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ACROSS THE AUCTION BLOCK

Creamery clock rose to the top with \$5,290 bid

BY NANCY KELLY

CORYDON, Ind. — Beckort Auctions recently was asked to sell a collection of more than 200 vintage advertising signs, clocks,

and thermometers. Most items were in very good condition and the results were rewarding. Prices do include the buyer's premium.

There were more than

150 signs, but the top earning lot of the day was the Emery's Ice Cream, New Albany, Ind., clock and photo. The 15-inch photo read "beharrell and oak, NA" and it appeared to be the original location for the creamery. The business has since moved, and it still offers homemade ice cream and other confections. This nostalgic photo and General Electric Bakelite clock (in working condition) stirred up enough memories to drive the final price to \$5,290.

Two vintage gas pumps provided a look back to earlier times. The Wayne Pump Company #80 Mobilgas script top gas pump had been beautifully restored, including the display with working lights. The metal tag read 1952, Salisbury, Md. The

pump came equipped with a hose and a Buckeye nozzle. It stood 62 inches tall and proved exceptionally popular with a final price of \$4,510. There was also an eye-catching Erie #4007 Pure Oil Firebird "Farm Fueler"

gas pump complete with blazing red flying firebird logo. This nicely restored pump only had a round gauge on the front to indicate how many gallons of fuel were being dispersed. There was no need to measure the cost of per

fueling for this application. The globe on top of the unit was in exceptional condition, complete with working lights. It finished at \$1,595.

Petroleum products

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Above: This shield shaped highway sign for Arizona US Route 66 displayed reflective marbles within the numerals for improved night visibility. Despite surface wear, it still earned a final price of \$3,960.



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FEATURE

Hubley logging trucks were in play for the long haul

BY LARRY LEMASTERS

John Hubley founded the Hubley Manufacturing Company in Lancaster, Pa., in 1894. Initially, Hubley produced a wide range of

cast iron doorstops bookends, and toys. Hubley cap guns led the company's sales for a number of years, but the company kept evolving. As the Industrial Revolution brought innovative ways of manufacturing

mass-produced toys, Hubley sought to bring to boys and girls the exact type of toy they were looking for.

Over the years, Hubley introduced zinc alloy and plastic into its toy motor vehicles and cap guns. The company became well known for its detailed 1/20th scale metal car kits. By 1960, Hubley was replicating Detroit cars in plastic as

promotional items for several car manufacturers.

Some of the earliest Hubley toys were famous for their detail, including a replica of a five-ton truck that came with hand tools, a road roller that was offered in five different sizes, a steam shovel with working arms and shovel, and the company's many different offerings of motorcycles, which were highly creative for the times and included sidecars. Some of the Hubley motorcycles pulled delivery vans with the catchy phrase "Say it with flowers" on the side of the vans.

By the late-1930s, increasing freight costs and foreign competition making more highly detailed toys forced Hubley to switch from



Above: This Hubley short logging truck, circa 1950s, shows how a load of logs is carried on truck's bed. This truck is valued at \$20.

cast iron to die cast zinc alloy, called mazac, and plastic toys. Hubley called them KiddieToys and they continued into the 1950s. One of the last lines of Hubley toys manufactured in its KiddieToys brand was its line of toy logging trucks.

Following World War II, Hubley looked for new toy lines that appealed to toy hobbyists and collectors. Hubley quickly diversified its toy line, hoping to offer something

for every type of collector. The toy logging trucks that came out in the 1950s were meant to attract actual loggers or children of loggers.

Hubley began trying to reach different lifestyles, such as loggers, so that the purchase of Hubley logging toys would tie the loggers and their children to both the family's past and to America's past, helping

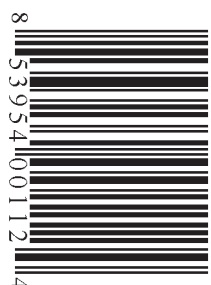
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Left: Vintage, Hubley #452 die cast log hauler that is 6.5 inches long. This red logging truck is valued at \$14.



Above: Hubley large logging truck, #47,0-58, has three removable logs and is nine inches long. Produced in 1950, this truck is valued at \$40.



