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ACROSS THE AUCTION BLOCK

Box truck drove away with \$15,500 from MaxBid

BY NANCY KELLY

PLYMOUTH, Mich. — Montgomery's MaxBid service frequently features auctions that offer large equipment from

restaurants, factories, and industrial centers. Once a month they open the floor for consignments which provides a variety of items for shoppers. The June consignment auc-

tion was well received, with 2,152 lots available. The prices here do not include the buyer's premium.

Leading the pack, the highest-earning item was

a 2007 International DuraStar 4400 series truck with a 24-foot-long box, DT466 7.6L engine, and manual transmission. It was reported to run well and receive regular maintenance, including a new muffler, tires, and rotors. It had 121,832 miles on it and left for a new job with a final bid of \$15,500.

A burgundy 1969 Harley Davidson XLH motorcycle came up second in the auction earnings. This lightweight electric start sport touring bike was in excellent condition with the seat, mirrors, lights, windshield, and gauges all in good clean working order. It had been driven to the

Left: A 2007 International DuraStar 4400 series truck with 121,832 miles on it was the highest earning item with a final bid of \$15,500.



Above: A burgundy 1969 Harley Davidson XLH electric start motorcycle in good clean working order with 3,015 miles on it was claimed with a final bid of \$3,151.

sale and showed 3,015 miles. It was claimed with a final bid of \$3,151. A Honey Star purple orchid 50cc moped also in excellent condition provided a lower budget two-wheeled option, closing with a high bid of \$410. A Chrysler 200 automobile offered another transportation option. This 2014 True Blue Pearlcoat 4 door Limited I4 mid-sized

sedan was driven to the auction and the only defect reported was a non-working radio. This auction, like many other online auctions, offered a chance to preview the items before the sale date, which provides an opportunity to assess value and condition. With 167,795 miles, this car

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FEATURE

Penny Brite brightened the lives of Baby Boomers

BY LARRY LEMASTERS

One of the more popular dolls that recently saw a resurgence of interest among collectors is Penny Brite.

In 1963 the Deluxe

Reading Company, in an attempt to compete against Vogue Doll Company's popular Ginny doll, introduced Penny Brite. According to Judith Izen (author of Penny Brite Proud Little Play Doll), "Penny was an 8-inch-tall vinyl

doll with black-painted side-glancing eyes and rooted saran hair. Penny Brite's mouth is slightly open exposing several painted teeth. She is marked on both her head and back." Most Penny Brite dolls have "A-9 DELUXE

R E A D I N G CORP.//1963" embossed on their heads, but other markings are possible.

Restoration of Penny Brite dolls is relatively easy since her vinyl body can be washed and cleaned and her hair can be washed and restored too. At times, the painting on her eyes may be faded; however, Penny is an excellent doll for novice restorers to work on.

Penny looks like a seven-year-old girl, instead of like a teenager like Barbie does, so Penny is more representative of the

age of the child that played with her.

Children enjoyed playing with Penny since her head rotated on a ball socket, allowing it to completely spin around. Her arms and legs are jointed and flexible, so they can be posed and allow Penny to be free standing.

When originally purchased, Penny came with a red and white pleated dress with a collar and short, cuffed sleeves. There are blue flower appliques on the white panels, making this a very pretty dress. All other dresses were sold separately.

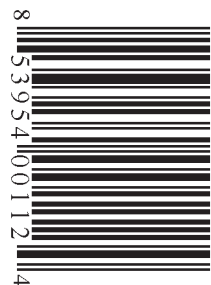
Penny had over 40

Left: This Penny Brite Travel Set, mint in box, is valued at \$250.



Above: Penny Brite doll shown in her red and white pleated dress.

