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ACROSS THE AUCTION BLOCK

Holler and Hammer sells Sinclair hybrid sign for \$10,500

BY RICHARD JUNGER

JACKSON, Mich. — Few early 20th century businessmen projected their personalities onto their brands as thoroughly as Harry Ford Sinclair and Asa Griggs Candler.

The Kansas oil speculator Sinclair used a green dinosaur to represent dependability as the image for his Sinclair Oil & Refining Co., founded in 1916.

The Georgia industrialist Candler transformed a funny tasting concoction named Coca-Cola

Left: Many 1930s signs had chalkboard inserts so daily prices could be posted. This sign sold for \$1,800.

into a national and international sensation starting in 1888.

There is no record of the two businessmen ever having met in person, but their advertising came together for a large Holler and Hammer early Christmas auction in Jackson on Nov. 1.

"We were looking to do something Christmasy, red and green," auctioneer Jared Mark said. "Besides, gas and oil go well with soda. They're complimentary." All prices listed are hammer prices and do not reflect the 15 percent onsite or 23 percent online buyer's premium.

Top seller was a circa 1955-1962 Sinclair hybrid "credit cards honored" sign, which brought an



Above: Still in its shipping crate, this Coca-Cola button sign sold for \$5,500.

online high bid of \$10,500. The porcelain part of the hybrid was made by a commercial sign firm and a faded green dinosaur topper and bracket were factory made elsewhere.

A very short-lived experiment in Sinclair's



Above: This porcelain and aluminum combination sign was the top auction seller at \$10,500.

branding was a circa 1960 sign that sold online for 6-foot round double-sided porcelain "Triple Check"

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FEATURE

The Mayflower sails on through numerous collections

BY LARRY LEMASTERS

In the autumn of 1620, a group of English Puritans, believing that the Church of England had strayed too far from Christ's teachings, set out to establish a colony in the New World where they could practice their religion free from persecution. 102 Puritans, also known as Pilgrims, and 30 crew were on board the Mayflower

when she sailed from Plymouth Harbor in southwest England.

The voyage to the American colonies took two months, and the puritans on board suffered a great deal during the voyage. This voyage was a defining moment in what became America's history, and the Mayflower sails flying on her three masts has become an iconic symbol of America and her enduring fight for

religious freedom.

The Mayflower was a typical British sailing ship known as a carrack that had three masts, three decks (upper, gun, and cargo) and measured roughly 100 feet long and 25 feet wide. If you are good with numbers, 100 feet by 25 feet might seem small for 132 people, and it is. The original voyage was supposed to have two vessels — the Mayflower and the Speedwell. Unfortunately, the Speedwell was considered unseaworthy because it took on water and might have floundered or sunk, so all the passengers and crew were packed on board the Mayflower, along with food, tools, weapons, and live animals to start a colony once the Mayflower docked in the New World. The Mayflower sailed for 66



Above: Mayflower ship model made by Revell in 1980. This model is 45 years old, yet it has never been built. It is valued at \$35.

days before landing on present day Cape Cod near Provincetown. While crossing the Atlantic Ocean, a baby named Oceanus Hopkins was born on the Mayflower to a woman named Elizabeth Hopkins.

On November 11, 1620, 41 Pilgrims signed the Mayflower Compact, which was the first governing document ever drawn up and signed on land that would become the United States of America, and Plymouth (Plymouth Rock) was

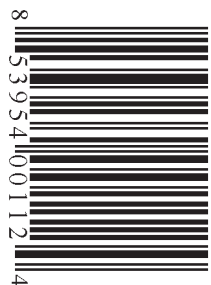
the first permanent settlement of New England.

There was no shelter available on land, so the Pilgrims spent their first winter in America on board the Mayflower, and approximately half

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Above: Mayflower II souvenir postcard that is valued at \$8.



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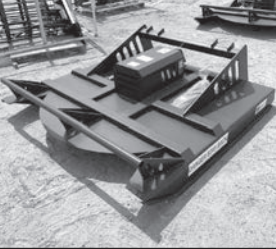
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\$10,000. The minimalist geometric design was said to represent energy, the traditional green dinosaur color and purity, but it also was intended to distance Sinclair from competitors Phillips 66’s shield and Chevron’s stripes signs.

