

On The LIGHTER Side

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ETC., Etc., etc.

There is a lot of information in this paper, so please try to read ALL of your paper! A lot has been going on so there is a lot in the paper!

IMPORTANT! Please note your Statement is enclosed. Your 1994 Subscription Fees should be paid no later than January 1, 1994. I know a few of you have already paid for 1994 - if you have paid, please just mark your statement "PAID", print your name and return to your Editor. Please note the Senior & Junior Citizen Dues have been increased.

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT.....

BOB AND "THE LIGHTER LADY"

Bob & Sophie Meddaugh have belonged to OTLS since March of 1987. The first occasion I had to meet them was when they came to the 1987 Convention (our first convention). They walked in the room and everyone there immediately felt like they were friends.

In a recent interview, Bob said he had worked for Ingersoll-Rand Company for 35 years. In 1946 he was a foreman and one of his workers came to him and asked if he would like some lighters. "You could save empty packs back then", Bob said "and send them in for cigarette advertising lighters. He gave me about 15 different cigarette advertisers. I went home and said to Sophie that I thought it would be a good idea to start saving lighters. She started going to garage sales looking for lighters and discovered table lighters. So that was the beginning of our collection."

Bob continued his story, saying "We collect Table Lighters, Pocket Lighters, Electric Lighters, Piped in Gas lighters - all kinds of lighters!" Bob said since his collection has grown so much, he has put in an

elaborate security system to protect their collection.

Bob went on to say "One of first ones that became a favorite was a W. C. Fields (electric) lighter. A friend of mine, Joe, who is a dealer called to tell him he had it, so I went down and only paid \$12.00 for it. This was around the late 1950's or 1960. About a year later Joe offered to buy it back from me for \$100.00! But, of course, I didn't sell it."

"You know there are 14 Royal Daulton lighters and I have 13 of them. I am still looking for 'Porthos' (one of the Three Musketeers) and hope some day to find him."

Bob continued "I have 3 china closets and a bookcase and a Timex display cabinet all full of lighters. Some of my lighters are packed away because I just don't have enough room for them all."

I asked Bob if there was any particular lighter he didn't have that he wanted -- he said he still doesn't have the "Birdcage" and hopes to find it some day.

Bob told this writer that when he was younger he went to garage sales, flea markets, and antique shows looking for lighters. Since he hasn't been very well in the last couple of years, Sophie has started looking for him. She got on the phone and told me a couple of her "lighter stories".

Sophie said "I have known some of these dealers so long they have started calling me "the Lighter Lady". And they save lighters for Bob and me until I can get there. Since Bob hasn't been feeling well enough to walk far, he will sit in the car and I bring lighters for him to look at to see if he wants them. The dealers all know me so well they just let me take the lighters out to the car to show Bob."

Then Sophie said "Sometimes Jay (OTLS Member also), our son, will take me to the bigger shows that are farther away. At one of the Pier Shows in New York, we got to see Larry Tolkin and Ira Pilosof at the same show." And another time I got to meet Steve Stolar. Sophie laughingly went on to say "I guess I'm like the Yellow Pages Ad -- I do the walking!"

The terms of office for our 1993 Officers will expire on December 30, 1993. The Officers for 1994 will be announced in the January newsletter. Our President and Vice President have a few parting words....

From our President, Ray Smizer...

Season's Greetings! My term as President and 1993 is rapidly coming to an end. This year has seen the addition of many new collectors to our club and our club continues to grow by leaps & bounds.

I would like to thank all of you for making my year as OTLS President exceptional.

I attended the June convention (which was the largest) in Las Vegas and had a great time and met a lot of club members for the first time.

Seeing the 1993 Founders Award being presented to Leo & Dot Turini was in itself a convention highlight.

Also my thanks to Judith for all her expertise.

So thanks again for a great year and have a great 1994 collecting and trading. Goodbye.

From our Vice President, Guy Nishida...

