Jack Seiderman? **LEFT OVER** from his 1988 catalogue, available for \$200....a Dunhill Aquarium! Whoa!

Here's a quote from the **CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS** in the July, 1991 issue: "We were very **HONORED** to have **JOHN BECKWITH** (Beckwith

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Our President continues...

Lighters) with us...he kept us all entertained with stories from the days when his company was in business." That was my first convention; and what an excellent memory it is to see that fine old gentleman sitting there sharing his knowledge and selling his sterling figural horse head pocket lighters to a few lucky collectors.

And that's just one of so many fine memories from my nine OTLS Conventions. Have YOU treated yourself to a convention? You'll never catch up with Judith and Peter (is it 13 now?); but you certainly can start off the new millennium with one of the truly great joys of the Collecting World by joining us in Las Vegas for (as Max Yasgur might say) "THREE DAYS OF FUN AND LIGHTERS!" Actually, we stretch it out a little longer than those party-lightweights at Woodstock did - a full week in the desert is not unusual for some of our "spirited" members. But don't catch the stories second-hand - come see for yourself - let loose of a couple of lighters to pay for the trip - enjoy the sights and sounds of Las Vegas - stock up on some memories of your own - absorb some (or lots of) knowledge from the greatest lighter collectors and dealers in Europe, Asia, South America, Australia, Canada and the good old USA - bring your family along - add a few lighters to your collection - share in the friendships that are the heart and soul of our club. SEE YOU IN LAS VEGAS!

Thanks for the honor of the year 2000 presidency of On The LIGHTER Side. And thanks for the memories.

Mike Cassidy, President

And the Vice President speaks...

Dear Friends and Fellow Collectors,

I hope that this edition of our Club newsletter finds you Happy and Healthy in the New Millennium!!

For those of you who I have not had the opportunity to meet, let me introduce myself. My name is Paul Rowan. I have been an addict (lighter of course!) for over 24 years now, and a member of OTLS for over 14 years. I never realized what an addiction I had until this very moment while writing this letter, I always thought it was just a strange hobby!!

Some 14 years ago, my loving Mother, a collector of knick-knacks and (lighters for me), sent a newspaper article to me in California about this lighter club in Texas. At first I was a bit skeptical, but after speaking to this lady with a comforting southern drawl, I did finally send in my dues for a year to see what it was all about. This was the beginning of a life long friendship, full of fun, laughter and a few tears.

The main reason I joined OTLS was to force myself to travel to new places and to meet new people. Little did I know back then how much pleasure and enjoyment I would receive from belong to OTLS. I have

made so many friends over the years it is hard to count them. I have traveled to so many places that I never would have gone if it were not for this thing that I call a Convention every year. It seems more like a family reunion to me.

The first experience I had attending a Convention was at the Cleveland Show. I drove a couple of hours from my home in New Jersey, and decided I had to stop for the night about fifty miles from my destination, not having much in the way of cash at the time. I spent the night in my van at a campground. It was so cold I slept in my sleeping bag with all my clothes and coats on. I awoke in the middle of the night freezing and shivering uncontrollably with snowflakes falling around the van. At this point, I decided to finish the drive to Cleveland and arrived in Cleveland in the wee hours of the morning, and after a hot cup of coffee at the local McDonald's, I worked up enough courage to call the hotel and speak with Judith. I apologized for calling so early, and with her comforting drawl, she said you get yourself over here right now! When I arrived at the hotel, I was extremely shy and nervous about meeting Judith and the gang. At about 7:00 A.M. there was already a crowd of people in the suite. I was greeted with a big hug and a kiss from our founder, a resounding hello from the gang, and the rest is history. I feel so comfortable at that convention, I have made 11 of the past 13 shows. If you have never been to one of our Conventions, and you are nervous about meeting a room full of strangers, remember that strangers are just friends waiting to happen.

Several weeks ago, "The Queen" as some of us have come to know Judith, called to say that some members of the Board of Directors had nominated me for the office of Vice President, and asked if I would consider serving. How could I say No? After giving so much to me, I feel it is time to give back to the club. Besides the Queen would have crowned me if I did say no!! I am truly honored and humbled by the nomination. The Board of Directors' vote of confidence in my abilities means a great deal to me. Although I am still asking myself, why me? I am by no means an expert or advanced collector. So why me? I guess that and many other mysteries will be solved in the new century.

