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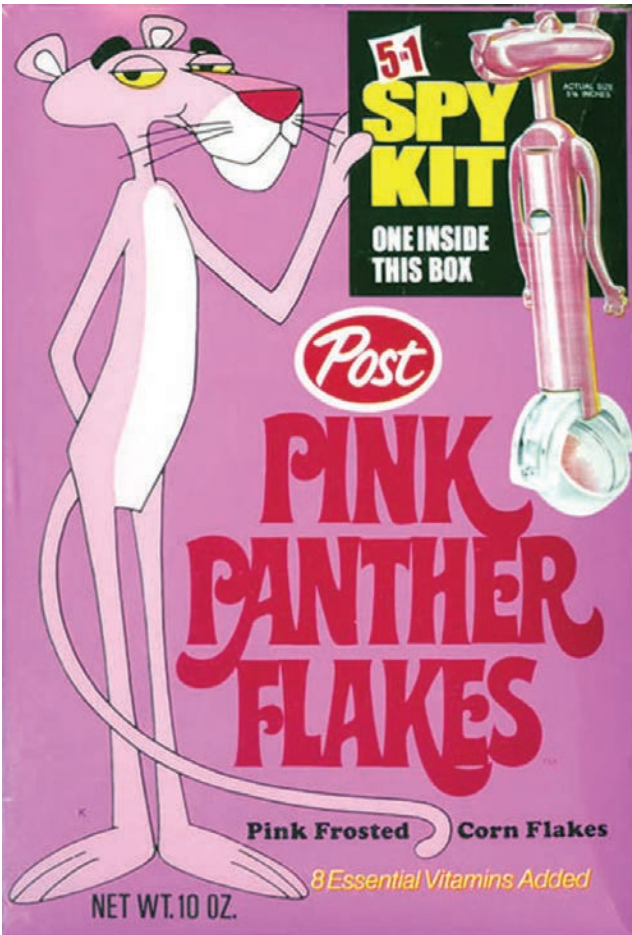
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### FEATURE



## Collectors love pouring over cereal boxes

BY LARRY LEMASTERS

Dr. James Caleb Jackson, the director of the Dansville Sanitarium in Dansville, New York, created the first breakfast cereal, Granula, in 1863. Jackson claimed he invented this cereal to help ease gastrointestinal disorders in his patients and to provide them with a healthy, vegetarian breakfast to replace the pork diet many of his patients enjoyed.

Granula was “comprised of dense bran nuggets that had to be soaked overnight in order to be chewable.” This

Left: 1974 Post Pink Panther Flakes; note Free Spy Kit promotional inside box: \$700.

early cereal was not very tasty and did not remain long on the breakfast table.

An interesting bit of history did unfold at Dansville Sanitarium though. One of Dr. Jackson’s patients was Ellen G. White — the founder of the Seventh Day Adventist church. White taught the rejection of all things meaty, and one of the Adventist members she taught this to was John Kellogg.

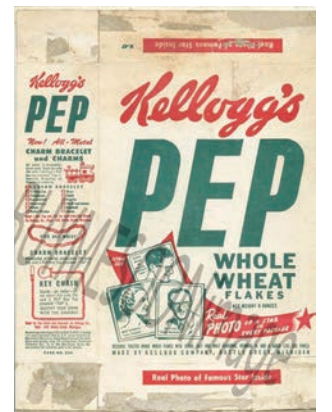
John Harvey Kellogg eccentrically superintended the Battle Creek Sanitarium in Battle Creek, Michigan. Many have called Kellogg a “bowel-obsessed quack;” however, while attempting to create a healthy breakfast item for his patients, Kellogg invented granola.



Above: 1930s Unopened Kellogg’s Bran cereal box: note that it “Relieves Constipation,” \$50.

Granola was a ground-up version of an oats, wheat, and corn meal biscuit that Kellogg made. Granola is no longer a trade name and is used as a generic term today.

Kellogg, along with his



Above: 1947 Kellogg’s Pep cereal box, depicting George Mikan. This box was the very first cereal box to depict an athlete on its cover, and it is valued at \$2,800.

brother, Will Keith Kellogg, continued to make granola-based breakfast foods until,

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### FEATURE



## Attention to details marked Heizer dolls

BY LARRY LEMASTERS

Dorothy Wendell Heizer (1881-1973) saw dolls as an expression of art rather than as simple play toys. In the mid-20th century, Heizer helped form a movement in doll making that lifted dolls to collectible keepsakes.

Early in her career, Heizer attended the Philadelphia Academy of Fine Arts where she studied portrait painting and human anatomy. It was while she was a student that she first realized how important accurate body measurements are to doll making.

Heizer was also a skilled seamstress

Left: Beautiful Martha Washington doll by Dorothy Heizer, circa 1950.