Farewell! As I am kicked out of office and fade into the sunset nevermore to be seen again, let me leave you with the words of that immortal bard who once wrote, "Change is inevitable in life and in the lighter world." I've come to the optimistic conclusion this past year as we have trudged through what I call the U.S. recession that change is a necessary element of moving forward. Sometimes we are prepared for it and sometimes it explodes on us but it is part of the evolutionary process. I know in the lighter world this is true as we have been witness to many changes this past year. We've seen the growth of lighter auctions, catalogs and other sales. We have been amazed at the phenomenal increase in club membership and the ever larger attendance at conventions. Through Urban Cummings Ronson book we may have awakened the slumbering dealer network even more to the value of lighters as collectibles. The coming of the World Lighter Show promises to bring additional renown to the field.

These changes do not come without costs. Although more lighters will be rescued from the trash bin, the prices will march inexorably upward. We risk losing the family feeling inherent in the small club. Because there is money to be made, we will attract the con man and the unscrupulous dealer/collector. I know that for some of you the transformations that are occurring in what was once an unknown and strictly sociable pastime are bemoaned. But do not despair. With the maturing of the hobby, I also see a bright future. More and more information is surfacing. We are now in contact with collectors worldwide who share our interest and who bring with them lighters previously unseen. We cultivate new friendships and new ideas as well as broaden our

horizons. All of the changes are essential if the hobby is to flourish and to remain vibrant.

So, as this year comes to a close, I welcome 1994 with much anticipation. Move out of the way Van Gogh, step aside Hope Diamond, go park yourself Stutz Bearcat, here cum da lighter!

From the  of....

....Judith Sanders

The last few weeks have been busy for me and some nice things have happened that I wanted to share with you.

First, in late September my phone rang and it was Ger de Gilde (who lives in Holland). He was in the States visiting and called to say he was in Longview, Texas (close to me). He said they were on the way to Las Vegas and wanted to stop by my house. So Ger and his fiancee, Petra and friends, Stefanie & Henri, all stopped by. We had a great visit, and, of course, looked at a few lighters. They had landed in Atlanta, where they were picked up by Stefanie's brother, Eddy, who lives in Mississippi. They borrowed Eddy's van & off they went!

When they left my house, they were headed for El Paso, Texas (on the Mexican border), Arizona and Las Vegas. After reading about Tom and Brigitte, they had decided while they were in Las Vegas to get married! (more about that later).

On Oct. 1 I left for Atlanta to spend a week of vacation with Andrew & Nancy Lloyd and Martha Lam (the "Georgia Peach"). Andrew & Nancy and I had decided several weeks ago we wanted to meet in Atlanta so we could see each other and also because that particular weekend there were two HUGE Antique Shows.

Martha gave us lists of things to do, places to see and maps to the Antique Shows -- so off we went! We had a wonderful time -- got to see Martha, her new house and her newest lighters. Andrew didn't bring anything to trade, but I had taken some lighters, which are now residing in North Carolina in his collection!

On Friday we had a call from Ger, saying they were back in Atlanta and were coming by our motel. So now Ger and Petra have met your Editor and Andrew & Nancy (Martha wasn't there that evening) - found out how crazy some of the members of the club are! They told us all about their trip and about the WEDDING! They got married September 26 in Las Vegas - these weddings in Las Vegas are definitely become a club tradition! CONGRATULATIONS GER AND PETRA!!!

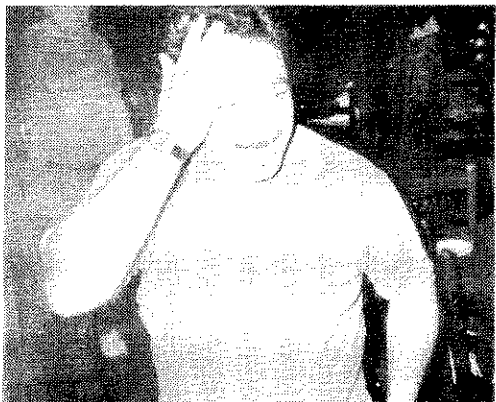
We didn't find as many lighter this year as last year, but I managed to come home with a few. The day I got home I found a note on my door from Vernon & "Mom" McNear saying they had been by & couldn't wait on me. I'm sorry I missed you Vernon & Mom - you should have waited a few hours! Anyway as you can see, the time since the last paper has really flown by and I have been having fun!

