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PRESIDENT'S REPORT
by Archie A. Black

By now, everyone should have received the announcement confirming our new convention site (**ORLEANS HOTEL & CASINO**) and convention dates (**AUGUST 13-15, 1998**). The Board is enthusiastic about conducting our 10th Anniversary Convention at The Orleans. This is a new property that affords us much more space than we had at the Aladdin... and at a great room rate of only \$30 during the week, \$69 on the weekend. Enclosed is a hotel reservation card for your use. We have a block of just 250 rooms set aside for CC>CC, and based on our room occupancy last year... they should all go fairly quickly. I would urge those of you who have already decided to attend, not to delay too long to send in your reservation card. Those of you who desire to book table space should contact Mike Skelton immediately... if it is not already too late.

Also enclosed, is a call for nominations for "1997 Chip of the Year" and "1997 Token of the Year". Please take time to make your selections and return your nominations before the deadline. Only those who submit nominations will receive a ballot to vote on the finalists.

Your board of Officers met for two solid days in Mid-November in Atlantic City at which time many items of club business were discussed, uninterrupted, and many actions were taken. (See related reports published elsewhere in this issue.) The Officers were unanimous in their opinions that this was the most productive meeting we've ever had and recommended that a Board meeting be called mid-way between conventions every year.

The club continues to grow and is financially healthy... of which all members should be proud. We thank all of you for your continued support.

Happy Collecting,



These are all tokens
of your affection - for me?

FROM THE EDITORS DESK
by Kregg Herz

Well here it is, the first issue of 1998. As most of you have probably already noticed, this issue is not as big as the past issues. The reason: Not enough articles! Come on people, I know that you can write and that you have things to write about. I'm waiting.

Michael Knapp extends his apologies for not getting his column "Information Booth" in this issue. Says he will be back next issue.

I've also noticed that our advertising seems to be going down. I'll say it again. Come on people. It's your club - support it. Our advertising prices are probably the lowest of any magazine out there.

Please remember the deadlines for articles and advertising. The first of the month before the quarter the magazine is due. In other words, if you wanted an article or an ad in this issue I should have had it by December 1, 1997. I really am aiming to get the magazine to you by the first of the month of the quarter it is due. In other words, you should have had this magazine by January 1, 1998. I can only do this with your help!

Anyway on to other topics. Even though this issue is smaller than past issues it is loaded with interesting articles. Please pay special attention to Archie's final paragraph in his Atlantic City column. Interesting!!

Also, the deadline for auction consignments has been extended to February 15, 1998 so you still have time to send in your chips.

In November, 1997, your club board met in Atlantic City and decided on several items. See if you don't agree with me that they made exceptional choices for your club.

On a personal note, on December 16, 1997 Howard, Marce and I finally moved into our new home. After nearly a year and a half after that devastating fire our lives should get back to normal. HA. As most of you know, normal doesn't seem to be in Howard's vocabulary! Oh well we'll try.

We have also planned a Chip and Token Dig in Minden on May 9, 1998. For dealer information call (702)782-5681 or just come up and see us.

Anyway I hope you enjoy reading your magazine and please don't hesitate to send in your articles. I'm waiting.....

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

November 17, 1997

Dear Editor:

On October 4, 1997, I organized my 2nd casino collectibles show. In attendance were many collectors from Washington, Oregon and Idaho. We had a really great time, doing what we all do best, talking and trading chips and other collectibles.

I would like to thank Steve Goodrich for passing the word about the show at the National Convention last June. I would also like to extend a very special thanks to pioneers in this exciting hobby of ours. Jodi Sones and Dean Richmond for their participation. Jodi and Dean mailed out postcards announcing the show, and were there with their outstanding collection to participate in the show.

My thanks go out to all of the other great folks who attended and I'll keep you all informed of upcoming dates for future shows.

Thanks again,
Jim Forsman

November 18, 1997

Dear Editor:

I would like to propose a workshop to be held at the August 1998 meeting of our club. I hope this workshop can develop some guidelines to standardize the reference codes for world chips, checks and tokens. I do not feel comfortable that multiple reference numbers or letters try to represent the same item. I realize the frustration of many authors, including myself, to develop codes for specific chips, checks and tokens. The title of this meeting may be called the "World Workshop to Standardize Reference Codes". This meeting could be open to the general membership. However, its success needs the participation of the individuals who have published or who will publish books, catalogues or pamphlets to further our knowledge in our hobby.

If this idea is fruitful, a room needs to be secured for this meeting. A possible time could be in the morning or afternoon on Wednesday, August 13th, 1998.

Respectfully submitted,
Ralph Pollack

November 26, 1997

Dear Editor:

I am very disappointed in the selected of "The Orleans" as the host hotel for the 1998 convention.

I know the Aladdin was basically a 'dump' compared to most of the new mega-resorts, but at least it was on the strip. I cannot believe that you could not get a strip location at a reasonable rate for our good size convention. The Orleans is just way out of the way and the room rate is not that great for a hotel so far removed from the strip. August is a slower time of the year and the rates should have been more reasonable to reflect their location. It doesn't make sense that the Orleans should have a higher room rate on the weekend that what we got at the Aladdin on

the strip. I would disagree that the rate Mr. Skelton negotiated is a "superb" one.

With 100,000 rooms in town, I cannot believe you could get a strip location. June is not a traditional crowded convention month. Why would you go for an August date? Even though I have attended the last two or three conventions, it is doubtful that I will attend this one due to the selection of the location and the time of year. It is so late in the summer. I always enjoyed kicking off the summer, not ending it.

I am disappointed and wanted to let you know.
Rick Fowler
Member #R-496

Ed. note: please see Open letter to the membership by Mike Skelton elsewhere in this magazine.

December 1, 1997

To President Archie Black and Members of the Board:

I am writing to you today to respond to the most recent President's Report, where you asked for the membership to let you know how we feel you are doing... or not doing.

Overall, I feel the President and the Board do a great job for our club and our hobby. However, there is one area I feel that is lacking and must be addressed in order for our hobby to survive and grow.

We need to let more closet and potential chip collectors who have never heard of CC>CC find out about our hobby and our club. Without as growing and active collector base, our hobby may go the way of some other collectible fads. But if we spread the word about our great hobby and club, in circles other than just chip collecting magazines, we can insure the continued growth and survival of our hobby.

I propose that the Club spend a portion of our substantial checkbook surplus (\$35,186 as of June, 1997 per Treasurer Tomarchio's recent report) to promote our club and to advertise for new members in one or more of the 3 national coin collecting publications. Coin Collectors are a natural source of new chip collectors since the two hobbies are similar and overlap in many ways. Chips can be promoted in a number of ways - 1) As a less expensive alternative to coins 2) The chance to get in on the ground floor of a hobby in it's infancy. 3) The history and stories involved with many older chips. 4) Chips as miniature works of art with their intricate and colorful designs and inlays; etc. etc.

With our club's current active membership at around 1500 members, we can reach over 20 to 50 times our membership through Coins, Coinage and/or Coin World, which have average paid circulations of 34,000, 40,000 and 80,000 readers per month.

The cost of advertising for 12 consecutive issues ranges from a low of \$362.00 per month for a 1/3 page ad, to as high of \$726.00 per month for a 1/2 page ad. Some of the publications will even let us vary the size of our ad in each issue to further reduce the cost.

Thus for a modest investment, we can show a big return for our hobby and our club's future. Let's start the New Year off with a bang!

Sincerely,
Mark Freitag
R-236

Ed. note: See elsewhere in magazine Publicity Director Appointed!

Dear Editor

I am writing in response to Mr. Richard Hagopian's letter, published in the recent Fall 197 issue. I should state right off that I am a limited edition chip broker, so it may come as no surprise that I find myself in disagreement with his views.

I can sympathize with some of what Mr. Hagopian says. Some of our readers may know someone who collects comic books, or baseball cards, or toys, or perhaps they collect such things themselves. If so, then they know that in these hobbies, like many others, the manufacturers (i.e. casinos) have discovered that some hobbyists have more money to spend than others. Hobbyists also know that certain items are intentionally produced in limited quantities, for a variety of reasons. Some items are therefore created to be difficult to acquire. Even brokers and dealers sometimes have difficulty obtaining a particular chip. In that respect, I can sympathize with his unhappiness. But if Mr. Hagopian believes that this trend is somehow unique to casino chip collecting, then he is simply unaware. It will always be a part of collecting that people who are intimately involved in the hobby and brokers and dealers would certainly qualify will have better access to items of limited distribution. I have to add that part of the gentleman's unhappiness may stem from his location in Michigan, which I would imagine severely limits his direct (non-dealer) access to limited edition casino chips.

My most serious disagreement with Mr. Hagopian, however, stems from his comments regarding the class of certain chips over others. In his enlightened wisdom, he seeks to educate the rest of us. Reduced to its essentials, it seems his argument amounts to it's OK to collect the limited editions I like, but no others. Frankly, this sounds elitist to me. His definition of class sounds utterly subjective, and based entirely on his personal likes and dislikes. He is of course entitled (and encouraged) to have favorites. I also encourage him to keep his perspective, rather than elevating his personal choices to the imagined status of What Is Good For The Hobby.

Lastly I feel compelled to address the incorrect perception of the dealers becoming rich. I sell more limited edition chips than probably any other broker on this planet yet at an average mark up of 60% or less let me assure Mr. Hagopian that at this time no dealer in our industry is making a sole-living from the sale of limited edition casino chips, much less becoming wealthy.

Thank you,
David Harber
Cheques in the Mail, Inc.

OBITUARIES

Wayne Whitehurst. R- August 10, 1997

Mr. Ray Edwards, CC>CC member R-0481 and Nor-Cal-Nev Chapter member NCN-022 passed away recently. The Nor-Cal-Nev Chapter wishes to express condolences to his family and friends.

OPEN LETTER TO THE CC>CC MEMBERSHIP

The following was (in part) my written response to a member who was upset with the date, location and room rate for the 1998 CC>CC Convention. I sincerely hope that this will in some way give each of you a better understanding of what I and the Board faced in trying to relocate this convention with less than 9 months notice to do so. And give you a better appreciation of the arrangement we had over the last 5 years with the Aladdin.

"I am writing in response to your letter dated November 26, 1997 in regards to your disappointment in the date, rate and site selection of the Club's 1998 Convention.

Can you get a better room rate that \$69.00 for a weekend room on the Strip in August? Sure you can, as most individuals can once the hotels start running special rates once they see what the occupancy rate is. What you have to read is the fine print. Anytime any hotel in Vegas runs a room special, there is a disclaimer that states rates do not apply to weekends, holidays, special events and convention periods.

As convention chairman, it is my responsibility to find the best overall package for the Club and our members. You have to take into account the price we pay for meeting space, hotel room block availability, catering prices and sleeping room rates that this membership will pay. Most hotels book their meeting space 1-3 years in advance. With the sudden announcement that the Aladdin was closing, we were left with less than 9 months from the original convention dates.

Were there hotels on the Strip that had June dates available? Sure. The MGM had the original June dates open. The rate? \$99 per night, every night for sleeping rooms and \$4000.00 per day for meeting space! We know for a fact that this membership, as a group, will not pay \$99 a night for a room, so why should we book this? Just so it is on the Strip? Would you pay \$99 a night for a room at the MGM? Should the Club pay 8 times more for meeting space just so the convention is "on the Strip"? I think not!

The Las Vegas Hilton had the last week in June open for a rate of \$89 per night and \$2500 per day for meeting space, plus the Club would have to had guarantee 250 rooms. As for your point of better rates in August, I brought up the fact that the Hilton was selling rooms for \$42 this past summer, but the response was "Those are not convention rates". Besides the rates being high, the off Strip problem comes up once again. The Club is not going to make this guarantee, because we know from experience that this membership will not even pay \$75.00 per night for a room. Several years ago the Aladdin got greedy and raised the room rate to \$75 and our room block dropped by over 55%.

The Riveria had the 3rd week of July open for the fine rate of \$79 a night and \$3500 per day for meeting space. Does this do anything for you? Caesars was quoted at \$150 per night and \$3500 per day. How is that for a Strip rate? The Flamingo quoted me \$7500 per day for meeting space and \$99 a night for rooms. I stay at the Flamingo full RFB when I fo, so I too can get a better rate on my own, but we are talking convention rates here.

Bally's did not return 6 of my phone calls. They finally sent me a fax stating they didn't have anything open on the dates we requested. End of conversation. Harrah's does not allow conventions in their hotel that the public is invited to. Mirage and Treasure Island both had open dates in August that ranged anywhere from \$89 per sleeping room to \$125 and \$3000-\$3500 per

day for meeting space. Imperial Palace never returned any communications at all.

The Luxor, New York-NewYork, Monte Carlo, Frontier, Stardust, Excalibur, Stratosphere, Barbary Coast, Maxim, Continental, Gold Coast, the Rio, Circus Circus and the Sahara don't have meeting space to accommodate our show. Did I miss a hotel you think we could have gotten a better rate and date on the Strip? By the way, we were paying \$500.00 per day in meeting space rent at the Aladdin, plus they furnished all of the tables. The Orleans is charging us \$1000.00 per day and we have to go outside to get the tables, as would have been the case at any other property as well.

Based on all of this information, you tell me what we should have done. We could have raised the daler table fees to \$500.00 per table, but how many would we have sold? How many would we have sold? How many people in this group are going to pay \$79-\$99 a night, just so they are on the Strip?

You have to understand, once you start talking conventions, any published rate you see goes out the window, regardless of what time of year it is. Another thing I came away from all of this was, these "sales" people out there work on salary only, no commission and could care less whether they book a group or not. There is very little negotiation that takes place, here are the rates, take 'em or leave 'em. At least the Orleans understood the impact our group will have on their entire property. Everyone else was looking at it from the standpoint of the money they would generate for the "sales" department.

If you still believe that the rate that we negotiated was not the best rate available for us, I would strongly urge you to volunteer for this position next year, as it will be available. I would also encourage you or whomever takes over this role, to start today on the 1999 Convention dates and location.

I regret hearing that you will not attend this convention due to the location, the dates and/or room rates, but you will miss one hell of a time. Do I wish the Convention was in some other month besides August? Sure. Would I prefer to be on the Strip? By all means! But we didn't have the luxury of playing armchair quarterback, after the fact. We had to play the cards that were dealt, then and there."

Sincerely,
Mike Skelton
1998 Convention Chairman

CLUB CHAPTER NEWS

GREAT LAKES CHAPTER: The Great Lakes Chapter covers Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio & Wisconsin. The meetings are held in Ann Arbor, Michigan, the second Saturday of the month, at 2:00 pm. Visiting chip & token collectors are welcome at the chapter meetings. A trading session follows the conclusion of club business. There is a newsletter distributed monthly to the members, which highlights the previous meeting. We are currently gathering information on the history of Michigan casinos. If you have any information to share, or need information about us, please contact Albert Scalzo.

