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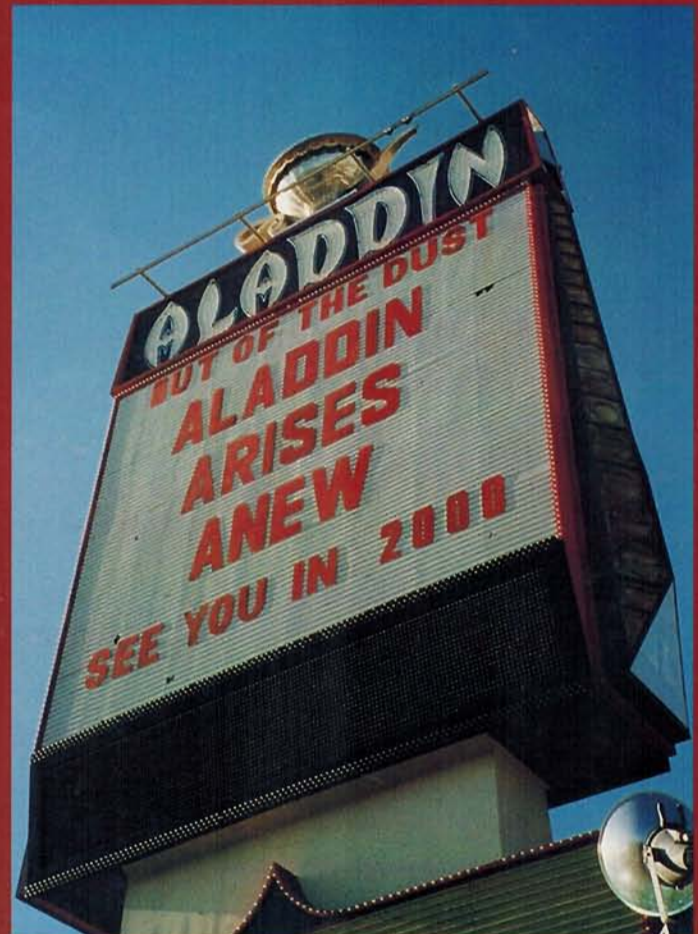
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## Letters To The Editor



Dear Editor:

My ears are burning. I can sense swear words bouncing off my head. So now is the time for my "last" response to all this "chip nonsense." I hope more replies continue to be sent to the editor, but this is my final correspondence on the matter.

When I started venting my feelings, I knew the only way I could eventually make people aware of my opinions as well as stimulate their minds was to get them angry at me. By now, I feel I accomplished at least that.

Now that people are thinking and responding, I am confident now that something will happen to these so called commemorative chips. I am hopeful they will somewhat subside and in time will fade away like a bad fad.

People may not believe this, but all my concerns are for the best interest in the hobby, and the clubs associated with them.

If I pushed my opinions too far, and I ruffled up too many feathers, I apologize for that. As I stated in my first letter, I have seen this happen before and no member did anything about it, so this time I tried to accomplish at least an effort.

My opinions are exactly that, mine. Everybody has their own and I am sure there are many others who share my feelings, but just wouldn't voice those feelings aloud, for the fact it would put them in an awkward position and I can surely understand that.

Without a doubt I am sure by now some of you feel that I am a real "nut case." Let me assure you all this indeed is not so, and if you run into anyone that I have bought chips from or knows me personally, I would hope that they would concur with that.

I hope I can meet all of you at some show in the future and carry on a healthy conversation and not get a stack of those "commemorative chips" thrown at me when I turn around.....

Rich Hagopian

## From The Editors Desk

Well, here we are just a few weeks before our annual convention. I don't know about you but I am really looking forward to it.

I hope you will enjoy this issue because it is jammed full of interesting articles and probably the most advertising any magazine has ever had. Also inside is Howard's and my story about our trip to Las Vegas to watch the implosion of the Aladdin. Another sad day in Las Vegas if you ask me.

I want to thank everyone who has sent in articles for the magazine. If you don't see it in this issue it will make the next. I don't always have enough room for some but I appreciate everyone who answered my call for articles. Keep them coming.

Please come by and see me at tables 5 & 6 and tell me how I'm doing. I take constructive criticism very well. I haven't hit anyone ....yet.

Kregg Herz

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Robert Wilcox Cook

CC&GTT # R-0577

# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This quarterly column will be the last one prior to our **10th Anniversary Convention** being held this August in Las Vegas.