....Noreen Weinstein

Is this a look of surprise or of fear on Ira Pilosoff's face? A group of family and friends surrounded Ira on the anniversary
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of his birth 40 years ago...or was it 50 years ago? Daughter Julie helped Dad open his presents so he can conserve energy for all those lighters he finds and needs to carry home. In attendance for the celebration were Richard Weinstein and myself; Boris and Maya Rubin; Laurie Cuevas and Ira's wife, Susan and planner of this surprise; two daughters, Julie and new born Valerie; plus many more. Food and drinks were plentiful and the ice cream cake was just the right ending to a great afternoon.

HAPPY "40TH" IRA!



(Editor's Note: It was mentioned to me that Ira, Larry Tolkin, Mike Cassidy and Tom O'Key (and maybe others?) all had the same "significant" birthday within a week or so of each other. Tom said there must be something about the year 1953???)

...Les Druyan

I've been addicted to mechanical antiques for the past 4 decades, or so, and have finally taken the plunge and decided to make them my livelihood. During the second week of Oct. I shall fulfill something of a dream by opening a shop dealing almost exclusively in ancient mechanical devices. The 2 items that will predominate in my shop will be timepieces & dozens of **quality** lighters. My inventory consists of several interesting Dunhill/Parker Silent Flames (2 versions of the 1939 World's Fair Model; a gold plated "Peacock Lady"), a number of touch tips, figurals, a group of watch-lighters (including a 14 Kt Dunhill Unique, an Otis, a Golden Wheel, etc.), and many mint-in-box originals.

The shop will be in the Chelsea Antiques Building, 110 West 25th St, New York City, on the fifth floor - open Wed. through Sun.

A visit to this area is a must for any serious antiquer. Every weekend there are over 400 vendors with a 2 block radius. Weekdays there are fewer traders, but the Chelsea Antiques Building has 10 floors of dealers. Any member identifying him or herself will be warmly welcomed!

...Graham Martin

The first German open air swap meeting.

Brigitte and myself were up early on the Sat. morning as there were a lot of preparations to be made before the collectors started arriving.

Before I was even nearly finished with organizing the tables the first collector turned up, Ulrich Schmidt, who, not only promised to video & take photos at the meeting, but also said

he would lend a helping hand. About 15 minutes later No. 2 arrived, Manfred Klimaschewski. Now I knew there was not much chance of receiving a helping hand as Manfred brought about half of his collection with him, which consists of mainly excellent quality lighters, so we sat down & had to have a look at some of these pieces, which meant for about half an hour there was nothing done at all. We also had a very quick run through my collection and I mean **very quick**, because No. 3 had now turned up and it was getting late. So I had to get the tables finished, otherwise everyone would have to lay their lighters out on the lawn. Mind you, that would have been a sight - about twenty people crawling around on the lawn looking at each others' lighters - what would the neighbors have thought!

Now was the moment of truth, was everyone going to turn up? Well, as a matter of fact apart from 2 collectors, everybody did. All those who attended were: The 2 mentioned above - both FUF members; Udo Muhr, FUF; Wolfgang Plannet, FUF, LCGB; Rainer Schroer, FUF, LCGB, Rainer Kytzia, FUF, LCGB, OTLS, Mathias Sieger, FUF; Rolf Kliem, FUF, Mike Purzel, FUF; Karl Walter, FUF, LCGB, OTLS; Rene Welk, FUF, LCGB; Mike Wink, LCGB; and Berto Quintero, FUF, LCGB, who I never thought would turn up with his wife being in the family way. A nice surprise - I mean Berto turning up and not his wife being pregnant, which, I suppose was also a nice surprise. Well that's enough of future lighter collectors. Where were we? Of yes, there were also two other enthusiasts present who are not members in any of the clubs, so I won't mention their names until they are.