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NOR-CAL-NEV CHAPTER: The Nor-Cal-Nev Chapter met at Dale Seymour's home in Los Altos on November 2nd. Dale displayed much of his collection of all type of gaming collectibles. Approximately 25 collectors and friends exchanged information, chips and tokens. Margo, Dale's wife, served her wonderful homemade chili, complete with all the fixings! All collectors in northern California and Nevada who missed this Get-together really missed out! The next Get-together will be in February in Carmichael, a suburb of Sacramento. Everyone is invited! Anyone who would like information about the Nor-Cal-Nev Chapter should contact Todd Dingley, Chapter President, 6 Sandpoint Ct., Sacramento, CA 95831 (916) 393-6464.



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By Dennis Zeller
Publicity Director
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Most likely our Casino Chip/Token collection started like many others, by finding these chips/tokens in your dresser drawer at home. Yes, I remember that vacation, Oh well, I'll hold onto these for memories, but wait, what's this article all about, Casino Chips/Tokens Organization? People that actually collect these things? Gee, I thought I was the only one that had collected Casino Chips/Tokens. I didn't know there was a collector's organization for these things. Hmmmm, maybe there is more to this than I think. Your curiosity takes over; you decided to join this organization titled Casino Chip and Gaming Tokens Collectors Club. Congratulations, you have taken the first step to this most entertaining hobby.

How do I add more chips/tokens to my new collection? Well, the best and most profitable way to collect, is to purchase your casino/tokens at face value. This is done by either you visiting a casino of your choice, or by having a friend or relative pick some up for you while they visit a casino. It might be a good idea to obtain two of each. The reason for this is so you can put one into your collection, and the other one you can use as a trader. This now leads you into the second best and profitable way to collect is by trading. In trading, both parties trade to obtain the chip or token that they need or want. Trading is a win-win proposition. Some of the other ways of adding to your collection are being part of an auction, and straight out purchasing from other collectors and dealers at a slightly higher price than face value.

Now that you have your chips/tokens, how do I store them? The most common, and one of the best ways are by putting your chips or tokens into a plastic or cardboard flip holder, then into clear pages, which goes into a 3 ring binder. The main reason for this way is that your chips or tokens can be seen on both sides simply by turning a page. Some other ways are by putting them into storage box/s made especially for chips or tokens, or by displaying them in frames with thick plexiglas or acrylic covers. You can purchase any of the above ways of storing from almost any dealer. (Some can be cheaper than others can).

What's next you ask? Well now you attend your first of many CC>CC Meetings by asking one of our club officials where and when.

As you walk tall and carry your new collection or traders (traders are the duplicate chips or tokens you purchased) into the establishment of where your meeting is being held, something over comes you, your eyes widen, your mouth waters and your excitement is overflowing. You say to yourself, "Can all these people collect casino chips and tokens like me?" The answer is Yes. As you walk in, other collectors welcome you. You strike up a conversation about collecting casino chips and tokens. You meet another collector, and another, and still another. You have now experienced a swap meet, and gained knowledge and most of all, Friendship. "Wow, this is great!" you say. Now it's time for the meeting to begin, everyone takes a seat, and you find yourself listening intently. At this meeting you might have a guest speaker, or maybe an auction. At the ending of your meeting, you are so excited, especially since you have obtained a few more chips or tokens for your collection. You bid farewell to your new

friends and fellow collectors till next meeting.

Days or weeks pass, then you receive your first quarterly CC>CC Magazine. It's like an instant replay. Your excitement is building, your eyes widen, your mouth waters, and you drop everything else so that you can read this magazine from cover to cover. After reading this magazine, maybe you decide to contact another collector, maybe you write an article, maybe you prepare for an advertisement, or maybe you read it all over again. The one thing for sure, The CC>CC Magazine is one of the BEST PUBLICATIONS you have ever read. Oh yes, there are other magazines and books that you can purchase, which have very interesting articles, stories and facts.

Your next thought is how fast should I expand my collection? How much should I invest? Well this is now up to you. Remember you decide what denominations you want to collect, You decide how far back you want to go. The beauty of this hobby is that you set your own pace, goals, and excitement.

From one collector to another, have fun, and enjoy your unique hobby of Casino Chip and Gaming Token collecting.

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CC>CC BOARD MEETS IN ATLANTIC CITY

The entire Board of Officers met on a cold, rainy November weekend in Atlantic City to discuss many important club business items that required their attendance and action.

Among some of the topics discussed and debated were: a full day on club Constitution and Bylaws matters; 1998 Convention dates/site change; Scholarship Committee; selection of Club Librarian; Re-evaluate auction rules and commissions; scheduling of conflicting ancillary convention meetings; one-day table bookings; purchase of a lap-top computer for use at convention; club publicity and advertising.

Details of these topics discussed and decisions made are following

CLUB LIBRARIAN SELECTED

CC>CC's proposed Library has become a reality with the appointment of MR. ROBERT PARDUE (CH-003) of Laguna Hills, California.

Mr. Pardue's appointment by Club President Archie Black was unanimously endorsed by the CC>CC Board.

The Club is currently seeking donations of suitable subject matter on gaming collectibles in order to initially stock our new library shelves. Mr. Pardue will publish a listing of titles available for loan to our club members... along with the "rules" for borrowing. If anyone, **OR ANY AUTHOR**, has books, magazines, videos, pamphlets, catalogs, etc., they wish to donate to the club library, your contribution is welcome and much appreciated.

Valuable, scarce, out of print books and selected materials not donated will be purchased by the club at a later date after reviewing our needs.

Please forward all library donation materials and all library correspondence to: ROBERT PARDUE, CC>CC LIBRARIAN, P.O. BOX 2014, LAGUNA HILLS, CA 92654

The club wishes to publicly thank club members JOHN K. KALLMAN, BARRY WEINTRAUB, and CRAIG SCHNEIDER for also submitting their names for consideration as the Club Librarian. President Black remarked upon appointing Pardue that, "I am in the envious position of having four qualified candidates to choose from. Unfortunately, only one can be selected. Our thanks to all four gentlemen for answering the club's call for a volunteer."

CC>CC LIBRARY RULES

The following are preliminary rules established for club members to adhere to when borrowing subject matter from the club library. Additional regulations will be introduced as the library activity gets up to speed.

- Must be a CC>CC club member in good standing.
- Books may be checked out for a period of 30 days from time of receipt.
- One renewal extension of two weeks may be granted **IF** book has not been requested by another member.
- Requests for renewal can be by e-mail, or in writing. (pardue@inetworld.net)
- Waiting list maintained on a first come/first serve basis.
- Maximum of four (4) books may be requested at one time. (Exception; sets of small booklets count

as one book)

- Borrower pays return postage only.
- Lost, or non-returned books are subject to replacement costs by borrower.
- Valuable, or hard-to-get/out-of-print books may require special arrangements.

PUBLICITY DIRECTOR APPOINTED

CC>CC member DENNIS ZELLER of New Jersey has been appointed as the club's Publicity Director. Mr. Zeller's duties are to publicize/promote the existence of our club (year round) via the use of periodic news releases and paid advertising in the print media. His duties are separate and apart from those of the Convention Publicity Chairman, although there will be some occasions where his releases may overlap or coincide with those of the Convention Publicity Chairman (to be announced by Convention Mike Skelton).

Mr. Zeller is a U.S. Postal Service Supervisor and serves the club as a non-paid volunteer. He will be reimbursed for all out-of-pocket expenses associated with performing his duties. Welcome aboard Dennis!

DISPLAY CASES PURCHASED

The club officers have authorized the purchase of 25 used display cases for use at our annual convention by dealers and/or exhibitors.

The decision to purchase these surplus cases from a California numismatic organization presented an excellent opportunity for CC>CC to own our own equipment at a very reasonable cost rather than having to rent cases as we have done in the past. "The decision was an economical no-brainer", said club President Black.

COMPUTER PURCHASE AUTHORIZED

The club officers have given the go-ahead to Board Member Jim Steffner to purchase a lap top computer, primarily for use at our annual convention. The portable computer will be utilized for accessing membership status information, dues collections, auction proceeds record keeping, etc. Purchase price has been estimated at approximately \$2000 or less.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND SCRAPPED

Due to a lack of response from the membership to the club's call for volunteers to serve on a Scholarship Committee intended to establish rules & guidelines, the program unfortunately failed before it even got started. The Board has unanimously decided to suspend all future activity on this proposed project.

At a weekend-long Board meeting held in mid-November the officers reviewed their options after only one club member, DON ANTHONY, of New Jersey answered the President's plea which was published on page five in the Fall 1997 issue of the Club magazine.

Club members GORDON HALL and TRAVIS LEWIN, who had previously generously donated a substantial amount of "seed money" towards the initial funding of this program, have been contacted and asked to consider transferring their scholar-

ship donations to the club library.

The club extends our sincere thank you to club member DON ANTHONY for his offer to give of his time and effort to this committee. Unfortunately, other members were not so inclined.

BOARD RESPONDS TO AUCTION COMMISSION COMMENTS

As a result of several valid objections received regarding the 20% commission fee announced for unsold auction lots at our 1998 convention sale, the CC>CC Board has reviewed the compaints received and have revised the auction rules for 1998.

- Absolute unreserved, unrestricted sale w/NO minimum bids accepted form consignors.
- NO estimates to be published in the auction catalog.
- 10% buyers fee.
- 10% sellers fee.
- Maximum of three (3) lots per member consigned to sale.

The Board is of the unanimous opinion with respect to the "no minimum" rule, that after a five-year track record of successful auction sales; consignors should have full confidence by now that desireable, scarce to rare, material will bring fair market values when offered for bidding at a well attended, unreserved, highly competitive LIVE auction sale of CC>CC's caliber and reputation. Consignors still have the protection of "buying back" at their lots which they feel are going too cheap by placing bids and paying standard commission rate(s).

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Many of us are disappointed that we have to wait about 2 more months for our convention. Well, one event we're certain will be worth waiting for is our annual auction.

We are pleased that we have gotten a great selection of lots so far but we still could use more. The deadline for consignments has been extended to February 15, 1998, so if you haven't sent in your consignments you still have time.

The auction will be held on Friday, August 14th beginning at 6:30 pm at The Orleans Hotel. Now is the time to order your auction catalog.

As we have done in prior years, there is a \$10 cost for the bound and illustrated catalog prepared by Howdy and Gregg Herz. A non-illustrated list, with brief description, is available at no cost. In either case, you must complete the form below.

The deadline for ordering the catalog is March 31st. For your information, it is our plan to mail you the catalog by June 1st. Don't be left out..... complete the form and mail it to our Club Treasurer Chuck Tomarchio immediately.

Bruce Landau
CC>CC Auction Chairman

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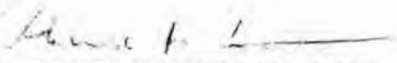
REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE CC>CC

We have examined the Treasurer's Reports of **The Casino Chips and Gaming Tokens Collectors Club** for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1996 and the short period ended December 31, 1996. The short period was the result of the Club switching from a fiscal year to a calendar year in accordance with the provisions of Internal Revenue Procedure 85-58.


Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

The Club's policy is to prepare its reports on the cash basis of accounting. Consequently, revenue and expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the income was earned or the expense was incurred. For this reason the Treasurers Reports are not intended to present results of operations on the accrual basis.

In our opinion, the Treasurer's Reports referred to above present fairly the income and expenditures of **The Casino Chips and Gaming Tokens Collectors Club** for the fiscal year ended May 31, 1996 and the short period ended December 31, 1996 in accordance with the cash basis of accounting applied on a consistent basis.


MITCHELL B. SMITH, CPA


THOMAS DUFFY


THOMAS HITZELBERGER, JR

September 14, 1997

<u>Memb #</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Memb #</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>First</u>	<u>State</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
R-3457	Klump	Christian	CA	SCCC>CC	R-3531	Ward	Tom	FL	Ward, Lowell
R-3458	Dill	Jack	TN	Chequers	R-3532	Schneider	Karl	WA	Jones, Doug
R-3459	Stathatos	Gary	CA	Weaver #1014	R-3533	Hauman	Gene	NY	Black, Archie
R-3460	Cook	Clifford	IL		R-3534	Horowitz	Alan	PA	Black, Archie
R-3461	Fort	Ray	CA	SCCC>CC	R-3535	Grow	John	CA	Nor-Cal-Nev
R-3462	Zambroski	Ray	CA	Rodgers	R-3536	Rico	Leroy	HI	
R-3463	Dunaway	Paul	TX		R-3536-A	Rico	Abigail	HI	
R-3464	Phillips	Don	MS	Steffner	R-3537	Rich	David	NY	Rodgers
R-3465	Delaney	Arthur	NV		R-3538	Scheinman	Stephen	CA	
R-3465-A	Delaney	Cheryl	NV		R-3539	Steinberg	Brian	NJ	Chip Forum
R-3466	Berry	Dennie	TX	Hartman	R-3540	Ricco	Frank	NJ	
R-3467	Kearney	William	OR	Black, Archie	R-3541	Smith	William	MI	Norris, Kevin
R-3468	Butler	John	ID	Steffner	R-3542	Smithkey III	John	OH	Black, Archie
R-3469	Falk	Fred	WI	Knapp	R-3543	Gibson	Gerald	CO	Rodgers
R-3472	Trongaard	Craig	WI	Anthony, Don	R-3546	Chmielewski	Phil	WI	Shaw, Joe
R-3473	Grubbs	Timothy	PA	Meredith, L.C.	R-3547	Allen	Roy	CO	Rodgers
R-3475	McNamee	Don	NV		R-3548	Fisher	T. J.	CA	
R-3476	Smith	Charles	KS	Chequers	R-3549	Schaefer	Warren	IL	Rodgers
R-3481	Hall	Stuart	CA		R-3552	Finn	Dennis	CA	Ridgers
R-3482	Pelton	Donald	CO	Abrahams, Paul	R-3553	Woody	David	CA	Steffner
R-3483	Serpa	Anthony	CA	Steffner	R-3557	Shoemaker	Ken	AK	Weaver, Marv
R-3484	Hunter	Steve	IL	Knapp	R-3557-A	Shoemaker	Sally	AK	Weaver, Marv
R-3485	Widlak	Dave	MI	Gaming Times	R-3558	Kiel	Ray	NM	Myers, Alan
R-3486	Miller	Bob	FL	O'Neal	R-3559	Strohmenger	John	OH	O'Neal, Janice
R-3487	Dunston	Earl	MS		R-3560	Himebaugh	Delbert	OH	
R-3488	Rux	Robert	MI		R-3561	Montfort	Dusty	TX	Knapp
R-3489	Khan	Kalim	IL	Andrews, Henry					
R-3490	Bouwkamp	Bruce	KS	Strandwold					
R-3493	Hoffman	William	GA	Martin #2016					
R-3494	Kolbrener	Tom	MO	Anderson					
R-3495	Denardi	William	MO						
R-3496	Ritter	Daryll	TX	Weaver #1014					
R-3497	Shelton	David	AL	Hartman					
R-3499	Vergara	Lazaro	CUBA	Stephens,					
R-3503	Hamilton	Charles	OK						
R-3504	Harsch	James	IL	Knapp					
R-3505	Hixon	Belinda	TX	Knapp					
R-3506	Schneider	Craig	NY						
R-3507	Licata	Tony	IL	Steffner					
R-3508	Schneider	Joe	NY						
R-3509	Columbus	Joel	MI	Knapp					
R-3510	LaPorte	Charles	CA	Steffner					
R-3513	Pyle	David	NC	O'Neal					
R-3515	Fortner	Mary Lee	NV	O'Neal					
R-3515-A	Fortner	Paul	NV	O'Neal					
R-3517	Espinosa	Rolando	CA	Rodgers, Charlie					
R-3518	Beni	Robert	AZ	Don & Jean					
R-3519	Sprague	Zane	CA	Rodgers, Charlie					
R-3520	Houbrick	Michael	CA	SCCC>CC					
R-3521	Moyer	Craig	CA	Knapp					
R-3522	Budak	Mark	CA	Myers #027					
R-3523	Haddock	Jack	NV	Owen, Dennis					
R-3525	O'Day	Bill	CA	Nor-Cal-Nev					
R-3526	Means	J. S.	AR	Steffner					
R-3527	Kwecinski	Gene	NY	Rodgers					
R-3529	Pao-Chiang	Yuan	MS	Rodgers					
R-3530	Gregory	Paul	VA						

A. C. NEW ISSUE SERVICE

I am now accepting additional subscribers to my popular Atlantic City **NEW ISSUE SERVICE**. Dozens of CC>CC members are already benefiting from this unique method of obtaining new chips and tokens from Atlantic City in the best possible condition as they are released by the casinos.