As Vice President, I am willing to serve the Membership in any way that I can. I will do my best to promote our Club, attract new members, and share the knowledge I have acquired with our wonderful family of collectors. If anyone needs to contact me, feel free to call me at (732)776-2659 or you can email me at Touchtip@Msn.com.

And one final note, even though I swore I would never return to Las Vegas, somehow I think I'll be there. See everyone in June 2000!!!

Paul Rowan, Vice President

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COMMENTS FROM OUR MEMBERS....

....Adam Glick

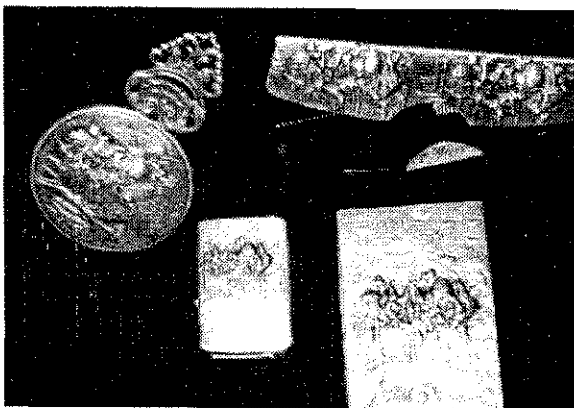
I enjoyed the article on unusual foreign lighters in the September paper, since I also collect that type. Just thought I would pass on some information about a lighter I have. I have a Sterling Silver "Packet" Made in Mexico - the words are all in English. This lighter looks exactly like the "Wask" shown in your article. Maybe they were made by the same company?

....Gordon MacLean

CAUTION - I have noticed, of late, that a number of Canadian manufactured Zippo lighters are appearing for sale on ebay. I would caution potential buyers to be careful in accepting the manufactured date indicated by the seller. Dating Canadian Zippos is not like those made in the USA. Don't be fooled simply because the marking on the bottom says "Patented 1950. This marking can refer to anything made from 1950 to 1963. From 1986 they have the same markings as their US counterparts.

.....Donald Vesneske

The September issue has an article on Pg. 6, referring to a Sterling cigarette lighter with an embossed picture "in relief" of some men drinking out of mugs & marked "Denmark". I've found several pieces with the same markings - a cigarette lighter, cigarette pack holder, a folding comb and an interesting small, round mirror. See photo.



[COLLECTORS' CORNER]

LOST WAGES FOREVER!

by Peter Cavanagh

Having been retired from my position with Radio Australia, for three years now, I really miss the lost wages that retirement entails, but I still look forward to traveling to Las Vegas, otherwise known as Lost Wages, for the OTLS convention every other year. I have happy memories of attending the first of these Nevada get-togethers which was the fourth convention

(1990), held at what was to become my favorite hotel-casino, the "Aladdin". That year's convention Zippo, to me, was the best of all, not only was it printed on both sides, as well as the front lid, it used multicolor printing, six colors I believe, to depict the Casino's facade, which made it the most beautiful of all the club's Zippos. Later designs were excellent but lacked the color creativity that could have been employed. It would not have been a viable proposition to use multicolors as it's too expensive.

Each convention, and I have enjoyed all 13, has wonderful memories for me, those in Vegas especially. The weddings of club members, the Strip hopping, pool parties and lighter dealers donating their profits to casino dealers. One year I was paged over Aladdin's intercom by Judith You-Know-Who, when I was on a roll and well ahead at the Roulette Wheel. When I got back to it, I lost all that and a bit more!! Thank you Judith! But we both had the great pleasure of catching up with Fleetwood Mac in concert at the Aladdin. We may have damaged our eardrums, but it was an historic concert for they later split up. There is always something to do in Vegas, with so many attractions available. It may pay you to plan ahead, so look for the Las Vegas Magazine, which I even saw at a newspaper shop here in Melbourne, it gives the coming month's highlights at all venues, stories on what's hot, the stars who will there in the coming month. I've even been chauffeured to view the Hoover Dam. It's well worth a visit. Thank you Lynn & Pearl Baker.