Regardless, the design proved disastrous even in the geometric-orientated mid-20th century and the company reverted back to traditional red, white and green dinosaur signs in 1963.

An “almost perfect” 5-foot rectangular single-sided porcelain circa 1920s Opaline oil sign sold online for \$7,500. Opaline was one of Sinclair’s first products, supposedly referring to the oil’s slightly-greenish color and filtered purity compared to paraffin-heavy lubricants.

“I challenge you to find a better Opaline sign,” auctioneer Brad Stoecker



Above: A sign showing a single-winged aircraft was evidence of Sinclair’s entry into the aviation fuel market around 1930. It sold for \$6,500.

said, “unless you paint it yourself.”

A 24-by-1 foot single-sided three-piece porcelain Sinclair service station sign sold online for \$7,500. Dating between 1935 and 1955, the green sign replaced older red Sinclair signs used before a 1930 corporate reorganization. That date also marked the emergence of the famous DINO (caps on purpose) trademark, hence its green color.



Above: Sinclair used a design nicknamed “jail bars” from 1916 to 1930. This sign sold for \$2,500.

Charles Lindbergh’s famous 1927 trans-Atlantic flight inspired Harry Sinclair to produce aviation fuels and products. A 48-inch double-sided porcelain monoplane sign sold for \$6,500. The plane image dated the sign to the early 1930s, about the time Sinclair began selling aviation gasoline to the precursor of mod-

ern-day American Airlines and in pumps and bulk tanks at Midwestern airports.

The top selling Coca-Cola advertising sign, a still in the crate 48-inch double-sided porcelain button sign, earned an online \$5,500 bid. The circa 1948 to 1953 sign was likely produced by Tennessee Manufacturing Co. of Nashville. One of Coke’s earliest button signs, it probably cost dealers around \$10 in the day and had a deeper dome than later models but no rim band.

The anti-knock gas additive “Ethyl” was first used in 1921 and the company that made the chemical required every major U.S. refiner to employ their black-and-yellow triangle logo on all gas pump globes, including Sinclair. Two rare complete doubled-sided Sinclair and Ethyl glass globes dated to around 1936 and sold for \$5,500 each.

A double-sided porcelain Coke sign with spigot frame that might have once graced an Indiana cafeteria sold for \$5,000. Common in the 1930s, Coke advertised itself in the larger top half of the sign but saved a “privilege panel” below to promote an individual restaurant or cafe. A somewhat similar 1940s indoors behind-the-cooler Coke advertising clock, used in grocery or drug stores, sold for \$700.

Most of the Sinclair pieces came from a 30-plus years Michigan collector who didn’t have enough room for them according to auctioneer Jarad Mark. That included a 1920s



Above: This Sinclair sign reached \$10,000. The firm tried to replace its popular green dinosaur trade-mark with a cleaner sans-serif typeface 4-color disk in 1959. The experiment was a failure and was replaced by a new dinosaur look in 1962.

12-inch round sign that sold for \$2,500. It had a distinctive pattern meant to represent distillation columns that was nicknamed “Jail Bars”. From the company’s founding in 1916 to 1930 the bars appeared on globes, signs, oil cans and corporate paperwork.

From early 20th century syrup and carbonated water hand mixed fountain drinks, pressurized chrome-trimmed Coke dispensers that mixed their own pre-chilled syrup and carbonated water began appearing after World War II. A vintage double-sided porcelain sign of an E-104 boat dispenser was auctioned for \$3,250, “genuine and glossy” according to auctioneer Brad Stoecker.

As engines evolved in the 1920s, Sinclair introduced a higher compression gasoline brand labeled “H-C” in 1926. A 6-foot round double sided flagship porcelain sign with original ring dating to the 1920 and advertising the new grade sold for \$1,900. Sinclair added other grades in the following years but H-C remained the refiner’s regular grade until 1969.

Sinclair Power-X gasoline was introduced at the beginning of the 1950s “Octane Wars” as Detroit’s automakers battled over compression ratios and horsepower. A working Pam clock dating to the early 1960s and promoting Power-X as “the Super Fuel” was auctioned for \$1,700. The minimalist Pam Clock Company reverse-painted glass face embodied a mid-century modern aesthetic and was appealing to consumers.