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JACKSON, MICHIGAN 49202

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(many pc's) 10K & 14K Gold & Sterling ladies rings, Silver Earrings, Necklaces, Brooches, Bracelets, Watches

OLD THINGS & COLLECTIBLES:

Chrome dinette table, Gossip bench, Hand carved Victorian 4 pc parlor set (excellent cond), 33RPM records, Old spectacles collection, Table lamp collection, Evinrude Mate 2hp outboard motor

GARAGE:

Predator chipper/shredder, Earthquake MC43 garden tiller, Troy-Bilt Bronco Auto lawn tractor, 5 Cement flower urns, 2 Cement lions, Scotts reel lawn mower, 4'x8' Utility trailer, Set of 4 Buick 25/60R/16 tires & wheels, Magliner aluminum utility cart, Patio table & chair set, Plastic deck furniture, Wilton 6" bench vise

HOUSEHOLD:

Duncan Phyfe dropleaf table w/ chairs, 5 Marble topped stands, coffee table, plant stand, Sofa table, Lift recliner, Pair floor lamps, Artificial flowers, Hammond grandfather clock, Comforter w/eagle, Queen bed, Large quantity of Christmas decorations, Knotty pine armoire, Curio cabinet, Round end table, Chest of drawers, dresser, nightstand set, Assorted cookware, Dresser w/mirror, Huge quantity of household & other items

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finished with a high bid of \$685.

There were numerous exceptional lots offered to serve various functions. A hefty steel deck dual axle 1998 trailer by Goldstar would be perfect for hauling cars or larger equipment. It measured 18 feet long by nearly 7 feet wide and was very solid and free of damage. It finished with a high bid of \$1,500. The Allis Chalmers model ACC80LPS forklift was another desirable workhorse at this auction. It was capable of an 8,000 pound capacity and was powered by propane, although it did not come with a tank. It showed 769 hours and was listed in working condition. It drew a final bid of \$910.

Restaurant equipment was plentiful and very



Above: Genesee Cream Ale was one of the many signs advertising beer and related beverages.

much in demand. The Groen model BPM-30G 30-gallon tilt skillet with open leg base was described as ergonomically friendly and very versatile when used to sear, braise, simmer, or sauté large batches of food. It was heated by a gas burner and included a very sturdy hinged cover and crank. It was taken with a final bid of \$480. Alongside it, a Vulcan 48-inch-wide stainless steel gas fired griddle

suitable for commercial kitchens had many features to reliably and consistently produce meals, including four cooking zones on the surface. It left with a final bid of \$380. Other related examples included a Curtis RU-150-20 24-inch electric coffee brewer urn with a 3 gallon capacity and an impressive output of 13 gallons per hour that reached a final bid of \$211, a 52 inch QBD Cooling model CD45-HC beverage cooler with two glass doors and a Pepsi logo on the front that topped out at \$175, and a True full service deli case that earned a final bid of \$155.

Serving a different industry, the Cummins Jetsort 4601 commercial coin sorter and counter would be ideal for coin-intensive businesses. This high-capacity floor standing model was reassigned with a final bid of \$285. A related Cummins Allison Jetscan IFX i400 currency scanner could take care of the paper money and was taken with a final bid of \$281.

There were many more examples of excellent equipment and items to serve a variety of needs. But with 2,152 lots available, it was interesting to browse the under \$10 items. Just like going through an in-person flea market, there were great bargains to be found on tools, computers, office supplies, furniture, and other essentials plus some unexpected options.

Audiophiles were



Above: This vintage oval German license plate that was likely used for international export was a hidden gem with a final bid of \$8.50.

delighted to discover a Kenwood KD-48F fully automatic belt-drive turntable for just \$9 or a Klipsch powered subwoofer for \$5. The names Peavy, Soundtech and Sonic were also found scattered throughout. For beginning musicians, the Realistic Concertmate 670 vintage 49 key keyboard was an appealing purchase with a \$2 bid.

Comic book collectors could search through such titles as Warner Brothers “Tweety and Sylvester” and “Yosemite Sam and Bugs Bunny”, or DC Superstars Edgar Rice Burroughs “Tarzan the Untamed”, as well as many superhero options from DC, Marvel, or Atlas, leaving with high bids of \$5-6, either alone or in sets.

