

On The BIGGER Side

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On the suggestion of my sister, who lives in Indianapolis, I placed an ad in the Collectors News to run for April and May, asking for other lighter collectors to join our club. The response from this ad has been tremendous. I have been receiving letters from a lot of interesting people. Many of these are lighter collectors, some of whom have already joined as of this issue. Other letters have been from some people who wanted to sell lighters -- I have mentioned one or two of these under Collectors' Corner in the event any of you are interested.

There also have been some letters from various newspapers soliciting additional ads. I am not familiar with the national newspapers and would like to hear if any of you think it would be worthwhile to place an ad in a particular one. The only one I have heard about, other than Collectors News, is the Antique Gazette -- Bob Gee tells me this would be a good one to place an ad in and I will do that next month.

Speaking of ads, I would also request that those of you that have duplicate lighters that you want to sell or trade, please send some ads in for the paper so that some of our new members might have an opportunity to add to their collections -- or for that matter, so that any of our members might see if anything is available that he or she doesn't have already.

More later.....

Judith

IN THE SPOTLIGHT....

Catching up with Jenelle Flowers to interview her is a difficult project, as you will see.....

Jenelle and her husband, John, were both born in Southern Florida and were childhood sweethearts. After they were married they decided to move to California, got as far as Texas -- where it was love at first sight (how could anyone resist this beautiful state???) -- and here they are!

Jenelle and John live in Cedar Hill (a suburb of Dallas) with their 3 children (2 sons, ages 15 & 14 and a daughter, age 10), Fritz, the dog; 3 cats; and an Oscar fish.

Jenelle is Executive Secretary for the Thorntree Country Club and John is in management at LTV Corp.

And that is only the beginning of their busy schedule! Jenelle and John also have a business called "Yesterday's Windows". They import antique stained glass windows (art nouveau) from old buildings torn down in England, repair and reframe them to sell as decorative pieces. They have these windows at a local (once a month) flea market, trade shows and special order.

At one of these shows Jenelle couldn't resist displaying some of her lighters along with the stained glass which is how I met them. Jenelle collects decorative table lighters and especially likes venetian glass lighters. If any of you have glass table lighters you want to sell or trade be sure and let her know.

Jenelle also collects salt and pepper shakers of a similar style and china clocks -- and in her spare time is writing a book!

COLLECTORS' CORNER

Following are various miscellaneous items:

Responses to Collectors News Ad

Two Scripto View Lighters for sale: (1) Fender Musical Instruments (2) USS Yorktown CUS-16. In working condition - need flint. Both for \$5 - he will pay postage. Derk Bos, 1250 Adams, #T203, Costa Mesa, Ca. 92626.

Two lighters for sale: (1) Ronson Varaflame (2) Zippo (she didn't say how old). \$3 per lighter. Mrs. Fallert, 203 N. Vine St., Hinsdale, Ill. 60521.

Dunhill Lighter (Made in Switzerland) Patent No. 2102108 Others Pending - gold, 2" high. \$25. Alex Nisbet (Dallas Flea Market Dealer). Write to 4409 Hyer, Dallas, Tx. 75205 as all I have his his phone number. I do know he is reliable since I have bought lighters from him for about 8 years.

Dunhill Windproof (Sterling Silver) Patent Pending - Made in U.S.A. This is the small lighter with "rope" you pull through. It is mint condition and in original box. \$17.50 plus postage. Alex Nisbet, same address as above.

Raymond Kerns has one case of lighters for sale. This case includes 2 Kreislers, 2 Colibris, 2 Park, 3 Zippos, 3 Ronsons, 3 Dunhills, 1 Bower (1914) and 2 Regens (all different). He would like to trade these lighters for other collectibles (lodge, military and certain advertising.). I have a picture of these lighters which I will send to anyone interested. Or, you can write him direct regarding trading.

Several members have sent me pictues of parts of their collections, or all, or newspaper items about them, etc. Any of you who have pictures you could send, or any items which have appeared in newspapers, or anything suitable for a scrapbook please send it to me. I have started a scrapbook for us with these items. Eventually I'm hoping we can have a "lighter convention" and I thought it would be fun to have the scrapbook.

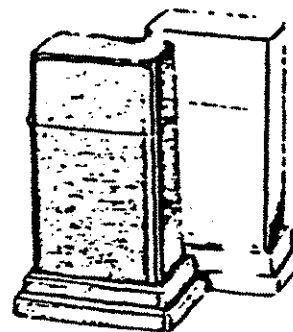
Last month I mentioned that Zippo also has a "book" on table lighters. I have just received the book from Zippo and as you can see it consists of one page. Since it does give the history and information about their table lighters I am including it on Page 3.

