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# The 1939 World's Fair promised a glimpse into the future

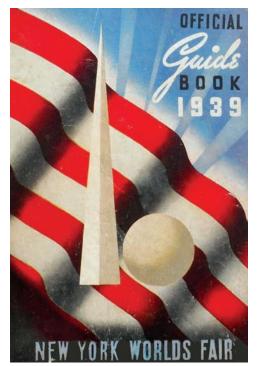
By Donald-Brian Johnson

1939: War clouds loomed over Europe, but global conflict had yet to reach American shores. With the dreary days of the Great Depression receding into memory, the country looked eagerly ahead. What would the future hold?

Well, for one thing, it held the dazzling New York World's Fair, now celebrating its 85th anniversary. Billed as the "Dawn of a New Day," the 1939-40 Fair promised a fascinating glimpse of the "world of tomorrow." For its 45 million visitors, the Fair more than lived up to that heady promise.

By 1939, easily a third of the nation's population had, at one time or another, attended a World's Fair. There were no massive, open-all-year-round theme parks competing for tourist attention and pocket change. All wonders imaginable could be found in one place: the Fair! Pavilions celebrating far-off lands served up hearty helpings of exotica. Gleaming, massive statuary aped the stylings of ancient Greece and Rome, but with a modernistic twist. Technological marvels-to-come beckoned from the

industrial



**Above:** How-to-find your way around the Fair: hardcover "Official Guide Book 1939." 200 pages complete with photos and maps.

mighty Midway was awhirl with thrill rides, tempting taste treats, and spectacular stage shows. The World's

Fair was a fleeting wonderland of adventure. Once the gates finally closed, almost every majestic structure was dismantled. All that remained were

memories.

In September,
1939, Mildred
Anderson of
Chicago saw an ad
for an "All-Expense-

Left: Oval powder compact with Fair illustration, marked "Made in ad"



**Above:** Something to remember it by: "World of Tomorrow" booklet containing 56 pages of black-and-white Fair photos.

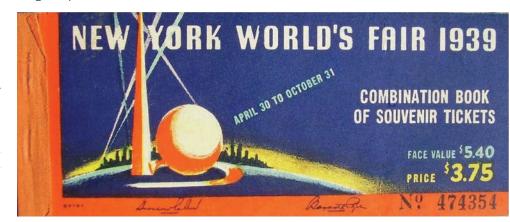
Paid Eight-Day Deluxe Tour" offered by Powers Tours ("America's Old Reliable"). For just \$49, Mildred had quite a trip by rail in store: Niagara RICHARD BOOK
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**Above:** A treasured keepsake: Mildred Anderson's "1939 New York World's Fair Officially Licensed Scrapbook." (Author photo)

Falls, Manhattan, Philadelphia, Atlantic City, Washington, D.C.,

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**Below:** You'll need these to get in: 1939 "Combination Book of Souvenir Tickets." Original price, \$3.75 for \$5.40 worth of tickets.





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# NEWS

# Mobil kerosene pump fueled a \$380 bid at Joe R. Pyle sale

BY WILLIAM FLOOD

SHINNSTON, W.Va. — On August 12, auctioneer Joe R. Pyle wrapped up an online-only event featuring a one-owner collection of advertising, automobilia, railroad, soda shop, and related collectibles. Known for their enticing auctions, Pyle once again delivered with over 300 lots, making for a well-rounded sale full of history and

The auction leaned heavily into vintage advertising and Americana, with a number of standout items crossing the block. Among the top performers were a Mobile kerosene pump in good cosmetic shape that brought \$380, A double-sided West Virginia Inspection Station #8325 sign reached \$330; another sign — a 72-by-36-inch metal Stroehmann Bread example also performed well, fetching \$310.

More than two dozen other lots brought three-figure results. A pair of store push bars, one for "Braun's" and the other for "Red and Blue Town Talk," climbed to \$290. An assortment of antique cigarette lighters and lighter fluid, including Gulf, Imperial, and Pure Porche, earned \$260, the same amount brought by a collection of wall-mounted bottle openers featuring Coca-Cola, Sprite, Dr. Pepper, and others. One of the spotlighted items a rare local streetcar coin receiver. followed at \$200.