By now, apart from 1 person who was being picked up at the train station, everybody was there. And so the unpacking had started, which was the moment we were all waiting for enthusiastically. Within minutes all tables were full of lighters and the swapping, selling and buying was already going on. The range of lighters was very wide, and the prices ranged from very cheap to quite expensive, so there was at least something there for everyone, except for poor old Grahame who was busy serving refreshments most of the time and missing all the good lighters, because Brigitte was still not back from the station.

On offer were Touch Tips (about 7 in all which is the most I have ever seen at one meeting); Pencilighters; a few different Thorens, all in the original boxes; a Parker Compact in excellent condition and quite a few very nice Dunhills in very good to excellent condition (table and pocket), etc. Also two Ronson books, which were sold very quickly.

Around about 4:00 P.M. one or two guests had to leave as they had long journeys home. Roughly 6:00 P.M. more guests started to trickle away, so we were down to a handful, who sat down together and had a chat about the events of the day until the last person was taken to the station to catch his train to Munich.

All in all the day was enjoyed by everyone, and I am sure that each collector went home with at least one new item for his collection. Hopefully this event will be repeated next year.

(Editor's Note - for you newer members, the initials referred by Grahame in his letter are FUF = Funke und Flamme; LCGB = Lighter Club of Great Britain and OTLS = On The LIGHTER Side. Also this event was evidently in late August since I received Grahame's letter right after the September paper.)

Sorry we are running out of room - next issue letters from Urban & Tom about their trip - letter from Graham about the September Swiss Meeting & Urban about the PLPG Swap Meet.

[COLLECTORS' CORNER]

(Some background from your Editor - It has been mentioned previously that Tom Prylinski has been making his own special lighters. Some people have referred to these as "Reproduction Trench Work". Whatever you may call these, each one is individually designed and are extraordinary works of art. The first time I saw Tom's creations was in Atlantic City at the 1991 Convention. I am pleased to say I now have one of these in my own collection.

It is my feeling that owning one of these lighters creates a unique situation - not only is it a beautiful lighter to add to my collection, but in addition it was hand made by Tom. Not only is Tom a long time member of OTLS, former officer, one of the few members who has been to every convention, he has also made many contributions to this club and is special to all of us.

At my request, following is an article from Tom about his lighters.

"PYRO LIGHTERS"

The "Pyro" lighters were first seen back in the early part of 1990. Very similar to what you may call Trench Art made many years ago. The only difference being that there is a "stamp" on each lighter made by Tom Prylinski with the name "PYRO" stamped on them. This is his way of saying that these are his own custom made lighters.

The designs were in most cases one of a kind or custom made for a fellow collector upon request. Some pieces were made with gold or silver coins, and also coins that meant something to him. Turn of the Century buttons, embossed medallions, military pins and many other eye catching materials were used. Most of the time solid brass was used to make the lighters and they came in many different sizes and shapes. Only a few nickel or chrome plated pieces were made. Pocket or Table Lighters are now being sold at lighter conventions and special sales.

The name "Pyro" means fire and it was given to Tom at the first Lighter Convention in Dallas, Texas back in 1986. I guess Judith Sanders (the Founder) of "On The LIGHTER Side" couldn't say Prylinski, so she said "Pyro" instead and it's stuck ever since.

I hope collectors who own or have seen my work

appreciate them as much as I do just making them. I would be happy to make any special requests for a custom lighter as long as we agree that it can be done and you send me the special piece you want mounted on the case of the lighter. Please let me use my own judgment as to how the lighter is to be designed because of the limited materials I have to use.

