

Schmiedlin canvasbacks top Midwest auction

A PAIR OF CANVASBACKS by Jim Schmiedlin of Bradfordwoods, Pennsylvania sold for \$6490 at Auctioneers Inc.'s January 26, 2019 auction at the Cherry Grove Event Center in Cadillac, Michigan. It was the top lot in an auction that grossed just over \$175,000 in total sales, their highest-grossing winter auction. A pair of Schmiedlin bluebills brought \$2655.

A pair of redheads by John Schweikart of Strawberry Island, Michigan sold for \$3245. A pair of snakey head Challenge grade mallards by the Mason Decoy Co. of Detroit brought \$2655. A pair of pintails by the neighboring Dodge factory sold for \$2596; a pair of Dodge mallards brought \$2006.


A rare black duck with an interesting double wing carving in the back by David Kavanaugh of Athens, Ontario

brought \$3245, the top selling Canadian decoy in the auction.

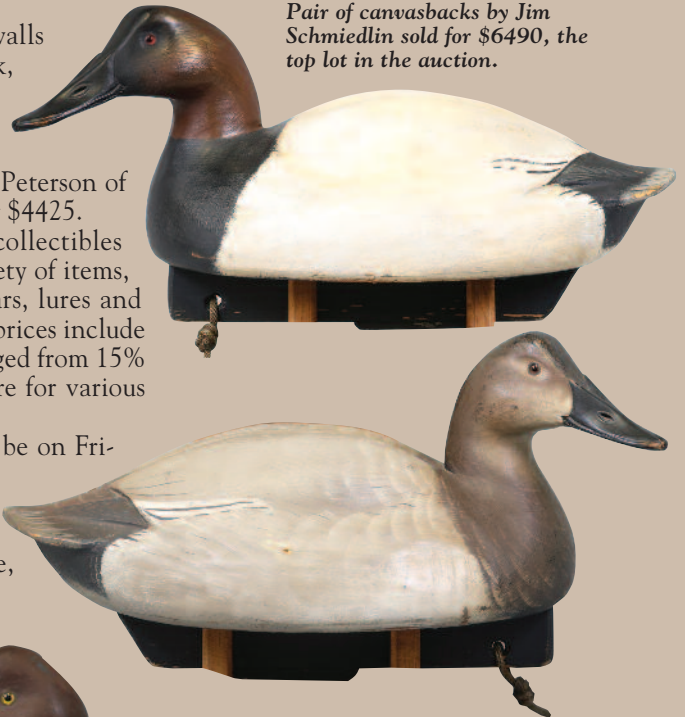
A pair of standing gadwalls by Bill Gibian of Onancock, Virginia sold for \$3835. A Gibian preening curlew brought \$1534.

A pike plaque by Oscar Peterson of Cadillac, Michigan sold for \$4425.

This 600-lot sporting collectibles auction offered a wide variety of items, including fish decoys, spears, lures and miscellaneous folk art. All prices include a buyer's premium that ranged from 15% for cash or checks and more for various online bidding platforms.

Their next auction will be on Friday, March 15 during the Great Lakes Decoy Association's annual collector's event in Westlake, Ohio. 

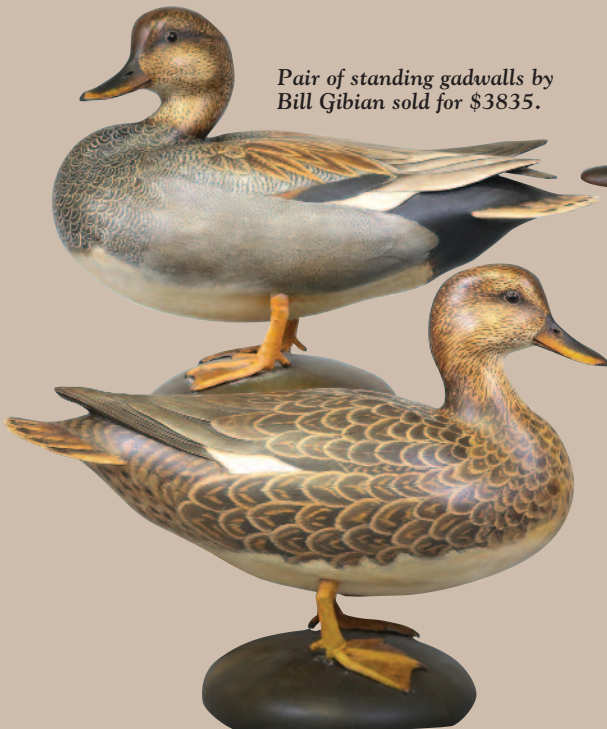
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