Above: Dorothy Heizer “Peddler Woman” doll, holding a doll. This is one of Heizer’s unique creations, and it is valued at \$3,000.

before she entered college, so she combined her art talent and sewing skills to make dolls and doll clothing.

For several decades, collectors have sought out Heizer’s cloth dolls representing historical figures. Each of these dolls is painstakingly



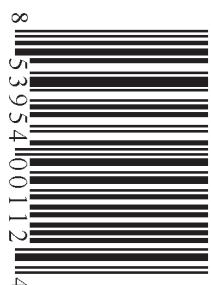
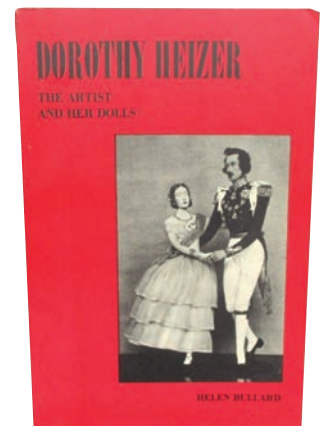
Above: Group of Dorothy Heizer dolls shown on Antiques Roadshow in 2012. These were appraised for \$10,000 retail value.

dressed in handmade clothing that replicates the era of the historical figure or well-known figures from literature such as Alice in Wonderland or Martha Washington.

Many of Heizer’s dolls were made of

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Right: Dorothy Heizer: The Artist and Her Dolls by Helen Bullard, 1972. This book is routinely offered on eBay for \$50.



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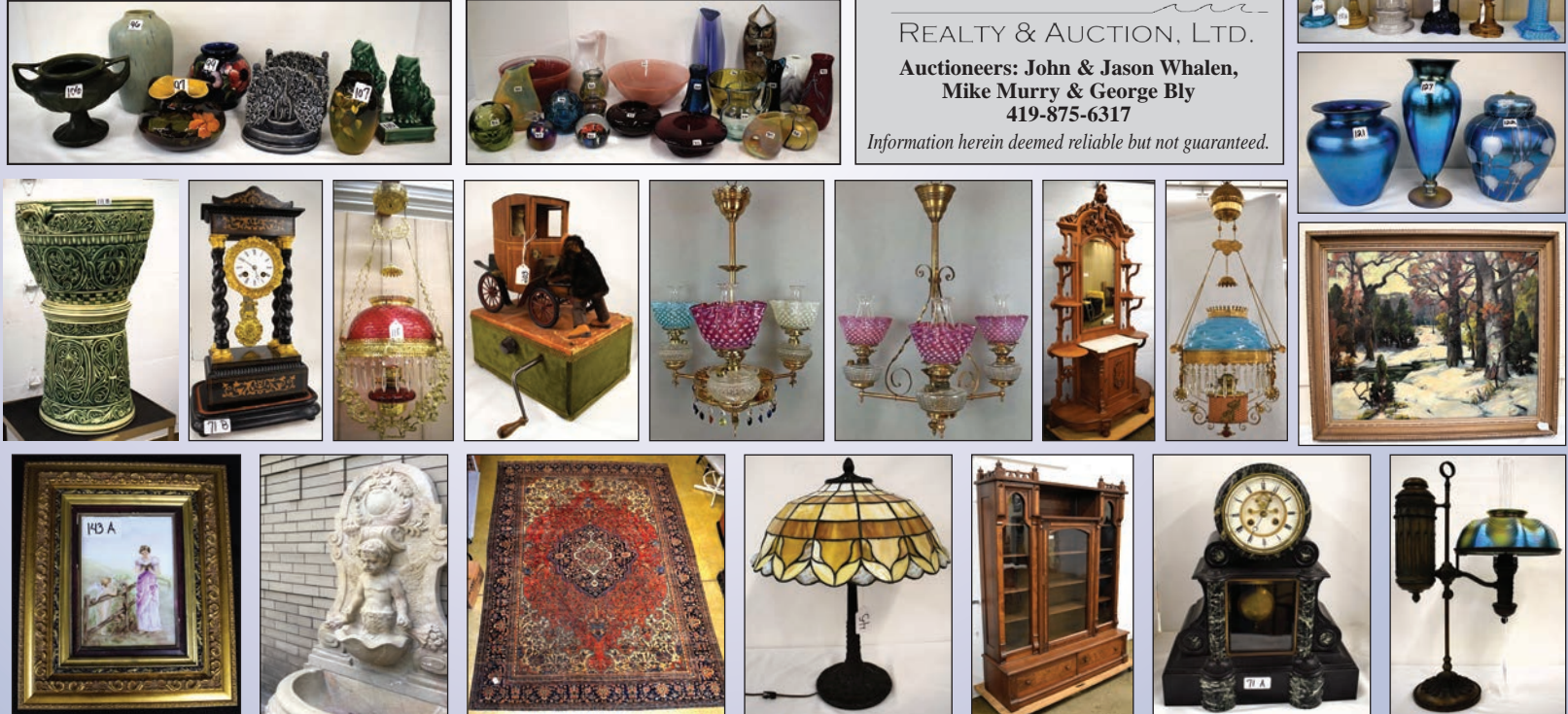
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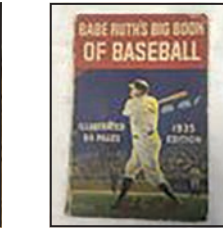
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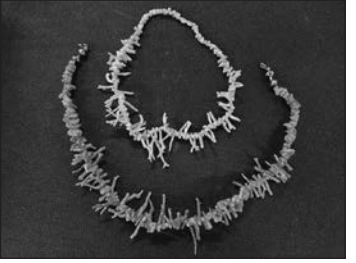
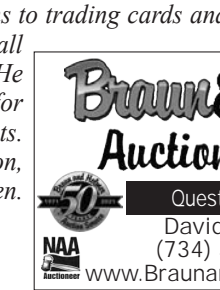
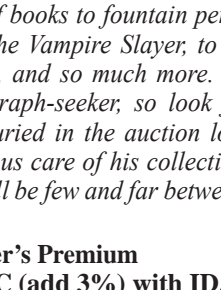
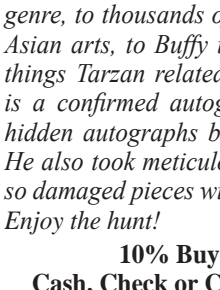
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## Cereal