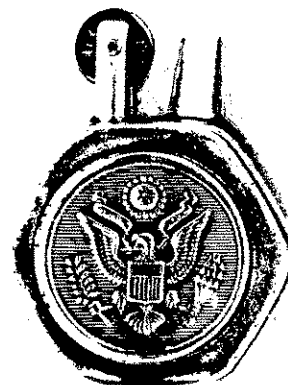
It is my goal to make a lot of these lighters as time goes by, but as of 1993 I only made 100 pieces, which averages about 30 a year. I have at least 200 different cases in reserve stock so I will be busy for some time doing what I like best, making lighters and someone wanting one of my pieces for their collection.

The first piece I made went to Richard Ball's collection. He insisted that he be the first to have one! I have had other requests to do custom work and I feel I have found a new venture.

Table and desk sets have been made as well. Brass was used for the bases and sometimes walnut wood. Different figurines and sculptured pieces were used, along with the small cups to hold cigarettes or pencils.

Again, look for the Logo "PYRO" or it's not mine.
by Thomas Prylinski ("Pyro")

Editor's Note: Following are photos of some of these beautiful "PYRO" lighters which Tom has recently sent to your Editor. Each of these pieces are for sale and Tom has advised that he will contribute half of each sale to OTLS. The price is \$76.50 each (postage paid). If anyone is interested in the lighters shown below, please call your Editor.



Solid Brass with U.S. Army Eagle logo in Copper Bronze.

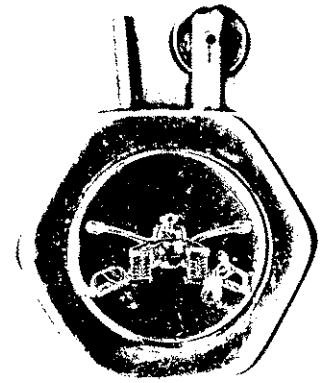
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Embossed Mother/Daughter - Solid Brass.



Solid Brass with Royal Canadian Air Force Flying Duck and Crown on face of lighter.



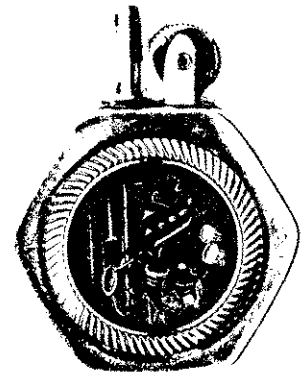
Military "Crossed Swords" - Solid Brass with chrome disc.



All aluminum with 2 Frances (1944) coins mounted on both sides - very light in weight.



Large British Penny (George VI) - both sides "1938" - solid Brass.



Solid Brass with a Copper back. A Medallion w/musical enstruments embossed on a bronze disc.



NEW RELEASES FROM ZIPPO

Zippo is releasing the following new items in October & November. Watch for these items at your Tobacco/Pipe Stores.

ANHEUSER-BUSCH ZIPPO DISPLAY PANEL - This panel contains 7 different beer ads, with the 8th lighter depicting the Anheuser-Busch Logo.

THE BARRETT-SMYTHE COLLECTION - Zippo says "Thirty-Eight lighters featuring 38 pieces of artwork like you've never seen before from Zippo!" This collection features Endangered Animals, Dinosaurs, Backyard Insects, L'Art Classique,

ZIPPO NEW RELEASES CONTINUED.

Animal Friends and Slim Collection. Your Editor has just received the color brochure on this collection and IT IS BEAUTIFUL!

WINSTON CUP ZIPPO DISPLAY PANEL - Featuring full portrait & signature of Jeff Gordon, Dale Jarrett, Kenny Wallace, Morgan Shepard, Mark Martin & Kyle Petty - plus two Winston Cup logo lighters to round out the panel.

EDITORIAL
by Judith Sanders

The members of OTLS who know me well no doubt were "reading between the lines" in the September paper, when I said I couldn't believe more convention lighters had been sold! For you newer members who haven't learned to interpret your Editor yet - Just let me say I AM VERY UNHAPPY ABOUT THE SALE OF THE CONVENTION LIGHTERS!