Another working 15-inch round 1957 Pam clock advertising the HC grade was taken away for \$950. An unbranded 14-inch working clock promoting DINO supreme motor oil with a picture of a smiling dinosaur was a bargain at \$600.

A 50 by 24-inch 1961 like new Coca-Cola “enjoy that refreshing new feeling” bow-tie neon sign sold near the end of the auction, but enough remaining bidders pushed the hammer price to \$3,000.

A 14-foot 4-panel Coca Cola Fishtail 1960s billboard reflective sign sold for \$2,500. A 53 by 18-inch circa 1940 “Gas To-Day embossed tin sign with minimal rust damage on the bottom was bought for \$1,800. Gas station attendants would chalk the day’s gas price in the round chalk board in the sign’s middle.

Harry Sinclair began using a green brontosaurus as a logo in 1930 because he thought, incorrectly, that crude oil came from the “Brontosaurus age”. The critter, nicknamed Bronto but known formerly as DINO (all caps), became popular in the early 1930s and remained an icon into the 21st century. An 8-foot green cast aluminum incarnation of DINO (pronounced DYE-no) sold for \$1,500 complete with mounting brackets on its feet, perhaps for on a service station roof.

Future auctions are planned. Check the Holler and Hammer web site at hollerandhammerauctions.com for details.



Above: Opaline was Harry Sinclair’s first oil brand. This sign sold for \$7,500.



Above: Ethyl additives increased the octane ratings of Sinclair and other gasolines but contained large amounts of lead. Blamed for air pollution, lead was removed from all American gas by 1985. This globe sold for \$5,500.



Above: Power-X was Sinclair’s premium grade gasoline answer to the 1950s Detroit horsepower revolution. Around the same time, so-called Pam clocks became associated with the youthful, vibrant lifestyle of mid-century America. This clock sold for \$1,700.



Above: Coke used the “Enjoy that Refreshing New Feeling” slogan between 1960 and 1962. With a familiar bow-tie shape, this sign sold for \$3,000.