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purely by accident, Kellogg invented the modern-day bran flake in 1894.

Until then, Kellogg made a wheat meal by running boiled wheat through rollers to flatten it into a very thin cracker-type sheet. He would then roast the sheet and grind it into meal. This was a very successful operation until one night Kellogg prepared a batch of boiled wheat but left it lying out in the kitchen. The boiled wheat sat out all night, becoming stale. Come morning, Kellogg decided to run the stale wheat through the rollers anyway — just to see how it would come out.

As Kellogg watched the boiled wheat pull through the rollers, he thought he would have to toss all of it since each wheat berry was separating from the batch and producing a single, thin wheat flake. Kellogg decided to roast the wheat flakes and serve them to patients as a breakfast food — Kellogg did not mind serving experimental foods to human guinea pigs. This new cereal, called Granose, was an instant success.

In 1896, Will Kellogg, using much the same procedure that had been used to create wheat flakes, successfully created corn flakes.

In 1906, Will purchased his brother's, John's, share of their



Above: An exceptionally rare, 1907 box of Kellogg's Toasted Corn Flakes.

cereal patents, and Will founded the Kellogg Company. By its third year in operation, the Kellogg Company reached annual sales exceeding 1 million cases of cereal.

If all of this was not interesting enough, a young man named Charles William Post became a patient at the Battle Creek Sanitarium, under John Kellogg's care, in 1893. Post suffered from nervous breakdowns and hoped Kellogg could help him. Kellogg never improved Post's health, but Kellogg definitely "helped" Post.

Following his stay at the sanitarium, Post

immediately opened his own Battle Creek-based sanitarium — La Vita Inn. Not only was Post in competition with Kellogg for patients, Post also started making his own chicory coffee substitutes and breakfast cereals. By 1897, Postum coffee substitute sales reached \$840,000. Soon, thereafter, Post began selling his own granula breakfast cereal — today it is called Grape-Nuts.

Post also created his own brand of corn flakes, which he called "Elijah's Manna." This cereal sold poorly until Post changed its name to Post Toasties — a household name today.



Above: 1984 Kellogg's C-3PO (from StarWars) cereal box: \$15.

These early cereals led to not only supermarket aisles filled with cornucopias of different breakfast cereals but also to many cereals that stormed the market only to fail. These failed cereals, and the earliest cereals created by these breakfast champions, soon created yet another enterprise — cereal box collecting.

Recently on eBay, a seller was offering prototype cars from the 1970s cereal Frankenberry. These