I'm pleased to report that our 6th Annual National Convention preparations at the **Orleans Hotel Casino** are going ever so smoothly; thanks to our very able Convention Chairman **Mike Skelton** and his lovely wife **Anne's** expertise and prior experiences with these very successful past events. All 92 dealer tables have been sold out for quite some time now. Security guard service has been secured and schedules assigned. Hotel room bookings at the Orleans are filling up nicely, our official club convention chip and medal design winners have been chosen and their respective artwork has been submitted to the companies to manufacture the finished products.

Be sure to seek out Club Promotions Chairman **Dick Allard** on the bourse floor to purchase these official convention items, as well as past convention chips & medals, woods, etc. A CC&GTCC 10th Anniversary pin and a 1998 Convention cloisonne lapel pin have also been made for this year's occasion. We will also have a limited number of Official Convention Tee Shirts for sale at the club table.

**Orleans Hotel & Casino** will be issuing a live \$5 gaming chip to commemorate our annual National Convention being held at Orleans. The 2000 chips will be produced by **Paulson**.

The "**Early Bird Welcome**" promises to be even better than those superb gatherings previously held at the Aladdin. It's not too late to send in a small or sizeable contribution to help defray the total cost of this "social event of the year." All "Early Bird" contributors will be

recognized in the Official Convention Program, so be generous with your welcome support.

**Vince and Bettie Mowery** have been very busy again, taking on the very important Convention Publicity duties, and have done their jobs well. The members of our **Las Vegas Chapter** have been diligently putting up flyers around town and helping to spread the word locally.

Club stalwart, **Earl Donley**, has once again taken care of all the tax and licensing arrangements with the county and state regarding sales tax collections and auction permits. These forms will be distributed to the dealers with tables at the convention to fill out and return to Earl before they leave the premises at the conclusion of the convention. We want no problems with any of the tax folks.

The 1998 Convention Auction Catalog has been assembled and produced by our very knowledgeable team of **Howard & Kregg Herz** and has been "proofed" by Auction Chairman **Bruce Landau's** hand picked committee and should be in the mail by July 1st, giving everyone who ordered a copy six weeks to study the attractive offerings up for bid... with no minimums. Our recently re-located Club Treasurer, **Chuck Tomarchio**, is ready to collect the auction money, deduct commissions, pay the consignors, and distribute the auction lots to the new owners. Chuck's checkbook also comes in handy during and after the convention when all the bills have to be paid. I'm told that our legendary Club Auctioneer **Jim Kruse**, has been loosening up his vocal chords well in advance of a hot August night Orleans workout in Vegas.

The double-team combo of **Janice & Jerry O'Neal** have assembled a sizeable group of



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exhibitors who will be displaying portions of their collections for the education and viewing pleasure of those fortunate enough to be in attendance. Jerry's role has been to store (all-year round) and to transport almost 100 club owned display cases and keys to and from the Orleans for dealer and exhibitor's use. A different Janice, (**Janice Ono**) has undertaken the repeat responsibility once again of producing the Official Convention Program and soliciting advertising space for same. **Janice Ono** is putting the book together now. If you would like to place a \$7 congratulations booster ad or submit advertising copy for larger display ads, please contact Janice ASAP. Her address is; 2027 Ninth Ave. San Francisco, CA 94116.

**Michael Knapp** has lined up another Educational Forum program activity for this year. The cyber folks and token collectors will be getting together again, and **Ralph Pollack** will be seeking club members and author's input during the presentation of his pet project... an attempt to standardize a numbering system for hobby catalog reference publications. Our new Club Librarian, **Robert Pardue** will also be giving an update on his role as the new CC&GTCC Librarian and what materials he has thus far acquired and has set up for the CC&GTCC membership.

All you computer cyberspace geeks, be sure to visit **Neal Silverman's CHEQUERS'** Hospitality suite while at the convention on Thursday, August 13th, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Free refreshments, giveaways, door prizes, conversation. Details are available at their web site; <http://www.CHEQUERS.com>

Membership Officer **Jim Steffner** will be at the club table collecting dues renewals and address changes for updating the club directory and

processing new member applicants who sign up during the convention.

Our annual awards have been selected and ordered. Chip of the Year, Token of the Year, Top Recruiter, Best Magazine Article, Convention Chip & Medal Design Contest Winner, Committee Chair, Co-Chair Awards, plus several other awards to be announced, etc. Representatives from the casinos who will be receiving the club's prestigious "Chip and Token Of The Year Award" have been invited to participate and attend our awards ceremony at which time suitable plaques will be presented to them. Our plan this year is to distribute all awards at assemblages other than during our annual meeting so that we may conserve valuable time at our Annual Meeting to devote to club business matters. Yep, ByLaws and Constitution will have to be done all over again! Don't you just love it???