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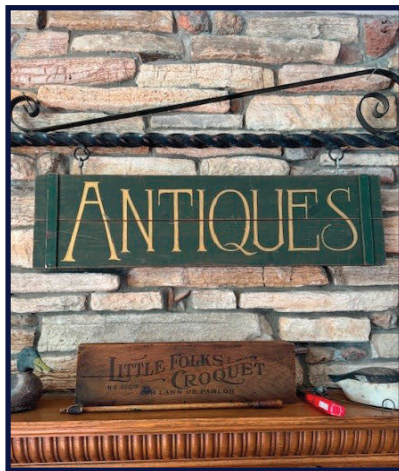
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Pie Safe



Double-Sided
Advertising Sign



1780s
Tallboy Chest

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Clock

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were a recurring theme throughout this auction. A massive 72 inch tall by 92 inch wide Marathon porcelain gas station double-sided sign was marked “S.P.S. ‘62”. Despite edge rust, this remarkable emblem drew a final price of \$4,510. The Liberty Gasoline double-sided porcelain sign was another eye-catching example. This orange and blue sign with the image of the Statue of Liberty was mounted in a steel frame and supported by a cast iron base for a total height of 8 feet. The orig-

inal paint was in very good condition, earning it a final price of \$3,190. This collector evidently enjoyed large signs. A vertical “Sterling Ignition Efficiency” wood framed painted tin sign measured 6 feet tall by 13 inches wide. Featuring the Sterling Elf, it was captured with a final price of \$3,080.

Other signs that were originally from service stations also did well. These included a Wadhams True Gasoline porcelain flange sign that was claimed for \$2,255, a Laher “The Battery With 9 Lives” embossed vertical metal sign that left for \$2,145, and an Independent Oil “Red

Hat Motor Oil Gasoline” porcelain round sign that finished at \$2,145.

Other categories of signs were also plentiful. Signs for US highway routes have a distinct shield shape. There was an interesting example of this style from Arizona US Route 66. The numerals “66” had marble-like objects imbedded to provide a reflective effect for night driving. Measuring 16 by 17 inches, and showing a very weathered surface, it still commanded a final price of \$3,960. Originally used to direct the crowd, the “Indianapolis Speedway Straight Ahead” steel sign retained its original paint although it was severely worn. Measuring 30 inches by 20 inches, this rectangular single-sided marker was purchased for \$1,485.

The Land O’ Lakes butter sign provided a



Above: Despite edge rust, this massive 92-inch-wide Marathon porcelain sign drew a final price of \$4,510.

colorful image with the Native American girl pictured on it. The image was embossed on the sign that measured 35 inches tall. It was taken for a final price of \$2,255. Another recognizable brand was represented by a polished aluminum Greyhound Bus dog display figure. It was stamped “GBCO 157” and measured 36 inches long. This galloping canine was taken home for \$1,045. The familiar Mail Pouch Tobacco “Treat Yourself to the Best” logo was presented on a porcelain metal thermometer. It was still quite functional and measured 19 inches wide by 6 feet high. This handsome relic was claimed for \$1,925.

Several Coca-Cola products were scattered throughout the sale. A Coca-Cola “Sign of Good Taste” fishtail tin sign commanded attention with its 72 inch wide by 36 inch high dimensions. It was rehomed for \$2,035. A similar vertical sign cleared a \$1,072.50 price, and an inviting V.V. Cooke Chevrolet Coca Cola “Service Waiting Room, Free Coffee and Donuts” tin sign left for \$715.

An early Harrington Sign Flasher Company red fire alarm box supported by a cast iron stand and cradle was available. It came complete with the original key, stood 7 feet tall, and was in very good condition. The stability of the base meant that this unit was extremely heavy. It was claimed by a collector for \$1,155. A Philip Morris cast iron hotel smoke stand depicting a figure nicknamed “Johnny” for the actual bellboy Johnny Roventini. His distinctive voice could be heard on radio commercials in the 1930s and 1940s as he became a spokesman for the company. This 33 inch tall piece was rehomed for \$473.