Two years ago I suggested to Judith that we take a flight over that great big hole in the ground known as the Grand Canyon, but the days went by and so did the opportunity. The best feature of Vegas is the food and how cheaply you can dine. This was brought to my attention by a taxicab driver who said he had driven a cab in New York but decided that he and his family needed to get away from NY's crime, its drugs, and try the lifestyle in Las Vegas. He said their apartment was bigger, better and much cheaper than NY and the food bills were way way down. There were good educational facilities for his kids, great weather...it was perfect he said.....as long as you don't gamble. I've had the pleasure of experiencing some of the best Vegas eateries, due mainly to the knowledgeable Bob & Irma Beyers. They know the best places to dine, the buffet dining spots which are so reasonable, if you're into seafood, this hotel, that one has the biggest and best steaks.

The Beyers incidentally have done so much for the club at each Vegas convention, accepting member's parcels of lighters and such. What an experience it is to see Bob's playroom, unbelievable items concerning drinking and gambling, huge whiskey bottles, a rare card and gambling table and various old

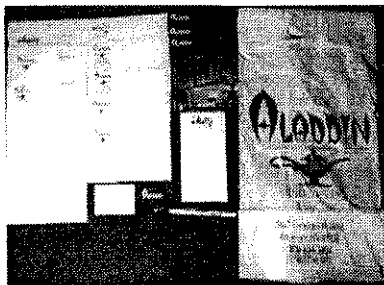
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slot machines. I could spend hours there! Vegas is like a magnet to me, have even stayed at the Aladdin in years when the convention was elsewhere. What a shame they imploded it, but maybe it will be bigger and better and available for future conventions.

As you can see I've kept many mementos of the place, letterheads, envelopes, postcards, all have different addresses and/or phone numbers over the years.



As the Aladdin was not available in 1997, the convention was held at the Imperial Palace, which was great, I even won a \$1500 jackpot on one of their \$1 machines. Mind you, I had to wait about an hour or more to receive the cash after they first asked for my driver's license, half an hour later, my passport,



which I had to get from the 16th floor, they finally said I had to pay a "Withholding Tax" of 30%, \$450. Zowie!! I wondered why an "alien" like me should have to pay a gambling tax, okay if I was a citizen of the country, I can understand that, ah well, it's the law.

This year you will possibly find me at the 5 cent machines, being a recipient nowadays of a not-to-generous Australian pension. Maybe I'll sell a few of my convention Zippos or other rare or unusual lighters I hope to bring, but I just look forward to renewing my friendship with my fellow OTLS members and meeting up with first-time conventioners. Let me wish you all a happy holiday period and the best of health and happiness for the new year.



THE **Zippo** LINK

by Mark Heitzinger
Zippo Marketing Communications

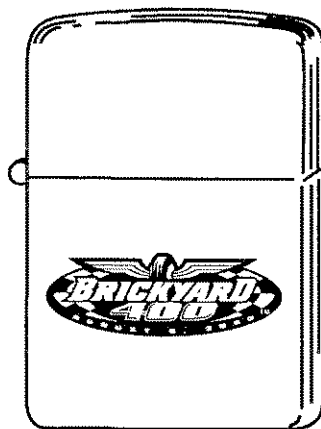
The Zippo lighter is stylish yet rugged. This is something every Zippo lighter collector knows. What Zippo collectors may not know, is that Zippo has

introduced two new lighter finishes for the 2000 collection. One exudes a sophisticated elegance, the other a brash rawness: Satin Chrome and Street Chrome. Each is as distinct as the Zippo lighter itself.

Satin chrome finish duplicates the flowing, fluid lines of rich, luxurious satin. With a silky textured surface, this Zippo lighter feels good and looks even better. Several new designs will adorn the basic Satin chrome finish lighter including Yellow Submarine, Jim Beam, JUGULAR, Brickyard 400-2000, Daytona 500, WWF, Zippo extreme sports and a unique carbon fiber emblem. (see photo)

The rugged look of the new Street chrome finish, mirrors life on tough urban streets. The scratched surface suggests a well worn, battle tested lighter, that can be relied on in any situation. Street chrome will be available only through a Philip Morris Marlboro miles promotion, or overseas until late 2000. Zippo plans to include the finish in the classic line at the conclusion of the Philip Morris promotion. The Philip Morris "Silver Moon" Street Chrome lighter features a brush pewter emblem on the front and is available for 450 Marlboro miles. (see photo)

Collectors, be sure to grab the hot new Zippo lighter finishes, Satin chrome and Street chrome. Just two more examples of how the Zippo lighter is silky smooth, yet rough and rugged.