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1997 CONVENTION CHIP/MEDAL DESIGN CONTEST

O.K. all you would-be artists and computer enlightened members. It's your turn to show us your stuff. Anybody out there think they can retire our champion annual contest winner..... Kevin Norris? Yep, he's good.... but like Mike Tyson, he's not unbeatable. Past contest contenders have submitted excellent designs that were very competitive and I would hope they are not discouraged from trying again this year. We have several new themes to consider this year since the Orleans Hotel & Casino is now the host site of our 10th Anniversary, 6th Annual Convention. So put your creative thinking caps on and come up with some outstanding designs for our judges to choose from.

Designs must be submitted on 8 1/2" x 11" paper and artwork must be at least 6" to 8" in diameter and may be submitted in color or black and white, matted or un-matted. Your name and membership number must be indicated on the back of your original artwork. All entries become the property of CC>CC and are not returnable. The judges decisions are final and no appeals will be allowed.

The winning design selected for the club convention chip design will be awarded a \$100 U.S. Saving Bond and the winning design selected for the club convention medal design will be awarded a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond. (Note: One side of the 1998 convention medal will depict our standard club logo, for which a die has already been prepared.)

A runner-up design submitted may be selected by the club officers for illustrated use on an Official CC>CC 10th Anniversary T-Shirt. A cash award of \$25, plus a T-Shirt will be presented for that winning design.

All entries must be submitted to:

CC>CC 1998 DESIGN CONTEST
P.O. BOX 63
BRICK, NJ 08723

DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 1998

THE 6TH ANNUAL CASINO CHIPS AND GAMING TOKEN
COLLECTORS CLUB, INC. CONVENTION AND SHOW
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It is not too early to start making plans to be in attendance at the Club's 6th Annual Convention and help us celebrate our organization's 10th Anniversary. The 1998 edition of our show promises to be bigger and better than you have experienced in the past! If you have not attended one of the Club's Conventions in the past, this is definitely the one you want to start with.

Just like Las Vegas, our Club has experienced tremendous growth and that growth is reflected in the fact that the Club has evolved and prospered to the point that we will be in our 10th year as an organization. The 1998 Convention will reflect our tremendous growth and should have something for every member. Chips, tokens, casino memorabilia, educational exhibits, seminars, trading sessions and more!

Each member should have received the letter regarding the site and date relocation of our Annual show. The Orleans Hotel & Casino will be the site of 1998 Convention and the staff of the Hotel is anxious to assist the Club in presenting a first class convention. The Orleans is a new hotel, the Mardi Gras Ballroom is beautiful and spacious, the sleeping rooms are oversized, the parking is plentiful, large selection of top notch restaurants, headliner entertainment, daycare for the kids, 70 lane bowling center, 92,000 sq foot casino, race & sports book and free shuttle service to the other Coast Resorts Properties. So plan on attending the 1998 CC & GTCC's 6th Annual Convention & Show at the Orleans Hotel & Casino and celebrate the Club's 10th Anniversary.

As they say at the Orleans, "Laissez Les Bon Temps Rouler!" or "Let The Good Times Roll!" Hope to see you at the Orleans Hotel & Casino August 13-15, 1998!

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Hotel reservation slips are located in this issue of the magazine. The room rate of \$39.00 Sun - Thur & \$69.00 Fri & Sat per night. I am sure there are members who receive a better rate than this, based on their casino action or some one may find a better price as part of "package", but you have to come and go on the dates specified in the package. The fact is the Club uses the number of rooms booked as a negotiating tool for show space and sleeping rooms for future shows. The Club is allocated only 250 rooms in our block and we have oversold that block each of the last two years.

We would encourage each member to make your reservations as early as possible. So please support YOUR CLUB by booking your room at the Orleans Hotel & Casino. Mail

you reservation slips in by July 7th, 1998. The room rates are good from August 9-18, 1998 for those folks who arrive prior to the show and/or would like to stay over after the convention concludes. To insure accuracy in booking a group room block, the hotel's policy is all reservations must be made using the reservation slips. No telephone reservations will be accepted! No Saturday arrivals or departures and any room reservation slips received by the Hotel after July 7, 1998, will be on an "as available" basis only. So mail in your reservation slips early folks!

DEALER TABLES

Any member who had a dealer table last year, should have received information about the 1998 Convention in the mail by now. If you had a table in 1997 and have not received your information yet, please contact the 1998 Convention Chairman, Mike Skelton, at once.

Any member in good standing may request a dealer table contract for the 1998 Convention. We will strive to accommodate all requests for dealer tables at the '98 Convention, but all application deadlines will be strictly adhered to for anyone requesting a dealer table. It is each member's responsibility to insure that the payment and the contract is received by the Convention Chairman. Any contracts and payments received after the deadline, will be returned to the member via certified mail. The show floor will be expanded and reconfigured from last year, past dealers will be placed as close as possible to their location from 1997, but there are no guarantees on location on the floor for any member. There will be a limit of three (3) tables sold to any one member or members sharing table space.

To Dealers who have already submitted contracts: If you requested a corner table on your application and have not had a corner table in the past, bear in mind that there are only so many corner tables available. We will attempt to honor all such requests, but there are no guarantees and anyone who paid for a corner table and is not assigned one, will receive a refund for the difference as soon as the final floor plan is laid out.

DEADLINE REMINDER: TABLE CONTRACTS ARE DUE BY MARCH 21, 1998

To request a dealer table contract, write to: 1998 CC & GTCC, Inc. Convention, 112 Simmons Drive, Coppell, TX 75019

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR ATTENDEES

If you plan on attending the 1998 CC & GTCC Convention, you may pre-register for your Member Credential and avoid standing in line to register the day of the show. The badges will be pre-printed and available for pick up at the Convention beginning on Wednesday, August 12 and then throughout the regular show hours. To Pre-Register, send your Name, address and Club membership number to: 1998 CC & GTCC Convention Registration, 112 Simmons Drive, Coppell, TX 75019. Your membership must be current and you must include your membership number. Badges will NOT be mailed.

VOLUNTEERS

The Convention Chairman is now actively soliciting for volunteers for the 1998 Convention. We have a need for a volunteer or volunteers in the Las Vegas area to handle the show publicity. I would call upon all members of the Las Vegas Chapter to consider taking on this position, of course with help from all of your fellow chapter members. Please, if you would like to volunteer for any purpose, let us know.

If you are planning on attending the convention and would like to donate a few hours during the show, we can always use the assistance. The real need for extra help is during set up on Wednesday and on Saturday evening assisting with the tear down of the show. If you would like to volunteer, please write to 1998 CC & GTCC, Inc. Convention, 112 Simmons, Coppell, TX 75019.

EARLY BIRD RECEPTION AND SWAP MEET

To be held on August 12th at 5:30 pm, this is our most popular function of the week. You should make plans to attend this fine gathering. Sponsored by the Club and contributing dealers, the reception this year will be bigger than ever. Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served, with socializing being the mainstay until 7:00pm. Everyone is encouraged to bring their traders and duplicates for the intense trading session that will begin at 7:00 pm. We strongly encourage everyone to refrain from trading until this time. No one person or company may monopolize an entire table. With the number of expected attendees, there is simply not enough room on the tables for the food, drinks and chip and token books, so please restrain yourself until 7:00pm.

One other note on trading, the Hotel has asked that no trading or selling be conducted in the hallways of the convention areas. That is why we have the rooms booked. Thank you for your understanding.

AUCTION

Auction chairman Bruce Landau will have gathered another fine assortment of lots for our Friday night auction. The auction will on August 14 and begin at 6:30pm and we ask that everyone be on time. In the interest of time, again this year you will be able to register for your Auction number during the normal show hours, instead of everyone trying to get their number at 6:15 pm on Friday. Hopefully, this will help speed up the start of the auction. On Thursday and Friday during show hours, stop by Bruce Landau's table (table number to be published at a later date) and have your Club membership number and you can pick up your auction number then. You will still be able to register the night of the auction, but why wait until the last minute. Should be another fine auction.

LAST DANCE SWAP MEET

On Saturday, August 15th, after the conclusion of the Convention, the Club will sponsor another swap session for any interested members. The session will begin at 7:00 pm and

last until midnight or until all traders throw in the towel, whichever comes first. There will be refreshments and light snacks provided. So, if you have to get in another few hours of face to face trading before heading home, here is your chance to dance the Last Dance. Bring traders and have a good time!

SHOW FLOOR ACCESS

All dealers will be notified by mail of their access to the show floor. There will be NO variation to this time schedule. Members who are attending the show, will be allowed onto the show floor ONLY during the normal show hours. Volunteers who are assisting with the production of the show will be notified by the Convention Chairman of their access times. Beginning at 1:00 pm on Wednesday, August 12th thru Saturday, August 15th at 7:00 pm, the show floor entrances will be secured and NO ONE will be allowed in without the proper credentials.

CLUB BUSINESS MEETING

Over the past several years, members have complained about the meeting being held at 8:00 am on Saturday. This year, in an effort to improve attendance, we are moving the business meeting to Thursday evening. Why is it that 350 people can show up for free food and drinks, with chip/token swapping thrown in, but only 70 folks show up to conduct the business of this Club?

Make plans now to attend the annual Club Business meeting on Thursday, August 13th at 7:30 pm. This is the one opportunity each year that members and the officers have a chance to gather face to face to discuss the business and direction of our organization. This is YOUR Club, make a point to attend.

EXHIBITS

Ms. Janice O'Neal has graciously volunteered to chair the exhibit committee for the 1998 Convention. The exhibits will be of both competitive and non-competitive nature and there is no charge for entering an exhibit. An Exhibitor application is located elsewhere in this issue of the magazine. If you have any questions regarding exhibits, please contact Janice O'Neal, 8122 W. Flamingo #66, Las Vegas, NV 89117.

TOKEN COLLECTORS MEETING

Once again, there will be a meeting of token collectors, headed by Norma Jean King. The date and time of this event will be announced in the upcoming issue of the Club magazine.

MEETING SPACE AVAILABLE

There are still some time slots open and available for the use of the Club's Meeting space. If any of the Local Chapters or any member in good standing would like to make use of this space for a meeting or presentation, please contact Mike Skelton for available dates and times. THE PURPOSE MUST BE INFORMATIONAL OR EDUCATIONAL.

CAR RENTAL

We have negotiated some very good car rental rates for all attendees who will need a car while in Las Vegas. The agreement is with Budget Rent A Car and you must call Lisa Webber at 1-800-922-2899, ext 237, to receive our convention rate. There is an ad located elsewhere in the magazine and an insert included in this issue. The car can be picked up at several locations around Las Vegas and the rates are very good. Example: Midsize car: \$139.00 for the weekly rate, free unlimited mileage.

FREE SHUTTLE SERVICE

The Orleans Hotel operates a free shuttle service to the Gold Coast, next to the Rio and to the Barbary Coast, located at the corner of Flamingo and Las Vegas Boulevard. This is next to the Flamingo, Bally's and across the street from Caesars. There is no charge for the shuttle and it runs every 15 minutes, 17-18 hours every day.

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CC & GTCC, INC. EXHIBITOR'S APPLICATION
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 AUGUST 13-15, 1998
 THE ORLEANS HOTEL & CASINO, LAS VEGAS, NV

I, _____, hereby apply for exhibition space at the 6th Annual Convention of the Casino Chips & Gaming Tokens Collectors Club, Inc., scheduled to be held on August 13-15, 1998, at the Orleans Hotel, in Las Vegas, NV.

My exhibit is titled: _____

My exhibit will be entered in the: competitive _____ or non competitive _____ category

A maximum of 5 cases will be the limit for exhibition space per member. There is no charge to set up an educational display. I understand that this display is for educational purposes only and no selling of the items displayed will be permitted during the show.

_____ # of cases in my exhibit
 _____ # of cases I will need from CC & GTCC, Inc.
 _____ My exhibit requires NO cases

Exhibits must be in place no later than 9 AM on Thursday, August 13, 1998 and must remain in place until 2:00 PM on Saturday, August 15, 1998. All exhibits must be removed from the show floor no later than 4:00 PM on Saturday, August 15, 1998.

There will be two (2) divisions for these exhibits. 1) Non-Competitive - will be for display only and will not be eligible for any awards. 2) Competitive - visitors to the show will be asked to vote, by ballot, for the best exhibit on display, in the Competitive category. The winner of the balloting will be presented the "PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD" for the best overall exhibit, as judged by the votes. All exhibitors will receive an Exhibitors Appreciation Award from the club for setting up a display.

I understand that the exhibition space is offered by invitation only, to CC & GTCC, Inc. members in good standing and that there will be no insurance provided by the CC & GTCC, Inc. against any damage or loss suffered by fire, theft, accident, personal injury or act of nature; I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless CC & GTCC, Inc., its officers, volunteers and/or agents, against any and all such claims.

I agree to the above stated terms and conditions:

_____ Printed Name Date
 Exhibitor Signature & Membership #

Return completed application before May 15, 1998 to: Janice O'Neal, Exhibit Chairwoman, 8122 W. Flamingo #66, Las Vegas, NV 89117.

Passing into History
by Howard W. Herz - CH-85

The Pioneer Club

25 E. Fremont Street
Las Vegas, Nevada



Pioneer Club, One of the Big Gambling Halls, Las Vegas, Nevada

One of the landmarks of Glitter Gulch has been the large neon sign of Vegas Vic standing over the corner of the Pioneer Club. Since 1951 the sign has symbolized the heart of Las Vegas and is probably one of the most recognized pieces of neon in the world.