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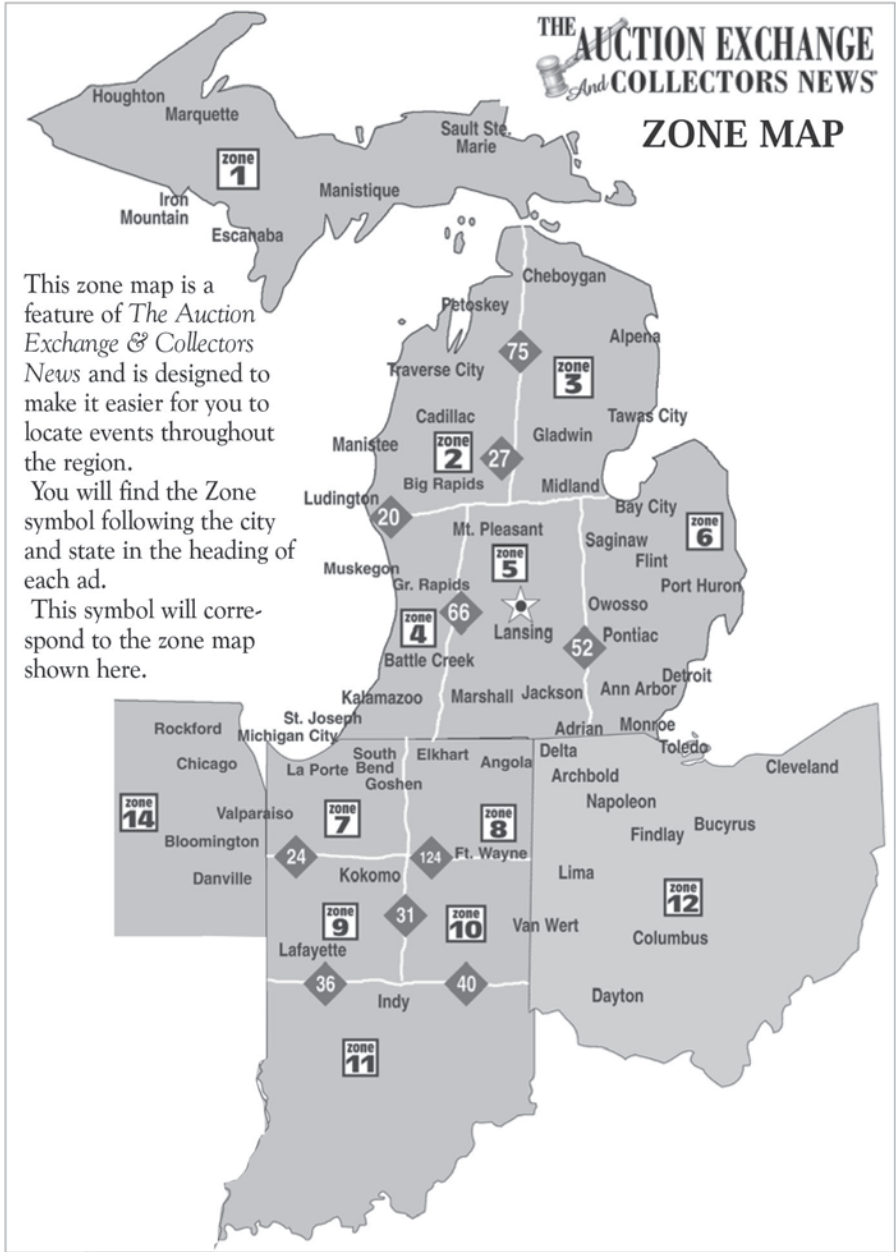
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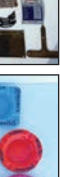
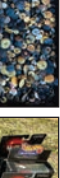
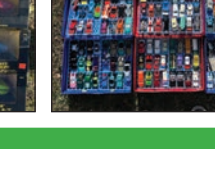
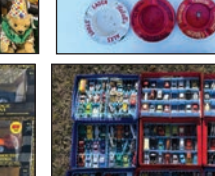
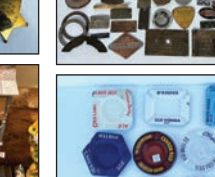
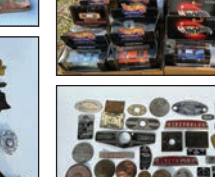
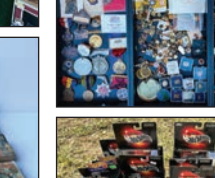
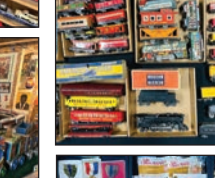
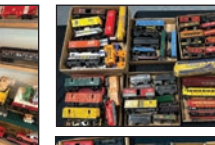
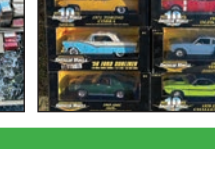
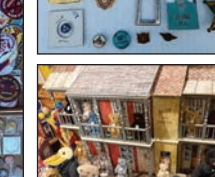
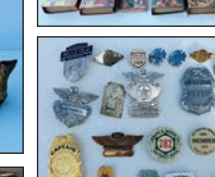
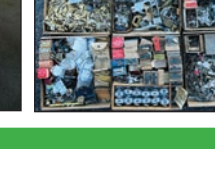
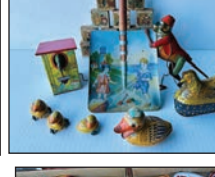
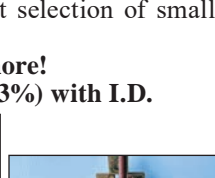
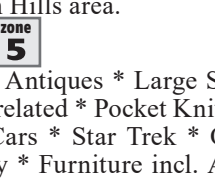
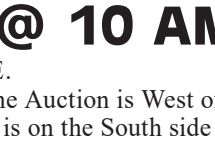
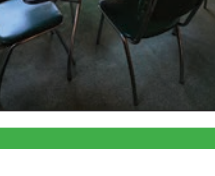
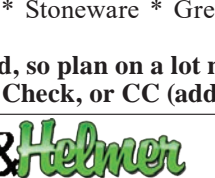
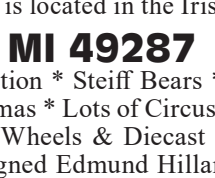
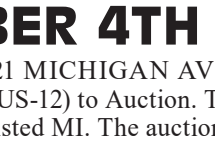
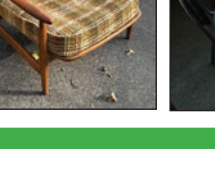
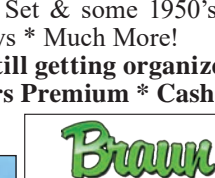
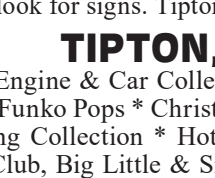
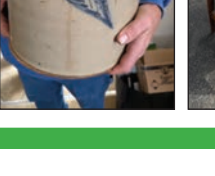
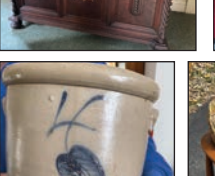
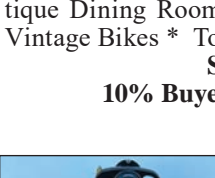
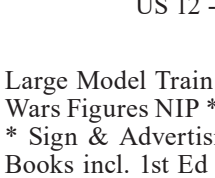
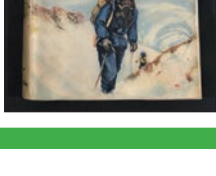
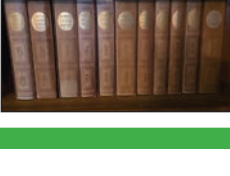
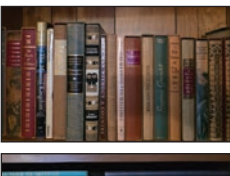
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Collectors give thanks for the perfectly inspired table