THE FIFTEEN BEST LIGHTERS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY

1. DUNHILL DOROTHY ROSE BASKET
2. 1933 OUTSIDE HINGE ZIPPO
3. DUNHILL GOLD UNIQUE ENAMELED
WATCH LIGHTER
4. MADE IN OCCUPIED JAPAN CARS (ALL)
5. RONSON BARTENDERS (STRIKER & TT)
6. ZIPPO WORLD WAR II BLACK CRACKLE
7. RONSON BANJO
8. CARTIER GOLD & ENAMEL WATCH LIGHTER
9. DUNHILL AQUARIUM
10. THORENS ORIGINAL
11. DUNHILL SILENT FLAME
12. ZIPPO METALLIQUE
13. RONSON CASE LIGHTER W/COMPACT
14. AUERMETALL STRIKER & AUERMETALL
FLINT
15. EVANS LIFT ARM

Note: This list was voted on by a committee of lighter collectors, and were picked for unusual mechanisms, impact on the lighter world, popularity, etc. We feel sure there are others which could have appeared on this list. However, we felt at the beginning of a new Century, it was important to mention outstanding lighters of the last century.

THE BOOK CORNER by BenRapaport

I have some info about a new book for those members crazy for Zippo lighters!

In the Design Classics Series published by Form Verlag (Germany), Vol 23 is The Zippo Lighter by George G. Blaisdell (Das Zippo-Fuerqeug), published this year. The book is to be released this Wintr and will sell for about \$15. The text is in English.

I will accept "special orders" for this book rather than stock it. So, all the OTLS'ers have to do is express their interest in purchasing this book, & I will order that amount in one order. I know no more details about this title than what I offer here.

(Editorial Note: Send Ben a postcard if you want this book, so he will know how many to order.)

Fuel For The Fire

Question: I have just started collecting Lektrolite lighters, which I think are such a beautiful and underrated lighter. Can you tell me a little about this lighter and if they produced many different models?
Roger Smith

ANSWER: What I can tell you about this lighter, is what I've learned from various old ads I have collected over the years.

Platinum Products Corp. produced Lektrolite shavers and lighters in the 30's and 40's, and was headquartered at 521 5th Avenue in NYC. The lighters method of operation was quite unusual. Inside was a platinum coil which when exposed to the oxygen in the air produced a flame. Sounds quite dangerous really because you only had to open the lid for a light! There were no wheels to turn or buttons to push, it was simply a chemical reaction that caused a light. They were advertised as "flameless, odorless and absolutely dependable", and was available in a variety of styles and colors. Their standard model was the "Dynamique" which cost \$7.50 in 1936. It required filling only once every 3 months, and was produced both in metal and a "Plastique" material which were colorful celluloid's such as red, green, blue and ivory. These beautiful lighters retailed for \$3.50 in the early 1930's. Lektrolite lighters were also available in a table model known as the Desk Lektrolite" which sold in chrome for \$7.50, or chrome and enamel for \$10.

They also produced a Case/Lighter they called "Lektrocase" in a "Rolltop" version for \$5, or in enamel with sterling silver trim for \$25. Finally was their smallest model, known as the "Midget" which costs only \$1, and "Glolite" which was \$2.50. Their more expensive "Lapel Glolite" was a "Glolite" attached to a braided leather fob which attached to one's coat lapel. This model set you back a whopping \$5 in 1936. Hope you found this helpful. Ira Pilosoff

Net News

by Larry Tolkin

The market on Ebay is still very strong for quality lighters. Items listed were sold within the last 8 weeks of the year. Based upon these strong results (a few bargains to be had) and based upon the booming economic global market, I'm sure prices for quality lighters will continue to rise in the new millennium. Vintage (Pre-1950) rare lighters are not coming up for sale as often as earlier in the year. The prices listed below should help you gauge the Zippo market. It's very active. Please forward any questions to Larry at LTOLKIN@AOL.COM or call (203)226-8160.