The sign was the brainchild of Luther B. (Tutor) Scherer, one of the original owners of the Pioneer. The building that housed the Pioneer was Beckley's clothing store. In 1942 the building was leased and two owners opened a new club - the Pioneer. Tiny Biggs was the floor manager, Jimmy Wadsworth managed the cocktail lounge and the owners Charles "Chuck" Addison and Luther B "Tutor" Scherer supervised the entire operation.



As the years went by the ownership included a variety of different people, but the constant factor was "Tutor" Scherer. Luther B. Scherer had gained his nickname "Tutor" by virtue of the fact that he had a comprehensive knowledge of cheating techniques for slots and table games. Scherer would "tutor" his dealers, floor managers and pit bosses in the fine arts of cheating so that they could apprehend any crossroaders and cheats that might try their "manipulated" luck at his games.

Over the years from 1947 to 1956 besides Scherer, the ownership included William Curland, Milton B. Page, Edward Crawford, Clifford A. Jones. In 1956 the club became the New Pioneer Club under the ownership of Milton Prell, A.F. Winter, Joe Hall and of course L.B. "Tutor" Scherer. In July of 1958 New Pioneer Club, Inc. took over operations with the ownership of Thomas Callahan, Harvey S. Morse, Harry Goldman, Abe Nabat, Oscar Agron and Sam Diamond.



In 1967 the club again changed names and ownership. Mrs. Margaret Elardi purchased the property, converted it to a slots only casino and called it the Famous Pioneer Club. Operations as a non-restricted slots only casino ended in 1983 when the club was purchased by a group of investors who also owned the Gold Strike Inn near Boulder City. By purchasing the adjoining Club Bingo the Richardson group was able to enlarge the property and put live gaming back into the club. The name was changed to the Pioneer Club Casino and another era of the club's history began. By 1995 the landscape of Glitter Gulch had changed. The Golden Nugget was expanding and dominated the downtown area. Movements were afoot to modernize the downtown and change its image.

In July of 1995 the Pioneer Club Casino closed its doors - purchased by Steve Wynn and his Golden Nugget. Vegas Vic still dominates the front of the club and his neon still blazes, but the "action" is gone from the Pioneer.

Over the years I never considered the Pioneer as a symbol of Las Vegas in the same way that the Golden Nugget was. Glitter Gulch always seemed to be the glowing sign on the corner of the Nugget. But when I thought of Las Vegas, I always thought of Vegas Vic standing tall and pointing to - yes - the Pioneer. I guess Luther B. "Tutor" Scherer had created an image that went far beyond his small club - it became the symbol of America's gambling mecca.



Artwork approved for a new gaming check in 1959
Courtesy of Dale Seymour

Author's Note: I would like to thank Harvey Fuller, America's foremost Nevada gaming historian for preserving the part of Nevada history that so many would have neglected. Dale Seymour - Thank you for your continuing efforts to preserve the artifacts of gaming.

SHOW CALENDAR

JANUARY, 1998

23rd-24th Gaming Times Collectibles Shows, Arizona Charlies located at 740 S. Decatur Blvd., Las Vegas, Nevada. For more information call Gaming Times at (702) 876-6020

MARCH, 1998

18th-24th Mid-Winter ANA, Cincinnati Convention Center, 525 Elm Street, Cincinnati, OH. For more information call the ANA at (719) 632-2646.

28th Casinorama Collectible Sale and Show, Saturday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Arcadia Masonic Hall, 50 West Duarte Rd. Arcadia CA \$4.00 admission. Show info: Jim Munding, P.O. Box 4087, West Covina, CA 91791 (626) 919-0603

APRIL, 1998

10th-11th Gaming Times Collectibles Show, Arizona Charlies located at 740 S. Decatur Blvd., Las Vegas, Nevada. For more information call Gaming Times at (702) 876-6020

MAY, 1998

9th Gaming Archaeology presents A Carson Valley Chip and Token Dig. Carson Valley Inn's Shannon Room, Minden, NV 89423. 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Auction 3:00 pm. Special room rates available. For show information call Howard or Gregg Herz at (702) 782-5681 or write to P.O. Box 1000, Minden, NV 89423

JUNE, 1998

26th-27th Gaming Times Collectibles Show, Arizona Charlies located at 740 S. Decatur Blvd., Las Vegas, Nevada. For more information call Gaming Times at (702) 876-6020

AUGUST, 1998

5th-9th ANA World's Fair of Money, Portland, Oregon. Oregon Convention Center, 777 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Portland, Oregon. Show info: ANA, ATTN: Convention Dept., 818 North Cascade Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903-3279 (719) 632-2646

13th-15th CC>CC 1998 10th Anniversary Convention and Show. The Orleans Hotel & Casino, 4500 W. Tropicana Ave., Las Vegas, NV Show info: Mike Skelton, 112 Simmons, Coppell, TX 75019

HARRAH'S OPENS NEW CASINO

by **Graham N. Bramlette R-1456**

On November 13th, 1997 Harrah's opened the new Cherokee Tribal Casino to overflow crowds. The casino has 1800 video gaming machines featuring all the popular games of chance. The 175,000 square foot casino has 3 restaurants feature a buffet, steak house and fast food formats. The theatre will host popular entertainers from all segments of the entertainment world. Another area features a play area where children can be left while the parents are in the casino. The decor is a combination of natural stones, colors and indian artifacts.

The casino is located on the Cherokee Indian Reservation in Cherokee, NC in the Great Smokey Mountains.

DEALERS - WATCH OUT FOR PROFESSIONAL THIEVES - submitted by Calvin Polansky R-3455

In the last magazine of Casino Chip and Token News, President Archie Black wrote about dealers at the ANA convention and at our convention having material stolen from their tables. He stated "that not everyone is honest in the collecting community." Lets not jump to conclusions that it is the collectors that are involved in thievery at the shows. It is a known fact that there are rings of professional thieves that attend coin, stamp, postcard, gem and other shows and conventions where there is much valuable material sitting around on dealers tables unwatched or unattended for short periods of time by the dealers. These professional thieves lie in wait for their opportunity for a big haul and away they go. It happens at every show and convention. So lets not put the blame on the collecting community solely for the disappearance of coins, chips, etc.

OVERHEARD WHILE DEALING BLACKJACK

by **Art Sanderson R-171**

"Remember to split aces and eights - or they'll think you don't know how to play."

"If I'd win once in awhile I wouldn't lose so much."

"Put the green one on top - looks like you got more."

"Cocktails Darling"

"Call me darling one more time and I'll take you home with me."

"Where do you live D-A-R-L-I-N-G?"

"If I get a blackjack - I don't want to deal."

"Does a straight beat three of a kind?"

"I don't come to the casino to gamble - I play the slots."

"I don't know if I'm experiencing a winning slump or a losing streak."

"She wouldn't let me bet with your money while you were gone."

"I'd memorize the basic strategy but I'm afraid I'd forget it."

"Why does the ace count as one or eleven?"

Looking Back at Nevada
by Howard W. Herz CH-85

Frankie's Club

46 So. Maine St.
Fallon, Nevada

Frank and Helen McEvoy began a Nevada migration in the early 1950's. From Truckee, California they moved to Hawthorne, Nevada. Around 1953 they again moved to Elko where Frankie practiced his chosen trade as a bartender in the Ranchinn. In the early 1950's, Elko was north eastern Nevada's largest city (still is) and was a center for ranching. Bing Crosby had a ranch in the area and Elko saw its share of movie stars who visited the Crosbys and participated in the local events.

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walk of life.

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In making this review of the community's business we are quick to point to this establishment as a constructive contributor to the enjoyment of the people of this district, and, as a sound factor in the business life of the community. 2058

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The McEvoy's stayed in Elko until around 1955 when they moved to Fallon, Nevada. Frankie and Helen purchased the Clover Club in 1957 and were granted a gaming license for a crap game and a 21 table on March 29, 1957. The club was a gathering place for locals and Frankie supported local sports teams. Hospitality has always been a Nevada product and Frankie's Club survived for 20 years. Located just north of the Fallon Nugget, Frankie's Club was almost in the geographical center of Fallon. In the first years the club featured live gaming. In later years, slots and pin ball machines were the only form of gaming.

For years the Fallon Nugget had tried to purchase the small club, but Frankie continued to dispense his style of Nevada refreshment and hospitality. Frank McEvoy died in 1977 and the property was finally sold to the Nugget.

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The Tahoe Mariner (North Shore Club)

North Shore of Lake Tahoe, Nevada

Cappy Rix's

It began in 1948 under the name Cappy Rix's. Walter Melrose and Cappy Rix applied for a gaming license in June of 1948. The small operation included 2 craps tables 2-21 tables a single roulette and 26 slot machines. For a single summer season the operation went by the name Cappy Rix's.

North Shore Club

In 1949 Walter Melrose bought out his partner's interest and changed the name to the North Shore Club. Using the same game combination, the club opened for the 1949 summer season. The club's seasonal operation would begin in the spring and end shortly after Labor Day.

In 1955 the ownership of the North Shore Club was listed under James Hume, Gerald Cooper and Clarence Harris.

Smith's North Shore Club

In 1971 George Smith (son of Pappy Smith of Harolds Club) purchased the club and operated until 1978 when financial problems caused it to be closed.

Tahoe Mariner

In the summer of 1979 Ray Plunkett opened the property under the name Tahoe Mariner. Plunkett planned to build a high rise hotel complex but his efforts were opposed by the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency who brought suit to stop construction. Plunkett continued to maintain a gaming license as he fought the TRPA suits, but his efforts finally failed in 1986 and the club was closed. From 1986 on the owners of the property made a token effort to maintain its gaming status in hopes of preserving its value as a potential gaming property. In several instances the property was opened for a day to preserve its status. In September of 1997 the property finally reached the end of its days.



SILVER STRIKES OF NEVADA

by Jack Haddock

In 1992, the Nevada gaming industry was introduced to something just a little different in slot machine winnings. Five casinos in northern Nevada put in play a 25¢ slot machine which dispensed a silver coin encapsulated in plastic. This was the beginning of collecting "silver strikes" in Nevada Anchor Games, a Nevada company, developed and owns the rights to this unique game. The game received fast acceptance, popular among players and collectors alike. By 1993, several casinos throughout the state had put the silver strike machines on their casino floor. Only three southern Nevada casinos offered a machine which dispensed this denomination token.

Anchor Games increased the value of the tokens for gaming purposes in 1994; the original \$7 token (25¢ play) became today's most popular \$10 "silver strike" (25¢ play) and the \$28 token (\$1 play) became a \$40 token (\$1 play). The first four casinos, all located in northern Nevada, (Caesars Tahoe, Harvey's Tahoe, Fitzgeralds Reno and Comstock Reno) who tried the \$40 machines suffered confusion with the \$10 tokens as they were both the same size. The situation was quickly rectified, but left the collectors with something exciting to chase. In recent years, slot machines which reward a \$20 (\$1 play) and a \$200 token (\$5 play), containing one pound of silver, have been introduced. Currently, none of the six casinos in the state which offered the \$200 prize (Harrah's Tahoe, Caesars Tahoe, Fitzgerald's, Eldorado, Imperial Palace, and Bally's) have the \$200 machine in play.

At first the token designs were generic but now many are of an original design just for a specific casino and who can receive a copyright. Winning a "silver strike" has made many a slot player into a collector. Certainly, gaming token collectors got excited when they saw the quality, intrinsic value, and limited supplies of the "silver strike" tokens. A bonus part of this hobby is the opportunity to "win" one of the tokens for your collection.

Mintages are not known in most cases but there are sufficient collector want lists to indicate the rarer pieces. Among the most sought after include: \$40 - Reno Airport and Treasure Island Las Vegas, \$20 - Gold Strike Jean; \$28- Rio Las Vegas; \$10- Flamingo Las Vegas Rocketts and Flamingo Reno "no date" bowler; and \$7 - Comstock Reno Train and Plantation Station Sparks.

A recent auction has indicated that most of the silver strike tokens carry a premium. Collectors are seeking the obsolete issues and the remote locations with great enthusiasm and a willingness to pay that extra premium. Several collectors collect "everything" while others only collect "casinos" or a specific locale.

The Gold Ranch in Verdi has removed their machine so those tokens are disappearing quickly. The Riverboat Casino in downtown Reno have put in a machine and are currently dispensing two designs of Riverboats: "Robert E. Lee" and "Rebecca Everingham."

For further information or a listing of the silver strikes from northern Nevada, please contact Jack Haddock at P.O.Box 7544, Reno, NV 89510.

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TRAVELING WITH THE SANDERSONS

Point Of No Return by Art Sanderson R-0171

There really isn't much to talk about our last trip - driving north out of Atlanta on I-75 to Cincinnati. But, there's plenty to say about the trip back.

We spent the night in "Cinci" and getting an early start, crossed the Ohio River into Indiana. A little way down river is the town of Lawrenceburg and the Argosy Casino.

It's the usual riverboat-type casino with the name "Argosy" in large letters all over the place - except on its chips and tokens. There it's INDIANA GAMING COMPANY. No one could, or would, tell me why their chips and tokens don't mention "Argosy." I later found out "Paul-son" has all kinds of Argosy Casino. Lawrenceburg, IN chips that were never put into play.

I got my five dollar token, that's all I collect now, and drove down to "rising Sun", still in Indiana, with the hope "Grand Victoria Casino and Resort" would have its name on the tokens. Regardless, we planned to stay in its wonderful 200 room hotel and enjoy the elaborate resort amenities. The full-page ad in a Casino Magazine was wrong. The hotel wasn't open yet, but the casino was. Have you noticed the casino opens and the resort part is always later - much later?

The casino is a good bit above ordinary and from the looks of the construction in process, the resort will be huge - with acres and acres and acres to build on.

Not being able to spend the night there - or anywhere else we had noticed - the best thing to do is back track to Hwy. 50 and go west toward I-65. Certainly there would be a motel along the way. At our age we don't care to be too far from civilization as the sun goes down.

Sure enough a couple of hours later we were all smiles to see a neon "VACANCY" sign.

Day three - With \$5 tokens from two different casinos, we head south on I-65 through Louisville and on down to Elizabethtown. My map shows a good highway going east and west. To the east it's called "Blue Grass Parkway." To the west it's "Western Kentucky Parkway" - the one for us.

WKP (short for Western Kentucky Parkway) is a wonderful 4-lane road beautifully landscaped and a pleasure to drive on. In about an hour we came to the first exit. really didn't pay much attention to the notice added under the exit sign - NO RETURN. At the next exit we paid more attention.

In all of our travels this is the first time anything like this has come up for discussion. "There should have been a sign NO GAS-FOOD-OR LODGING for the next empty-eleven miles!" "Don't worry about the gas, but what about breakfast?" "Here comes another exit - NO RETURN."

"Have you notices there isn't much traffic? What can you expect? People are getting off and no one is coming on. Soon we'll be the only car on the road!"

"I guess we could get off, do what we want to do and back down the exit ramp. From what I've seen so far, if we get off there isn't anything to do anyway."

We had traveled about 75 miles, which seemed like 175, when we came to a normal exit. We could see fast-food places - gasoline stations - even motels. It was the intersection with

"Green River Parkway" and a toll.