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Above: Harrington Sign Flasher Company red fire alarm box. On a cast iron base, it was claimed for \$1,155.



Above: A restored 1952 Wayne Pump Company #80 Mobilgas script top gas pump sold for \$4,510.



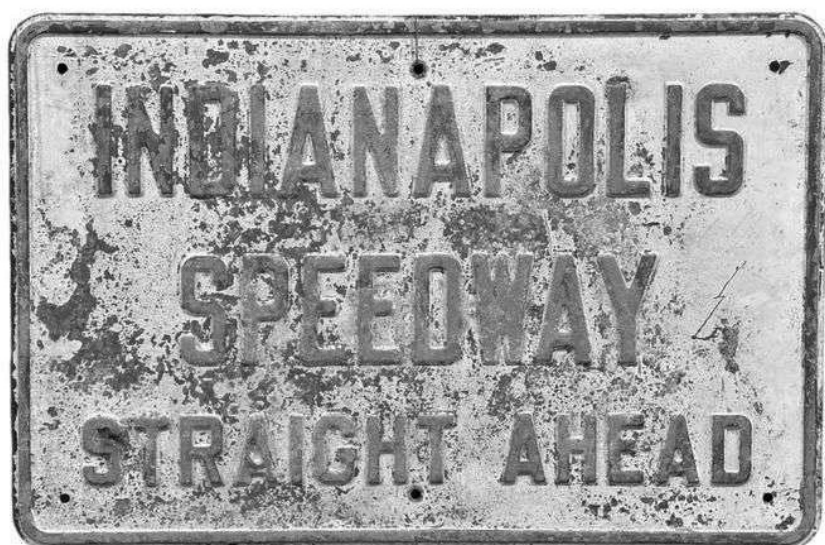
Above: With a colorful image on the painted tin sign, this Land O’ Lakes butter advertisement was claimed for \$2,255.



Above: This Erie Pure Oil Firebird gas pump had a round gauge on the front to indicate gallons dispersed. It closed at \$1,595.



Above: Several Coca-Cola products were scattered throughout the sale, including this Coca-Cola “Sign of Good Taste” fishtail sign that was rehomed for \$2,035



Above: Still displaying its original paint, this “Indianapolis Speedway Straight Ahead” steel sign was purchased for \$1,485.



This orange and blue Liberty Gasoline sign supported by a cast iron base stood 8 feet tall. The original paint was in very good condition, earning it a final price of \$3,190.

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Collectible Bookends

FROM PAGE 8

World War II temporarily halted the production of decorative bookends as materials were redirected to support the war effort. After World War II, the production of decorative bookends revived as the growing suburban middle class, bolstered by the GI Bill, sought to furnish new homes. This period saw a revival of early American style, with bookends featuring traditional materials like wood and brass, evoking a sense of heritage. At the same time, modernism emerged, with designers such as Eames, Herman Miller, and Nelson experimenting with new materials like fiberglass and exotic woods like teak. Their minimalist, sleek bookends reflected the optimism of the atomic age, appealing to a new generation of consumers.

The 1970s and 1980s brought a major shift in bookend design, moving away from the sleek, modern styles of the previous decades toward more experimental forms influenced by the cultural and technological changes of the time. Bookends from this era often featured



Above: A handful of designers are known for their bookends. Among them is metalworker Jennings Brothers Manufacturing. This brass set sold for \$195.

bold geometric shapes, industrial materials, and designs inspired by the space race and the rise of computers. The materials used also changed, with plastics, acrylics, and molded resins becoming more popular. These materials were lighter, more affordable, and easier to produce, making bookends affordable for virtually any consumer. They could be found at neighborhood stores like Kmart and in catalogs from major retailers like JCPenney and Sears.

By the late 1980s, the

emphasis on artistic design in bookends had waned. Most bookends from this period were imported and mass-produced from inexpensive materials. While more affordable and widely available, they lacked the craftsmanship and character of earlier examples. Nonetheless, these pieces still hold a special place for those collectors who cherish the culture of the late 20th century.