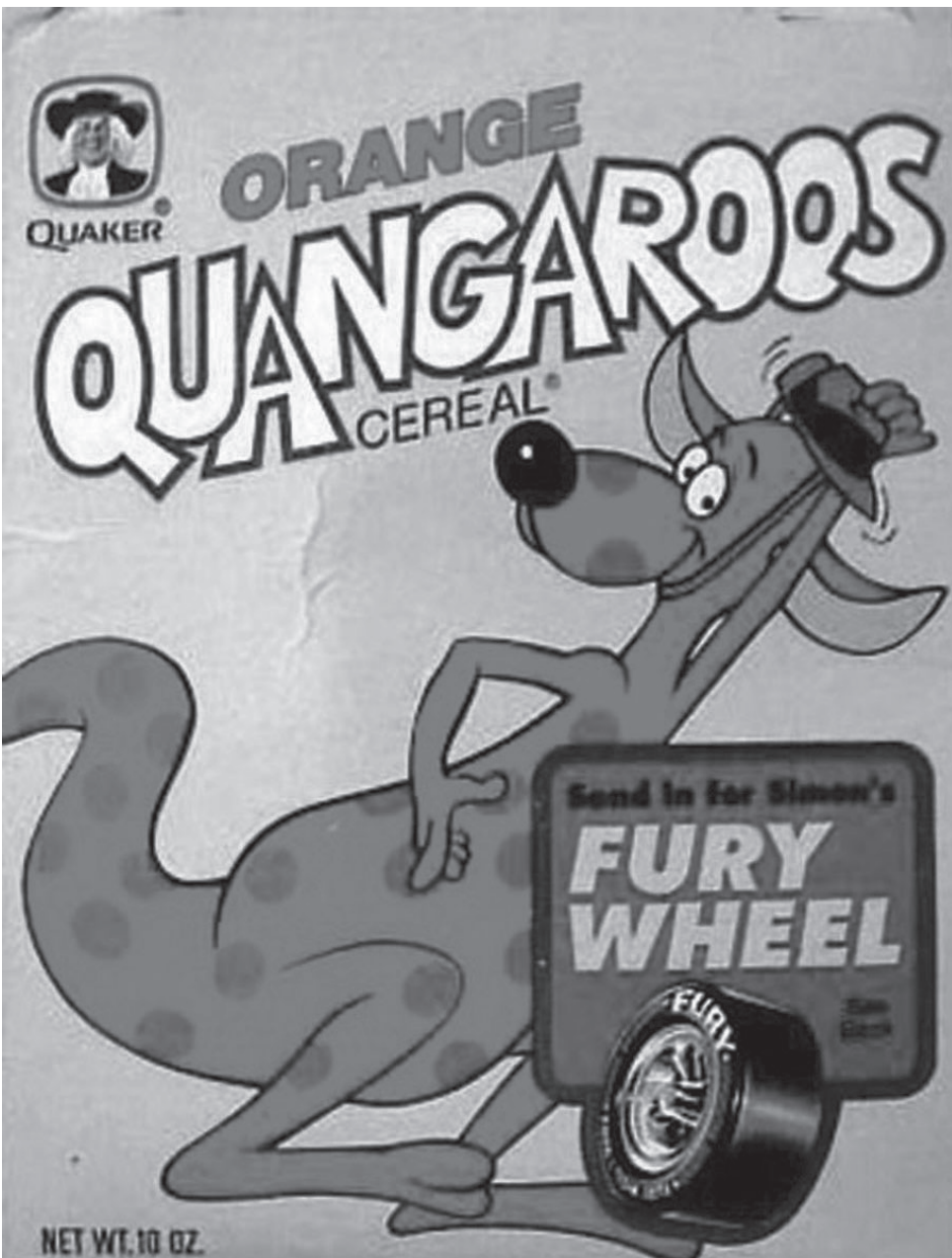
cars were offered for \$3,500. However, what caught my attention was the seller's comment, "Note—the cost of these 8 prototypes/models, item by item, is less than a Fruit Brute cereal box (I recently sold two cereal boxes for \$850 each)."

Not all cereal boxes sell for \$850, but many are offered for that much or more. Take a Kellogg's 1947 Pep Whole Wheat Flakes box. This is the very first cereal box to feature a sports player

on its front — George Mikan in this case. I've seen this box offered for \$2,800.

A very colorful 1984 Kellogg's C-3PO's cereal box (this is one of the cereals that folded over time) sells for a round \$15.

The accepted way to store boxes is to collapse the entire box. The back panel of boxes may affect price depending on what is advertised on the back, so never cut anything from a box.



Above: Another short-lived 1970s cereal—orange flavored Quangaroos.

## Dolls

FROM PAGE 1

molded cloth, often crepe, over bent and fashioned armatures. Each doll was uniquely created to represent its character with detailing and hand-painted features. Often mohair or flossed hair was fashioned into the appropriate style.

Heizer made her first dolls in the 1920s to sell at a local church bazaar. People flocked to her dolls from the very beginning. Her doll making skills developed rapidly, and soon she was selling more sophisticated dolls through Hickson's Store in New York City. Hickson was accused of being an Italian spy in 1944, so Heizer ended her association with his department store. From then on she sold her dolls



Above: Dorothy Heizer 14-inch doll with original box. This doll sold at auction in 2015 for \$4,300.

directly from her home by word of mouth. Heizer continued making dolls into the mid-1960s, but failing eyesight caused her to retire.

