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On The LIGHTER Side

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Notes from Judith

Your Editor is back at home again! Since I was gone longer than anticipated, if you have called or sent emails and they haven't been answered, please try again.

IMPORTANT If you are planning to come to the convention and have not sent in your registration, please call the OTLS Office immediately!

We have a Guest Editorial in this issue from Michael Martin of Zippo Manufacturing. Please take the time to read this editorial. If you have questions, please call or write.

2001 CONVENTION LIGHTERS

We are pleased to announce our Convention Lighter for the 15th Annual Convention. We want to say **THANK YOU** once again to Paul Tascarella. Paul has created convention lighters for the last few years.

We are having these lighters done on the Polished Chrome Zippos.

The colors are: Logo is black, white, w/red flame. Hotel logo is black. State of North Carolina is green with white letters. On The LIGHTER Side International Lighter Collectors is red.

The cost will be \$35.00 per lighter (Postage Paid for U.S. & Canada). Overseas members please add \$4.00 for additional postage).

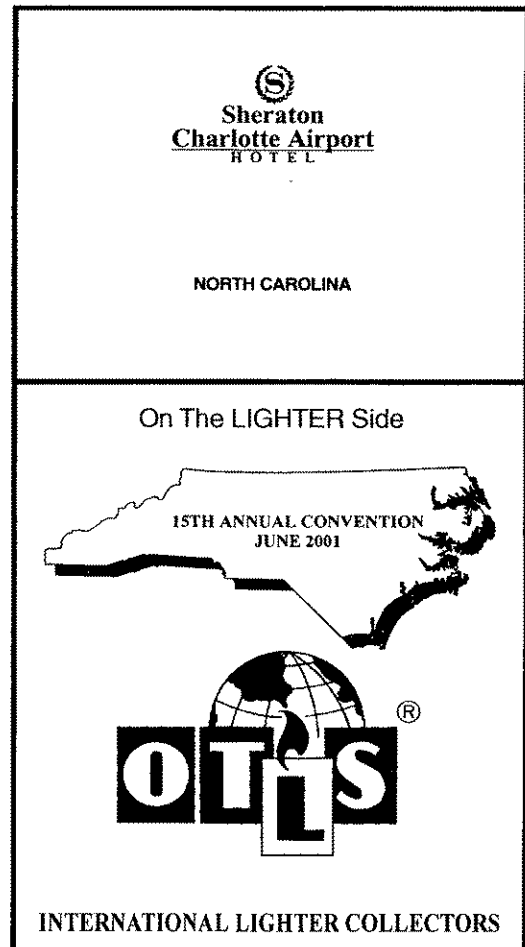
THIS IS A LIMITED RUN OF 300. YOU MAY ORDER AS MANY AS YOU WANT IMMEDIATELY. SINCE WE STILL HAVE SOME OF THE PREVIOUS CONVENTION LIGHTERS LEFT, I AM NOT GOING TO LIMIT THE NUMBER YOU CAN ORDER!

Please order from Corky Horner

**CORKY HORNER
9 PINE TERRACE
BELLMAWR NJ 08031
PHONE: (856)933-3116**

If you wish to pick up your convention lighter at the convention, please order NOW. For those of you not attending the convention, Corky will be shipping the lighters after the convention.

Please see the photo of the Convention Lighter below. Although the drawing shows square corners, this is the regular Zippo lighter (rounded corners).



[COLLECTORS' CORNER]

ALUMINUM LIGHTERS

by Judith Sanders

When I first began collecting lighters (eons ago!), you could find aluminum lighters everywhere. But as the collecting world began to grow, the aluminum lighters began to be scarce. For a long time, even though people were accumulating aluminum lighters, you didn't hear much about them. They were more or less on the "back burner"

Then one month an OTLS member happened to put an ad in the paper looking for aluminum lighters. That seems to be all it takes to bring something to the attention of other collectors! Now several of you are looking for these elusive lighters.