Returning to automobiles, two unusual entries need to be mentioned. An oval-shaped black and white license plate from Germany was likely used for international export of a vehicle. This unusual vintage collectable is no longer in use. In excellent condition it drew a final bid of \$8.50. Finally, a Coors Light/Sterling Marlin mini NASCAR hood was signed on the back by #67 Buddy Arrington, American NASCAR Winston Cup Series driver and owner. This sleeper of an item was rehomed with a final bid of \$3.25.

Upcoming auctions can be viewed at <https://max-bid.com/>



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Above: A Beaver Whirler coin operated spiral globe gumball machine earned a final bid of \$85.



Above: This Allis Chalmers model ACC80LPS forklift was powered by propane, although it did not come with a tank. With 769 hours and in working condition, it drew a final bid of \$910.



Above: A 2014 Chrysler 200 Limited I4 sedan with 167,795 miles finished with a high bid of \$685.

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Penny Brite

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specialized wardrobes and accessories. Some of her specialized outfits included a "Singing in the Rain" (#1503) outfit, a "Sun and Fun" (#1562) outfit, and "Bridal Outfit." The Bridal Outfit included a satin bride dress and a headpiece with white plastic flowers and net veil. Today, Penny's MIB outfits range in price from \$5 up to \$40.

Penny, even though she is too young to drive, had a car that could be purchased separately. This "Travel Set" included Penny's stylized sports car with luxurious bucket seat cushions, a glamorous dashboard, and a metalized luggage rack. The set also included a travel coat with hat and pet dog too. Today a MIB Penny Brite Travel Set sells in the range of \$150 to \$300.

Along with the Travel

Right: Vintage 1960s Penny Brite doll in original packaging with shoes and booklet. This mint in box doll was recently offered on eBay for \$33.

Set, there were four additional “sets” or play structures offered. These were the Kitchen Dinette, the Beauty Parlor, the Bedroom Set, and the School Room. Each of these sets came complete with a specialized outfit for Penny to wear. For instance, the School Room set came with a desk and chair, and a real blackboard on an easel with chalk and eraser to write with. The set included a briefcase, with a pen and paper, so Penny could carry her books and a cute two-piece schoolgirl outfit.

Even though Penny was a child of the '60s, she dressed demurely. Her "Premier Sunglasses, Purse and

Shoe Set” even included a set of white “cat’s eye” sunglasses that were more a 1950s fad than one from the ‘60s.

While Penny Brite proved to be an inexpensive alternative fashion doll for girls to play with, Deluxe Reading never added any family dolls or friend dolls to the Penny Brite line. Penny was produced for seven years (1963-1970). When Deluxe Reading filed bankruptcy in 1970, there were literally thousands of Penny Brite dolls stranded on overstocked shelves and in warehouses, making it still easy for collectors today to find MIB Penny Brite dolls and accessories.

While there is quite a bit of information on Penny Brite on the Internet and in books, an excellent article on Penny can be found in the May 1985 issue of Doll Reader—Penny Brite Proud Little Play Doll by Judith Izen. And a Collector's Guide to Dolls of the 1960s and 1970s by Cindy Sabulis (Collector Books 2004) is a good “general knowledge” book on 1960s dolls.



Above: This Penny Brite doll, circa 1960s, with six outfits was offered on eBay in February 2026 for \$100.



Above: Penny Brite doll with bed and vanity accessories. This ensemble was offered on eBay for \$30.



Above: Vintage Penny Brite doll with beauty saloon hair dryer and stool. In good condition, this doll and accessories are valued at \$20.



Above: This rare, Penny Brite Manicure Beauty Set is valued at \$40. Accessories like this made Penny Brite a favorite doll among little girls.

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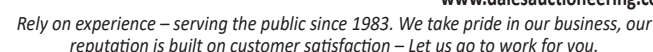
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Picture perfect weather for June Allegan Antiques Market

BY JACK KELLY

ALLEGAN, Mich. — Shoppers were ready with sunscreen, wide brim hats and water bottles as sunny blue skies and temperatures in the 80s appeared on June 28 at the Allegan County, Michigan, fairgrounds for Allegan Antiques Market.