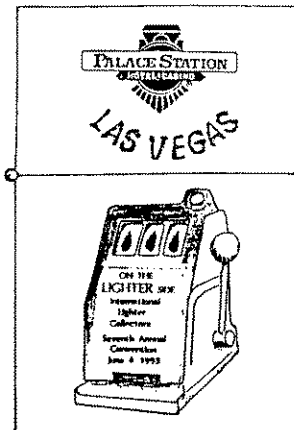
I know all of you HATE it when I get on one of my soapboxes - BUT please realize this is important to the club! Originally in earlier 1992 I asked anyone who thought they were going to want a 1993 Convention Lighter to send me a postcard. I got EIGHT postcards! Now if I based my Zippo order on those postcards we wouldn't have ordered many. Eventually I ordered 350 Convention Lighter and 100 of the laser engraved boxes. I based this order on the fact that we now have around 600 members, and didn't want anyone to not be able to order a Convention Lighter.

At present Corky advises we have around 143 Conventions Lighters left - which means ONLY around 180 to 200 of you ordered them (since some ordered more than one). I accept the responsibility for what was obviously a mistake to order so many.

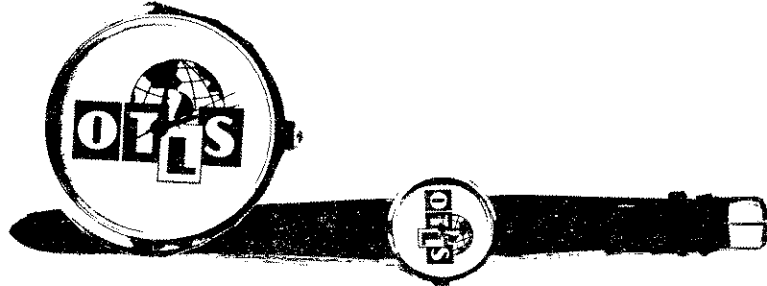
The 1993 Convention Lighter is Polished Brass and a drawing is shown below. These lighters are for ANY member of the club and the cost is \$16.50 per lighter (if you want the laser engraved, wooden box, please add another \$10). This cost is Postage Paid. You can order lighters from

Corky Horner
9 Pine Terrace
Bellmawr NJ 08031
Phone: (609)933-3116

Now what I am asking is - COULD SOME OF YOU PLEASE ORDER A LIGHTER AND HELP ME CORRECT MY MISTAKE!??!



Guy Nishida has contributed an OTLS Watch to the Club to be sold (SEE PHOTO BELOW). The profits from the sale of this watch will be contributed to the World Lighter Show. This will be sold by MAIL AUCTION. To allow our overseas members an opportunity to bid, the deadline for the auction will be 5:00 P.M. (Central Standard Time), December 15, 1993. There is no minimum bid on this item. You may bid by letter, phone or fax at your OTLS Office.



Above left is actual size of "face" - bottom is full view of lighter "reduced" - strap is black "skin" & watch face is black & white with red flame.

ETC continued....

By now I imagine most of you have heard the news of an upcoming book entitled "Cigarette Lighters, a Price Guide". This book is being published by LW Books in January. We unfortunately do not have a copy of the book at this time to give an adequate review.

I have been in communication with Neal Wood of LW Books, who stated he is sure his greatest critics will be the lighter collectors! He further told this writer he has consulted with a lot of people to try to establish prices on specific lighters.

On to a more practical aspect of this book - We have worked out a plan to give ALL lighter collectors from ALL clubs a discount on this book. If you order from Ben Rapaport the cost will be \$19.00 (postage paid U.S.), \$21.00 (postage paid Canada), and \$23.00 (postage paid, surface, overseas). PLEASE SEND YOUR MONEY TO BEN RAPAPORT NOW TO RESERVE A COPY.

Zippo Manual No. 3 has been postponed until approximately March, 1994. We will give you ordering information when it is available.

IMPORTANT - In the future when you have a change of address, please send the change to your Editor and Pearl Baker. Since Pearl does the labels for each issue, this would be a help to both of us!

For you members on the East Coast who have
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CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR SALE OR TRADE

BEST OFFER! Zippo Table Corinthian (Turquoise). Leo & Dot Turini

Ronson Crown, cigarette urn & tray - Good condition. \$50 plus postage.