ZIPPO'S

1960's Westinghouse w/a Coke Machine (used) - \$381
1972 Astrodome - MIB - \$62
1972 Swiss Miss - MIB - \$207

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CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE OR TRADE

For Sale: Copy of *Legend of the Lighter* by Ad van Weert. This is the original Limited Special Edition, hard cover, No. 440 out of 500. This copy has a windmill lighter encased in the front cover. Book is Mint. \$250 + S & H. Call or email Richard Weinstein (212)586-0947 or **NEW** email vintagelighters@earthlink.net

FOR SALE: Cobalt blue glass Potassium Bichromate chemical lighter. Circa 1880's. French made. \$1100.00. Figural jockey table lighter in multicolored enamel 8 1/2" high \$175. ED dual wick & rope lighter in the shape of a pocket watch (pg 79, Legend of the Lighter) \$450. Call Guy (310)215-1951 or email btrade@mediaone.net

CONVENTION ZIPPPOS

I have multiple Zippos from all the OTLS conventions & I hope to sell them at similar prices as shown in Nov. newsletter. The 1st, 2nd & 3rd convention lighters are all reasonably priced and I will donate around a quarter of the price of those to the club. For details please email me (lighterigniter@ozemail.com.au) or ring me. First, the code to get out of your country, then 61 (for Australia) 3 (for my State of Victoria) then 9546 9254. I'll be bringing them to the 2000 convention. Hope to see you there. Peter Cavanagh

FOR SALE: All items are made by Zippo and are mint in box - estimation about 20 to 25 yrs old. All items are brushed chrome w/red griffin in circle and "Griffin Wheel" in blue under it. 3 ea key holders, round 1 1/2" x 1/4" w/2 key rings - \$30 ea. 1 ea Pocket Knife 2" x 1 1/3" x 1/8" (knife & file) - \$35. 1 ea Ruler 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 1/2" - rule length about 7 1/2" - \$40. Boxes are all marked Zippo, Call Gene Grosko (913)321-8128


Please come visit my store when you are in New York - I have hundreds of lighters for sale. Ilene Chazanof (212)254-5565

I have a 1996 Zippo (MIB) with a Bingo Card on the front (black, white & blue). If you are interested, I will take any reasonable offer. Call, fax or email Judith Sanders (903)763-2795, fax (903)763-4953 or email otls@juno.com

FOR SALE OR TRADE: Ronson "Decanter" T/L. Stamped on the bottom as follows: Ronson Toronto Canada CAN. PAT 449159 - June 15, 1948 Other PATS. PD'G. US PATS RE19023-2481. .195 Silver Plate.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

Comes complete with the original presentation box. The box has some minor damage on the top, the silver and blue Ronson tag and instruction booklet. Some slight use but in outstanding condition. Gordon MacLean email gmnclean@compusmart.ab.ca or phone (780)484-8504



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WANTED

Navy Lighter Collector would like to correspond & trade or purchase lighters with other Navy lighter collectors. I have 75 doubles of US and Canadian ships for trade as well as most Canadian HRC lighters. See chg of address for email change. Pat Broschart

Looking for Viet Nam Zippos with color engravings. And Zippo early Sport Series. Please write to Jean-Michel Fiu (see Change of Address page)

Looking for rare Ronson pocket lighters, including the Rope lighter (Fig. 6), a Standard or Princess Prom (Fig. 24), A Piercig and a Beverly (both not shown in Ronson Bk). I also am looking for a Junior Sport in red, blue or green leather & any early deco Ronson pocket lighters. Please call or email Dave Markey (517)835-8707. new email dmarkey@home.com

WANTED

WANTED ZIPPO'S with advertising for New Jersey businesses in Mint cond. Call Jerry Faiduto at (973)751-7281 or email at Dudeo927@aol.com

Wanted: Ronson MIB Wick and Butane. Ronson/AMW Elephant & Dog Strikers. Tall size; Ronson/AMW, Evans, Polo, Dunhill, etc. Ronson/AMW "Taborette" and "Peresphere". Evans "Clipper" automatic. Jack Williams

Wanted Royal Doulton Toby Jug cigarette lighters - ash bowls - ash trays. Also looking for Wedgwood Cigarette Lighters. I am willing to trade or buy. Jerry Stargot (718)352-7626 fax (516)794-0008

I am looking for the MIOJ (or just "Made in Japan) Birdcage with Bird inside, hanging on a post. Also any unusual "People" lighters (figural) - any manufacturer. Call or email Judith Sanders (903)763-2795 email otls@juno.com

Please help me find a Chuckles Candy Zippo and some Town & Country advertisers. Ed Fingerman 1-800-253-7367 or email fountainpenhospital@worldnet.att.net

Wanted: Sunoco Zippo lighter and other gas station Zippos. Call Fred Garzone (716)663-5615

WANTED

(1) 1960'S Zippo Yellow Fluid Can
(2) 1967/69 Zippo Plastic Fuel Bottle.

