

# Lancaster Farming *Antiques Center*

## Antique Detective Questions And Answers

I have looked at numerous shops and books and can't find anything out about this lamp I acquired a few years back. It is mounted on an iron base that has a cylinder of a marble-like substance, 4 1/4" high. On each side of it are a brass tube, round and 2 1/2" high. A brass reservoir is 2 1/2" High. It is topped with a blue glass globe 3" high. What can you tell me?

R.P.C. - Steinhatchee, FL  
Your oil lamp is an Argand type, made around 1830-40. A Swiss chemist, Aimé Argand created a new principle for oil-burning lighting devices in 1783. A hollow, cylindrical wick was fitted between two metal tubes. The inner went down through and below the oil reservoir. The oxygen reached the flame from the interior as well as the exterior resulting in a more smoke-free and brighter lamp. They were made in decorative forms in America and Europe by many makers.

Your lamp could sell at auction for \$900/1,500.

What would this aluminum tray marked "Rodney Kent" be worth to a collector? How can I reach collectors?

J.S. - Lower Burrell  
Rodney Kent is one of the top quality aluminum artisans. However prices are still modest for even such a decorative piece as yours: \$65. Contact collectors through Aluminist, PO Box 1346, Weatherford TX 76086. A periodical.

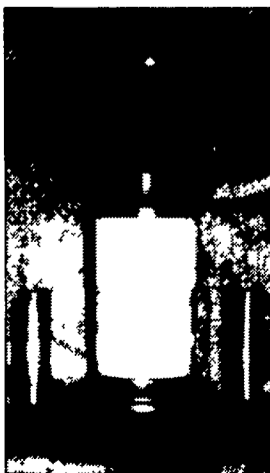
I would like to sell this small McDonald's carousel that was used at the 1951 California State Fair. It has three carousel creatures for children to ride and runs well. What would be a fair price to ask?

S.G. - Olathe, KS  
What a treasure! Fast Food memorabilia is "hot" with collectors. Best bet is to write to McDonald's Collectors Club, 424 White Rd, Fremont, OH 43420.

A good starting price would be \$2,000 or best offer. Run an ad in your



Rodney Kent Tray



Oil lamp

local antiques trade publication.

Can this oriental bowl be Imari? It belonged to my late aunt. No marks on it.

Colors are dark blue and rust red. What could it sell for at auction?

D.B. - Naples, FL  
Your beautiful, large compote appears to be Japanese, Imari. It could sell at auction for several thousand dollars. Send photo and description to Lark Mason Jr., Oriental Arts Expert, Christie's, 20 Rocke-



Carousel

feller Plaza, New York, NY, and possible 10020, for an estimated value sale.

### (MEMORIAL DAY) AUCTION

MON., MAY 26 - 2:00 P.M.

Part of the 30 Year Steam Toy and Empire Toy Stove Collection of Austin Ruth, Hanover, Pa. will be sold at the Parkville Fire Co., 955 Baltimore Street, Hanover, Pa. (York Co.)  
Directions: From Hanover Sq. take Baltimore St. (Rt. 94S) 1 1/2 Miles to Fire Hall on right.

Steam Toy Collection and Empire Toy Stoves: 200 lots of cataloged high quality steam toys and related collectibles (Weeden, Empire, Line Mar Japan, Atwood, Workshop-Jenson Shop Machines, Fleischman, Marklin, Elektro, Schoenner, Mamod-England, Doll, Marvin Industries, Bing, Wileco, Some Custom Built) approx. 16 lots of Empire toy stoves will be sold at 2:00 P.M. with preview at 8:00 A.M. until sale time. For a complete listing of all items to be sold by fax, mail, or email call (717) 633-5272 or email [randyhilker@earthlink.net](mailto:randyhilker@earthlink.net).

Note: There will be an antique auction starting at 8:00 A.M. Steam Toy collection will be sold at 2:00 P.M.

Terms: Cash or approved check. OUT OF STATE CHECKS must be accompanied by a letter of credit from bank or current bank statement unless prior customer.

Auctioneer: Randy L. Hilker  
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Food by Fire Co



## PUBLIC SALE OF Antiques, Coins, and Personal Property MON. JUNE 2, 2003 SALE AT 2:00 P.M.

To be held at 2152 N. Reading Rd., Denver (Rt. 272) at the German Trading Post near Exit 21 of Pa. Turnpike.

Seybold pump organ; chest of drawers; corner cupboard; slant-top desk; trunk; cane seat chairs; drop leaf table and chairs; treadle sewing machine.