By BARBARA MILLER BEEM

They had survived multiple hardships, from food insecurity and political discord to high mortality rates and an epidemic. Indeed, it was time for a group of English colonists living along the northeast coast of America to give thanks. In 1621, the Pilgrims, along with their neighbors, indigenous people of the Wampanoag Nation, gathered multiple days for a harvest feast. Details of the celebration are sketchy, but thanks to a letter written by Edward Winslow, an eyewitness to the proceedings, it's clear that deer meat was on the menu.

Whether or not this was just the beginning of an annual Colonial tradition remains unknown. For that matter, there are those who question the validity of accepting this celebration as the first Thanksgiving in America. Regardless, come November 27, many Americans will once again be celebrating Thanksgiving Day.

To be sure, the marking of this tradition-laden holiday has evolved over the years. Not that long ago, it was the day when Santa came to town and set up residency in downtown department stores.



Above: Somewhat subdued, these side plates picture a Pilgrim woman in a lovely setting – with a dog at her side.

These days, parades are carefully choreographed televised extravaganzas. Similarly, football matches between local high school rivals have ballooned into the national airing of wall-to-wall football games. As for being the time to begin Christmas shopping, that has evolved into monthlong “early Black Friday” sales.

But in spite of these distractions, some things remain the same. Nothing can get in the way of Thanksgiving dinner, where friends and family meet for a special meal that features traditional

favorites. To be sure, there will be plenty of leftovers for sandwiches the next day. And as for the dining room table, it's still the focus of attention. Just ask Jimmie Bucci.

Bucci is a dedicated collector with an eye for the unique and the unusual. He is also the president of the Vintage Tablecloth Lovers Club, an active online group for likeminded fanciers. A Massachusetts resident, he understands what it takes to host a memorable holiday meal.

“Definitely, you have to set a good table,” he

began, even if the guest list is short and the menu is simple. Whether the meal is served family style, with dishes passed around the table, or buffet style, where guests help themselves from a serving sideboard, the perfect tablecloth, along



Above: This colorful platter has a “folk art feel” about it.

with coordinating accessories, can make all the difference.

For those who, like Bucci, are serious about tablecloths, there are a number of factors to be considered. Strictly speaking, when it comes to vintage Thanksgiving tablecloths, there is not an overwhelming number from which to choose. Why this is the case is a question open to specula-

tion. Could it be that turkey gravy and cranberry sauce spills resulted in stains difficult to eradicate, and thus the tablecloths were not saved over the years? Or maybe it's due to the fact that, because Thanksgiving tablecloths are used for only one day out of the year, fewer were manufactured. Whatever the

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Above: Even though it's only one meal on one day, Thanksgiving tableware such as this handsome plate is a rewarding collecting category.