I am looking forward to your response. Hiroshi Kito
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A MEMBER CALLED LAST WEEK TO ASK HOW MUCH IT COST TO PLACE AN AD IN THE PAPER. THE ADS IN OUR PAPER FOR FREE FOR MEMBERS!!! THE ONLY ADS WE CHARGE FOR ARE THE FLYERS SOME MEMBERS PUT IN THE PAPER.

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES FOR THE YEAR 2000?

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE OR TRADE

Bisconcini for sale in very good condition. \$500 + postage. David Ashworth 011 44 1282 838871

I have some Zippos, Ronsons & Evans and Miscellaneous lighters. What do you need - perhaps I can help. Al Roth (623)972-2054 or email alrone@aol.com (see chg of address)

Be sure & visit the Collectorshop at Felton Street Antiques, 101-B Felton Street, Waltham MA Phone: (781)893-9220. We always have a neat assortment of desirable Ronsons, Zippos and others. Near Boston. Usual group shop hours - closed Tuesdays

For Sale or Will Trade for other lighters: 1949 3 barrel Zippo adv in orig box; Zippo Corinthian Turquoise; Dunhill Dueling Pistol lighter 1930's model MIB; 1995 Zippo Firestone Adv. solid brass mint. Garland Grant (804)432-9493

For Sale or Trade: New in presentation package a Ronson - Zippo style pocket lighter with the logo "DAILY DOUBLE". This is in a two color (red & gold) triangle. On other side of the lighter are five Daily Double cigars. Overall size of the package is 9" x 6". Gordon MacLean email gmaclean@compusmart.ab.ca or phone (780)484-8504

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WANTED

WANTED: All trick/joke/puzzle lighters as long as they are actual working lighters. Richard Ball (see change of address in Nov. issue) email richard-ball@email.msn.com

Wanted: Ronson Wick (petrol) type pocket models without engraving on them. Must be mint or excellent condition. Box not necessary. Standard, Princess, Whirlwind, Gem, Adonis & Super Windlite models only. **Urban Cummings (650)328-0329**

I am interested in upgrading my collection and will pay **BIG \$\$\$** for Evans P/Ls and P/L sets in mint condition. I am not interested in lighters that are less than Mint. Larry Clayton **(757)436-7821**

I am looking for the round Negbaur Golf Bag. Please write or call Gary Patterson **(903)753-2073**

(Editorial Note: On the ad below for Rob Giarretta, see New Member Page)

WANTED

Wanted: Zippos new or in good to very good cond. Lighters from U.S. Military Academy - West Point, Naval Acad., Air Force Acad., Coast Guard. Thanks R. J. Cesena (408)243-6736 or email ugroundj@pacbell.net

I would like to find a Moderne (bright Rhodium finish). I have some chrome Corinthians or some No. 4 Barcroft (generic ads) to trade or will buy. Don & Carol St Peter (503)681-9778 (see [Welcome Back/New Mbr pg](#))


Wanted>> Magic pocket lamp by Koopmans, Pat. 1898; Reliable Pocket Lamp, made in Philadelphia; Fulman Gas pocket lighter; Stockwell fusee pocket lighter, Made in USA; Reliable pocket lamp, made in Philadelphia Pat. 1890's; Matchless cigar lighter; Occupied Japan typewriter novelty lighter. Howard Toler (425)776-0921 or email boliver@foxinternet.net

Seeking an original (chrome) version of the Ronson Decanter (No. 279 Ronson Book), as well as all aluminum table lighters. Paul Tascarella (914)723-5952

Looking for unusual Clearfloat table lighters. No sea-scapes or basics please. Will pay top dollar for any I don't have. Contact Paul Zisser (212)685-9237, Ext 311 or email paul@lawford.com