A step below, in the lower three-figures, were several notable items: A vintage 2-hour parking meter, which accepted pennies and nickels, earned \$180, while a circa-1940 Champion  $5\phi$ Groetchen trade stimulator settled at \$170. A Nickles Bakery display rack,



Above: The auction's highest bid, at \$380, was for a clean Mobile kerosene

with a Wards Tip Top banner and Sunbeam advertisement, found its buyer at \$160.

Advertising offerings extended to nearly a dozen advertising thermometers, ranging from a Sunbeam thermometer, found in a box lot selling for \$14, to a 13-inch-tall RC Cola example that left for \$160. Then came nearly



Above: A collection of Black Label breweriana (\$40) was one of many mixed lots of advertising.

**Right:** This souvenir tray from the famed 1984 Wendy's ad campaign, "Where's the Beef?" left for just \$22.

two dozen lots of branded tins and cans. The top lot in that group - a collection of tobacco tins including Bugler, Sweet Caporal, and Rush Creek - fetched \$130. Another tobacco lot,

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# Pyrex is still tops in the kitchen with both users and collectors

"To use, or not to use, that is the question: Whether 'tis nobler in the kitchen to display vintage Pyrex safely on a shelf, or to use it and enjoy it."

With apologies to the Bard (and my Shakespeare profes-

sor, Dr. Tremaine), Hamlet wasn't the only one with a dilemma. But fortunately for us, when it comes to the all-important question of what to do about Pyrex, we have Jolene Forrester with the answers.

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VINTAGE STYLE

Pyrex sales remain strong, with opportunities for beginning collectors as well as those with deeper pockets.

Jolene and her son Luke are the proprietors of JoRetro, a shop in Havre de Grace, Md. Most notably, JoRetro is the home of what could rightly be described as a "Great Wall of Pyrex," with floor-to-ceiling shelves

that stretch 30 feet long, teeming with "the number one brand of glass bakeware, prepware, and storage." Because many of us are trying to cut back on sin-

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Left: For collectors, the Pyrex & Vintage Festival in Havre de Grace, Md., is worth the trip.



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# Joe R. Pyle

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with Aromatic Sale, Holiday Pipe Adventure, and Prince Albert tins, went for \$35.

Other standout advertising pieces included a vintage Royal Crown aluminum cooler, picked up for \$75, a 51inch Canada Dry wire rack that made \$40, and a nostalgic 13-inch Wendy's "Where's the Beef?" tray that landed

Soda shop and country store items added additional charm and variety. Two sets of bolt-down counter stools with cushion tops grabbed \$75 each. Among several glass display jars was a Minter's Log Cabin Fudge jar with its lid that earned \$75, while both a Planters Peanuts jar with Tom's lid and a Lance jar each finished at \$50. Then came a Hamilton Beach jadeite green milkshake mixer, complete with mixing cup, which changed hands for

Collectors of vintage vending machines had a few opportunities. A Hot Nuts 5-cent machine with a key brought \$60. A Northwestern Chicle Treets penny machine without a key pulled \$45, and a Victor "Baby Grand" vending machine, also keyless, closed at \$25.

Back in the advertising realm, automobilia and petroliana drew solid interest. A box lot of Esso items, in-

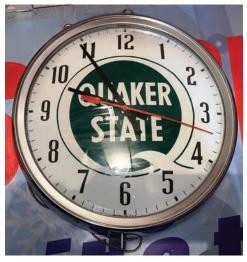
Below: An iconic Hamilton Beach jadeite green milkshake mixer went \$35.





Above: A handful of counter display jars ranged from \$18 for an unlabeled example to \$75 for this Minter's Log Cabin Fudge piece.

cluding three "SO" novelty phones, a radio, a scraper, and more, topped out at \$200. A 13-inch Quaker State



Above: A dozen advertising clocks were available. This Quaker State piece sold

Below: Two lots containing pairs of vintage counter stools were picked up for \$75 each.