I've given this broad outline of events that are planned for this 10th Anniversary Convention, our 6th Annual Show... all six of them held in Las Vegas... just to give you a flavor of what to expect in the event you are planning to attend a CC&GTCC Convention for the first time. As you can see; this is not, "just another casino collectibles show." For more details as to dates and times these events will take place, please check the preliminary schedule published elsewhere in this issue of the club magazine... and by all means, pick up a free copy of the Official Convention Program at the Registration Desk when you arrive at the huge 16,000 square foot 2nd floor ballroom at the Orleans, where it all takes place this August. Hopefully, our annual "Good Will Ambassadors"; my wife **Brenda, Alice & Vern Blank** and **Art & Muriel Sanderson**, who have given so much of their precious time over the past several years at

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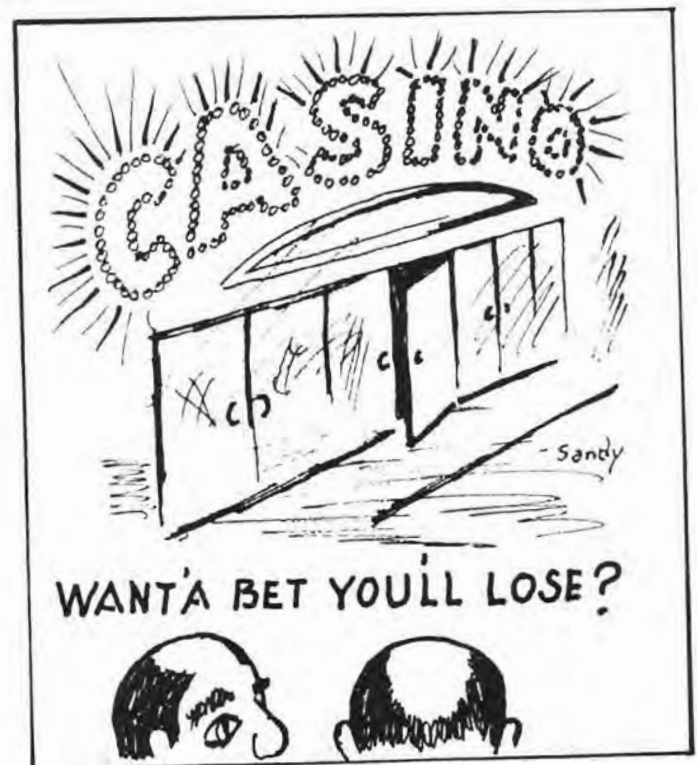
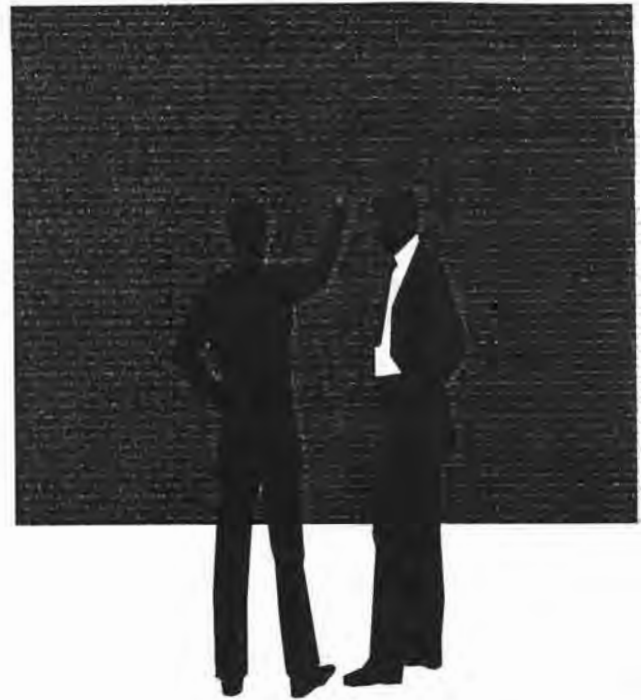
the Club Registration Desk, will be looking forward to meeting and greeting many new faces at our 10th anniversary celebration.

Take a look and observe the *small details* during your visit to our convention this year. These things didn't happen by accident. They were planned by someone for your enjoyment and pleasure. It would be a nice gesture if you said "thank you" to some of the people whose names have been highlighted in this report... and to others, whom I have undoubtedly omitted unintentionally. There are many, many member/workers behind the scenes who give willingly of time, resources and labor to make these memorable annual events meaningful and worthwhile. From just plain folks who pitch in and help setting up and taking down tables, to clamping wooden uprights to tables and placing dealer table signs and unboxing and distributing display cases, to storing equipment and materials, to making activity signs, dealer placards and I.D. tags, to recording bids at the auction, providing relief breaks at the registration table and doing many other important small chores with little or no recognition. These folks are the backbone of CC&GTCC conventions and we would be nowhere without them. I appreciate all their efforts.