Kerosene lights; Depression; collector's plates; Moon and Star; Fenton; Vaseline; Winross and Ertl trucks; train magazines; beer tray; lighters; banks; cherry seeder; apple peeler; wooden handled forks; brass pointer; cookie cutters; slaw board; Fiesta; marbles; 12 Hummel plates; Moosehead beer box; Adamstown postcards; Waltham pocket watch; BB guns; radios and records; POS of a Reinholds, PA; Fry pans; beam bottles; German Bible; Army picture; old deeds; old sale bills; Tonka truck; toys; mantle clock; quilts and patches; Sears catalog; Ram-mefabrikken Jyden picture frame making equipment - glass, matting, picture frames.

Silver Dollars, half dollars; Indian head pennies; Wheat pennies; Sterling silver necklace; Jade earrings; Gold necklaces; other jewelry.

Stainless steel claim steamer for 50 bakes; Stanley planes - #45, #48, #79, Myers 1 h.p. deep-well pump; Snapper mower; Murray mulcher; wagon; hand and garden tools; and many other items too numerous to mention.

Terms by: Meryl Griffiths

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## PUBLIC AUCTION ANTIQUES COLLECTIBLES FURNITURE - ART WORK

SATURDAY MAY 31, 2003 - 9:00 A.M.

DIRECTIONS: 20 East Walnut Street, Lebanon, Pa. Lebanon County. Take Rt. 422 East (Walnut Street) through Lebanon to 1 block East of Lincoln Avenue to Auction on the right. Watch for Auction arrows.

Auction featuring items from the personal collection of the late Dean M. Aungst

Antiques: Walnut blanket chest with bracket feet and 3 drawers; walnut single poster bed; Governor Winthrop Secretary Desk; Drop leaf table; Inlaid tilt top candle stands; drop leaf wall table; dough box on legs; small Mission oak stand; (3) upholstered chairs one with claw and ball feet; one drawer wooden stand; pair Windsor type chairs; Cane seat and plank seat chairs; Mahogany server; Victorian dresser and washstand; cherry record cabinet; glass front book case; Mahogany side chair; library table; plank seat rocker; 1800's server; dry sink with lid; grain blanket chest (poplar); slant front secretary desk; 2 piece solid cherry hutch (Statton); mahogany china closet; oak buffet with mirror; small mahogany side table; Hinkle Harris double bed; marble top coffee and end table; potty chair; grandmother's clock; walnut cupboard top; oak swivel desk chair; etc.

Small Furniture: (2) miniature blanket chests; miniature 6 legged drop leaf table; doll bed; child's decorated captain's rocker; small rush stool; (3) wooden stools (one dated 1878 - E.C.H.); Child's Windsor style rocker; steeple clock with reverse painting; etc.

Collectibles: Gaudy Ironstone (2 plates - cups and saucers); Toonerville Trolley with box and book; original Fontaine Fox letters; beaded purses; large bisque figurines; educational exhibit Cocoa and Chocolate Walter Baker and Company; German Putz figurines; German deer; transfer plates; Vaseline covered dish with cow lid 1880's (wear marks); heart box with ladies perfume bottles and sewing notions; butter print; candy containers (papier-mache Santa and turkey - glass lantern); assortment of cut and pressed glass; pewter pieces; pair Vaseline candle sticks; hand blown glassware; blue feather edged Ironstone platter and other Ironstone pieces; Limoges pieces; crystal glassware; copper lustre pitcher with grape design; Amethyst brandy set; early Oriental nut dishes; master salts; Wengert's dairy creamers; Nippon pieces; assortment of sterling silver flatware pieces and belt buckle; Sheffield silver on copper tray (2209-17) and covered dish (2231); Reed and Barton turkey platter (004010-18); Leonard Silver large rectangular platter; Bavaria dinner set (Rosenthal Ivory - Majestic with gold edge; Limoges china set with covered vegetable and gravy boat; Redware bowls Feather tree; Sheffield teapot, sugar and creamer; collar box; hat boxes and hats; doll houses and furniture; Converse wooden barn with celluloid animals; wooden puzzles; Noah's Ark; Lehnware type footed saffron box with dome lid (hand painted strawberry on the side); iridescent overlaid glass pieces; perfume bottles with sterling tops and cut overlay; Pearl handled knives; Limoges large hand painted pitcher (1913); Flashed ruby glass J.S. Knoll Cumberland House, Leb. and many more collectibles not listed.

