

Lynda Hammond **THE GARAGE SALE GAL**



China bound, selling all

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It's crossed my mind before. Maybe it's something you've thought of doing too. Well, Paul Hayzlett and his wife *are* doing it. "I'd rather give things to a good home and let people use them. I'm not going to need it," Paul says.

Nope, Paul and Susan won't need anything where they're going. They're getting rid of everything they own in a garage sale today and tomorrow—furniture, beds, TVs, collectibles, artwork even two cars—everything that was in their four-bedroom, 1700 sq. ft. Chandler home.

Paul, who worked in the housing industry and Susan, a loan officer have quit their jobs and are embarking on a new adventure to help others. They're moving to China to teach English at a University in Yantai in the Shangdong Peninsula about 200 miles southeast of Beijing. They'll be living in a partially furnished apartment so they're taking only three "tiny" boxes of necessities and two suitcases for clothing. They considered keeping some stuff—like their four-poster king-sized bed—so it would be available at the end of their assignment but decided against that. "We're at that point in our lives where it's just stuff. I don't need it and I don't want it and I don't want to pay to store it."

A few of the gems they're getting rid of include four early-American litho-graphs by folk artist Jane Wooster Scott, two vehicles—a Highlander and a Sonoma pick-up truck—art deco décor, crystal and glass pieces, display cabinets and much more. The things up for grabs may not, however include two of Paul's favorite things. "I have two microphones from the 1940s and I think I'll probably hang on to those because I'd want at least \$600 for each one." Paul snagged the historic mics when he was working at a radio station in Los Angeles and his bosses were cleaning house and threw them in the dumpster.

The Hayzletts decided to take the teaching positions after a presentation at their church by The English Language Institute of China. "My wife and I believe our calling is to go to China and teach English. That's what God has told us to do. If you're a religious person you kinda get the idea, if you're not then you probably don't get it."

The huge life change doesn't worry the Hayzletts one bit. In fact, they've traveled most of their lives to France, Malaysia and Mexico among other places so this agrees with their lifestyle just fine.

The couple has made a 2-year commitment for the teaching jobs in China but they just might extend that. "I don't know we may not come back. We may just stay there and teach."

If you'd like to learn more about the teaching problem visit: www.elic.org/supportateacher (To donate specifically to the Hayzlett's trip you'll need to enter their name and code on the Web site which is H582).

Or, if you'd like to support the Hayzletts in their new life, buy some of the stuff from their "old" life.

China-bound garage sale

When: Today and tomorrow

Time: 6-?

Where: 601 South Sunset Court Chandler 85255

(Near Pecos and Alma School)

Why: Couple selling belongings to teach in China



(pic provided by Paul Hayzlett) Paul Hayzlett sits among just a few of the things he and his wife are selling in a garage sale today and tomorrow in Chandler.

Talk to the Garage Sale Gal!

Do you have a question or comment about garage or estate bargain sales? Email the Garage Sale Gal: Lynda@GarageSaleGal.com.

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