Above: This Hot Nuts 5-cent vending machine, complete with keys, was won for

clock sold for \$150, and a Prestone Anti-Freeze thermometer followed at \$140. At lower price points, a 36-by-24-inch Mobil Oil sign mounted on wood managed \$50, a restored STP oil can with pump went for \$14, and a Sterling Diesel pump barrel landed at just \$7.

Railroad fans had their dibs, too, with items like a pair of Safe Trans Systems railroad lights, wired for 120volt that pulled \$140, a 15 by 14-inch metal railroad whistle sign that made it to \$60, and a 13-inch diameter battery-powered Pennsylvania Railroad Clock garnered just \$24.

For information on Joe R. Pyle's scheduled auctions, visit: www.joerpyleauctions.com

Below: Groetchen trade stimulators like this one (\$170) were made from the 1930s to 40s.





Above: This group of wall bottle openers went for an impressive \$260.

Below: A handful of advertising racks were offered, including this Canada Dry one (\$40).





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# Vintage Style

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gle-use items, especially ones made of plastic, I decided it's time to learn more about vintage Pyrex.

Let's dig in.

According to Jolene, the story of Pyrex dates back to 1941, with the production of sturdy "military dinnerware" for the troops. After the War, the company segued into consumer products, marketing, in 1945, a line of opal glassware decorated in bright colors. Ten years later, speckled casserole dishes ("Desert Dawn") were introduced, followed by "Pink Daisy" and "Snowflake."

With Pyrex's increasing popularity as a wedding gift, the company continued to expand its offerings.

In 1957 came the introduction of "Butterprint," a pattern that pictured a shovel-bearing Amish farmer and his rake-carrying wife. The popular turquoise-on-white design was followed up in equally popular colors of the time, pink and purple. To say that this pattern was a success back then, as well as it is now, is an understatement. In Jolene's words, "Butterprint" is "the gateway drug to collecting Pyrex." Yes, it's that good.

Decorated opal glassware, both bowl sets and refrigerator sets, continued to be introduced in colors and patterns that kept up with the times. Think harvest gold and avocado green, and later, a selection of country-themed patterns in blues and browns.

Things got interesting about 10 years ago with the publication of the definitive book on the topic ("Pyrex Passion" by Michael D. Barber), as well as a Facebook page. The results? No more picking up Pyrex in thrift



Above: Want to live and breathe Pyrex? Book a stay in this apartment, where the pattern "Butterprint" comes to life. Images courtesy of JoRetro

stores for a few bucks. Jolene reported that she recently helped a dedicated collector acguire a rare "New Mexico" dish for \$6,000.

"But I don't want to discourage people," she quickly added. "It's not impossible to get into Pyrex with a limited budget." An average bowl set can be found for around \$100. Favorite patterns, such as "Pink Gooseberry" might fetch \$300 (and up) for a set, a few hundred more if new and in the original box.

Condition matters. That includes scratches and fading. Jolene noted that "early on," Pyrex advertised its wares as dishwasher-safe, but she discourages this practice. Hand wash it, she advises. Similarly, many popular Pyrex patterns predate kitchens equipped with microwave ovens. For that reason, many collectors shy away from gold-trimmed pieces. And even though the general rule is "if it's brown, put it down," "Forest Fancy," a tannish-colored line that features mushrooms (very popular) might be an exception.

As for using Pyrex for storage, there is a downside, as glass lids are becoming "harder to come by." Additionally, they do not provide a tight seal. Jolene added that because the paint is on the outside of the container and the inside is sealed, Pyrex presents no health risks.