Happy Collecting; Archie Black, President



**AUGUST 13,14,15, 1998 LAS VEGAS, NV**



1998 CC & GTCC Convention Schedule  
(Tenative and subject to change)

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12TH**

- 12 Noon Dealers may pick up show credentials at the Convention registration table outside the showroom. Members who pre-registered for the show may pick up badges at the show registration table. ID is required to pick any CC & GTCC, Inc. issued credentials or badges.  
**MARDI GRAS BALLROOM ENTRANCE**
- Security Unlimited on location. CREDENTIALS REQUIRED FROM THIS POINT FORWARD FOR ANY ACCESS
- 3:00 pm Dealer set up begins. Only dealers with tables are allowed in during set up. CREDENTIALS ARE REQUIRED FOR ADMITTANCE.
- 5:30 pm Early Bird Reception. Sponsored by the CC & GTCC, Inc and participating dealers. **ESPLANADE ROOM**
- 7:00 pm Member Swap Session. Please bring lap traders or binders ONLY.  
**ESPLANADE ROOM**
- 11:00 pm Dealer set up ENDS. Show floor MUST be vacated.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 13TH**

- 7:00 am Dealer Set up continues. CREDENTIALS REQUIRED
- 10:00 am **OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY**  
CONVENTION OPENS TO MEMBERSHIP AND PUBLIC  
**MARDI GRAS BALLROOM**
- Admission is free to all members who pre-registered or with a current CC & GTCC membership card. Admission for non members is \$2.00.
- 1:00 pm Chequers.com - Hospitality Room and Casual Cyberchipping Seminar.  
**ROOM TO BE ANNOUNCED**
- 6:00 pm Show in recess until 10:00 am August 14th
- 7:30 pm Club Business Meeting. **ESPLANADE ROOM**
- 8:00 pm Show floor must be vacated and secured

### **FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH**

- 8:00 am Dealers with proper credentials may enter show floor. CREDENTIALS REQUIRED
- 10:00 am Show floor opens to members and public  
Auctions Lots on display  
**MARDI GRAS BALLROOM**
- 1:00 pm World Workshop to Standardize Codes for Chips, Plaques & Tokens  
Moderator: Ralph Pollack **ESPLANADE ROOM**
- 5:00 pm Show in recess until 10:00 am June 21st
- 6:30 pm Show floor must be vacated and secured
- 6:30 pm Annual Club Auction begins. 225 spectacular lots will be auctioned!  
**ESPLANADE ROOM**

### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 15TH**

- 8:00 am Dealers with proper credentials may enter the show floor.  
CREDENTIALS REQUIRED
- 9:00 am **Educational Forum: "Ask the Masters"** A panel presentation and discussion with some of the most knowledgeable and recognized experts of the chip collecting hobby. A great seminar for the beginning collector or the veteran collectors among us. The panel will share their years of experience and answer questions on anything ranging from different molds, Limited Editions, prices, displaying collections, the direction of the hobby and more. Be sure to attend this informative presentation. Panelists to be published in the Official Convention Program.
- 10:00 am Show floor opens to members and public  
**MARDI GRAS BALLROOM**
- 4:00 pm 1998 Show closes
- 6:00 pm All dealer tables must be torn down and floor vacated
- 7:00 pm **The Last Dance** - Members trading session. Bring lap traders or 3 ring binders. **ESPLANADE ROOM**

Please see Official Convention Program for up to date and complete listing of all meetings and functions during the Show.

## 1998 CONVENTION COMMITTEES

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.....	Vernon & Alice Blanck

### CC & GTCC HALL OF FAME

**The Casino Chips & Gaming Token Collectors Club is celebrating its 10th Anniversary during this years convention at the Orleans Hotel & Casino. The CC & GTCC Board of Directors have approved the initiation of a Hall of Fame to honor those members who have contributed the most to the club during these years.**

**A committee, consisting of Gene Grossblatt, Bruce Landau and Allan Myers, has formed a "Select Committee" of 43 members to vote on the honorees. The persons that have been voted to be the initial inductees for 1998 will be announced during the Wednesday night trading session at the Orleans.**

**This ceremony should get our convention started on a high note. We would appreciate every member of the club being in attendance to honor the worthy inductees. This will be a continuing event every year at the convention.**