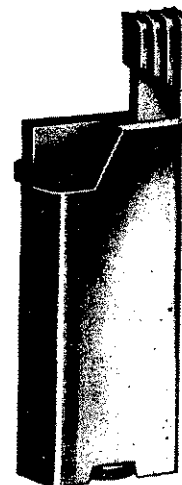
Many of the aluminum lighters are not identified by manufacturer, which is frustrating to collectors. Collectors want to know who made every lighter. The ones not identified have been reduced to being called "No Name" lighters. And when an aluminum lighter is found that does have a manufacturer's name, it is much more interesting.

From time to time, our friend Ben Rapaport sends me pages from old magazines, catalogues, etc. A few weeks ago, he sent me some pages from *The Tobacco Leaf* (an industry newspaper, no longer in circulation), dated July and September of 1945. Shown on two of these pages are aluminum lighters -- and they actually have company names!

The first photo below is (actual size) is The Majestic Lighter, produced by MAJESTIC LIGHTER CO. of New York. The advertisement also has "An Important Feature", which says "For Flint Adjustments, the inside of the bottom set screw has a screw driver attached." The picture shown is a plain aluminum, which sold for \$4.50. They company also list an engine turned model for \$5.45. It appears this was a product the company was proud of, and not just "another block of aluminum".

The second ad is shown in it's entirety, since it is a smaller ad. Although the ad says "Actual Size", the lighter looks a little small to me. Perhaps when the ad was produced in the magazine, it was reduced? This lighter is called "The Aer-Flo". Some of you may also have the lighter marked "Aero-Lite" (from Wichita, Kan.). With two such similar names, I wonder which company produced aluminum lighters first?

Perhaps someone could send me a list of all the NAMED aluminum lighters they have seen?



It's Here At Last! THE AER-FLO

The Lightweight, Windproof Lighter with the Easy-gripping Spark Wheel that Turns at a Baby-Touch.

—
All Aluminum
Streamlined
Satin Finish
Easy Refill
Small, Compact
For Ladies, Gentlemen
Suitable for Mono-
gramming
—



Actual Size

—
RETAIL PRICE:
\$4.50
COST TO RETAILER:
\$2.70
(Jobbers' prices on
request)
—

PROMPT DELIVERY

Another exclusive service by the up-and-coming jobbing house of:

THOMAS J. COLA

(Sole distributor in the U. S. and Canada)

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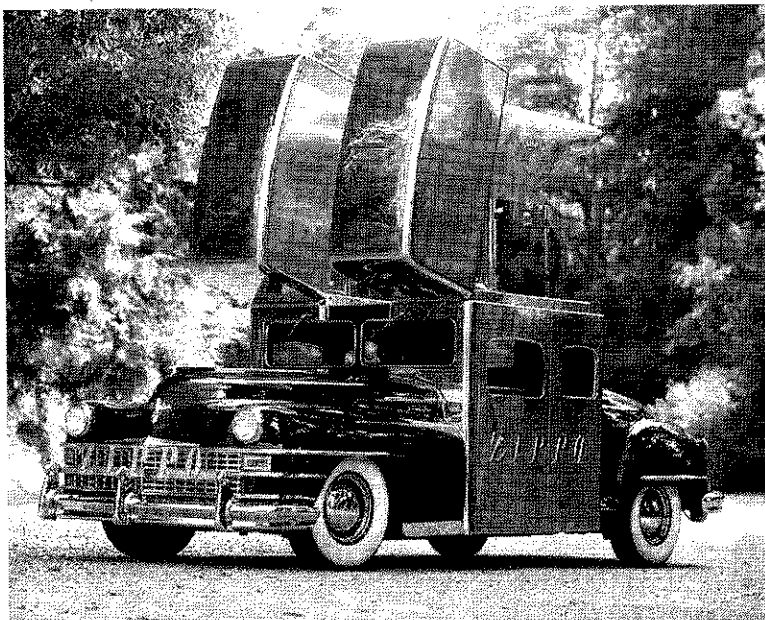
THE ZIPPO CAR

With neon flames lighting the way, the Zippo Car is on the road again for another exciting and eventful season. The Zippo Car is a 1947 Chrysler Saratoga - New Yorker, complete with two oversize Zippo lighters sporting fiery red flames. The Zippo Car travels throughout the summer, making only the hottest stops.