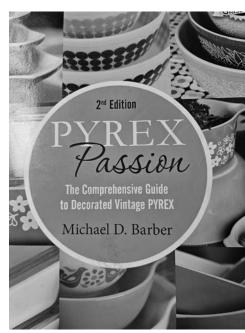
Want to start a collection? Add to an existing one? Meet face-to-face with fellow enthusiasts/online friends? JoRetro is hosting the Pyrex & Vintage Festival on Saturday, Sept. 27, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For this semiannual event, streets in Havre De Grace will be closed for an outdoor market, which will feature 50-plus dealers. Make a long

Left: Not as long as the Great Wall of China, but this 30-foot wall of Pyrex is a collector's dream.

weekend of it: Havre de Grace is a quaint city situated at the mouth of the Susquehanna River and the head of Chesapeake

But there's more, as we haven't even begun to talk about the four Airbnb apartments upstairs from JoRetro, each with a décor inspired by a different Pyrex pattern. For more information visit JoRetro.com

Below: Even in an age of internet dominance, it was this definitive book that helped collectors figure out what's what.





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# Rat Rod inspired bidding to \$3,500 during auction

By Karin Milliman

STURGIS, Mich. — "Joy Heitger had an infectious laugh that was known to everyone. She was a friend to everyone she met and she had a blast collecting," said auctioneer Randy Ludwick.

Heitger had chosen him to sell off her estate after her death in 2024. This was a tremendous job considering Heitger had spent a lifetime filling the inside and outside of the old Froh home that she owned. This building was also known as the St. Joseph County infirmary and later became a private residence called the Froh Home. In the 1840s, F.A. Tisdel built an inn for weary travelers to rest. He sold out to Hewitt & Randall and a landlord named Mr. Latta, so the building kept its original intention for a few more years. The building was then taken over by the county in 1857 acquiring the name St. Joseph County Infirmary. It was used for housing and taking care of those who were poor and ill. The infirmary closed in 1947 and was purchased by Clifford and Alfred Froh as a private residence. This is how it got the name of The Froh House.

Heitger's eclectic tastes were evident in the diverse range of items she collected. This auction, aimed at clearing the outdoor items to make way for the treasures inside the buildings and the house, offered a fascinating variety of items for sale.

Selling for \$3,600 was a 1999 GMC 2500. This dark blue truck showed 116,526 on the odometer, and cranked over when they tried it. It was a regular cab with a long box. The truck was in decent shape for the year

A rat rod attracted a lot of attention. These are custom cars designed to appear worn out or "ratty". They appeal to many because they offer unique features with incredible customization options and have low maintenance costs. There are drawbacks to driving a rat rod. They generally lack safety features, are unreliable, and have underwhelming performance. The rat rod is typically unpainted, with lots of exposed parts and signs of wear and tear. They are





Above: Attracting a lot of attention, this rat rod sold for \$3,500. Shown here are side and back views of the vehicle.



made from discarded parts that perform remarkably well on the road. This rat rod had its very own unique unfinished look. It started out as a 1939 Ford F1 pickup truck. The auc-

tion company sold it as is, noting that it may require a fuel pump. It brought \$3,500.

Left: This 1999 GMC 2500 cranked over easily and sold for \$3,600.



**Below:** This truck had previously belonged to local auctioneer Fred Schwartz and sold for \$2,700.





**Above:** This International Airstream trailer was a unique piece of history in restorable condition. It brought a high bid of \$1,000 before it was destined to travel down the road to a new home.

**Left:** A real "Superman" style phone booth, this red tiny building sold for \$275

A third vehicle that was sold attracted interest, as most attendees recognized it right away. Heitger had purchased it at auction herself and had plated it in her name. This 1998 red and silver Dodge Ram had attended many auctions in the past, as it was previously owned by the late auctioneer Fred Schwartz. It had a bad battery, but it started right up with a jump. It sold for \$2,700 with 169,193 miles.