Bill York

For Sale: 1966 Kennecott Copper Zippo, used but Good condition, engraved w/Kennicott Copper Logo and name one side, "Frank R. Milliken" in script and "PRESIDENT" engraved on other side. John Hale (212)552-3100 (office) or (201)435-8298 (home/machine)

A number of Zippos all in new condition w/boxes. Denims & Sports Scenes. Also 1 Mini lift arm MIOJ & other. Write for list. Marvin Self

COMPUTER OWNERS: The Prodigy service has a collectors bulletin board with a lighter topic. Members can talk, buy, sell, trade or whatever. Electronic personal mail is part of the package up to 30/month & then .25 each. Fun! (This information has been furnished by Marvin Self - Thanks, Marvin!)

Southern Ca. Pipe & Cigar Smokers Assn. are having the 1993 Los Angeles Pipe & Cigar Expo Nov. 20 & 21 at the Hyatt LA Airport. I understand 1 or more of our members may be "set up", so stop by if you can. This show is open to the public - admission \$3. For details, Call Steve Johnson (310)820-9706

3 Different Nimrod Pipe-lighters, New in boxes - \$29/set (postage paid). Two sets \$55. Also: New Nimrod Display Stand for 7 boxed lighters - \$12 (postage paid) Paul Schwemberger (904)629-0194

Will swap the following amazing rare lighters: TRESOR (Bisconcini #21) ca. 1908 - TANDEM lighter (Bisconcini #607) Note: with original leather pouch, fuel & flint cap replaced) - THORENS Teleflam pipe lighter (Bisconcini #738) - CHUCK-MUCK very early fire making piece of the last century. All lighters in very fine condition. Also on offer: Original Bisconcini in mint cond. (Serial No. 1022) with price guide. Will swap for unusual RONSON Touch Tip's, DUNHILL or EVANS lift-arm pocket lighters. Rainer Kytzia (Fax/Phone 011+49-40-536 0981. (Editor's Note: Place note Rainer's new address & phone/fax on "New Member Page")

25 assorted Zippos Lighters for \$800. Send SASE for list. Richard Bacon

FOR SALE OR TRADE

Complete history of any US military ship. Send \$4.00 US or equivalent for each vessel of your interest to Tom O'Key & receive the history of ships found on your Zippos, etc. Sometimes the history of a ship can make an otherwise not as perfect example of a lighter into a real prize. Quantity discounts will be considered. Include the name of the ship as well as the designation number. History on military units will also soon be available. Satisfaction guaranteed. Fax (714)632-8275 or P O Box 7262, Orange CA 72613-7262

For Sale: Ronson T-T Bartender. In excellent condition. \$1500 or cash and trade. Joe Roseman (408)655-8458

Your Editor is continuing to sell the collection, which has been advertised in the July & September newsletters. There are still a lot of good lighters - a Ronson Waldorf, Ronson Lenox, Evans Chess Pieces, Sterling Evans, lots of novelty pieces, etc. The TEN PERCENT DISCOUNT is still in effect. Since so many pieces have already been sold I will offer to send you the entire list for POSTAGE COSTS ONLY! For you who haven't ordered this list, you are missing some great pieces!

For Sale: Accumulation of 34 assorted lighters, mostly 1950 era, oil field inscribed, some new - Zippos, Scriptos, Dundee, Ronsons, etc - fuel & butane - one 1929 Dunhill type German Saxony mother of pearl overlaid from same era. If interest call or write for xerox pictures, copy & price. Sell as a lot only. Louis H. Sears

REGEL P/L - oval, natural brass w/14 garnet sets on each side (see May 15 OTLS Page 3 & July 15 OTLS Page 10). Will trade for pre-1973 Zippos (political, sports, advertising, military, navy, etc.) regular size. Make offer. Mel Dolginoff (816)523-8612

Always buying & selling pre-1950 cigarette lighters, and specializing in those harder to find - Dunhill, Ronson & Zippos. Contact Ira Pilosof by phone/fax (718)921-2516 or by mail. Overseas calls welcomed.