Art Work: Stockbridge Massachusetts signed by Norman Rockwell original print; Stockbridge Massachusetts Rhodes Studios Houses; Framed etching - by J.J. Tissot "Sunday Morning" signed and stamped - Date 1914 • Framed Sulky Racing - Harpel 1911 - Lebanon Fair • Various original oil paintings and water colors. Many more items not listed.

Conditions by: David Aungst and Deanne Carson

Auction Conducted by Ebersoles Country Auction  
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## PUBLIC AUCTION SATURDAY, MAY 31, 2003 AT 9 AM ANTIQUES, HOUSEHOLD, COLLECTIBLES, TOOLS & COINS

Directions: 34 Reeceville Rd., Coatesville, Pa. Rt. 30 bypass E. take VA hospital exit to top of exit ramp sale straight ahead or Rt. 30 bypass W: Take VA exit to red light Reeceville Rd. turn left over bridge sale on right.

Early 3/5 high chest w/paneled sides & possible buttermilk paint (dated back to Lancaster Co. Hershey family); 6 Wooden stenciled chairs by (L.B. Ebersole); Kling cherry bedroom suite inc. chest on chest; Dresser w/mirror; Twin beds; Night stand; Oval mirror & vanity w/stool; Wooden case sewing machine; 4 Drawer chest; Kidney shape table w/stool; Pair of oak chairs; Cane seat rocker & others; Folding oak bookshelf; Sq. oak cabinet w/glass shelves; Door & bottom drawer; Child's rocker; Card table & chairs; Lg. wooden desk; Wooden bookshelf made by (M. Werntz); Colored TV; Baby crib; 2 Velvet seat chairs; Spool type lamp table; Sofa; 2 '50s style chairs w/fringes; Early metal kit; Table; Early cane child's rocker w/high chair combination; Speed queen washer & dryer; Country drop leaf table; Frigidare chest freezer.

GLASSWARE: Over 100 pcs. American fustoria; Cranberry pcs., Wedgewood; Limage; Lge. quantity pressed glass; Lenox; Black amethyst; Roseville inc. #633 3" vase w/dbl. handles; Occupied Japan knick knacks; & Mini pitcher collec.; Church plates inc. Hibernia mansion; Johnson Bros.; many pieces of desert rose pattern Franciscan ware; Austrian; English; many other pcs.

COLLECTIBLES: Metal duck boot scraper; Flower basket door stopper; Umbrella stand; Coca Cola adv.; Local paper & other memorabilia; Political pens & buttons; Linens inc. hankies; Hats in orig. boxes; Children & other books; Old children clothes; Games; Road maps inc. 1941 Lancaster, Dauphin, North Potter Co. & North Cumberland; Early dove tail box w/lid & other adv. pcs.; Madam Alexander doll & others; Stamps; Post cards & early holiday cards; Crock's some w/blue design including ES&B New Britton, Pa.; Pictures some painted by E. Polonic; Old buttons; Metal & copper piano oil lamp on base; Electrified hobnail base lamp & others; Tins; Frosted glass fire ext.; Early Christmas dec.; Child's wooden kitchen cabinet & ironing board; Toy cars inc. Match boxes & tootsie; Criswold #4 & other iron pcs.; Agateware; Buddy L car carrier; Flat bed truck & other pcs.; Many boxes early toys not unpacked yet; Croquet set; Blue canning jars; Costume jewelry.

COINS: Mercury dimes; 1865 2 cent pc.; 3 Franklin halves; Silver quarters; Buffalo nickels; 1922 peace dollar; Eisenhower dollars; Silver dimes; 5 & 2 dollar red seal certif.; 5 & 1 dollar blue seal certif.; Wheat pennies; Local tokens Coatesville & Caln; Jefferson nickels.

TOOLS: 12" Craftsman band saw & 6" belt sander; 55 gal. drum pump; Tin oil cans; Little wonder gas hedge trimmers; Push mower; Air powered greaser; Fishing poles; Salt & fresh water tackle & sinker molds; Metal watering cans; Cub Cadet riding tractor & snowblower; Cutting torch set; Lg. floor jack & others; Hand cart & bag wagon; Sears Craftsman 12" wood lathe; Craftsman 1 1/2 hp. router w/stand; Lge. vise; Air compressor; Power King table saw; Lawn garden & hand tools; 34' alum. ext. & step ladders; Tobacco shears; Wheelbarrow; Car parts; John Chatillan & Sons NY; Hanging scales; 1/2 ton Yale chain hoist; Reams & Hones; H.D. bench grinder; Early Sempler time clock; Come-a-long; many other items too numerous to mention.

Sale by: Claude (Bud) & Sara Werntz

TERMS: Cash or approved check No out of state checks

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