We only have another 40 miles to go - let's stay with it. I'm sure we can get off at Hwy. 41 - A to Hopkinsville - I HOPE! Our son in Clarksville, Tennessee is expecting us for the nights. The kids are always glad to see us - Grandma brings 'em stuff and it's a good excuse for them to sleep on the floor - in front of the TV.

POINT - if you ever see a sign "Western Kentucky Parkway" - check your supply of gas, food and other essentials you may need for the next few hours. You may make a wrong turn and wind up on WKP - saying... "Sandy told me so!"

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ATLANTIC CITY



By Archie A. Black (CH-001)

I began last quarter's Atlantic City article by reporting on the eight piece World's Fairs chips issued by Trump Plaza in August. Lo and behold, the following month we saw another eight piece set to commemorate the annual Miss America pageant. The differences between this set and the World's Fairs was that this set was issued by eight different casinos... and one chip was a \$20 denomination of which only 500 serially numbered pieces were manufactured. While this set may have been more justified than the World's Fairs issues, being that Miss America has a long standing Atlantic City tradition, a common complaint about the set is that all the chips had the same design of Tara Down Holland's face. The \$5 chips were issued by Hilton; Claridge; Trump Marina; Caesars; Harrah's; Taj Mahal; Trump Plaza. The extremely limited Sands \$20 issue is commanding a healthy premium over \$100@ at this date.



Within the same weekend, Caesars issued four chips in their Headliner Series which added to their already huge number of commemorative chips on the table (23 by last count). Howie Mandell; Wynonna Judd; Jimmy Roselli; and Air Supply are Caesars latest new issues.





If all these issues were not enough to say "uncle", Hilton then replaced all their \$5 slot tokens with a new \$5 Hilton token... and up the Boardwalk, Bally's Park Place replaced all their \$25 slot tokens with a new attractive token with a stagecoach on the reverse to compliment their new Wild Wild West Casino theme. It was a very expensive week for chip and token collectors... and the dealers who supply them.

In late September, Caesars issued a surprise blockbuster of a chip. A heavyweight championship fight between Lennox Lewis and Andrew Golata was scheduled... but no preannouncement of a chip to be issued was announced. When the word did go out to the collecting community of a 2500 chip issue... there was a wild scramble when it was discovered that this issue was only 500 units (\$2500 face) not 2500 units! Another instant rarity! This chip too, like the \$20 Sand Miss America now trades in excess of \$100@.



During this quarter, Claridge added four more chips in their "Gambling Legends" series. Bat Masterson; Poker Alice; Soapy Smith; and Madame Moustache, brings the total pieces in the set up to five. The latest word is that the sixth piece may not see the light of day. More on this latest A.C. development later.

More recently, Hilton issued a serially numbered 3000 unit issue to commemorate the living major league ballplayers who have amassed 3000 or more career hits. During the weekend that this chip was released, a baseball card show was being simultaneously held at the Hilton. It was reported that these same \$5 chips that could have been purchased on the casino floor two days earlier were for sale at the card show for between \$25-\$35 each. Needless to say, none could be found on the gaming tables the day before the card show opened. Seems like baseball card collectors are more willing to part with their hard earned money than many chip collectors... or chip collectors are more knowledgeable about their hobby than card collectors?

Token collectors had their share of activity during this period as well. By now, Hilton has replaced all the Grand tokens (except for the \$10 denomination for some reason). New \$1, \$2, \$5 \$25 & \$100 tokens are now on the property.. Trump Plaza also has a new \$25 slot token.





For the \$10 Silver Strike token collectors, which are becoming more and more popular with token collectors, Trump Marian (formerly Trump Castle) has a new series of classic automobiles, similar to the automobile silver strikes at Claridge. Included in this six piece .999 fine silver tokens set are the following designs: 1903 Ford Model "A"; 1915 Pierce Arrow; 1929 Dusenber; 1940 Ford Coupe; 1954 Chevrolet Corvette; 1955 Chevrolet Bel Air.



That should wrap up this quarter's chip and token activity in "Las Vegas by the Sae". However, there is one bit of "news" that I want to pass on to everyone reading this who is not in the gaming industry... and may not be aware of some pending regulations that will have a profound effect upon our hobby as we know it.

As most of you know, in Atlantic City, no chip sales are allowed from the casino cage. All chips MUST be purchased from the gaming tables. Now along comes another stringent regulation that the casinos must wrestle with. That is; casinos are going to be required to account for their commemorative/limited edition chips. What this means is a weekly or monthly audit or accounting of commemorative or special issue chips and pay taxes on those which are no longer on the property. The politicians have discovered that these collector issues are in fact a commodity, or a product which the casinos are "selling" and making a profit on... and the state wants a piece of the action. In speaking with some "insiders" in the industry, the conclusion is that the periodic paperwork involved inventorying these chips in the cage and on the tables is not worth the effort and cost effectiveness to issue limited edition special issues in the future. Should this occur, many collectors may get exactly what they have been asking for... less limited chip issues. If this comes about in A.C., can Nevada be far behind? Some thoughts to ponder upon!

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Chips 'N Tokens Update

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Hello again!! With the Merry Merry and the Happy Happy all over for another season, and the New Year in full swing, it's time to get back to chips and tokens. We sincerely hope Santa delivered that special chip or token you have been searching for all year.

We were relieved to find the Tropicana issued only one \$5 chip for NFR Rodeo this year, instead of a long series like previous years. Also the Christmas/New Years crush of chips was much lighter than last year. Only Hard Rock Hotel LV opted for a two chip issue. We still can't figure out what a picture of the Hard Rock Hotel building has to do with Christmas, other than just to give us another chip to buy!!

The Jim Munding Casinorama Show at Arcadia, Calif in October was well attended and everyone had a great time gathering more chips, tokens, and casino memorabilia for their collections. Spring Casinorama Show Saturday, March 23, 1998, same time, same place. Watch for a surprise announcement for the October 1998 Casinorama!!

Just in case this magazine gets to you in time, don't forget the Gaming Times Arizona Charlie's Show Friday & Saturday, January 23-24. If you do miss this one, we hope to see you at the next one April 10-11, 1998. Due to the CC>CC Convention being moved to later in the year, the Gaming Times October show will be moved to June so everything doesn't come so close to the end of the year.

Also Bottle Show downtown Las Vegas at the Plaza (yes, there are chips and tokens at the "bottle" show) February 20-21-22 and a Coin Show, also at the Plaza, February 27-28, March 1, with more chips and tokens! After a lull over the holidays there will now be plenty of places to look for whatever casino collectible you may be looking for.

And now the check list so you will know what to look for---
NEVADA CASINO CHIPS:

Ellis Island Casino, 4178 Koval Lane LV (behind Bally's), that has been a slots only casino since 1988, has done extensive remodeling and opened live gaming with six blackjack tables 9-20-97. Chips are \$1 H&C wht, 1 each-yel grn prp, \$5 H&C red 2-gry 2-dk blu, and \$25 H&C dk grn, 3 yel/lt grn. All have same design, blk yel grn org wht CI. There was no Grand Opening chip here.



Main Street Station LV \$5 H&C picture chips "pretty lady" series, #6 lady holding harp and #7 lady with mug. At this time there is

no official approval for any more in this series.



Las Vegas Club downtown LV \$10 BJ dk gry, 8 bge/red/bge-multi blk CI. "1927 Home Run Chip", Lou Gehrig--47 and Babe Ruth--60.



Bally's LV "Entertainer Series" continues with, Andrew Dice Clay, Anne Murray, and Liza Minnelli. At this time there are no more approvals for this series.



The CBS Sports World Casino removed the \$1 BJ chips and all were sold out of the casino. A few weeks later the casino decided to re-order the \$1 chips and they are again on the tables. The "new" chip is exactly like the original chip. California Hotel downtown LV \$5 H&C picture chip, "Hawaii VS Las Vegas" football game. "Rainbow football/Go "Bows" September 20, 1997. This is exactly the same designs as September 30, 1995 chip. Only the date has been changed and this was only on one side of the chip.



Lady Luck downtown LV \$25 H&C picture chip for casino host, Gary Garrison. So everyone can be aware of just which Lady Luck chips are no longer redeemable, following is a list of the commemorative chips that can NO LONGER be cashed in at the casino: All are \$5, Puttin' on the Ritz (1995) regular size chip, Oktoberfest 1995, NFR Rodeo 1995, New Years Eve 1995/1996, Football chip 1996, and "Happy Birthday" 1996. These are the first six commemoratives issued by Lady Luck. All other issues are still redeemable at the casino.



New \$5 H&C chips at Auto Truck Plaza, Blue Diamond Road & I-15, LV. No different than old issue. Inserts are a little different in size and shape, due to pressure of machine during manufacture. Sahara Hotel & Casino LV \$5 BJ red, 4 blk/red/blk--multi CI. Obverse: Sahara Speedworld Grand Opening 10-97/Reverse: LV 500K race 1997.



Frontier Hotel LV two \$5 and two \$25 H&C picture chips. One side of all chips is generic, "October 1997 Treadway Racing". Other side, one \$5 and one \$25 for race driver, Scott Goodyear. Other \$5 and \$25 for race driver, Arie Luyendyk.



Nevada Palace LV \$5 BJ dk org, 4 sets of split lt org--multi CI, Oktoberfest 1997. Railroad Pass, Henderson \$5 BJ red, 8 lt blu--multi CI, Oktoberfest 1997.



And then comes Halloween 1997: Opera House NLV \$5 Chipco multi blk. What an outstanding chip by Chipco. The designs and colors are great on this one. A most likely candidate for chip of the year.



Jerry's Nugget NLV \$5 BJ org 8 blk/org/blk--multi CI.



Hard Rock LV \$5 H&C picture chip, org 8 blk--multi center. Another great design that may well become a chip of the year candidate.



Arizona Charlie's LV \$5 H&C picture chip, red 3 grn/mrn--multi center.



Hard Rock LV \$5 H&C picture chip, grn 8 lt blu--multi center. "Fairway to Heaven" golf tournament & concert October 26-28, 1997. Another chip of the year candidate? Who could resist golfing and guitar playing angels!!



During Nov & Dec all four Station Casino properties ran an interesting promotion. Booklets were sent to residents with coupons for each of the four casinos. One coupon was for \$50 worth of no cash value chips for \$40 cash. These chips could then be played on any table game. Each casino had different chips: Boulder Station LV 5NCV, BJ 8-suit encused dk pnk--HS "No Cash Value" (these chips had been used in a previous promotion, so were not new to collectors). Palace Station LV 5NCV, BJ red 4 lrg dk blurred blk yel wht CI "No Cash Value" and "It Pays to Play". This is an oversize chip. Texas Station NLV, 5NCV, hrs hds rt, dk red--HS "No Cash Value". Sunset Station, Henderson 5NCV, H&C dk pnk, 2-lt grn 2-dk prp--blk red wht CI "No Cash Value". The Palace Station LV oversize BJ with inlay chips were gone in a very short time. New chips had to be ordered to finish the promotion. Second issue 5NCV, plain BJ 8-suit dullred--HS.



Hard Rock LV again issued a set of four Kustom Car chips for the annual custom car show Nov 2, 1997. We congratulate Hard Rock for graciously changing the policy from last years issue. The chips were available at the cashier for face value. Chips are Paul-Son H&C picture chips, with Kustom car designs of the 50's by Barris. "Ala Kart", "Kopper Kart", Hirohata Merc", & "The Emperor".



Caesars Palace LV \$5 & \$25 house mold picture chips. One side, Atlantis at the Forum Shops opens Aug '97, other side, new Caesars tower Grand Opening Dec '97.



Harrah's LV finished huge remodeling and issued \$5 house mold picture chip for Harrah's organization 60th anniversary.



Las Vegas Hilton's Spacequest Casino opened 11-16-97 as part of a Star Trek virtual reality attraction. Spacequest Casino has 8 blackjack tables, one roulette table, & many unique slots. Chips are \$5-\$25-\$100 house mold. The \$5 is red, 2-blu 2-lt blu. Black center inlay has a hologram that changes as the chip is turned. These chips are not wearing well, as the plastic film center inlay has a tendency to fall out. This could be due to poor glue quality?



Four Queens LV re-enters the commemorative chip issues with a \$5 H&C picture chip for Thanksgiving 1997. One side has a sailing ship (possibly the Mayflower), other side has a cooked turkey dinner. This could go well with the shrimp cocktail chip down the street at the Golden Gate Casino!! It seems the Four Queens picked up right where they left off, as the last one was Halloween 1996 and now Thanksgiving 1997. The only other Thanksgiving

chip is Opera House NLV, \$5 Chipco. Another really great cartoon type design.



Boomtown LV switched over all chips to Silverton Hotel & Casino on 12-2-97. Paul-Son house mold "Silverton Silverton", \$1 wht, 2-org 2-lt prp, \$5 red, 2-lt grn 2-dk blu, & \$25 grn, 3 pnk/lav. All have multi wht CI. Also a \$5 Chipco multi red, dated "July 1, 1997". This property has taken many months to get all the final paperwork finished and had planned to switch over much sooner than they were actually able to.



Gold Coast LV issued set of National Finals Rodeo chips much like the set from 1996. Four \$5 and four \$25. all Paul-Son picture chips, house mold. \$5 red 4 yel and \$25 lt grn 4 pnk. \$5 & \$25 for Don Gay, \$5 & \$25 for Charles Sampson, \$5 & \$25 for Jim Sharp and \$5 & \$25 for champion bull "Wolfman". Other rodeo chips at: Rio Suites Hotel LV \$5 H&C picture chip.(the design

may seem the same as 1996, but the cowboy throwing the steer is an entirely new picture). Tropicana LV \$5 H&C picture chip. Four Queens LV \$5 Bud Jones chip.



Hard Rock LV two Christmas chips, both \$5 H&C picture chips. Obverse same on both, gold snowflake. Reverse (1) angel playing guitar, & (2) hotel building.



Mahoney's Silver Nugget NLV \$5 BJ blu 8 red/grn/red--multi CI, Merry Christmas 1997 obverse and Happy New Year 1998 reverse. Mahoney's Silver Nugget NLV adds to the continuing dice terms series with \$5 BJ dk lav 8 org--multi CI, "Snake Eyes".



Fiesta NLV continues the Royal Flush series with; ace of clubs, club flush hand, ten, jack, queen, & king of diamonds. It is beginning to look like we may yet see the end of this one. Fiesta NLV also has more to add to the "Sports Edition" series. At least they have cut back to two at a time, instead of the original three. All are \$5 BJ red 4 tan/yel/tan--multi CI for Leon Spinks (boxer), Negro league superstar "Buck" O'Neil, Baseball rookie of the year 1950, Walt Dropo, and Negro league superstar, Verdell "Lefty" Mathis.

Four Queens LV \$5 H&C picture chip, Christmas 1997 and Four Queens LV \$5 H&C picture chip, New Years 1998.