Above: Somewhat different from traditional turkey platters, this one, made of plastic, is bright orange in color.



Above: Color-coordinated Fiesta plates provide the perfect background for turkey-themed napkins.

Below: Two couples pose with a turkey, not a deer.



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case, diligent collectors can still be rewarded. As an example, Bucci said that “Turkey Time,” a popular rayon cotton tablecloth made by California Hand Prints (CHP), can be procured for less than \$50.

Even if you have the perfect vintage tablecloth, there can be issues, Bucci said. Older tablecloths are often not long enough to fully cover a holiday dining room table, especially when extension leaves have been added. He suggested that this can be easily remedied by layering the vintage cloth over a larg-

Below: Napkin rings are one way to decorate a holiday table without taking up a lot of space. These examples appear to have been handcrafted.



er modern cloth, one that is either solid-colored or with a subtle print. Similarly, when setting a smaller table, themed placemats over a solid-color cloth might be a good alternative.

Sometimes, less is more, and this can especially be the case when it comes to centerpieces. As much as Bucci loves to decorate, on the subject of table centerpieces, he strikes a practical note, advising hosts not to overdo it. He suggested removing a centerpiece from the table when the meal commences, especially when serving family style.

But that doesn't mean that the table needs to be

devoid of decoration. One option might be to decorate each individual place with “little things.” Thanksgiving napkins add a festive air when prominently displayed atop dinner plates. Or, Bucci suggested, look for napkin rings, “a good touch.” Thanksgiving-themed Gurley candles are ideal for decorating each place setting. Or set out miniature vintage paper honeycomb decorations to inject a bit of fun to the table, all the while not taking up too much space. Bucci noted that small versions of these whimsical decorations can often be found for less than a dollar a piece; larger versions might be set around the room to create an overall festive atmosphere. However, he cautioned shoppers that many of the same companies that originally sold these pieces years ago are still producing them today. Don't assume them to be vintage.

Don't forget the dinnerware, he continued. Ironically, one of Bucci's favorite Thanksgiving

Right: Too pretty to burn: candles that resemble Indian corn, as well as themed figurinal candles.

ing-inspired patterns is by an English company; he considers Johnson Brothers' “His Majesty” to be a “really cool pattern.” Regardless of what dishes are chosen for accommodating a large dinner party, Bucci recommended purchasing at least 16 place settings, if possible. On the other hand, attractive tables for larger parties can be set with carefully chosen mix-and-match dinnerware.

Meanwhile, remember the little touches. Don't overlook Thanksgiving-inspired pieces (including cheese spreaders with Thanksgiving figurals on the handles), as well as salt-and-pepper shakers, often made in the likeness of turkeys.

Finally, there's an opportunity for drama when it comes to presenting the “guest of honor,” the turkey. Turkey platters are so var-



ied (and plentiful) that many fans of Thanksgiving specialize in collecting them. “There are dozens of designs,” Bucci said. In addition to ceramic and enamelware platters, he noted that one of the most unusual examples in his collection is made of bright orange plastic. “It was so bizarre that I had to have it.” And even though one platter

is sufficient for one holiday meal, others can be displayed throughout the home during the season.

This might be the time to begin the search for next year, Bucci concluded. Look for gravy boats with ladles, turkey candleholders, and sugar and creamer sets (“if you're lucky”). Don't overlook Thanksgiving-inspired what-nots, although serious collectors need to be mindful of reproductions.

Finally, few of us can replicate the lavish meal and beautiful surroundings suggested by a Norman Rockwell magazine cover. But breaking bread with those near and dear to us is reason enough to give thanks.

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Above: A perfect Thanksgiving table might include “Turkey Time,” a vintage tablecloth made by California Hand Prints.

Below: Gurley candles, as seen here, are a popular collectible. Be mindful that they are still being manufactured.



