

Fabulous FURNITURE 2001

Grandfather clocks show timely fashion

BY MARY KLEMIC
STAFF WRITER

In terms of popular furnishings for the home, grandfather or floor clocks are as timely as ever.

They are timeless as well, with decorative and family appeal, and can become heirlooms, clock manufacturer representatives said. The clocks are attractive to the eye and ear, and can start or

carry on a family tradition.

"They're very popular and getting more and more every year," said Mark Siciliano, advertising manager for Howard Miller.

"I think clocks have their own personality," said Jeffrey Pulver, manager of product development for Sligh.

"There's a nice ticking sound to the mechanism."

Grandfather clocks have changed over the years, with such features as beveled glass and decorative pendulums available now that weren't offered 20 years ago.

"Chimes have changed in the past five years," said Dan Anderson of Northville Clock & Watch Shop in Northville. The Anderson family also has shops in Troy and Dearborn.

"You had clocks that played three (types) - Westminster, Whittington and St. Michael's. Now they're producing clocks that can play Ode to Joy, Ave Maria, Beethoven's Ninth - more complicated tunes."

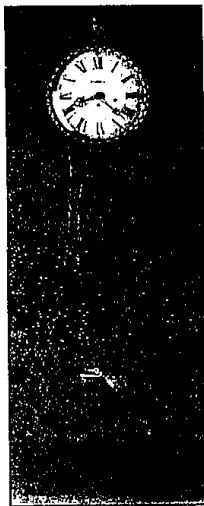
Regular full-size clocks can run as high as \$16,000, Anderson said.

"Clocks under \$300 are not of heirloom quality," he said.

Besides the traditional look, grandfather clocks come with dome shapes, flared cases, square or contemporary forms and nickel accents. Grandmother clocks stand 5 feet tall or less.

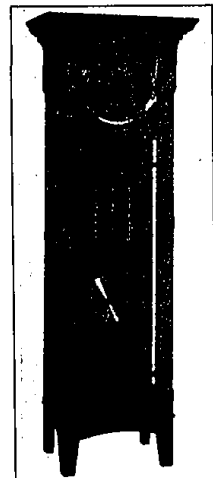
The *Grand Cayman* clock from Howard Miller's Tradewinds collection has a flared case, and a pendulum with a nickel finish. Emerille, from the company's Camden Passage collection, features shelves hidden behind the door. A grandfather clock should be balanced and oiled every three to five years. A clock dealer can perform the maintenance, or teach the owner how it is done.

Woods include oak, cherry, walnut and mahogany.



Timely fashion: This clock, from Howard Miller's Tradewinds collection, is both sophisticated and casual.

"There has been a call for lighter finishes, more so now than ever before," Pulver said. A grandfather clock should be balanced and oiled every three to five years. A clock dealer can perform the maintenance, or teach the owner how it is done.



About time: This Sligh model, Garrison, is an example of the variety of floor clock styles.

FIRE UP YOUR FURNACE

Replace your tired, old furnace with a high-efficiency Bryant® system and you'll **SAVE \$100's** on your utilities every winter!

Proud Supplier of...

bryant

Heating & Cooling Systems

PLUS, for a limited time, choose special financing options on qualifying systems:

3.9% FINANCING OR

No Payments, No Interest until OCTOBER 2002

\$20 OFF SERVICE CALL

Valid for Plumbing, Duct Cleaning, Heating or Cooling Service.

Limit one coupon per service. Not valid with any other offer.

Call for details. Expires 10/31/01.

PRECISION FURNACE TUNE-UP

ONLY \$89⁹⁵

- Complete operational analysis and safety check
- Inspection and cleaning of primary components
- Carbon monoxide check
- 24/7 emergency repair with priority scheduling

Limit one coupon per customer. Not valid with any other offer. Price is per system. Call for details. Expires 10/31/01.

CALL TODAY!

1-800 BLUE-DOT

*Financing with approved credit. Not valid with any other offer. Call for details. Offer expires 10/31/01.

Blue Dot.

24 • Heating • Plumbing • and more

Serving Metro Detroit for Over 60 Years!

LOCALLY SERVICED BY

KAST • BERGSTROM'S • CHERRY HILL

✓ HEATING ✓ COOLING ✓ PLUMBING ✓ DUCT CLEANING

FALL SALE

Wholesale Countertop Pricing

Marble - Granite - Silestone®

Why buy countertops at retail when you can buy direct.

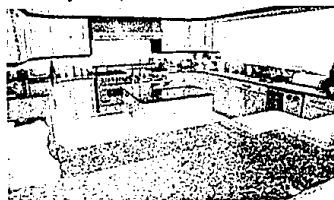
Since we fabricate at our own locations, we beat the "Big Box" store pricing. We offer quick delivery and personalized service.

Granite 3cm thick!

- Luna Pearl
- Baltic Brown
- Rosa Beta
- Impala Black

\$49.95 s/f installed!

Includes straight polished edge
20 s/f minimum



Silestone® 3cm thick!

- Capri Limestone
- Mountain Rose
- Silver Blue
- Teal Leaf
- Azul Leaf

ALL
REMAINING
INVENTORY

\$39.95 s/f installed!

Includes straight polished edge
20 s/f minimum

**CERAMIC TILE
INVENTORY
REDUCTION!**

49¢ S/F & Up
**Tremendous In-Store
Sale Selection!**

We stock over fifteen hundred slabs of Marble, Granite and Silestone in over eighty unique colors. We stock the largest selection of imported ceramic tile in Michigan.

Check our prices first!

**Ceramic Tile Sales Inc.
Marble & Granite Shop**

Southfield
23455 Telegraph Rd.
248-356-6430

Showroom hours:
M-T-Th 8:30-5:00
W-F 8:30-8:00
Sat 9:00-5:00

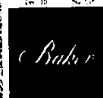
Rochester
1972 Star Batt Dr.
248-853-4654

Visit one of our Showrooms!

Installation includes Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb Counties. Others at additional cost. Offer not valid with any other discount. All previous orders excluded. Subject to stock on hand.



THE FALL HOME FURNISHINGS SALE



SEPTEMBER 1 THROUGH OCTOBER 15

BAKER BIRMINGHAM FURNITURE • FABRICS • ACCESSORIES

3450 WOODWARD AVENUE, BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN 248-593-9608

M, TH, F - 10-8, T, W, SAT - 10-5, SUN - 12-5