Jerry's Nugget NLV has approval for a set of three chips depicting American Classic Cars of 1964 (the year Jerry's Nugget opened) to be released one chip each month, Nov 1, Dec 1, and Jan 1. The strange part of this series is the chips are being released in reverse order, with #3 1964 GTO being first (saying "series 3 of 3" on chip). Second is 1964 Corvette (series 2 of 3) and the third will be 1964 Mustang (series 1 of 3).



Fiesta NLV \$5 BJ red 4 tan/yel/tan--multi CI, 3rd Anniversary 1997 obverse/ Happy New Year 1998 reverse.



A personal opinion by this collector: Bud Jones chips recently continue to use so much the same colors it's hard to tell one from the other. Compare Fiesta 3rd anniv/new Years, Jerry's Nugget 3-chip car series, and Railroad Pass Oktoberfest and you will find them so much alike they completely lose their individual identity. I hope to see more individual artistry in the near future. Eldorado Casino, Henderson \$5 H&C picture chip red 3 org/pnk-multi center. 35 Year Anniversary, 1952 building obverse/ Sam & Bill Boyd picture reverse.



Primadonna Hotel Casino Jean, Nevada has officially changed name to Primm Valley Resort and city name has been changed from "Jean", (area also unofficially called "Stateline") to "Primm", Nevada. All Primadonna chips are obsolete as of 10-97. New are \$1-\$5-\$25 H&C that have the same colors for edge and inserts as old chips, only the center inlay has been changed and now has a mountain logo instead of the hot air balloons logo, with new casino name and new city name.



Whiskey Pete's, Primm, Nev (formerly listed as Jean, Nev), new \$1 H&C dk blu--multi blu CI reflecting city name change. New chips mixed right in with older chips.



Flamingo Hilton, Laughlin \$5 H&C picture chip, red 3 pnk/turq-multi center. Obverse-"Labor Day, Sept 1, 1997", Cool Bird barbecuing a fish! Reverse-"Casino Collectible Expo, Sept 5-6-7, 1997", Cool Bird with pot of chips and "I'm a chipper".



Ramada Express, Lau \$5 BJ "Laughlin Balloon Races, Oct 17-19, 1997". Ramada Express has also started a 12-piece set that will be issued one chip each month on the first Friday of the month.



Here we go again, we haven't finished the Fiesta NLV Royal Flush set and now some of us will have to make a trip to Laughlin every month for a year if we care to accumulate this extensive "set". The chips depict a "Back to the 40's" theme and entire set is pictured in color on the front cover of the Gaming Times Magazine, Sept 1997. These chips will all have a common obverse, with #1 reverse being U.S. Marines Iwo Jima flag raising. After many rumors causing all kinds of confusion, the second chip was issued first Friday in December. Reverse on #2 is World War II slogan, "Loose Talk Can Cost Lives" Rancho Mesquite Casino, Mesquite, Nev. .25 triangle & club mold, dk pnk--HS.



Oasis Resort, Mesquite \$5 BJ red 4 wht/blu/wht--multi CI for Si Redd's 86th birthday.



Reno Hilton, Reno \$5 Chipco 1997 Air Races, \$5 Chipco Grand Prix II (1997), & \$5 Chipco 1997 Chili Cook-Off.



Harrah's, Reno \$5 Chipco "The Great Reno Balloon Race" Sept 5-7, 1997, & \$5 BJ Reno Air Races 1997. Since Reno was the beginning of the Harrah's organization in Nevada, the Reno chip is more distinctive than the other chips that have been issued at other Harrah's around the country during the year for the 60th anniversary. \$5 BJ red 8 split yel, multi blk center with a hologram effect diamond.



Pinon Plaza, Carson City .25 H&C dull red--HS.



Boomtown, Verdi (sometimes listed as Reno) \$5 "Boomtown Goes Hollywood, June 1997". Bommtown, Verdi \$5 BJ Reno Air Races 1997.



Another new metal center chip from Bud Jones, Gold Ranch, Verdi \$25 grn 4 lt grn--MI. Gold Ranch has not had a previous BJ \$25 chip.



Tahoe Biltmore, Crystal Bay \$5 H&C picture chip, red 3 mus/lt blu--multi center, 50th anniversary 1946-1996. This chip was not issued until 1997.



Caesars (Stateline, Nev) "Lake Tahoe, Nevada" on chip. New \$1 H&C dk gold--multi CI. Caesars head obverse/ view of lake reverse. This chip has many variations of a new 3-D (three dimensional) type center inlay. We have seen this before on riverboats, Indians, & the \$1 at Oasis Resort in Mesquite, Nev. It still remains to be decided if this is truly a new type of chip for collectors and just how many different examples would be counted. Some are only a little bit and yet some have quite a deep 3-D effect.



Harvey's Resort, Stateline LT, second \$10 chip with Bill Cosby picture (still no Cosby name on chip). First issue was, "Harvey's" in dk red, Cosby wearing cap. No date on chip. Second issue is "Harvey's" in grn, lake & mountains behind Cosby, dated Aug 2, 1997.



Scoreboard Sports Bar opened in old K-Market (not K-Mart) building, Spring Creek, Nev (near Elko) and has now added blackjack tables. Chips are \$1 H&C picture chip, with \$5 & \$25 being regular H&C with center inlay.



NEVADA CASINO TOKENS

Ellis Island Casino, 4178 Koval Lane LV (behind Bally's) opened casino addition 9-20-97. All tokens have been changed and a redemption notice has already been published in the newspaper. New \$1 (1997) NCM, brass and a \$5 (1997) NCM, brass has been added. Both have same design.



Las Vegas Hilton, LV \$1 (1997) GDC has "Las Vegas Hilton" on one side and "Spacequest Casino" on the other side and is being

used in both casinos. Las Vegas Hilton, LV new \$2 (1997) GDC, brass.



Hard Rock LV \$1 dated 1997 OC mint "1997 Bill Board Awards" This token was given out to attendees the night of the awards at MGM Grand LV and are only available by searching the machines at Hard Rock and hope to catch one someone has played.



Gold Coast LV \$2 (1997) GDC, brass.



Golden Nugget LV, a very nice looking "No Cash Value" souvenir token for National Finals Rodeo. This token was only available by presenting a rodeo ticket at Golden Nugget. Token is bronze and OPM mint.

Mirage LV \$25 (1997) GDC, 1 oz .999 pure silver. Same palm tree design as other tokens.



Whiskey Pete's new \$25 (1997) with "Primm, Nev" on token. These have been added right in with previous issue. Silver Legacy, Reno \$10 (1997) GDC, rhodium (chrome-like) & gold plate, regular slot token. Same design as original \$10 token. State Line, Wendover \$5 (1997) GDC, same cowboy design as other tokens.

Lady Luck, LV \$10 dated 1997 GDC. Regular play token, not a Silver Strike. Same design as \$2 token. Silverton Hotel Casino LV (EX-Boomtown) \$1-\$5-\$25, all same design (1997) RWM.



NEVADA TOKENS BARS & STORES

Timbers Bar & Grill, 2200 N Rainbow LV \$1 (1997) CT mint, E-T-T, Inc is route company.



Crash Corrigan's Tavern & Casino, 4310 E Tropicana LV is closed. \$1 (1995) CT, United Coin is obsolete. Harley Davidson Cafe, 3725 LV Blvd S, LV open 10-97 has \$1 RWM dated 1997, Southwest Gaming.



Rancher Bar & Grill, 1306 W Craig NLV \$1 (1997) GDC, United Coin.



Shifty's, 3805 W Sahara LV \$1 (1997) RWM, Cardivan. 1989 NCM, United Coin, (1990) Ct, United Coin, and (1993) CT, E-T-T, Inc are all obsolete.



One Eyed Jacks, 3740 S Nellis is closed, all tokens are obsolete. Terry's Villa, 1203 E Charleston LV \$1 (1997) "G", Anchor Coin. This token was approved 6-26-96 and not put into play until sometime in 1997 and it was just recently discovered. Same design as previous (1991) NCM tokens and older tokens are still in play. New ones can only be found by searching through a large group of the older tokens. Dealers Choice, 4552 Spring Mtn LV \$1 (1997) NCM, Sunset Coin. This is a route company change. The (1996) CT, E-T-T, Inc tokens are obsolete. Design is just about the same as before. 5th Avenue Pub has been relocated from 1111 LV Blvd S to 906 S 6th St LV. New token is \$1 (1997) CT, E-T-T, Inc. Previous (1994) token is obsolete.

Slap Shot Cafe, 9295 W Flamingo LV \$1 (1997) CT, E-T-T, Inc.



Villager Lounge, 886 S Boulder Hwy, Henderson \$1 (1997) GDC, United Coin.



Carollo's, 2301 E Sunset LV closed 11-97, token is obsolete. Bushy Lous, 3246 E Desert Inn LV, all tokens are obsolete, has converted to all coinless slots. Dotty's, six different locations around Las Vegas, had one generic token for all. These tokens are now obsolete, all have been converted to coinless slots. Landing Lites Lounge, 1631 Sunset LV now Tunes Lounge. All paper payout machines-no tokens. All Landing Lites tokens are obsolete.. Wilson's Bar & Grill, 2605 S Decatur LV (1997)/1992 NCM, Sunset Coin. Used old 1992 reverse die. This was Cantina Charlie's. All Cantina Charlie's tokens are obsolete.

Club Monaco, 1487 E Flamingo LV \$1 (1997) GDC, United Coin. \$1 (1995) GDC, Westronics is obsolete.



Joy's Chinese Restaurant, 2801-A N Green valley Pkwy, Henderson \$1 (1997) NCM, C.D.F. Slots route company. is next to and owned by Flamingo Hilton.



The Glass Turtle, Reno closed 10-97, token is obsolete. Colombo's, Reno (1997) tokens are obsolete, now using Ike dollars. Red Rooster, Gardnerville removed dollar machines, all tokens are obsolete. Showtime Mini Mart, 5815 W Tropicana LV \$1 (1997) CT, E-T-T, Inc.



7-11 Store #29972, 425 Windmill LV (near LV Blvd S \$1 (1997) RWM, Cardivan. Same design as other recent 7-11 store tokens. Red's Market, 4495-A S Buffalo LV \$1 (1997) CT, E-T-T, Inc



Another token that had approval several months ago has finally been put in play at Scolari's Warehouse Market #2, 2155 W 4th St Reno \$1 (1997) CT, United Coin.



SILVER STRIKE TOKENS

Approval 7-9-97 for \$10 Flamingo Hilton, LV "lucky 4-leaf" is a mis-leading listing. This token is actually at O'Sheas, which



Palace Station, LV has three new \$10 (1997) "S" mint, James Dean standing, Marilyn Monroe standing, and a new pose of Babe Ruth with an autograph signature across the picture. Monroe & Dean in one machine, Ruth in another machine. MGM Grand LV, two \$10 (1997) GDC, James Dean face in one machine and Marilyn Monroe face in other machine.



Desert Inn LV \$10 & \$20 both dated 1997 GDC, new "DI" logo obverse, revised .999 inside. Golfer reverse with new "DI" on building.



Sam's Town LV, \$20 wolf design is obsolete, machine removed. There was an approval listed for a Rio Suites Hotel \$100.00 Silver Strike Token. This is a regular play token, NOT a Silver Strike. Palace Station LV, added two new Babe Ruth \$10 (1997) "S" mint. Babe Ruth, bat over shoulder, with baseball stitching in background and no signature.. Also a full face figure, no signature and no baseball cap. Both in play 12-97. Original bust with signature & baseball cap also still in play.



New York New York, LV \$10 (1997) "S" mint, Motown in a new machine outside the Motown Cafe entrance at NYNY. Also at New York New York, five additional \$10 Babe Ruth with signatures are now in play. These are same five designs as original set and originals are still in play also.



With the closing of the Starlight Express show at the Las Vegas Hilton 12-5-97 all Silver Strike tokens with characters from the show are obsolete and the machines have been removed. Also at Las Vegas Hilton, with the opening of Spacequest casino 12-15-97, the first ever Silver Strike medallions were introduced. Machines play three quarters as always, BUT when a winning combination is hit the "jackpot" is paid by hand and is a SET of 5 "medallions" in a special box. This "set" has no cash value and cannot be turned in. Once you win it you just take it away with you! There are four \$10 size pieces and one center piece that is about half the size of the infamous \$200 one pound silver tokens. There are no money values on these and they DO NOT say "gaming token". The only wording is "Limited Collector Edition" The

outcome is, this is a beautiful souvenir set, but has nothing to do with "gaming tokens".



Fiesta NLV three \$10 (1997) GDC, all in one machine. "Rover sojourner", "Air Force One", and "Slot House".



Pioneer, Laughlin \$20 machine removed, all \$20 Silver Strikes obsolete. All previous \$10 Silver Strikes are now obsolete and six new designs are in play, mixed together in two machines. Obverse is new and the same on all six, Reverse designs are, Buffalo Bill, Wild Bill Hickok, Annie Oakley, rodeo-bareback, rodeo-bull riding, & rodeo-steer wrestling. All are (1997) "G".



Riverboat, Reno has now added Silver Strike machines. First two are (1997) "S", riverboat-Rebecca Everingham and riverboat-Robert E Lee. Two more have approval but are not in play at this report. Gold Ranch, Verdi removed machines 10-97, all \$10 Silver Strikes are obsolete. Cactus Pete's, Jackpot \$10 pony express trail circa 1860 approved in July and \$20 Diamondfield Jim circa 1895 approved in Aug are now both in play. Older tokens are still in the machines.

COLORADO CASINOS

Colorado Central Station, BLHK, set of four \$5 Chipco for Veteran's Day, Nov 11, 1997 for World War II, Korean War, Vietnam War, and Gulf War. Also at Colorado Central Station new \$1 & \$5 Chipco with train logo. Same design as before, but in the new satin finish.



Harvey's, CNCY, \$5 H&C red 4 split pnk--multi red CI. Harvey's logo obverse, picture of Bill Cosby reverse.



Jubilee Casino, CRCK, new \$1 Chipco, same design as before, but new satin finish. Glitter Gulch, CRCK, closed 10-97, all chips and tokens are retired.

DEADWOOD, SOUTH DAKOTA

Showing up, for the first time ever, in dealer's inventory is a \$1 Chipco from B.B.Cody's. Live gaming has been removed and this chip is obsolete. At the time the matching \$5 was in play, the \$1 chips were not available to collectors at the casino.



Black Hills Novelty, a slot route company that furnishes tokens to several Deadwood casinos, issued a set of five tokens for the annual Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. \$1 dated 1997 "S" mint. Mint mark is close to motorcycle on each token and is easily missed. Designs are, Harley Davidson 1964, Harley Davidson 1980, Cleveland 1926, AJS 1961, and Indian Model H, 1916. This last token has the "S" mint mark backward! Reverse is the original 1989 Black Hills Novelty design. Route company tokens in Deadwood have no casino name on them and the same tokens are used in all the casinos serviced by that route company.



At Miss Kitty's, 649 Main St a \$1 token (1997) Chipco Pro Tech ceramic coated and a \$5 (1997) Chipco Pro Tech-II, metal with

center inlay in color. Both tokens are promotional only and not played in slot machines.