The trend of collecting bookends goes back to the 1950s, starting with a resurgence of interest in

colonial and early American antiques. By the 1980s, the focal point shifted to Victorian decor, while today, modernist bookends are the most sought-after pieces. A key reason for bookends' popularity is that they provide an affordable way to own a piece of history. Unlike large, costly furniture or fine art, bookends are small and relatively inexpensive, making them accessible to collectors on a budget. Furthermore, they offer both functionality and style, serving as practical objects that also



Above: This pair of Arts & Crafts-style bookends (\$35) reflects the era's appreciation of wood and restrained carving.

enhance the aesthetic of a space.

While bookends can sometimes be found for \$5 or less at yard sales or thrift stores, expect to pay at least \$20 for a pair from an antique dealer or online. Several factors help them retain their value. Many antique and vintage bookends were crafted from high-quality materials such as brass, marble, or carved wood, which contribute to their enduring appeal. Even mass-produced pieces from the 1920s to the 1950s can start around \$50 due to their craftsmanship and reflection of their era. Finer vintage examples, especially those crafted by well-known makers like Stickley or Rookwood, can see auction prices ranging from \$100 to \$500 due to strong demand. It's even relatively common for collectors to purchase a single bookend remaining from a broken, yet otherwise desirable, set. The condition also plays a critical role;

well-preserved bookends in good original condition are worth significantly more than those that are badly worn, damaged, or repaired.

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If you'd like to dive into the world of bookend collecting, The Collector's Encyclopedia of Bookends by Kuritzky and De Costa (2005) provides an excellent overview.

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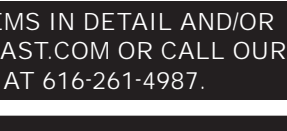


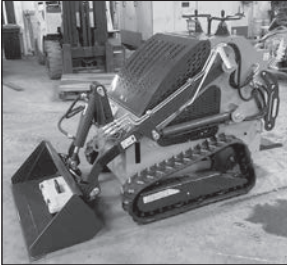
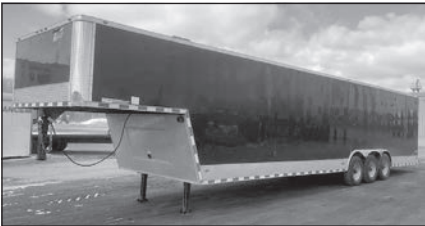


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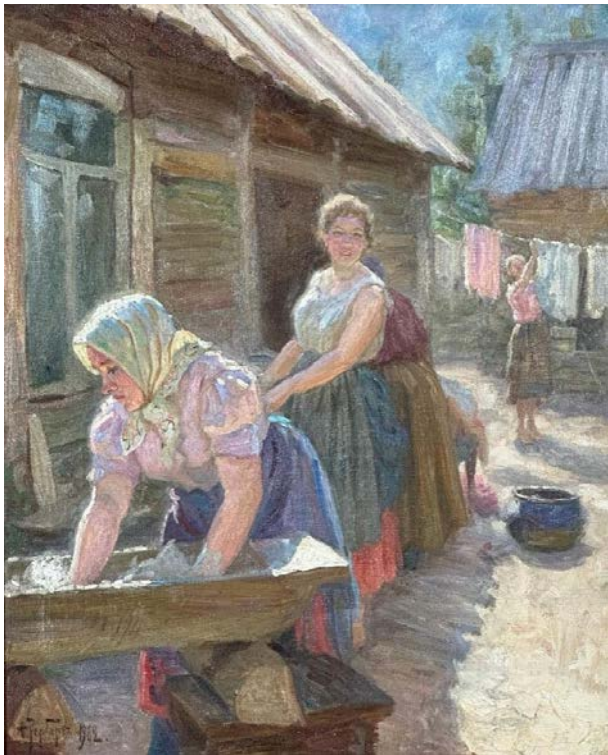
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Hubley

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Hubley certainly picked the right decade to release its logging series of toy trucks. By 1950, the United States produced 38 billion board feet of lumber, which was, perhaps, its best lumber year ever. As our logging industry moved forward through the 1950s, ‘60s, and ‘70s, the national number of board feet produced by logging remained around 34 bil-

lion board feet each year. Hubley strived to capture the logging world’s attention with its line of toy logging trucks in the 1950s, producing intricate designs and detailed toys for logging enthusiasts and collectors both. Today, logging truck collectors still seek out Hubley’s line of logging trucks as not just vintage, but nostalgic reminders of the glory days of the logging industry.