There was a red telephone booth that sold. Laughingly telling the story of how he had sold this booth and donned a Superman costume and jumped out of it, Ludwick opened it

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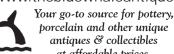
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
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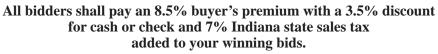


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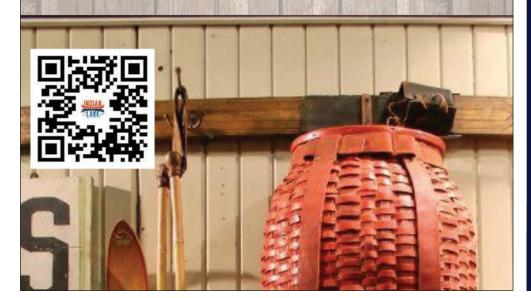
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# Button factory turns into maker of farm toys

By Larry LeMasters

J. M. Turner founded the Turner Button Company in 1897 in Lansing, Iowa. The company made "pearl" like buttons from Mississippi River clamshells. Eventually, Leo Hufschmidt took over his grandfather's small button company, and made it his life's work to expand the button industry and the company itself. Hufschmidt led the company into knew production lines when, around 1940, the Turner Button Company began producing miniature die cast scale toys of farm implements, tractors, and wagons. Sometime around 1955, the company renamed itself the Lansing Button Company.

In 1938, while still known as the Turner Button Company, the company expanded into what was then considered the nation's biggest button business outside of New York City by stopping all manufacturing of buttons. The company became what is known as a "button-jobber," buying buttons from around the world and placing those buttons on cardstock. Turner Button distributed over 25 million cards with buttons on them to retailers, such as Woolworths, SS Kresge and individual sewing centers each year. The company's line of buttons included over 180 varieties of buttons in 10 different sizes, offering the buttons in a potpourri of colors.

After retooling the manufacturing area, beginning sometime after 1940, Lansing Button produced Lansing Slik-Toys, a line of scale model farm and construction vehicles, such as miniature scale models of farm tractors, mowers, plows, disks, combines, cornpickers, and manure spreaders. These toys were wholesaled to over 15,000 stores and businesses in the United States and Canada. When operating at full capacity, the company's assem-



Above: This four-piece farm set was made around 1980 and was part of the last production set for Lansing Slik-Toys products.

bly lines produced over 30,000 Slik-Toys a day.

Lansing vehicle toys were called "Slik-Toys," beginning around 1955, because of the toys' smooth, well-made quality. "Slik" was a variant spelling of "slick."

John Brophy, vice-president and sales manager for Lansing Slik-Toys enjoyed telling how a button company became a leader in the American toy industry. "It was sheer accident," he said.

"At the time, we were making some costume jewelry as a sideline and had a limited amount of woodworking equipment on hand when World War II started. Mr. Hufschmidt, who enjoys designing, whittled out some wooden jeeps and army cars, just for fun. In the same spirit, we took them to a variety display in Chicago.

Well, we found ourselves in the toy business overnight! We had to work fast to handle the orders. The line 'just grew'. We made some toys from wood and a few from plastic. After V-J Day, we had to decide whether to stick to toys or not. We stuck! Because metal was available again, and we prefer its sturdiness, we decided to make our toys from aluminum."

Most of Slik-Toys were made of single die cast aluminum, which made the toys light but sturdy. The company also made several different styles of plastic vehicle

Along with its complete line of farm toys, Slik-Toys offered a 3 1/2 inch fire truck, a 7 inch long pickup truck, a 6 inch

tank truck, a stake body truck, and a tractor/trailer rig that allowed little boys to drive the dirt highways of their backyards. One of the company's most popular toys was its construction road grader, called a "Maintainer." Some of Lansing's plastic models included a specially commissioned "Asplundh Tree Expert" truck along with plastic pickup trucks (number 9703) and a line of plastic toy soldiers.

To handle all of its business, Lansing had two warehouses built where toys were stored until sold. "Our selling peak is June through October," Brophy said, "but manufacturing continues at a fairly steady pace all year long. We plan our output at the first of the year and must gamble on expected sales." November through May toy vehicles are warehoused, and the built up inventory is always needed. For instance, Oliver Farm Equipment Company, makers of the famous Oliver farm tractor, often purchased as many as 400,000 toys at one time. Orders such as this were too big to mail, so they had to be trucked from Lansing to one of Oliver's shipping locations. Orders of this magnitude kept Lansing Slik-Toys operating in the black for many years.