Events showcasing the Zippo Car range from parades and Harley Davidson rallies to car shows and local festivals. This year the car will be in Carlisle, PA for the Chrysler Nationals - Carlisle Show, a huge car show sponsored by Chrysler. The Zippo Car will again make two appearances at Watkins Glen, NY for the NASCAR Busch Series race and the Zippo U.S. Vintage Grand Prix. The Sturgis Motorcycle Rally in Sturgis, SD is another big event planned for this summer. Heading south, the Zippo Car will also stop in Tampa, FL for a tobacco trade show for RTDA. People across the country will have many opportunities to enjoy the uniqueness and tradition of the old 1947 Chrysler throughout the summer.

The Zippo Car conveys a message of quality and style that is reflected in every Zippo product. Visit zippo.com for more information on the Zippo Car schedule.

NOTE: There was a rumor that Hollywood's Leading Light (The 2001 Collectible of the Year, shown in the January issue) was having problems with licensing, but that is not the case. There was a minor problem with the plating on the emblem, but now it is fixed and back in business.



COMMENTS FROM OUR MEMBERS:

.....Michael Garrett

One of the guys I work with is in the U.S. Immigration Dept. He went to the U.S.S.R and I told him to pick me up a Zippo if he finds one, preferably one indicating it was from U.S.S.R. He brought me one back and it is really sharp looking for \$25.00 from a street vendor. Upon closer inspection, I got my first Zippo fake. It had a tag saying Zippo \$28.95. All the stampings, even on the insert looked real. I first noticed the inside of the case, traces of the base metal to be copper or zinc. Then the felt pad was wrong and the cotton underneath was different. I then noticed the difference in the hinge set up, which was not typical Zippo. I then found what I thought said Bradford, PA was Bradford RA.

I was then sure it was a knockoff. But it is still a very neat piece and my first Zippo fake.

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....Urban & Chris Cummings

TO EVERY MEMBER OF OTLS:

Christine & Urban Cummings are deeply grateful for the kindness and thoughtfulness of each of you during this difficult time.

Others of us have suffered through much more heartbreak, loss of best friend, illness and more than we are going through just now. So we are grateful for a good diagnosis and treatment for Chris, and the expectation that all will be OK soon.

Words cannot convey our appreciation for all you have done for us. Our hearts are yours. Hope to see you soon. We love you all.

Chris & Urban

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RONSON FOTO FLASH BY LARRY TOLKIN

RONSON MODERNISTIC ENAMEL POCKET DELIGHTS

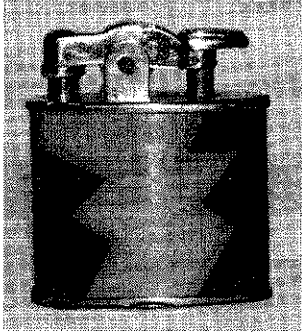
In the late 1920's, the United States was experiencing a trend toward modernistic designs used in everyday products. The Ronson Company quickly incorporated many of these designs on its pocket lighters.

From 1928-1932 Modernistic (later coined - Art Deco) designs were prominent on all Delight Models especially the Princess. For the Princess, a few multicolored inlaid enamel patterns were produced 1930-1932. Each was done in a 4 - 6 color combinations. The colors are vibrant and the designs are bold. These lighters are some of the nicest objects