THE HISTORY OF ZIPPO TABLE LIGHTERS

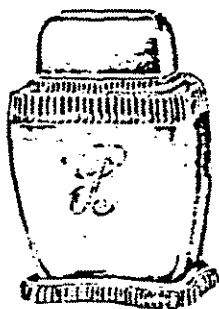
The #10 Barcroft table lighters were first produced in 1949. The original Barcroft was over 4½ inches tall and had a beveled base. The second model was shortened to 4¼ inches and the base was changed to a double-tiered base. The third and final modification shortened the #10 to 3¾ inches.

Some of the very first models had two hinges holding the lid to the bottom. Later, one large hinge was incorporated. Early Barcroft's were produced with their own large inside units. In time, the lighters were redesigned so that an inside unit from a regular lighter could be used. The #10 was available, at first, in a satin finish chrome model and later in a gold plated model also.

The #10 Barcroft table lighter was discontinued in 1978-79.



Barcroft



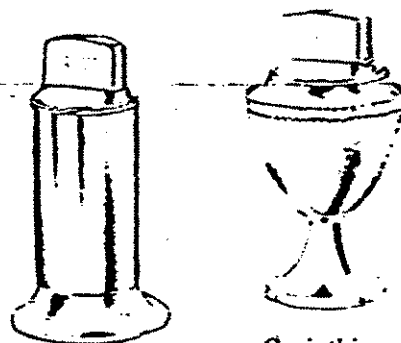
Lady Bradford

The Lady Bradford was manufactured in 1951. It was easily identified by its distinctive shape and design and a case of heavily plated rhodium. The Lady Bradford was discontinued later in 1951 due to production problems.

The Moderne and Corinthian table lighters were introduced in 1960. Both lighters were available with three different finishes. The Moderne had a black and rhodium model, a satin finish rhodium model, and a bright finish rhodium model.

The Corinthian was available in a turquoise and rhodium model, a bright finish rhodium, and a pearlescent rhodium finish.

The Moderne and Corinthian table lighters were not sold after 1966.



Moderne

Corinthian



Handilite

In 1979, Zippo introduced the Handilite. It is available in any regular style of chrome lighter, including the Ultralites. A pedestal base is attached to the bottom of the lighter, which transforms it into a Handilite. A collector can determine the age of a Handilite by matching the dating marks on the bottom of the lighter with those in the dating chart in the Collector's Guide.

CLASSIFIED ADS

For Sale or Trade

Aurora "45" pistol, 4" long, also flashlight. \$3 or trade. Judith Sanders (Member)

Luden's Cough Drops/5th Ave. Candy Ads - Scripto Vu-lighters. \$5 or trade. Judith Sanders (Member)

Zippos with Republic National Bank of Dallas ad. \$3 or trade. Judith Sanders (Member)

Continental (old shape) with Lucky Strike ad. \$3 or trade. Judith Sanders (Member)

Pepsi-Cola. \$10 or trade. Judith Sanders (Member)



Storm King with Dallas Cowboy Super Bowl VI World Champions. \$7 or trade. Judith Sanders (Member)

"Penguin" (old shape) Winston ad in original box. \$3 or trade. Judith Sanders (Member)

Wanted to Buy or Trade

Dunhill lighters. John Cuevas. (Member)

Lighters with following State names or emblems: Ala., Ct., Del., Ga., Ida., Mass., Ky., Wyo., Va., R.I. Judith Sanders (Member)

Authentic flint & steel flintlock tinderboxes & other pre-lighter fire-making devices. Warren Gerber (Member)

Occupied Japan lighters. Judith Sanders (Member)

Musical lighters. Warren Gerber (Member)

Novelty type lighters. Judith Sanders (Member)

1910-1930's round, brass/copper, similar in size/shape to man's hunter case pocket watch, French, German, English, flint post pulls out, hole/fitting for wick, WWI scenes or leaders or coins NOT Japanese-made "Belgium or French" coins, Warren Gerber (Member)

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All ads appearing in this section need to be received in this office by the 10th of the month in which you want the ad to appear. If you wish an ad for more than 1 month, please specify. Ads are free for members. There will be a \$1.00 charge for ads placed by non-members. Please send ads in type-written form. For information, write or call:

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