Marty Inman is a Zippo Distributor & constantly has a new inventory of Zippo Ship Lighters. Send SASE for list or call Phone/Fax (313)398-0510

FOR SALE OR TRADE

Zippo Varga Girl (new) lighters - \$17.95 (postage paid). Send orders to Mark Conrad (see Affordable Cigarette Shop on New Member page

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WANTED

Wanted to buy or trade for: (1) Reagan/Gorbachev & Bush/Gorbachev political Zippos; (2) Moon Landing Zippo; (3) U.S.S. Missouri surrender Zippo. If you have any of these or know where there is one, please contact Brent Harbolt (405)436-5765

Looking for CAVALIER & TEMPO (cigarette advertisers) - any manufacturer Write or call Andrew Lloyd

Zippos wanted by collector. Offers invited on Vintage 1930s, Advertising, Military, Town & Country, etc. Also buying collections. Barry Hoffman FAX (617)266-6666.

Wanted: Evans enameled lighters - all types especially enameled fruit. John Shoffner (616)879-3912

Wanted: 1932 Zippo, Town & Country, Coca Cola Zippo & Plain Zippos from 1961 to 1973. Alan Larrabure

Want ANY Pepsi lighter (any manufacturer) - also early Zippos. Warren Bushey

Wanted: Zippos 1930's - 1950's. Please send me your response. I will keep waiting for it. Shigeru Sugawara (see New Member page

PLEASE SEND ALL NEW ADS FOR 1994 - FOR MEMBERS WHO HAVE NEVER SENT AN AD SMALLER ADS ON THIS PAGE ARE FREE AND IS A GOOD WAY TO COMMUNICATE!

SINCE THIS IS THE LAST PAPER OF 1993 - HAPPY HOLIDAYS & HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM YOUR OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS!

ETC. continued....not heard - Barry Hoffman is organizing a New England group to get together occasionally. As we go to press, the first meeting is set Nov. 15 in Nashua, NH - we will hear more about this later. Barry said he has tried to contact any members that may be close, but that if he missed anyone, please get in touch. They haven't decided how often they will meet, or where they will meet each time, but they definitely will be **TRADING LIGHTERS!**

I have heard from Ben Rapaport that the catalogue (Cigarette Lighters & Cases) will be ready around Christmas. I will advise costs in January.

May we extend our sympathy to Minnie Boyd on the loss of her husband, Warren. Warren died at age 76, on August 21, after a short illness. Minnie told this writer that Warren had a little room attached to the carport for his lighters and his radio equipment. Warren had been a Ham Operator was many years and enjoyed talking to ships at sea and his many "radio" friends. She went on to say that he liked to keep his lighters in the same room where he spent so much time anyway.

Warren was primarily a Zippo collector and had bought most of his lighters from Marty Inman and your OTLS Editor. Marty said he got to go visit Warren last April and had a lot of fun looking through Warren's collection and hearing some of his stories about ham radio operators. Minnie has now sold Warren's entire collection to Marty.

We also need to send our thoughts to Ruth Vincent, whose husband, Richard, died on August 20. Ruth said her husband had a sudden heart attack. She said Dick would have been 71 in September but that he had more fun and did more things than most people a lot younger. For instance he just finished taking glider lessons!

Richard and Ruth have 4 children, 12 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild, so Ruth says she will still have a lot of family around her. She also told this writer that they had celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on June 6 and she was glad they had so many good years.

Ruth said he loved to go to antique shops and flea markets to find some more lighters, and that he really enjoyed the friends he had made through OTLS. The lighters will be kept by different family members as a remembrance to Richard Vincent.

THE THIRD ANNUAL WEST COAST SWAP MEET WILL BE FEB. 5, 1994. MORE DETAILS IN THE JANUARY ISSUE. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, CALL GUY NISHIDA OR TOM O'KEY.

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