FLORIDA NEWS

There was a previously unreported Grand Opening chip at the Flagler Kennel Club poker room, Miami that opened 7-1-97. At the beginning these Grand Opening chips were only available to VIP's at the grand opening party. Now a few have become available to the general public. \$5 Chipco multi red "Grand Opening Flagler Cardroom" obverse, with the stand up miner full figure slot machine "THE MINER" as the center logo and "Grand Opening Flagler Dog Track & Sports Entertainment Center" reverse.



An interesting note: The Pompano Park Racing that is shown in Chipco new releases, Winter issue Jan-Feb-Mar, Volume 10 #1 of Casino Chip and Token News is not a real chip. This piece was made strictly to put in key chain holders and the reverse (when removed from the holder) is a plain white back.



Naples-Fort Myers Greyhound Track, Bonita Springs opened poker room 11-97. Chips are .25 unicorns mold dk blu--HS, \$1 Chipco multi wht & \$5 Chipco multi red.



gld blu blk CI and \$5 red 4 yel, multi blk CI "Commemorative" issue with a picture of the boat. Tokens are .25-\$1-\$5 (1997) OPM, all have same design.



Fantasea Casino Cruises boat is now sailing from Destin. Only chip we have so far is \$5 H&C red 2-dk tan 2-dk prp, pnk blk wht CI.



WASHINGTON:

Freddie's Club, 111 S Third St, Renton opened 11-10-97 with 8 blackjack tables and 7 poker tables. Chips are \$1 H&C picture chip dk blu 3 pnk/lt blu--multi wht center and \$5 H&C red , 2-lt grn 2-dk gry--red blk blu wht CI.



Also a new boat at Snook Inn, Marco Island. Boat is "Rendevous", but chips and tokens have "Gulf Stream Gaming". \$1 & \$5 Chipco, .25 & \$1 (1997) GDC tokens.



INDIAN CASINO NEWS:

The Gila River Casino near Chandler, Ariz opened all new casino 11-15-97 with poker room, still using old 1994 tokens. New chips are .50 H&C blu, \$1 H&C wht, 1-triangle mus 1-triangle pnk, \$2 H&C pch 3 dk grn/dk prp, \$5 H&C red 2-lt blu 2-mrn. All have multi blk CI. Added are new \$2 GDC 1997 brass and \$5 GDC 1997 brass alloy tokens. Both are same design.



Another new "one day cruise to nowhere" started up at the Hilton Marina in downtown Key West called the Maximillion I on 11-7-97. Chips and tokens say "Maximillion Casino" or "Max I". Chips are Bud Jones (no grooved rims this time) \$1 wht 4 pnk/grn/pnk/grn/pnk, gld pnk blk CI, \$5 red 4 blu/yel/blu/yel/blu,

Hon-Dah Casino Hon-Dah, Ariz \$1 Chipco "First Anniversary" with yellow \$1 on the right side and headdress being orange and black. This \$1 chip has been re-issued with the yellow \$1 on the left side and the headdress in red, black, and yellow, with all different designs in each headdress. There are also \$5 and \$25 "First

Anniversary" Chipco here.



Barona Casino, Lakeside, Calif .50 birds & suits mold, dk org--multi wht CI. \$1 birds & suits mold dk grn 4 blk--multi wht CI, both have new "flags" logo. This is the fourth \$1 chip from Barona; #1 H&C lt blu 4 grn--HS, #2 H&C dk grn 4 blk--red brn wht CI with mission logo, #3 triangle & club mold dk grn 4 blk--red brn wht CI with mission logo and #4 the new birds & suits mold with new flags logo. Also at Barona Casino \$5 Chipco multi, "July 1997 The Flying Elvi".



Cache Creek Indian Bingo & Casino, Brooks Calif new .25 with dollar signs mold pink--HS. Jackson Indian Casino, Jackson, Calif new .25 dollar signs mold black--HS.



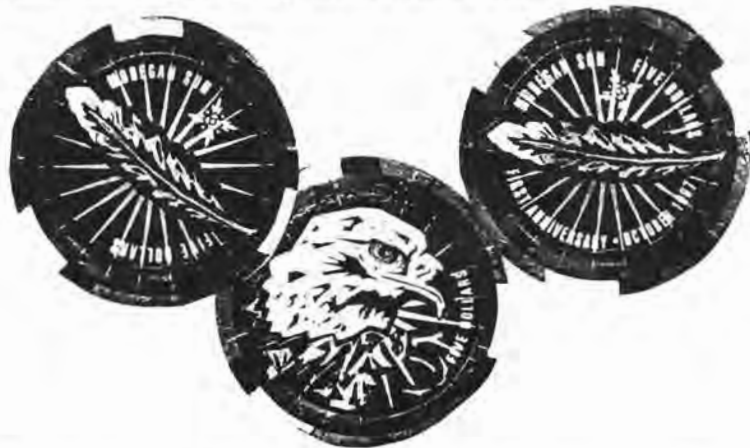
Sycuan Casino (listed as Sycuan Reservation) El Calon, Calif new .50 birds and suits mold dk org--multi wht CI. Not much difference between the orange of the new Barona .50 and the orange of the new Sycuan .50!! Table Mountain Casino, Friant, Calif new .25 unicorns mold prp--HS.



Sky Ute Casino, Ignacio, Colo \$1-\$5-\$25 Chipco "Fourth Anniversary" (1997). Like the previous motor cycle rally issue, there were only 100 of the \$1 and 100 of the \$25 made. There were 1,200 of the \$5



Mohegan Sun Casino, Uncasville, Ct has replaced the \$5 Grand Opening chips with a regular \$5 table chip, H&C picture chip, dk red 3 gld/wht/blk--multi dk red center, has eagle head on one side and eagle feather on other side. Also at Mohegan Sun the same design \$5 picture chip, but on the feather design side, at the bottom, it has "First Anniversary, October 1997" in small white letters. This one was missed by many because of the small letters. All \$5 Grand Opening chips are now retired from the tables.



Seminole Indian Casino, Brighton, Fla opened poker room 3-1-97. Chips are all RTP (R.T. Plastics), 25-cent dk blu 3 blk, 50-cent org 2 blk, \$3 wht 3 blk, & \$5 dk red 3 blk. All have red blk wht CI with crossed tomahawks logo.



Treasure Island, Welch, Minn (has Red Wing, Minn on chip) all new \$5 & \$25 BJ center inlay chips. Previous \$5 & \$25 H&C chips are obsolete.



Santa Ana Star Casino, Bernalillo, NM \$1 token dated 1997 NCM, nickel silver, same design obverse as before. Original (1995) NCM was brass. San Felipe Casino, San Felipe, NM \$5 Chipco multi red "Halloweed 1997". Also at San Felips a new \$2 Chipco multi yellow, but all have been drilled for key-chains, same design as other chips, Apache Nugget, Dulce, NM roulette & dice tables have been removed. Two blackjack tables only open week-ends after 3:00. All chips except the latest issued \$5 are retired.



Camel Rock Casino, Santa Fe, NM \$1 (1997) RWM token. Original (1995) GDC has design of actual camel. New token has design of the rock shaped like a camel. Each token has the same design obverse & reverse with mint mark on one side only.



Turning Stone Casino Resort, Verona, NY \$5 H&C picture chip, red 4 dk gld/dk blu/ dk gld--multi center for Hotel Grand Opening October 3, 1997. Eastern band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, NC \$1 slot token (1997) RWM. It is reported Harrah's has opened an all new casino at this location. On January 1, 1995 this Indian tribe opened a Bingo Hall & slot parlor with video games only. there was a \$1 (1995) GDC token, with almost same design as the new token.



Sky City Tribal Casino, Acoma, NM new \$1 (1997) GDC token. Obverse of (1995) & (1997) tokens are just about the same. Reverse of (1995) has round Indian jug design, (1997) jug design has handle. Also added at Sky City, new \$5 token dated 1997 GDC antique brass.



Spirit Mountain, Grand Ronde, Oregon \$1 BJ wht 3 blu--red blk grn wht CI. New grooved edge Bud Jones chip.



Agency Bingo, Agency Village, SD \$5 Chipco multi red. Dakota Magic, Sisseton Wahpeton Sioux Tribe, North & South Dakota \$1 Chipco Pro Tech-II token. Design is dark shadows with grazing buffalo near water.



no name. Reverse shows water and flying bird with no wording at all.



Tulalip Casino, Marysville, Wash \$5 Chipco "5th Anniversary" (1997).

Rosebud Casino, Mission, SD \$1 Chipco Pro Tech-II token. Rosebud logo obverse/ Casey Tibbs on "Necktie" rodeo commemorative. Lode Star Casino, Ft. Thompson, SD \$5 token dated 1997 GDC, same design as original \$1.



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Harvey's Casino, Council Bluffs, Iowa \$5 Chipco multi red commemorative for entertainer -Bill Cosby.

Speaking Rock Casino, El Paso, Texas added 50-cent BJ 8-suit lav--blk red wht CI. Very unusual for this type of Bud Jones chip to have a center inlay. Also added \$1 BJ wht 4 blu--multi dk red center to match the \$2.50 & \$5 reported last time.



Swinomish Casino, Anacortes, Wash \$5 Chipco "3rd Anniversary 1997" on rim edge only. Obverse has Indian logo design and casi-

no name. Reverse shows water and flying bird with no wording at all.

Bettendorf, Ia-Quad Cities" in small letters around inside of center inlay and "Roger Craig's Sports Bar" in center obverse. Picture of Roger Craig and "2nd Anniversary Nov 23, 1997" (which appears to be the anniversary of the sports bar opening).



Casino Magic, Bossier City, La \$5 BJ red 3 split yel--multi wht CI. Another addition of the new Bud Jones grooved rim chips. Chip is same as previous \$5, except for the grooves, and has been added right in with the old issue. Grand Casino, Biloxi, Miss issued a 25-cent H&C It org--Hs chip with name and denomination only. A few weeks later another 25-cent H&C It org--HS chip was put in play. This time with the Grand Casino pot of gold logo on it.



Casino Magic, Bay St. Louis, Miss \$5 Chipco multi red, \$25 Chipco multi grn, & \$100 Chipco multi blk for 5-year Anniversary 1997. All have same design.



Sam's Town, Kansas City, Mo added 05-cent tokens (1997) GDC, same design as other tokens. Also at Sam's Town \$5 Chipco multi red "Second Anniversary 1997". One side is plain with just the casino name, other side has picture of Sam Boyd.



And so you have another three months worth and there has been so many in so many places it will probably take you the next three months to find them all.

Many, many "THANK YOU's" to all of you that can take the time to send the information that keeps this column going. I could not do it without ever one of you helping.

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**ARE THERE \$100.00, \$500.00, \$1000.00 DOLLAR CHIPS
FROM NORTHERN KENTUCKY?**

by Larry Trapp R-287

Three or four years ago a salesman came in my shop and saw some of my chips from Newport for sale. Said, he had a couple of Silver Slipper chips from Newport, KY and a Avenue chip from Belevue, KY. I had never seen a Silver Slipper chip from Newport. He promised to bring them in and let me see.

Several days later he comes in with chips. He has \$1.00 Silver Slipper, dark yellow hourglass HS. It had a slipper outlined in silver obv. and \$1.00 rev. The other chip is a \$50.00 Silver Slipper purple hourglass with 8 1/4 yellow inserts. It has a slipper outlined in silver obv. and \$50.00 reverse.

The last chip, a \$1.00 Avenue Night Club, green, x's. It has "The Avenue" obv. and \$1.00 reverse.

Chips were not for sale. I tried everything to buy including showing pictures of my collection. He was not impressed. He said, "Where are your high denominational chips?" I showed him my \$25.00 and \$50.00 chips. He said, "No, where are your \$100.00's, \$500.00's and \$1000.00's chips." I didn't know what to say. I always assumed there wasn't anything larger than \$50.00.

A year or two later on Friday the 13th a man came in and saw my chips from Northern Kentucky for sale. He said, "Would you like to buy 3 more Newport chips and a set of solid white dice from the Latin Quarter?" I'm interested because I didn't have any white dice in my collection at that time. He wanted me to give a price without seeing them. I never guarantee a price without seeing first. He pressured me so I said, "\$20.00 each", without thinking. He went home to get the chips and dice.

The phone rings, stuck again, I answer. It's the man who has the white Latin Quarter dice. He says he has a friend who has a \$500.00 Silver Slipper from Newport for sale. I tell him he doesn't that it's probably a Las Vegas chip. We argue and he gets mad and says "the chip is mine and I'm looking at it." Now he's got my attention but I got him where I want him. I know what a Silver Slipper from Newport looks like. I ask him to describe it. He says "Silver Slipper" on one side, \$500.00 the other. Darn, he is right. He doesn't know about rim designs or inserts. What do I do now? I ask him if there are any markings on edge trying to find out if there are any inserts. He says "none." I know there are 8 1/4 inch inserts. He wants me to give a price again and I want to see first. He is getting mad again and I am going to lose him. I've got to give him an answer. So I say the first thing that pops into my head, \$20.00. Where have I heard that price before? He says "OK, I'll be right down to get my money."

I forgot, I don't have \$60.00 let alone \$80.00 on me right now. Another customer comes in and I know him. A crazy chip collector like myself. He gets about two steps in when I yell at him, "how much money to you have?" He has enough money, so I take it.

Just in time, in comes the seller. I now wonder if I made a good buy. He lays the 3 chips on my case. They are ok, I can make money on them. He then lays the white Latin Quarter dice down. Wow, they are nice. They go in my collection. I would have paid more for them if he would have let me see them first. He doesn't put the other chip down. So I say "where is the Silver

Slipper chip?" He takes the chip out of his shirt pocket and lays it down. Wow, I can hardly believe what I see. A chip with outline of Silver Slipper in silver with 8 1/4 inserts. What is on the other side? Will it be \$500.00? I turn the chip over. Well, I'll be a Jack #@*%&\$, \$500.00 hotstamped in gold. I pay him and he leaves. I would have paid him a lot more. He should have let me see it before we agreed on a price. I didn't think he had the chip.

I now believe there are \$100.00, \$500.00 and \$1000.00 chips from northern Kentucky. Believe it or not.

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THAT'S DIFFERENT
by Art Sanderson R-171

This casino is a little out the way, but may prove to be interesting. It's suppose to be different.

Wait hon, I'll get the door - It says PULL.

Notice, there's no one checking ID's (that's different). Look, there's a guy with his shoulder holster on the outside of his coat - Can't be he has a license to carry a concealed weapon.

Excuse me sir - There doesn't seem to be anyone checking ID's. Oh, I see - The guy over there with the shotgun on his lap it. What's the long handled lever by his chair? It works the trapdoor there in the floor. (That's different). Thank you.

We're looking for someone with authority - Look hon, he's patting his 357 magnum. I see that. I mean someone in management. He says, follow him.

Wow, it's the "Casino Managers Office". Yes, my name is Sanerson - Art Sanderson. This is my wife Muriel. In earlier days known as "The Observer." Later on as the "Noted Observer".