I Buy ZIPPO Lighters

Pre-1979 Advertising Military Zippos
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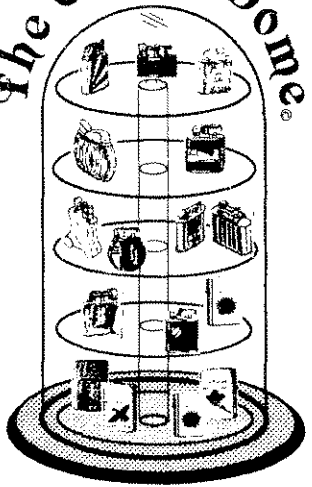


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HAVE YOU PAID YOUR DUES FOR THE YEAR 2000?

- 1972 Vietnam Enamel featuring Huey Helicopter - MIB - \$350
- 1972 Reddy Kilowatt - MIB - \$207
- 1980 (Slim) Charlie the Tuna - MIB - \$200
- Pat 203 Red Leathercraft - MIB - \$461
- Pat 203 Brown Alligator Wrap - Mint - \$283
- 1964 Sherwin Williams Paint - MIB - \$105
- 1950's - Aunt Jamima - MIB - \$480
- 1960's General Tire Barcroft - Mint - \$125
- 1960's Reddy Kilowatt Barcroft - Mint - \$687
- 1950's T & C Mallard - MIB - \$435
- Collection of OTLS Convention Lighters 1987-1997 - MIB \$610 Note: Don't forget to buy yours every year.

MISCELLANEOUS LIGHTERS

- Table Ostrich wrap Giant Dunhill Presentation from Sonje Henie - \$293
- Ronson Dynastic TT - \$326
- Thorens Jubilee Lighter - MIB - \$28
- Ronson Kingcase w/Watch - \$490
- Ronson Banjo - MIB - \$585
- Ronson Dureum Heart - \$511
- Miss Cutie - MIB - \$36
- Unusual Koopmans - all over engraving - \$172
- Table Catalan Ellis - MIB - \$309

NEXT ISSUE: LIGHTERS UNDER \$100

COMING ATTRACTIONS!

**NORTHEAST LIGHTER SHOW
SATURDAY - FEB 26TH, 2000
RAMADA HOTEL - NEWARK AIRPORT
FOR INFO EMAIL LTOLKIN@AOL.COM
(SEE ENCLOSED FLYER)**

PLEASE NOTE I HAD THE INCORRECT DATES FOR THE 2000 CONVENTION! THE CORRECT DATES ARE JUNE 8 - 11, 2000 (THURS - SUN). COMPLETE DETAILS WILL BE IN THE MARCH NEWSLETTER.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS, WHO HAVE BEEN MEMBERS SINCE THE FIRST YEAR OF OTLS (1984).


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Our sympathy to John Tipsword on the loss of his wife, Trudi. I'm sure John would like to hear from some of you. Sheri Markey just had back surgery for a herniated disk. She will be recovering for the next 8 to 10 weeks, so I'm sure she would enjoy some notes and cards! While Sheri is recovering, Dave is becoming "Mr Mom" with the 3 children - he would probably enjoy hearing from everyone also! Mannie Stolman has been in the hospital. He was very ill for a while, but is doing better now. Also our dear friend, Catherine Stolman is not well - please send her lots of cheerful notes and cards! Right before Christmas, Lynn & Pearl Baker came to visit. I was so glad to see them, and we had a great time! Pearl said she is probably the first member to "Hand deliver her dues!" (and that's true!) They were on the way to Illinois, tracking their way on Lynn's laptop. Congratulatis to Tony Ottaviano - he not only was the first person to order one of the new Zippo Watches, he also had his name in the **Zip A Gram** (Zippo's inhouse magazine), as well as a photo! The same issue also mentioned Ira Pilossof, for his recent listing in the **Guinness Book of Records** - Congratulations again, Ira!

Our other columns will return next issue.
IF I LEFT ANYTHING OUT, OR FORGOT SOMETHING - SORRY ABOUT THAT! I WAS FINISHING THE PAPER IN A HURRY SO I COULD GO TO THE FLORIDA SHOW! GIVE YOU ALL A REPORT ON THAT SHOW NEXT ISSUE!

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