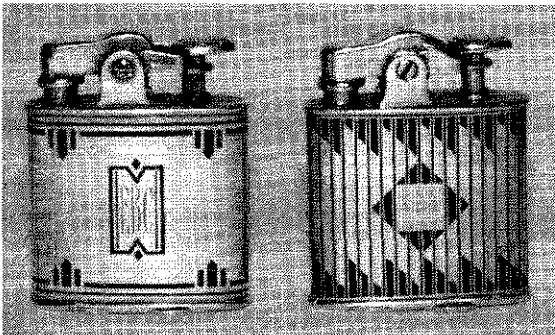
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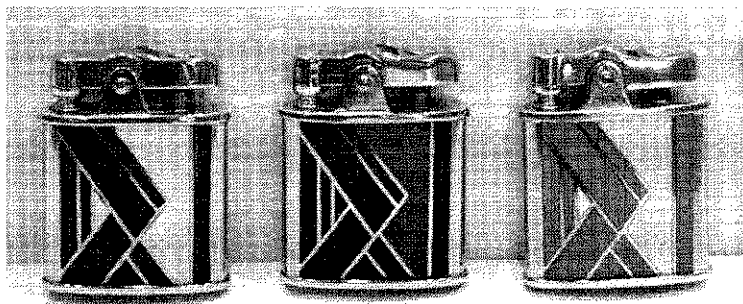
from the Art Deco Period. Many were sold as sets with a matching enamel atomizer. Below are some photos showing some of the patterns (Names by Author).



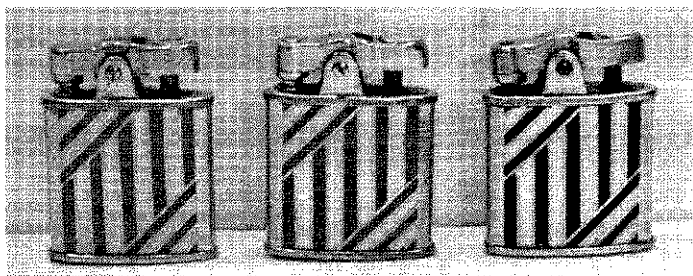
"RUBIC"



"14K"



"ARROW"



"STEPPED"

BIG NEWS!!!

We are pleased to announce that "OTLS" and the OTLS Logo are now registered Trademarks. We received our registration from the Trademark office on ?.

Please note we now have the ® next to our logo

How will this affect the members using our logo on their "lighter cards"? Any member of OTLS still has permission to use our logo. We do ask that when you have new cards printed, you include the ® next to the logo. If you currently still have a supply of cards with the logo, you may continue to use them until you have run out. If any of you are using the logo on your web site, you must immediately put the ® next to the logo.



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

In response to comments and requests from OTLS Members, the Board of Directors has made the following decision.

Beginning with the July issue, we are going to send ALL newsletters by First Class Mail. For the balance of this year, OTLS will bear the additional expense of the difference in postage.

Beginning with January, 2002 the dues will be increased to cover this additional cost.

The Board is hoping to raise extra money this year at the convention auction to help defray these expenses. So we ask that any of you who are not coming to the convention consider helping by sending one lighter to be auctioned off for the club's benefit. You may send these lighters directly to John Elster's house, marked "HOLD FOR OTLS CONVENTION".

John's address is

JOHN ELSTER
373 BUCKINGHAM RD
WINSTON-SALEM NC 27104
PHONE: (336)721-0508
EMAIL: jresce@aol.com



GUEST EDITORIAL

Dear Zippo Collector:

I would like to take this opportunity to bring our family of collectors up-to-date on what we are doing regarding the variety of challenges presented by the

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Internet.

First and foremost is to let you know how we are handling those situations where people have registered domain names that include "Zippo" or some variation of "Zippo" within the domain name.

On February 19 at 11:30 P.M. a message went out to all Zipstreet members from Paul Williamson (paul@williamson19.freeserve.co.uk) warning "all Streeters to be careful what you register your hobby as. Beware of Zippo Manufacturing Company Policy".

Zippo Manufacturing Company is required by law to protect its brand. This includes the registered and trademarked name of "Zippo", whether used in a domain name or directly. In order to comply with that law, Zippo is required to monitor the use of the "Zippo" trademark, and to make sure that the mark is not misused. As you may be aware, there are numerous domain names with "Zippo" in them, even quite a few registered by our valued Zippo collectors. This has created enormous problems and risks to Zippo.

What Zippo offers to collectors is to reimburse the registrants of such names for the costs involved in the original domain name registration process and the costs of transferring the ownership of the domain name to Zippo. In almost all cases, the name will then be licensed back for use by the same collector, subject to Zippo's needs and adherence with the "Zippo Guidelines". There are a few names Zippo will not agree to license back (Reimbursement does not apply to web hosting or development). Zippo will also make sure that the newly transferred domain name would be directed to the original home page of the collector.