I'm a free lance writer and cartoonist for the "Casino Chip and Token New." Never heard of it? It's a real high class magazine put out by "The Casino Chip and Gaming Tokens Collectors Club."

Oh, you know them. So many members come in to buy chips and tokens you're going to close the gift shop and sell just chips and tokens. (that's different).

Do you have a card? So I spell your name right. Thank you.

That's a beautiful \$100 chip. For me? No thanks. (you're kicking me Hon) No thanks. I collect only \$5 tokens. Have for the past couple of years. I have over 500 (you're kicking me again). Anyway, I think they're more interesting - and not so many.

Yes, I'd like to go out on the floor. I notice you don't advertise the percentage of pay-back on the slot machines. It's 50% - you think going half and half is quite fair. (that's different)

There's no wheel on the roulette table. It's computerized? People push buttons for the play they want to make - then the computer puts out the winning number. (that's different) Has anyone ever won? Not in 3 years?

Can't help but notice - there are no shooters at the craps table. Maybe because the one die has only on dot on all six sides and the other has 2 dots all around. (that's different)

I'm surprised to see the blackjack dealer working with only one deck. I see, he's using 2 decks, but he took out all the aces and 10 count cards. (that's different)

Well, I guess that's it. Oh, you have a coin-toss table. (that's different) At least there's a 50-50 chance there. No? You use two coins. One is both heads and the other is both tails.

Thank you very much for your hospitality - we better be going.

Hold it Hon - There's one more thing.

Excuse me Mr. Casino Manager. Would you go over the part about changing your gift shop to chip and token sales. Please?

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Now that you've thought about it - you may close the casino and move the chip and token sales abroad to avoid messing with the "Gaming Commission."

Have you thought of doing 2 chips a day - AM & PM?

Come along Hon - Let's get out of here. How did you get the \$100 chip?

Look out for the trap door.....

TALKING TURKEY
by Irwin Gross R-130

Last August I went on a 17-day trip to Turkey during which we traveled more than 2,000 miles, stopped in eight cities, and visited many more. The country is very interesting, the food is good and there are more Greco-Roman ruins than in any other country in the world.

There are casinos in all the larger cities. They offer blackjack, roulette, a 3-card poker table game, and many slot and other machines. I did not see crap tables in any of the casinos that I visited.

The first few casinos in Istanbul were open during the day so I stopped by and was able to obtain the chips and match boxes without actually going into the casino. After that it became more difficult.

We stopped by one casino in Antalya during the day and tried to explain what I wanted. Since very few people working at the casinos speak English, we could not communicate very well. They finally made us understand that we could go inside under certain conditions. First they photostated our passports and wrote our names in some sort of log book.. Then they inspected my wife's pocketbook and made me check my camera. Since there is a newly instituted government dress code, I was not allowed to enter dressed as I was. It calls for "evening dress" for women and jacket and tie (no jeans) for men. They asked me what size jacket I wear and I told them "42". They brought out a blue blazer which I put on. Apparently the jacket was a European 42 which translates to an American 36 which I realized when I tried to button it. Then they brought out 3 ugly ties which were pre-tied. I chose the least ugly one and put it on. They then indicated that we could enter. There was a locked metal door- someone pressed a button and it opened. I proceeded in to the casino, went to the cashier and tried to buy the needed chips. No one seemed to understand what I wanted. Finally my wife heard a word of German, and since she speaks the language explained what I wanted. They sold me all the needed chips, and as we were leaving a man stopped me and asked me, "Where are you going with all those chips?" As I was trying to explain, the manager came over to see what the commotion was about. When I told him that I collect them he smiled and told the other man, "We love customers like him." Because of all the distraction I forgot to look for matchbooks.

After that experience I went to the casino in the evening. At the end of the day's touring and after dinner I changed into a jacket and tie. I went to various casinos and either played blackjack or just purchased the chips, picked up the matchboxes and left. I was very lucky and won at all the casinos I played in.

The chips in general were in fair to good condition, except for one casino. Their \$1.00 chips were H.S. which were worn and the edges were badly nicked. Some of the chips had names other than the casinos on them.

All things considered, it was a great trip, and I would recommend Turkey as a very interesting and inexpensive place to visit.

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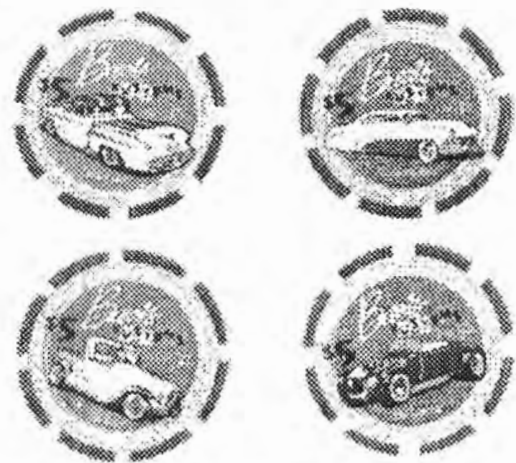
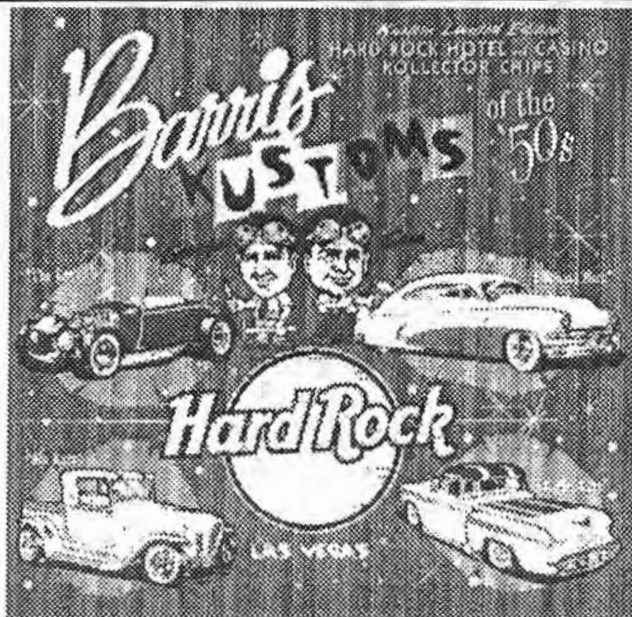
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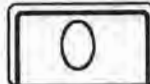
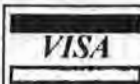
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2 x 2 FLIPS & HOLDERS				
1	2 x 2 Vinyl Double Pocket Flips	\$7 / 100		
1A	2 x 2 Vinyl Single Pocket Flips	\$4 / 100		
1B	2 x 2 NON PVC DBL PK FLIPS	\$9 / 100		
2-1	2 x 2 Color Inserts Yellow	\$1 / 100		
2-2	2 x 2 Color Inserts Light Green	\$1 / 100		
2-3	2 x 2 Color Inserts Light Blue	\$1 / 100		
2-4	2 x 2 Color Inserts Orange	\$1 / 100		
4	2 x 2 Cardboard Holder Tokens	\$3.50 / 100		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
2 1/2 x 2 1/2 FLIPS & HOLDERS				
3	2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Vinyl Dbl Pk Flips	\$8 / 100		
2B1	2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Inserts Yellow	\$1 / 100		
2B2	2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Inserts Light Green	\$1 / 100		
2B3	2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Inserts Light Blue	\$1 / 100		
2B4	2 1/5 x 2 1/2 Inserts Orange	\$1 / 100		
5	2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Holders 1.75" window	\$7 / 100		
5-A	2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Holders 2" window	\$7 / 100		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
PAGES FOR BINDERS				
6-6	6 pocket 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Dansco	70¢ ea.		
6-12	12 Pocket 2 x 2 Dansco	70¢ ea.		
7-12	12 Pocket 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Reg Binder	70¢ ea.		
7-20	20 Pocket 2 x 2 Reg Binder	70¢ ea.		
7-30	30 Pocket Reg Binder	70¢ ea.		
7-4	4 Pocket Post Card pages	70¢ ea.		
7-6	Match Book Pages 6 pocket	70¢ ea.		
7-8	Match Book Pages 8 pocket	70¢ ea.		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
1 1/8" Dansco Binder 7 Pages Holders 84 items in 2 x 2 Holders				
CT100	Chips or Tokens NO IMPRINT	\$12.00		
C200	Imprinted for CHIPS	\$12.00		
T300	Imprinted for TOKENS	\$12.00		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
1 1/4" Dansco Binder 9 pages 108 Items in 2 x 2 Holders				
CT101	Chips or Tokens NO IMPRINT	\$13.50		
C201	Imprinted for CHIPS	\$13.50		
T301	Imprinted for TOKENS	\$13.50		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
1 1/8" Dansco Binder 7 Pages 42 items in 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Holders				
CT102	Chips or Tokens NO IMPRINT	\$12.00		
C202	Imprinted for CHIPS	\$12.00		
T302	Imprinted for TOKENS	\$12.00		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
1 1/4" Dansco Binder 9 pages 54 Items in 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Holders				
CT103	Chips or Tokens No Imprint	\$13.50		
C203	Imprinted for CHIPS	\$13.50		
T303	Imprinted for TOKENS	\$13.50		
T304	Imprinted for SILVER STRIKES	\$13.50		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
1 1/8" Dansco SUPREME Binder 7 Pages Holders 63 Items				
C204	No Imprint for CHIPS	\$30.00		
C205	Imprinted CHIPS	\$30.00		
T312	No Imprint for TOKENS	\$30.00		
T313	Imprinted TOKENS	\$30.00		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
1 1/4" Dansco SUPREME Binder 9 Pages Holders 81 Items				
C206	No Imprint for CHIPS	\$36.00		
C207	Imprinted CHIPS	\$36.00		
T314	No Imprint for TOKENS	\$36.00		
T315	Imprinted TOKENS	\$36.00		
T316	No Imprint for SILVER STRIKES	\$36.00		
T317	Imprinted SILVER STRIKES	\$36.00		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
Dansco Supreme Binder Pages Holds 9 Items				
C-9	40mm for CHIPS	\$3.75		
T-9	38mm for DOLLAR TOKENS	\$3.75		
SS9	44mm for \$10 SILVER STRIKES	\$3.75		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
TUBES FOR CHIPS & TOKENS				
12C	Tubes for CHIPS	50¢ ea.		
12T	Tubes for TOKENS	50¢ ea.		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
STORAGE BOXES				
13	Double Row for 2 x 2 Items 14"	\$5.00		
13A	Double Row for 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 12"	\$5.00		
13B	Small Box for 2 x 2 items 9"	\$1.75		
13C	Small Plastic Box for 2 x 2 items 9"	\$3.25		
13D	Triple Row Box for raw chips/tks 10"	\$5.00		
13E	Double Row for 2x2 Items 10"	\$4.00		
13F	Single Row for 2 1/2 x 2 1/2 8"	\$4.00		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
SMALL GLASS DISPLAY CASES				
14-1	12 x 16 Display Case	\$10.00		
14-2	8 x 12 Display Case	\$7.50		
14-3	6 x 8 Display Case	\$5.00		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
INSERTS FOR 12" x 16" Case Above (14-1)				
14-A	Insert with 12 2 1/2 x 4 1/4 Spaces	\$6.00		
14-B	Insert with 20 2 x 3 1/2 Spaces	\$6.00		
14-C	Insert with 35 2 x 2 Spaces	\$6.00		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
DEALER DISPLAY TRAYS 10 1/2" x 16"				
15-1	Plan Tray	\$7.50		
15-2	Tray with 3 rows	\$7.50		
15-3	4 Rows has 28 2 x 2 spaces	\$7.50		
15-4	6 rows, has 54 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 spaces	\$7.50		

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CLEANER FOR CHIPS AND TOKENS				
16	Magic Cleaner for Chips	\$7.50		
17	Cleaner for Tokens	\$3.75		

#	ITEM	PRICE	QT.	TOTAL
HELPFUL ITEMS				
22	Chip or Token Wallet for 12 items	\$1.00		
23	Chip or Token Wallet for 18 items	\$1.25		
24	Chip or Token Wallet for 24 items	\$1.50		
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25-A	Air-Tight 3 pc Case for Chips	\$1.00		
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30-A	Magnifier with light 4x leans	\$7.00		
31	Oak Frame for Chips	\$35.00		
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32-2	Display Board 11 x 14 Green	\$9.95		
32-3	Display Board 16 x 20 Green	\$13.95		
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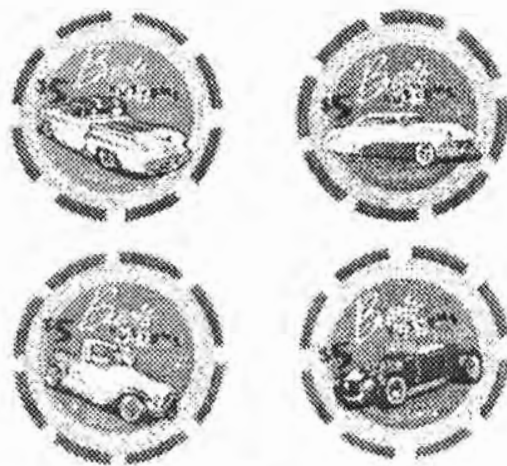
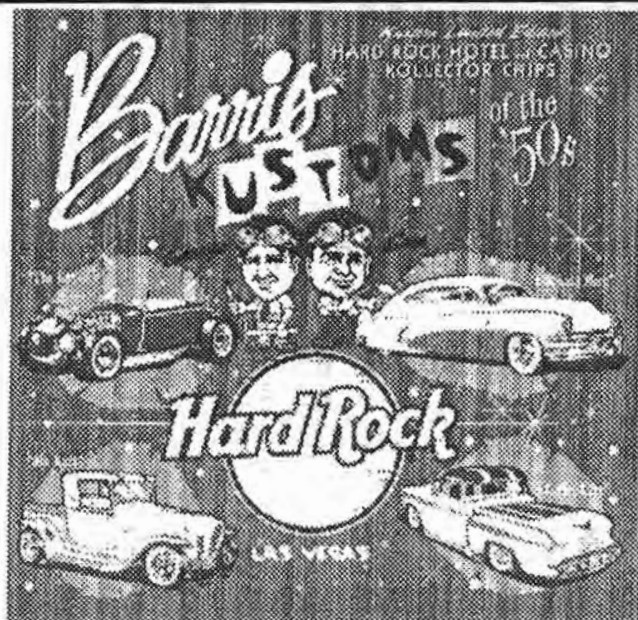
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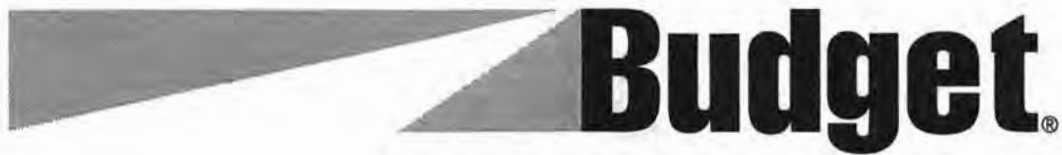
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