Lansing Slik-Toys vehicles were marketed under a variety of trademark names, including Kipp, Lansing, and Slik-Toys. The reason for using "Kipp" as a trademark name has been lost to history. In addition, the brand name "SLIK-TOYS" was often stenciled directly on the toys. All Lansing Slik-Toys have a four-digit production number, beginning with the number "9," molded into the casting. If a toy does not have the number "9" in its production or model number, then it is probably not a Lansing Slik-Toys.

Below: This beautiful, early Slik-Toys tractor "65", made by Lansing Button Company of lowa, is valued at \$150.

Below: An Asplundh Tree Expert Company truck is one of the rarest of all Lansing Slik-Toys. Produced in the 1950s, this truck was made of die cast aluminum.







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AUCTION NOTE: This sale will begin @ 9:30 with the above listed uncatalogued items. At 11am we will split into 2 rings and start a catalogued sale with Tell City furniture/MCM items, followed by a grouping of very nice antique furniture, while continuing to sell uncatalogued items outside. Plan to attend & bring a friend! 10% B.P. live and 15% online. 5% Convenience fee for cards.

















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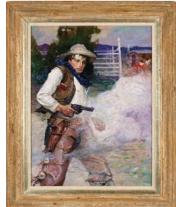




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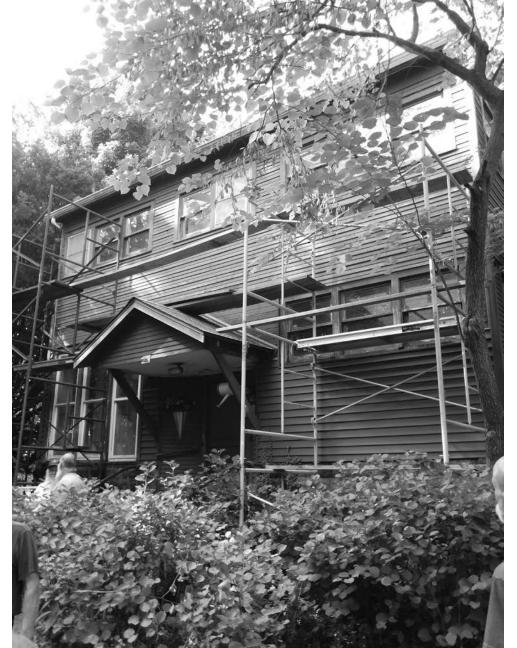


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**Above:** Selling for \$1,050, this tractor needed to be uncovered before it could be loaded for a new destination.



**Above:** The scaffolding was still in place on the Froh home. All the pieces brought a high bid of \$800.

# Randy Ludwick

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up for bids. This unique item sold for \$275

One of the strangest items sold was a skeleton displayed in a coffin. At one point, this had been a coffee table in Heitger's living room. She had a glass top custom-cut to fit over the wooden coffin and used it that way for years. This skeleton, without the glass top, sold for \$100.

There was an old red refrigerator in the house that had its cooling unit on top. An almost identical one standing outside brought a bid of \$210.

Heitger had commissioned some work to be done on the outside of the Froh home. The scaffolding was

**Below:** This vintage red refrigerator sold



still standing on the side, along with some extra pieces that hadn't been put to use. It was sold as a single unit, with the buyer receiving all the pieces they could find. He had to take it down off the side of the home. It sold for \$800.

An Airstream trailer, a piece of history in need of restoration, was offered up. The new owner, with a sense of humor, remarked, "Everybody ought to own an Airstream at least once in their life. It was on my bucket list—I just put it on that list,". He checked the tires and thought it was towable to get it home. He paid \$1,000.

A Cub Lowboy 154 tractor was sold for \$1,050. It had been driven into a

shed, and the back end was the only part that was easily accessible. But the bidders seemed to know what it was and bid accordingly.