Today, collectors still eagerly search estate

sales and doll auctions for Heizer dolls. But be warned—Heizer dolls do not come cheaply. The dolls routinely sell for \$1,000 to \$10,000, so bring a heavy pocketbook to the auction.

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Sat., Apr. 20, Dan Coville, Real Estate, Orland, IN

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Thu., Mar. 21, Whalen Realty & Auction, 2 Day, Grand Rapids, OH

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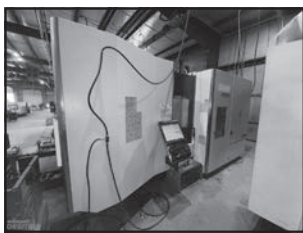
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- Freightliner FL70 Flatbed Truck Tractor (2001)
  - Kenworth T300 Box Truck (2003)
  - Skyjack SJ3220 Scissor Lift
  - Miller and Lincoln Welders
  - Toro Z• Master Zero Turn Mower
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  - Mazak Hyper Quadrex 150MSY CNC Turning Center (2008)
  - Mazak Quick Turn Nexus 250• II CNC Turning Center (2011)
  - Mazak Quick Turn Nexus 150• II CNC Turning Center (2009)
  - Mazak Quick Turn 6G CNC Chucker Turning Center (2009)
- (3) Mazak PFH• 4800 CNC Horizontal Machining Center, (2006, 2004, 2003)
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- Mazak Nexus VCN 510C• II CNC Vertical Machining Center (2008)
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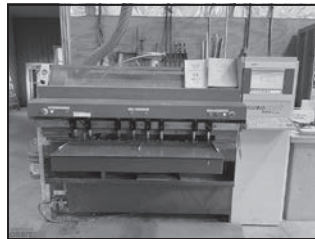
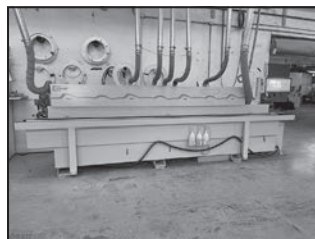
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### ZONE 8 INDIANA

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# John Deere equipment brought in the green bucks

OWOSSO, Mich. — A large crowd of friends, family and local farmers gathered at Albaugh Farms recently for a farm equipment auction. Renae Albaugh hired Miedema Auctioneering to conduct a live auction at the farm after the death of her husband Tom. In the weeks leading up to the auction, the community showed their love and support for the Albaugh Family as many friends and family gathered to help prepare the equipment for the auction.

The rain on Friday and Saturday made it difficult, even the auction truck had to be towed by the John Deere 3020 in the barn. The rain, however, did not stop the community from showing up to the auction on Saturday morning, as trucks and trailers filled the farm and even continued to overflow down Baldwin Road. Online bidders from across the country also participated in the auction via online bidding.

More than 400 people attended the auction with another 650 registered bidders online. The large crowd stayed until the end of the auction and was a testament to the

condition and care of the equipment on the farm and the support of the local community for the Albaugh Family. Tom's early career was spent as a mechanic with John Deere, and he took immense pride in the meticulous maintenance and cleanliness of his equipment.

Athe top lot of the auction was a 2008 John Deere 9430, 3,547 hours that sold for \$160,000. A 1989 John Deere 8760, 6,464 Hours reached \$75,000, while a 2002 John Deere 8420, 5,030 Hours brought \$125,000.

A 1996 John Deere 7600, 2WD, 4,057 Hours sold for \$58,500, while a 1981 John Deere 4440, 2WD, 9,729 Hours came in at \$39,500. A 2012 John Deere S670, 4WD, 3,510 E / 2,129 Sep. Hours made \$87,500. A John Deere 9610, 4WD, 5,558 E / 3,774 Sep. Hours sold for \$45,000.

A 2022 John Deere 2680H, 30' High Speed Disc reached \$110,000, while a John Deere 200 Rolling Harrow, 30' made \$13,000. A John Deere 1990 Air Seeder, 24 Hole sold for \$75,000.

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Above: Miedema Auctioneering sold farm equipment for Albaugh Farms. Rain did not keep dedicated bidders away.

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MARSHALL, MI **5**

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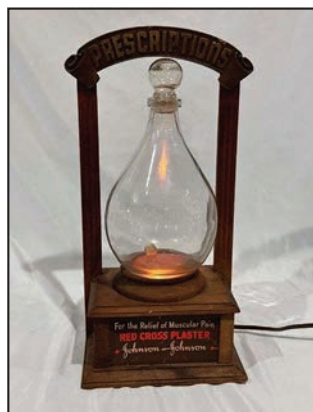
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## PUBLIC AUCTION OF ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

SATURDAY MORNING, MARCH 23, 2024 @ 9:30 AM  
LOCATION: THE BARRY EXPO CENTER, 1350 N. M-37 HIGHWAY.  
HASTINGS, MICHIGAN **4**