Furniture has always been a large draw for Allegan shoppers, and many were drawn to the booth of 15-year show dealer David Cotton, Wabash, Ind. Of interest was his 1860 Ohio four-drawer combination tiger-maple and cherry 30-inch-tall table/stand that could grace your home for \$450.

Many people stopped to rub their hands over a 42-by 60-inch slatted wood construction 1930s primitive storage cabinet priced at \$595 by Brushy Prairie Antiques, LaGrange, Ind. Shop owners Ken and Gail Curtis, 15-plus year show regulars, also showed off a 1950s chrome leg, folding Formica-top table with four chairs, tagged at \$475.

Collectors looking for glass items were drawn to the booth of Greg Drye of Hudsonville, Mich., for a close look at two 1990s pieces: A yellow bisque Fenton three-tier 7 1/2- inch-tall fairy lamp priced at \$450 and a painted signed red Fenton fairy lamp priced at \$250.

Mid-century de-



Above: A 1950-60s Royal Hickman 11-inch-tall vase, priced at \$150 was brought to Allegan by Brian Smith, Carmel, Ind.

sign collectors hovered around the 1950-60s Royal Hickman 11-inch-tall vase priced at \$150 by Brian Smith of Carmel, Ind.

Denny Olson, known to shoppers as “Denny The Bookman” has been setting up at Allegan for over 30 years and boasts over a quarter million books at his home location of Vicksburg, Mich.— and bringing about 2,000 of them to the fairgrounds show priced \$1 to \$250 each, along with other collectibles. Historians and book collectors looked closely at his

Civil War era McGuffey Reader priced at \$50. Sitting on top of one row of books was a vintage set of Kellogg’s Cereal “Snap Crackle and Pop” countertop vinyl advertising figures which could stand tall at your home for \$60.

Another show veteran, Norm Langlois of Muskegon, Mich., a 30-year regular, caught many an eye with a primitive 11-inch blade broad axe, with handle, made by William Beatty and son, priced at \$225. Advertising clock collectors checked out his light-up 14-by-14 inch 1940s Gruen Watch clock which could keep time at your place for \$275.

First-time Allegan dealer Glenda Raikes traveled to the show from Indianapolis with a wide variety of antiques and collectibles. Of special interest to toy and advertising collectors was an antique salesman sample early 1930s wooden washing machine, complete with metal clothes



Above: A salesman’s sample wooden children’s Fairy Washing Machine, complete with metal wringer, was priced at \$495 by Glenda Raikes, Indianapolis, Ind.



Above: Three vinyl Kellogg’s Cereal advertising figures appeared be overseeing the thousands of vintage books displayed by Denny the Bookman at the June show.



Above: A young shopper spotted a pair of vintage Army toys and convinced dad to purchase them for him.

Below: Dealer David Cotton, Wabash, Ind., priced an 1860 Ohio tiger-maple and cherry wood table/stand at \$450 at the Allegan Market.



wringer, built in Muncie, Ind. Featuring the screen-printed maker’s name, “Fairy Washer” along the side of the device, it was priced at \$495. Radio and advertising collectors checked over her 1930s Atwater Kent Radio 20-by-30 inch advertising sign which could be displayed at your place for \$595.

The popular Allegan Antique Market was recently purchased by the Allegan County Fair from veteran owner Larry Wood of Grand Rapids, Mich. Fair Executive Director Saree Miller said the fair board is happy with the purchase and noted one change in recent activities – a monthly series live musical entertainment.

The Allegan Antique Market, located midway between Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo, is held the last Sunday of each warm-weather month. For more information visit <https://alleganan-tiques.com/>



Above: Two 1990 glass Fenton Fairy Lamps priced at \$250 and \$450 were shown by dealer Greg Drye of Hudsonville, Mich.

Below: A 1930s Structo toy truck, priced at \$75, looked right at home on top of a 1950s Formica folding table with four chairs, priced at \$475 and shown by 15-year veteran dealers Ken and Gail Curtis, Brushy Prairie Antiques, LaGrange, Ind.



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