As quite a few of the collectors are aware, Zippo has written "Guidelines" regarding the use of the Zippo mark and other Zippo trademarks, Zippo copyrighted material and domain names. In recent years, Zippo has actively monitored the Internet to check if business and/or Collector Web Sites are in compliance with these Guidelines. There are numerous sites not in compliance with the "Guidelines" or the law.

Zippo has always supported the collector community and we deeply value the loyalty our collectors have to the brand. Unfortunately, since we are required by law to protect the Zippo name, we cannot ignore improper use of our trademarks, even if it puts stress on the collector relationship we so highly value. What Zippo is proposing in the previous paragraph concerning transfer of ownership and the licensing back of domain names is reasonable and fair solution to a difficult problem, one in which all parties will benefit.

If you have not received these Guidelines or would like a copy of the Zippo Guidelines, please email

The Zippo Web Site Coordinator, Ms. Maggie Eidem at meidem@zippo.com

Ms. Eidem is also available to answer all of your questions regarding your Internet Web Site and/or your questions regarding the transfer of your domain name.

Sincerely,
Michael J. Martin
Vice President
Sales and Marketing



NET NEWS

by Larry Tolkin

A LIGHTER APPEAL FOR OUR FUTURE

I'm writing an open letter to all members asking to help support OTLS through contributions to our convention auctions. The club functions predominately from two basic sources of financing: Dues and Money raised thru convention auctions. For those who are new members, or have yet to attend a convention, we have two types of auctions: First are commission sales whereby members sell some of these better lighters at the show for a nominal fee (to OTLS). Second, is a donation sale where all proceeds go to OTLS funds. The monies raised are used solely for club expenses and you need not be present at the show to participate. Many members send in parcels contains items for either or both kinds of sale. Lighters sold for a commission can have a reserve and it's an excellent stage to realize collector prices.

OTLS has been a collectors club helping bring lighter people together for over 17 years. Its members are responsible for all the important lighter books published in the last 15 years. We need your help continue to grow, expand our web site, improve our newsletter, and maintain a "Lighter Forum" that will keep our membership connected well into the 21st Century.

Please read Michael Cassidy's note in Convention Updates for more on the auction. Call Judith if you have questions, or want to send lighters.



CONVENTION UPDATES

If you haven't registered with OTLS for the convention, you need to call Judith ASAP! Even if you have made your hotel reservations, you also need to register so you will have a table tag and name tags.

Plans are coming together well. People who have registered will receive a letter shortly.

Since the Convention Letter came out, I have acquired two more small collections. We will also sell those at the collection, after we sell the larger collection.

If I have forgotten anything, please call. Judith

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CONVENTION CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE OR TRADE

For Sale:

A complete set of 14 OTLS Convention Zippos. The rare ones are the earlier releases, which were quite limited in number.

1987 Dallas (Limited 50)	\$350
1988 Erie (Limited 42)	\$400
1989 Cleveland (Lim 50)	\$300
1990 Las Vegas (5-color)	\$250
1991 Las Vegas	\$150
1992-2000	\$100 - \$30

I will donate part of the price to the club (as I have done previously). Peter Cavanagh (61-3)9546 9254 or email lighterigniter@optusnet.com.au

For Sale: Attn: Military Collectors - 7 KOREA Military Lighters - very colorful. Unused late 50's. Red flag 1 to 4 star Ranks. Each insignia in 2 to 3 colors. Most ident. in Korean some in English. Zippo style, size, shape, brushed chrome, very good quality for Korea. \$140 & I'll pay shipping in U.S. Lou Long (317)546-8087

We will bringing a fine Assortment of Evans, Thorens, Zippo, Clear Float, Ronson, Scriptos, Dunhill, Ritepoint and a very unique display of Vintage Harley Davidson lighters to name a few! This should be the show of shows so come one and come all. Support and be a part of the World's Greatest Lighter Club Folks!! Bill & Vicki Cody (954)704-0562 or email odacoda@aol.com