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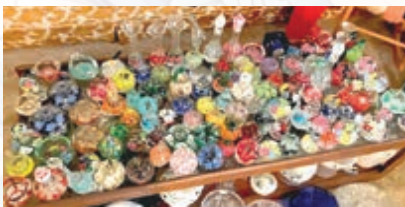
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of the 102 Mayflower Pilgrims died during this first winter.

Of the Pilgrims who lived, there were 26 families who left descendants. Today, it is estimated that over 35 million people worldwide can trace their ancestry

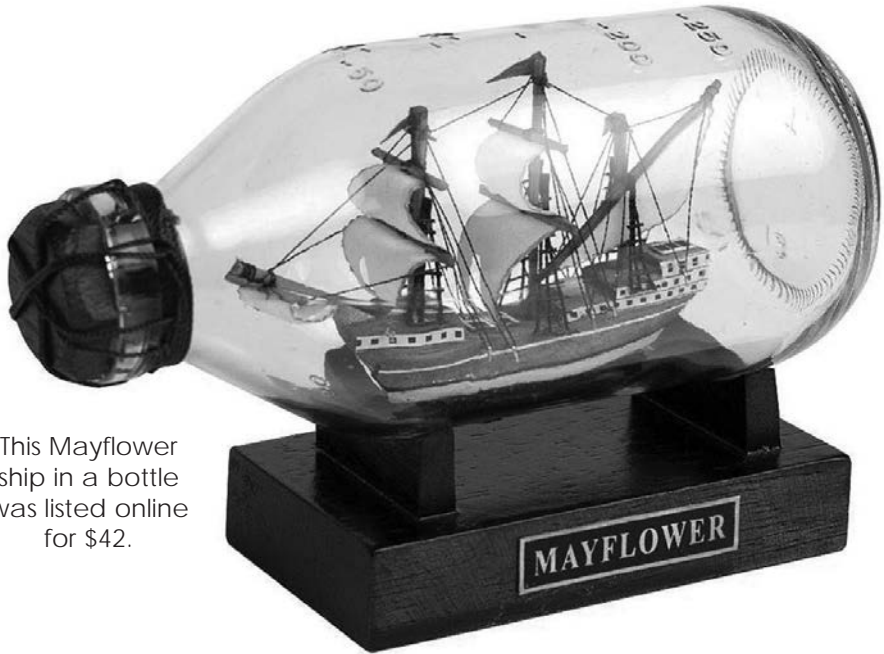
back to these early pioneering Puritans, and as many as 10 million descendants of these Pilgrims still live in the United States. Some of the more famous Mayflower descendants of John Alden and Priscilla Mullins include Marilyn Monroe, Clint Eastwood, and Bing Crosby. Today, The Mayflower Society trac-

es the descendants of the Mayflower pilgrims through its Silver Books Project.

There was no Thanksgiving feast held in November of 1620. The Pilgrims were still living on board the Mayflower and only going ashore for essentials. The first Harvest festival of the New World was held in November 1621, and there was a good chance that no turkey was served that first year. Thanksgiving, as we know it, had very little to do with Plymouth in 1621.

Most of the Mayflower passengers were separatists or men and women who rejected the Church of England. These people had already formed their own churches, which was against English law. While the people of

Left: Mayflower doorstop in cast iron, produced by Bradley & Hubbard Manufacturing Company (1852-1940).



This Mayflower ship in a bottle was listed online for \$42.

the Mayflower are often, interchangeably, called Pilgrims or Puritans, there is a difference in the two groups. Puritans wanted a purified established church within the English church, and Pilgrims wanted their congregations separate from the Church of England, which led to both groups being labeled "Separatists."

Today, the Mayflower sails on in museums and collections across America. One category of Mayflower memora-

bilia is model ships. There are dozens if not hundreds of different models of the Mayflower available to collectors. Some of these model ships, like Revell's plastic model from the 1980s, were created for children to assemble, and some of them, such as the "Little People"

Right: This coin, showing the Mayflower, is part of The Mayflower Coin Set issued by the American Mint. This coin is valued at \$100.

Mayflower by Fisher Price, were made for youngsters to play with.

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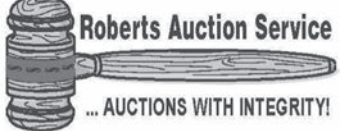
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