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2009 BMW 528 XDRIVE, 156,000 MILES

### CHIPPER

2000 BANDIT PERFORMANCE 150 WOOD/BRUSH TRIMMER, PERKINS 86HP DIESEL ENGINE



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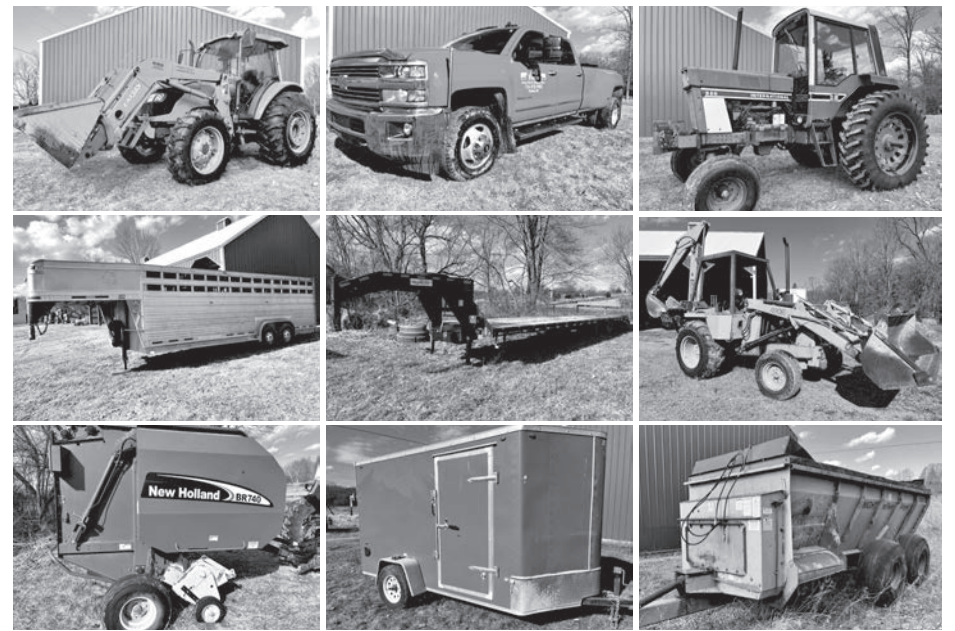
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# Collectors develop quite an appetite for vintage lunchboxes

BY DONALD-BRIAN JOHNSON

Blame it on Hoppy. When the "Hopalong Cassidy" tin lunchbox hit stores in 1950, bag lunches faced a formidable competitor. Now, those tasty peanut-butter-and-jelly sandwiches could be packed securely in a container festooned with images of your favorite performers or TV characters. Even better, the accompanying thermos bottle, carried through the visual theme. In the first year of production, Aladdin Industries, Inc. the "Hopalong" manufacturer, sold over 600,000 Hoppy lunchboxes, at \$2.69 each. For the next 35-plus years metal lunchboxes provided a reliable source of bragging rights for schoolkids, a reliable tug on parents' pocketbooks, and a reliable means of renewable income for the companies that churned out the boxes. If you found your way to the top of the pop culture heap, chances were good that you'd soon be immortalized on a lunchbox.

Long before metal lunchboxes, kids (or most often, their moms), found other means of lugging lunches around. Folks have relied on hollow gourds, wicker baskets, oilcloth wraps, and even oiled goat skins. In



Above: Lunchbox collector Mark Kelehan, and former Aladdin artist Robert Jones, at the Kelehan exhibit, The Lunchbox: Packed With Pop Culture. The Durham Museum, Omaha, Nebraska, 2023.

the 1880s, empty biscuit and tobacco tins were recycled as "lunch pails." By the turn of the 20th century, metal lunchboxes specifically geared for children's use were marketed. These early lunchboxes, on the order of

Right: The 1980 "Pac-Man" lunchbox from Aladdin, with artwork by Robert Jones. This box inspired Mark Kelehan's collection.



See Vintage Lunchboxes page 11



Right: Time to phone home? "E.T." Aladdin lunchbox, 1982.

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**SAT. MARCH 23 @ 10:30 A.M.**  
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**VEHICLES:** 2015 Chevy 4DR Silverado 4x4 w/Boss Plow & Only 38,183 miles; 2016 Porsche Cayenne; 2003 Porsche Convertible. **COLLECTOR VEHICLES:** 1936 Auburn Convertible Replica; 1955 Olds Holiday w/Rocket V-8; 1965 CORD Convertible Replica; 1950 Chevy Pickup w/Mercedes Diesel Motor; **GARAGE:** (2) John Deere D-110 Riding Mowers; Air Compressor; Chop Saw; Tools; **HOUSEHOLD:** Beds; Dressers; Scale Toy Cars; Costume Jewelry; Elite-Es Power Chair; Aluminum Ramp; Collector Items. **TRAILER:** 20' Haulmark Enclosed Trailer.  
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## Vintage Lunchboxes

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kid-sized picnic baskets, featured generic illustrations of (what else?) kids. For most families however, specifically designated lunchboxes were a luxury they could ill afford. The price: \$3.50 each (over \$100 in today's money). So, in most cases packed paper bags still filled school lunchrooms.