For Sale: 50 Military Zippos (old & new), collection of Ronson Strikers, many other items. See you there! John Elster

I am making special "Pyro" lighters out of the next U.S. quarters. \$100 each. First come first made as I only make one of a kind. Tom Prylinski

To help celebrate a most successful show in Charlotte, I am bringing 4 great Ronson lighters to sell. A "very rare" Hall-Scott Engine Touch Tip (Fig. 392), a beautiful hard glass enamel sterling wrap Princess, a picture of which is on page 154, and two S/L Lite-O-Rite

FOR SALE OR TRADE

Pencil Lighters (Fig. 10), one chrome, one gold plate, both 3/8" Dia. Anyone who wants my second edition *Ronson Book* can buy one at the show. Urban Cummings.

Hello from the National Lighter Museum! We hope to see everyone. We are setting up a display from the Museum and bringing some rare perpetual lights and many other general lighters. We will definitely have some unusual lighters. Ted & Pat Ballard

I will be bringing copies of my book, *Zippo Advertising Lighters: Cars & Trucks* to sell. Philip Taggart

WANTED

PLEASE! I am especially interested in Austrian Strikers (or other manufacturers). Also looking for unusual European Pocket Lighters. See you all at the show! Judith Sanders

Wanted: Early pocket lighters in Sterling with unusual mechanisms. Also Lancel & Thorens watch lighters. Bob Rogers

BUYING ZIPPPOS!!! I will be in Charlotte with many nice lighters but, I am especially interested in buying! Want any MIB pre-1980 full sized Zippo's, plain or with ads. Also interested in Town & County, Leather, NASA, and Disney Zippos's as well as 1930's models. Come by and say hello. Ira Pilosof

Wanted: Mint Flat Adv. lighters, Musical adv. lighters, unusual cigarette dispensers. John Elster

Looking for Rare Ronson Figural Bookends & Desk Sets. Richard Weinstein (212)586-0947 or email vintagelighters@earthlink.net

Will buy an alcoholic beverage to anyone who brings me something good for my collection and who discounts the price enough to offset the cost of the drink! Particularly looking for: Scriptos and other vu-lighters, lighters with

WANTED

unusual mechanisms, made of aluminum, made by TCW, pre-20th Century fire-making devices, MIOJ. I also promise to tell you one good joke after the drink (at least I hope it will sound funny after the drink). Yell for Guy (I'll be wearing the SCRIPTO apron). Guy Nishida email btrade@mediaone.net

I want some ASR items. Black or Beige Onyx handled Florentine Daggers. The gold ash trays and holder for the Pagoda lighters. Tortoise Shell Olympia lighters. Also still looking for a Zippo lighter with a "USMC 2nd Division" inscribed lighter. The one I lost from 1955. Don Weisenberg

Looking for the Rose Gold (Prototype) OTLS Convention Lighter (only a few were made). Also want Zippos with Trucking Companies and Oil Companies. Andrew Lloyd

Want to buy 1950's Mint Adv. Zippos - also want Disney Zippos. Looking for Mint Advertising Barcrofts. Don Daniels Looking for High End Unusual Mechanisms. See you in Charlotte! David Golden

Wanted! A Dunhill Silver Plate pipe lighter. Scott Beehler

\$olid Gold UNUSUAL pocket lighter\$ wanted for my collection. Lot\$ of ca\$h or \$wap. Plea\$e contact before \$how. Phone +44 20 8764 0419, or email Richard-Ball@email.msn.com

Looking for Egyptian motif items. See me at the show! Deb Bash

Looking for Beer Ad and Early Space related Zippos. Also looking for information relating to early Space Zippos. I will be bringing Zippos to trade. Curt Betzhold

Looking for Auto adv. Zippos. Phil Taggart

Wanted: KW Lighters. OLD, UNUSUAL & FINE ENAMELED KW lighters. I'll be displaying my KW/Elisorn lighters in Charlotte & I'll be looking to add to my collection. Thanks. Dan Stover

