

## Lincoln blessed with plethora of antique and variety stores

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· Bulletin boards in red and grey or black; with pins or magnets - from \$8.50 to \$22.00

 "Odd Ball Sculpture." Interlocking pieces that start as balls but can be twisted into snakes, triangles and more - \$16.00

· Necklace made of buttons and satin rib-

· Model of a wind-powered dune buggy -

· Wooden pink-flamingo and green-alligator ornaments - \$3.00

· Painted wooden animals in a wooden box/house - \$27.00

Lincoln has been blessed with a plethora of antique shops. If you're looking for variety and completeness, your best bet is the Antique Corner Cooperative, 1601 S. 17th, where 17 antique dealers sell their wares under one roof. Prices are medium to high, but bargains can be found.

- Paper-mache duck decoys (never used) \$12.50
- · Wooden game board and wooden pegs \$45.00
- Comic-book sized paperback of "Sleeping Beauty" -\$10
- · Paperback book of "The Three Kittens"
- Pine trunk \$75
- · Flask with three separate compartmets
- · Butter crock, white and blue stripes -\$16.00
  - · Quilt \$150

Another excellent shop close to campus is Gray Beard's Collectibles, 733 S. 11th. Gray Beard's is the classic hole-in-the-wall antique shop, spotlessly clean with innumerable nooks and crannies, each one jammed with all sorts of forgotten treasures. Gray Beard's has a large selection of authentic art deco and a respectable selection of vintage clothing. Prices are very reasonable.

- Rhinestone star pin \$4.00
- · Clear globe with a propellor plane suspended inside, all on a stand - \$46.00
  - Rhinestone bracelet \$12.00

At Pershing Auditorium's flea markets you can find at least one of everything, at prices that range from truly astonishing bargains to equally astonishing rip-offs. You pay your money and you take your chances. That's the fun of a flea-market. The last flea market before Christmas will be Dec. 12 and 13. Admission is 50 cents.

Import shops, by definition, offer the most eclectic and exotic selections of gift ideas. Unfortunately, most import stores are priced for only the very upscale.

But Lincoln has a notable exception to this trend, Helping Hands Crafts and Books, at a brand new location at 1281 S. Cotner.

According to its own literature, Helping Hands is a charitable concern which buys hand made crafts from independent craft makers all over the world. The shop is staffed with volunteer help and about 50 percent of the purchase price goes back to the crafts maker. Prices are based on the standard of living of the country of origin, so the more impoverished the country, the less expensive the craft.

Hand carved stone and wood, wicker and rattan baskets and furniture, brass, handwoven blankets and covers can be found at Helping Hands. Many of the items are priced between \$1 and \$20.

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\$11.95 \$12.95 Far Side



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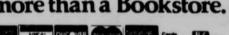




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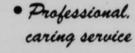
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