Although "Hopalong Cassidy" was the first metal lunchbox to take the nation by storm, it wasn't the first metal character box marketed. That distinction belongs to the "Mickey Mouse Lunch Kit," which had limited production in 1935. Those with an appetite for other characters had to wait until the 1950s, when Hoppy and his friends came thundering through.

After Aladdin's salute to Hopalong Cassidy, the next King of the Cowboys to saddle up was Roy Rogers. The "Roy Rogers" lunchbox came courtesy of Aladdin's main competitor, "King-Seeley Thermos" (known today as Thermos L.L.C.). In 1953, King-Seeley sold 2 1/2 million "Roy Rogers" lunchboxes. The increased popularity can be traced to the vivid, full-color lithographed



Above: They're out of this world! "The Jetsons" domed lunchbox from Aladdin, 1963.

images on every side of the lunchbox, starring not only Roy, but also Dale Evans and Trigger. (The 1950 "Hopalong Cassidy" lunchbox was a single color, with a Hoppy decal on one side.) By 1954, Aladdin had also switched to fully-illustrated, full-color lunchboxes, and Hoppy was upgraded.

Which popular figure appeared on which lunchbox was dependent on licensing. Aladdin acquired the rights to such prizes as the Disney, Marvel, and Star Trek characters. King-Seeley captured such in-demand properties as Star Wars, Peanuts, and Hanna-Barbera favorites including The Flintstones. Among other companies joining

in with less prolific lunchbox output were ADCO Liberty, Okay Industries, Ohio Art, and Universal. From 1950 until 1986, over 200 million lunchboxes were sold. (The most popular: the "Disney School Bus" from the 1960s, with nearly 10 million purchased.)

The phaseout of metal lunchboxes in the mid-1980s can be traced in part to parental fears (often unsupported) that the boxes were being used as weapons. A more likely explanation is that the preferred replacements, molded plastic lunchboxes, with all-plastic "thermos bottles," were cheaper to produce. And, as backpacks/book bags became the favored carryalls for

school supplies, even the plastic boxes began to vanish. Smaller and softer packaging that could be maneuvered into a backpack became the norm. The last mass-produced metal lunchboxes were 1985's "Rambo" from King-Seeley, and Aladdin's "Thundercats" in 1986.

Mark Kelehan of Elkhorn, Nebraska, brought his lunches to school in a paper bag. Now though, the avid collector has over 1,200 lunchboxes in his collection, along with a massive assortment of related artifacts and reference materials.

"In 1994, I went to a flea market in Omaha,

and saw a 1980 'Pac-Man' lunchbox, and thought it was super cool, even though it was a little beat up," Kelehan said. "It reminded me of a lot of things from my childhood. After I bought that lunchbox, I was curious to know what others there were, so I found a lunchbox price guide. When I saw how many were actually made, it kick-started my interest in buying more. I would go to flea markets, antique malls, and garage sales, and just bought basically whatever I could that was within my geographic reach.

"When eBay arrived,

it became much easier to find lunchboxes. During my time in New York, I started going to toy shows, and meeting collectors who had other things like production art and production plates. That started me on this journey to go deeper than just the lunchboxes. The other things were more challenging and exciting, like finding former employees who had the artwork, or finding collectors who bought prototype lunchboxes that were rare one-off things. I love hunting down this kind of stuff. It helps me