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE OR TRADE

For Sale: Ronson Classic 1930's Hound Dog Strike Lighter, very fine condition - \$250 OBO; Ronson Bull Strike Lighter, fair condition - \$125 OBO; Ronson Round Chrome Ball Lighter, good condition, \$125 OBO. Gasper Gilardi (504)738-1415 (See New Member List)

THE SECOND EDITION

RONSON BOOK

A Pocket Size

4 1/4" x 6 1/2", Very portable. All 365 wick lighters from the first edition - plus 52 more models not in the first book. \$1 off special to OTLS members. Send \$23.95 + shipping (\$2 book rate or \$4 priority mail) to:

NosnoR Lighter Books
P O Box 1482
Palo Alto CA 94301

FOR SALE - TWO ZIPPOS

Unused 1974 Regular Brushed Chrome for Champion spark plugs with the word, CHAMPION printed in black with a red & black background. Two very small dents on the base which do not detract from its "mint" look. \$80

Unused 1992 black acrylic advertiser for Mercedes Benz. Their usual logo is printed in silver on one side. there are surface scratches on the high points of the black acrylic, otherwise mint. \$70 Peter Cavanagh Ph (61-3)9546 9254 or email lighterigniter@optusnet.com.au

My name is Richard Rotman and I have been a member of OTLS since the beginning. I was President of OTLS during 1989. I am now retired and over the last 2 1/2 years I have sold over 4000 lighters on Ebay. I am now offering a service to my fellow members. I know that everyone has boxes full of lighters that are doubles and triples, and don't know how to dispose of them for money. For years I sold lighters at flea markets, garage sales and antique malls. I still had thousands I could not get rid of. Then I found Ebay and sold them all off for money. I will take your lighters and sell them on Ebay for a commission. I will take the pictures, do the listings, pay the commissions, pack and ship. The only cost you have out of pocket is to ship them to me. Call me at (407)296-2204 or email rotman@cfl.rr.com Thanks, Richard

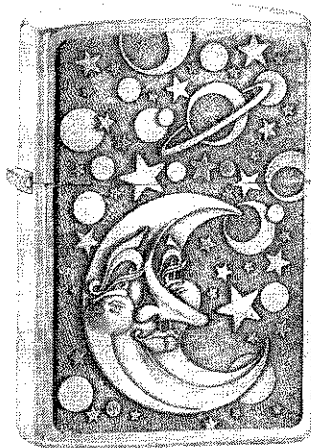
For Sale: One 1959 Reddy Killowatt Zippo in orig box Mint; 2 Scripto-Vu lighters; 1 gold plate Park Sherman; 2

FOR SALE OR TRADE

Nimrod pipe lighters; Golfer & Bowler MIB. Garland Grant (804)432-9493

MAIL AUCTION

As per our announcement in the January paper, we will be auctioning a Barrett-Smythe lighter in several issues. Each lighter will be personally signed by Jon Robyn, the Artist who designed these lighters for Zippo. Each lighter will be MINT. This auction begins immediately and will continue until July 7, 2001 at 5:00 P.M. (CST). You may bid by telephone, fax, email or mail. You may bid as many times as you want. You can call for updates on the bids and increase your bid if you would like. All proceeds from this auction are being donated to OTLS by Jon Robyn and Barrett-Smythe. (The high bidder in the Jan. auction for the Barrett-Smythe was Richard Weinstein, with a bid of \$32.50). PLEASE support your club in this sale!



"GALAXY" from the Barrett Smythe series (Shown in Zippo 2000 catalogue). Brushed Brass. Retail for \$32.95

ZIPPO DISTRIBUTOR

WGS Distributors

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Chattanooga TN 37405 USA

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Fax: (423) 870-3647 (24 Hours)
Email: wgs@wgsdistributors.com

40% off retail prices to members of OTLS! Discover, MC & Visa. Please send us your name, address and phone number for FREE info including Zippo catalogs.