Outdoor cast iron furniture sold well. A set of two chairs and a table sold for \$200. Another set consisted of five pieces in the grape pattern. There was a table, a bench, and three chairs. This set sold for \$225. A single greenish white cast-iron chair brought a bid of \$300. It had a large leaf pattern on it and was extremely heavy.

Watch for more auctions from the Heitger estate sales. Ludwick auctions may be reached at (517) 617-8034.

Left: This skeleton in a coffin used to be a coffee table inside the Heitger home. It sold for \$100 without the glass top that used to cover it.



Below: This is a view of the old Froh home today.







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1st - first

cv - cover

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fx - foxing

dec - decorated

grn – green hist – history hndbk – handbook hng – hinge il – illustrated/illustration inscr - inscribed lea – leather If – leaf litho – lithograph ls – loose ltd – limited m – mint mag – magazine mssg – missing mrbld – marbled nd – no date np – no place

nm - name

own – owner p - poor port – portrait pp – pages ppd - postpaid copy

op - out of print rev – revised envelope sig – signature slpcs – slipcase pamph – pamphlet pg – page photo – photograph sl – slight vol - volume previous priv prntd – privately printed w/o - without pub – published/publishwr - wear rbkd - rebacked yr - year

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# 1939 World's Fair

FROM FRONT PAGE

Mount Vernon, and the Cumberland Mountains. The tour's star attraction, of course, was the New York World's Fair, and Powers went all-out in glamorizing this once-in-a-lifetime event:

"Space does not permit us an opportunity to tell you of the magnitude of this great spectacle, but here you will see a world of wonders in two hundred buildings. This mighty exhibit cost-just think-one hundred and fifty million dollars, and covers over twelve hundred acres. It is breathtaking in immensity, with cascading fountain pools. . .a great amusement area facing a 280-acre lagoon. . .and a prophecy of the future in homes, transportation, fashions, foods, science, chemistry, and television. Truly, the World's Fair is a sight worth going a long way to see!"

Like many travelers of the time, Mildred kept a scrapbook, a sort of "visual diary." Her "Officially Licensed New York World's Fair Scrap Book" is jam-packed with memory-joggers: tickets; flyers, programs, napkins, matchbooks, placemats, salt-andpepper and sugar packets, hotel soap wrappers, stationery, maps, menus, coasters, bottle labels, pencils, and even the occasional dried leaf. Each item, of course, was emblazoned with a logo trumpeting its origin.

But Mildred didn't stop there. In addition to the souvenirs, she also typed out a day-by-day synopsis of her exploits. Thirteen single-spaced, legalsized pages detail her journey, from boarding the train in Chicago ("The food and accommodations are excellent; the people in the tour are high-class and friendly; everyone is in a holiday mood"), to bidding her new friends a fond farewell eight days later ("It was all more wonderful that I had imagined, and we had not a single travel anxiety. Certainly well worth the money").

Greeting Fair visitors were two massive structures that have become iconic symbols of its modernistic



Above: Wedgwood-style ceramic vase, with illustration of familiar Fair structures.

Below: Reliving Fair memories: 1939 souvenir plate by Tiffany.





Above: 1939 Powers Tours brochure, from Mildred Anderson's scrapbook. Total tour price: just \$49! (Author photo)

thrust: the 700-foot high "Trylon," a towering needle-like pyramid, and its companion piece, the "Perisphere," an enormous globe housing the "City of Tomorrow." Mildred was properly impressed:

"The floor on which we stood revolved, denoting the cycle of one day, and as we looked below we saw a welllaid out city with the factories and business centers in the middle, and homes and apartment houses in the suburban districts. As the floor continued to revolve, the light faded, it grew darker, and the stars appeared. Looking up, we heard people singing, and saw them on a screen marching happily. It was a thrilling exhibit—a perfect city, and all of its people were happy and contented. Oh, and the musical accompaniment was directed by Andre Kostelanetz."