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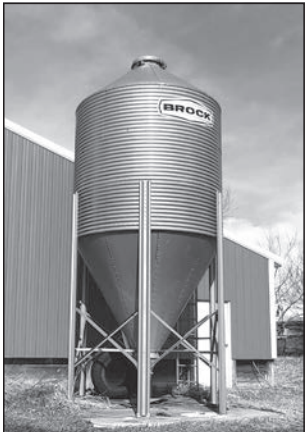
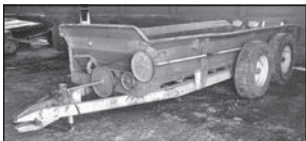
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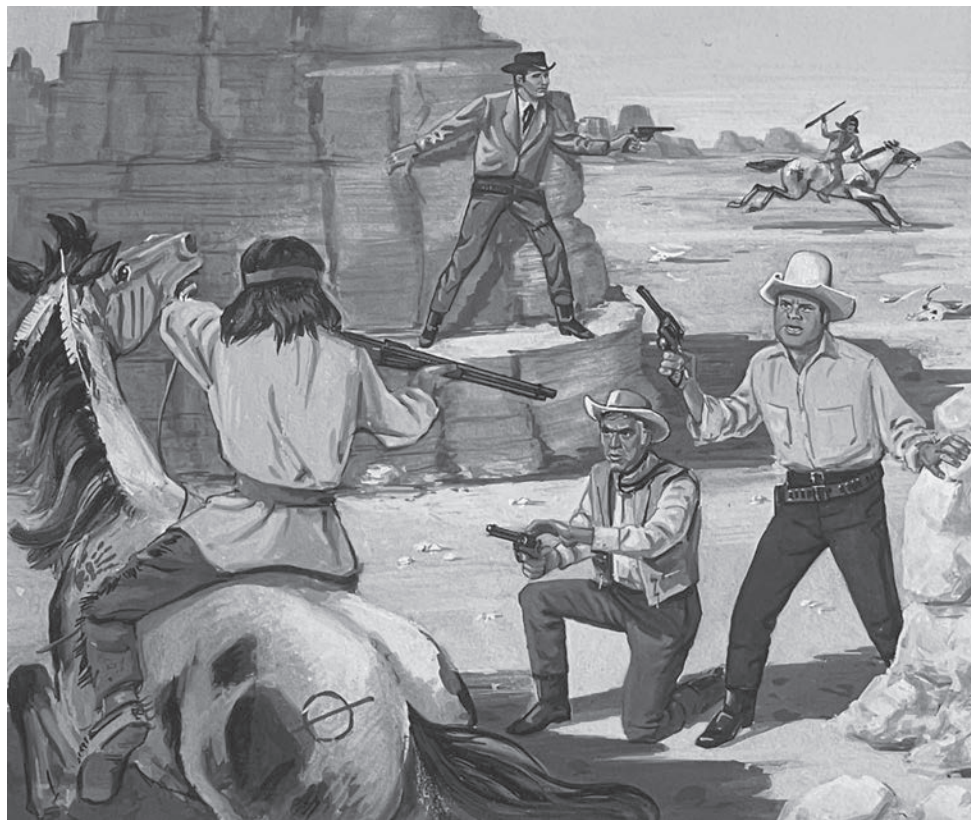

### Vintage Lunchboxes

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better understand the companies, and the history of lunchboxes. It's exciting, and I meet new people along the way."

One of those new people was Robert Jones, a former illustrator for Aladdin Industries, and many of its lunchboxes. Now included in Mark Kelehan's collection is Jones's original concept art for that 1980 "Pac-Man" lunchbox.

Recently, Kelehan's collection was the focus of The Lunchbox: Packed With Pop Culture, a major exhibit at The Durham Museum (a Smithsonian affiliate) in Omaha, Nebraska. Notes Kelehan, "There have been several displays of lunchboxes at various museums, but



Above: "Bonanza" lunchbox, Aladdin Industries, 1965.

Left: Lots of action at the Ponderosa: original artwork for Aladdin's "Bonanza" lunchbox, 1965. A rarity, as most lunchbox art no longer exists.

there has never been an exhibit that displays all the one-of-a-kind paint-

ings and original production artifacts." Kelehan's exhibit, which he

created with support from The Durham Museum, featured over 500 of

his lunchboxes, as well as numerous examples of lunchbox art and pro-

duction materials. In addition to detailing the history of lunchboxes, their major manufacturers, and their vibrant artwork, Kelehan's writings for the exhibit cover primary factors in their development. Among them: marketing research, license acquisition, actual lunchbox production, and, of course, the world of lunchbox collecting, from its origins in 1979 up to the present day. Future goals, already in the works, include having the exhibit travel to other venues across the nation, plus one or more books on lunchboxes. Says Mark, "I think the topic and insights are timeless. Lunchboxes are a great reflection of history and popular culture in the United States. They all tell stories."

Fortunately for collectors, 200 million lunchboxes means there are still plenty around to collect. And there are boxes for every budget. All photos and reference materials courtesy of Mark Kelehan, (mak.lunchbox@gmail.com) Photo Associate: Hank Kuhlmann

Donald-Brian Johnson is the co-author of numerous books on design and collectibles, including "Postwar Pop," a collection of his columns. He lived near the school, so usually went home for lunch. Please address inquiries to: donaldbrian@msn.com

Below: The most popular lunchbox ever, bar none: Aladdin's domed "Disney School Bus," featuring an array of Disney favorites. Eventually, nearly 10 million of this Robert Burton design were sold. 1960s.



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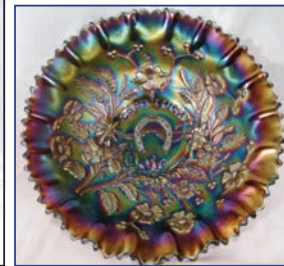
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