WANTED

I am trying to collect all the Zippo "Annual Collectibles" from each year. I am missing the 1995 Mysteries of the Forest and 1996 Pinup Girls. If you have these please write to me. Serge Tomczak (See New Member list)

Looking for one lid for Fig. 188 of Ronson book & top tray, slats & 1 drawer stop for Fig. 189. Glenn Norton (916)371-6202 or email go4broken@mindspring.com (See Jan. New Member List)

Wanted: I am looking for the 2000 Swap Meet Zippo MIB, any Texaco Vintage Zippos, and the 1997 Metallique Zippo series for the 65th Anniversary. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Email me at eckoallstar1331@aol.com if you can help. If you don't have access to the Internet, you can look me up in members list, though email is preferred. Please contact me as soon as you can & join me and other Zipists at ZipStreet.com!!! Brian Kulbacki (See March New Member list)

WANTED: I am looking for 1940-1980 Zippo pamphlets and catalogues. Please fax or email Kazumi Kawamura. Fax 011 81 887 76 3263 or email ranppo@mac.com (new email)

I am looking for figural Ronson Incense Burners. Judith Sanders (903)763-2795 or email OTLS@PEOPLES.COM.NET

Looking for UK (University of Kentucky) and S.E.C. (Southeastern Conference) lighters. Mike Gray email ukcat50_51@hotmail.com (See New Member List)

OTLS is looking for someone to serve as Historian for the club. Lynn Baker is still Historian but doesn't have the time to spend on this job. All this job requires is for someone to have some storage space and to keep lists of items in our archives. Once we have a Historian, we could offer copies of item we have to the membership. Could someone please offer to take on this job? Thanks, Judith

HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR THE CONVENTION YET? DON'T FORGET TO SEND YOUR REGISTRATION TO JUDITH SANDERS SO YOU WILL HAVE A DISPLAY TABLE AND NAME TAG!

CONVENTION UPDATES CONTINUED.

And now a message from our Head Auctioneer, Michael Cassidy:

As you read in the Convention Letter, we are holding an auction of a small number of Fine Lighters, to be sold for various members. Non-attending members can send items for consideration with friends, who could then offer them on their table if not accepted for the auction. As a courtesy, any rejected items will include the committee's suggested minimum/reserve if it had been accepted.

The auction will be held shortly before opening to the public. We will allow time for a preview. Helpers are needed for security during preview.

As a further help to inexperienced members, you might consider submitting better pieces, that you are not comfortable pricing, to the new auction committee.

A page with complete details will be available at the convention.



**IN MEMORY
OF
THOMAS R. SIMON**

Katherine Simon sent a letter to let me know Tom Simon had lost his battle with cancer.

Tom first joined OTLS in the first part of 1992. His primary interest in lighters was always Zippo. He liked almost any Zippo with an advertisement. Once when he and Katherine went to Tennessee he came home with a few "Grand Old Opry" Zippos, one of which he sold to your Editor.

Katherine said that when Tom was in high school, he worked for Rexall Drug Store. This was where he began to accumulate lighters.

Some of you may remember a few years ago, when I offered a large collection of Zippos for sale. These Zippos came from Tom's friend, who was a Zippo Distributor. Tom had asked me to sell them for him. The lighters I remember most from this collection were several Zippos from golf courses.

One memory I shared with Katherine - I was at a lighter show - talking, of course - when this 6' 3" man walked straight up to me and said "I would know that voice anywhere!" This was my first meeting with Tom. After all the times we had talked on the phone, we felt like old friends even though we had never met in person.

Tom and Katherine have 4 grown children. Katherine said that Tom, Jr., Sue, Michael and Jean will all keep the lighters to remember their Father.

May we lift our prayers to the entire Simon Family.



News From Around The World....



Jim Bridwell (OTLS Member & Dad to Judith) had shoulder replacement surgery & is recovering well. John Goudy told your Editor that Janet has now retired (John had already retired) and they are traveling everywhere! Linda Meabon had surgery and hopefully will be back at work soon. Also Peg Chrisley has been in the hospital, but will be home by the time you receive this paper. **HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY TO OUR FRIENDS, AND LONG TIME MEMBERS, LEO & DOT TURINI (MAY 14TH) - WE ALL LOVE YOU!**

NEXT PAPER JULY 15, 2001 - SEND ADS BY JUNE 20, 2001.



**On The LIGHTER Side, Inc.
International Lighter Collectors**

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