With so much to see, and only a short time to see it in, Mildred had to pick and choose. Among her Fair favorites: the Lagoon of Nations ("Oh the lights! The fireworks! The waters!") and the Telephone Building ("I had a test made of my telephone voice!"). The IBM Pavilion prompted some wishful thinking ("Wonder if I'll ever have one of those electric typewriters?"), while the Life Savers Parachute Jump prompted chills ("You wouldn't catch me on that!")

There were also plenty of special attractions for Mildred to enjoy. "Elsie the Cow" greeted guests at Borden's exhibit, while "Billy The Pygmy Hippo," once a pet of President Calvin Coolidge, did the honors for Firestone Tires. Mildred bypassed "Frank Buck's

Below: Souvenir pin from one of Mildred's favorite Fair experiences: the "Billy Rose Aquacade."





Above: Ideal for any gent's dresser: Fair-themed brush set, by Syroco. (Photo by Ray Hanson)

Jungleland" ("Although I would have liked to view 'Monkey Mountain"), the "Frozen Alive Girl," and the Michael Todd "girlie" show Gay New Orleans ("just not for us"). Instead, she opted for the spectacular "Billy Rose Aquacade." This watery wonder foreshadowed the popular Esther Williams movies, with its unique combo of synchronized swimming, popular music, lavish stage and lighting effects, and waterfalls, water curtains, and water cascades, pumped in at eight thousand gushing gallons per minute. Said Mildred:

"This was a beautiful water carnival of swimming and stunts. In one number, the swimmers wore swim caps which must have been covered with phosphorus, because when the lights were turned off, the caps glowed in the dark! There were lots of sequences where the swimmers swam in formation to waltz time. The finale was very impressive, centered around a huge American flag. And the star of it all was 'Tarzan' (Johnny Weissmuller)!"

And what would the trip of a lifetime be like without souvenirs? Among the abundant array available to Mildred and fellow Fairgoers: photos, pins, vases, commemorative plates, guide booklets, patches, plaques, ashtrays, compacts, coloring books, bookmarks, trays, vases, brush sets, and dresser boxes!

Twenty-five years after the first New York World's Fair, a second Fair blossomed in the same location. The "Perisphere" gave way to the "Unisphere." Such 1939 Fair "firsts" as television, air conditioning, fluorescent lights, View-Masters, nylon stockings, and even those red-yellow-blue balloons on Wonder Bread wrappers, now seemed old hat. A new "world of tomorrow" beckoned, but the desire to revel in it remained just as irresistible as it had in Mildred's day. Travelers again poured into New York (although \$49 tour packages were definitely a Above: Mildred definitely qualified for and filling scranbooks with their own



Above: Just the thing for first-time Big Apple visitors, like Mildred: New York in 3 Days and Three Glamorous Nights, 1939 guidebook. Cover illustration by Robert E. Lee. (Author

pieces of time. And they said goodbye just as reluctantly as Mildred Anderson:

"Our stay at the Fair had been filled with fun and interesting things to do, but there was so much more to experience! We were not quite ready to leave, yet leave we must. As our bus departed the Fairgrounds, we had to stop for some little time to allow hundreds and hundreds of people to pass. People just like us, eager for their visit to 'the greatest experience on earth'. The beauty and grandeur of the Fair was so much more than I had expected. It will be etched forever in mv memorv."

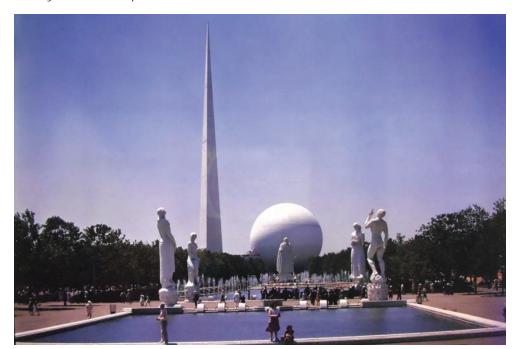
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thing of the past), gathering souvenirs, one of these: a 1939 celluloid "I Was There" button.

Below: Souvenir Ektachrome transparency, showing several iconic Fair structures: the Trylon, the Perisphere, and the "Four Freedoms" statues.





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