

## Silver Presentation Piece from Mexico

Yesterday I visited an antique fair in Ludwigshafen, where I live, and found in my opinion a very interesting item. It is a small carbide hand lamp made in pure silver mounted on an onyx socket. There is an engraved silver plate on the onyx socket: "40 Recuerdo de Zacatecas" Zacatecas

is a mining town in Mexico. The height of the silver carbide lamp is: 2,2 inches (from bottom to top of water tank). The total height including the onyx socket is: 4,5 inches. I guess it is a presentation lamp for long time service. There is no date mentioned but the seller said it is from the twenties (?). Although I don't collect carbide lamps I couldn't resist to buy this little beauty. (Manfred Stutzer)