Many of Hubley’s log-

ging toys were generically crafted but still based on real-life logging vehicles. By keeping its logging trucks attractive, easy to play with, and simple to manufacture, Hubley sought to corner an increasing market where working men purchased toys for their children based on the type of work the men performed.

Hubley produced both a short and long logging truck. The short bed logging truck was 6 ½ inch-

es long and held short logs directly on the truck’s bed, while the long logging truck, which was 16 inches long, was a Ford logging truck and trailer where longer logs were carried on a logging trailer attached to the truck.

As vintage logging trucks go, Hubley trucks are still very affordable on secondary markets, making them fun purchases for collectors and children alike.

Hubley has a long legacy of collectible toys that are still actively

sought by collectors today, and Hubley’s line of toy logging trucks with their historical significance and innovative craftsmanship have helped Hubley earn its place in the history of American toy truck manufacturing.



Above: Vintage, #1490 blue Hubley logging truck with logs. This metal truck is valued at \$28.



Above: Hubley, circa 1950, flatbed, tractor/trailer logging stake truck, missing stakes, which was offered on eBay for \$50.

Jason Clark new MAA president

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich. — Jason Clark has been elected president of the Michigan Auctioneers Association (MAA). A seasoned auctioneer from Alma, Mich., Clark brings a wealth of experience and dedication to his new role.

Clark’s journey in the auction industry began more than 15 years ago. In 2010, he acquired Pioneer Auction Service from his uncle, Dick Clark, after several years of apprenticeship. Under his leadership, Pioneer Auction Service has flourished, earning a reputation for professionalism and excellence in handling various auctions, including estates, personal property, agricultural equipment, business liquidations, real estate, and benefit events.

Throughout his career, Clark has achieved significant milestones. He was crowned the Michigan Auctioneer Champion in 2020, a testament to his exceptional

skills and commitment to the profession. In 2021, he further distinguished himself by winning the GoToAuction.com Midwest Auctioneer Championship. In 2023, Clark was awarded the Certified Michigan Auctioneer Designation, which entails an extensive application process with rigorous certification requirements.

Reflecting on his journey, Clark said, “I have always wanted to be a father, farmer, and auctioneer. I’m proud to say that I have worked hard to become all of these things thanks to the help and encouragement from others. I strongly encourage any auctioneer to join the Michigan Auctioneers Association and compete in the available competitions. You will better yourself and your auction business all around.”





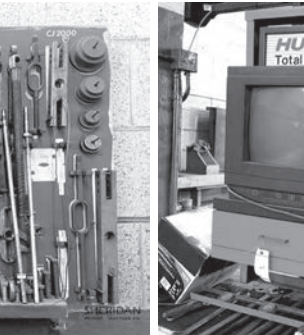
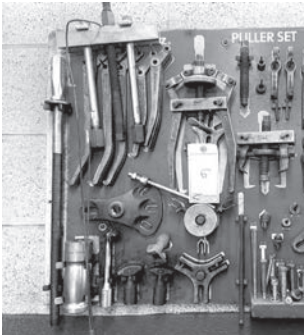
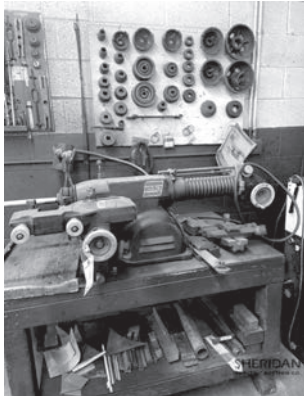


As the 2025 MAA President, Clark aims to advance the association’s mission of enhancing Michigan’s auction indus-



Above: Mathias Donat (Left, 2024 MAA President) presents the gavel to new MAA president Jason Clark.

try through education, promotion, advocacy, and networking. His leadership is expected to bring innovative perspectives and foster continued growth within the organization.

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