## 1998 CC&GTCC CONVENTION TABLE LISTING

1. CC&GTCC, Inc.
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16. Robert Holborow
17. Bud Meyer Antiques
18. Willow Creek Display Cases
19. Gerald Carsman
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21. R&L Collectibles
22. Carey Burke "Collector"
23. Robert Feeney
24. Checques In The Mail, Inc.
25. Tiny Treasures
26. Coast to Coast
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29. Kermit & Barbara Stephen
30. Green Mountain Falls Collectibles
31. Roger Morgan
32. Larry Eastman
33. Dick & Joan Bitterman
34. Michael Angelo
35. Unshredded Nostalgia
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37. Cassidy Frames
38. Nevada Gold Treasures, Inc.
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40. Cunningham Exonumia
41. Past Pleasures/Dale Seymour
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45. Meyers, Lewin, Craig
46. Donald Spencer
47. Joe & Sue Dolce
48. Stan & Betty Wilker
49. B&V Coins
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51. T.D.S. Antique Gambling Chips
52. Henry G. Garrett
53. Philip Beguhl/Ralph Stranwold
54. Steve Goodrich/John Johannes
55. R.I.C.H. - Roulette International Chip Hunters
56. Mel's Casino Collectibles
57. Pioneer
58. Chris Burns
59. Cal Neva Chips
60. Nevada Obsolete Chips
61. Chip-N-Sales
62. Bill Payne
63. Albert H. Rollins
64. Wilcox Enterprises
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66. Buffalo Chips
67. Nate Pincus/Larry Markman
68. Gaming Times
69. DeWitt Enterprises
70. Ted Brown/Norman Clem
71. Fun Distributing Services
72. Casino Chip Enterprises
73. Lee & Carolyn Bruton
74. Walter Dirzulaitis
75. John C. Rauzy
76. Larry & Fran Betker
77. C & T Nevada Chip Brokers
78. Gary Sheperd
79. Ken Hallenbeck Coin Gallery
80. Scott Hartman "The Chip Man"
81. Consolidated Collectibles/Chip Chat
82. Comstock
83. Robert Bosseler
84. Chips Off The Old Block
85. Tri-Cities Gaming of Colorado
86. ZZYX Chips
87. Mark Lighterman
88. Dino's Chips
89. Tom French
90. Ford Jensen
91. Tim O'Neill
92. David D. Sarles

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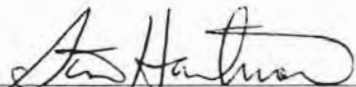
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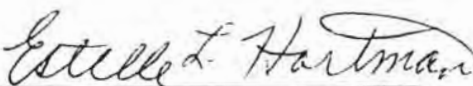
MR. MICHAEL SKELTON

For his service to our national organization as Convention Chairperson for our annual yearly conventions. Michael has served untiringly with unselfish disregard for all the time and effort this Herculean task has cost him. He has put up with all the stress and suggestions, both negative and positive alike all the time remaining a true gentleman focused on doing his best for the Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collector's Club. For all this and beyond, we, the members of the Southern California CC&GTCC wish to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation.



This seventeenth day of March, 1998

  
Scott Hartman, President

  
Estelle Hartman, Secretary



1998 EARLY BIRD RECEPTION  
 AUGUST 12TH @ 5:30 PM  
 ORLEANS HOTEL & CASINO  
 2nd FLOOR OF THE CONVENTION AREA

The Early Bird Reception and Trading Session that follows, will kick off the activities to the CC & GTCC 6th Annual Convention on the evening of August 12th. Over the years this function has become wildly successful and the best attended non-show function of them all.

The Reception will be held from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. and is strictly a social event. Enjoy other collectors company, catch up with old friends, enjoy some drinks and food. The only rule of this part of the evening is, no trading until the Reception has concluded. Last year this function drew over 350 people and there simply is not enough room at the tables for drinks, plates, boxes and three ring binders, so please do not break out the traders until the announcement is made to commence with the trading. We have the room all night, so there is no need to be in a hurry.

There is no charge to attend this function, but anyone attending MUST be a Club member. You must present a 1998 Convention Credential or current membership card at the door to gain admittance.

This function is sponsored by the Club and the contributing Dealers. The Dealers who have contributed to make this event possible are listed below. Please make a point of stopping by their table and saying "thanks" for a wonderful evening.

<b>Gaming Archaeology .....</b>	<b>Tables 5 &amp; 6</b>
<b>New York Chip Connection .....</b>	<b>Tables 7, 8 &amp; 9</b>
<b>Bruce Landau .....</b>	<b>Table 10</b>
<b>Gene &amp; Arlene Grossblatt.....</b>	<b>Table 11</b>
<b>Ernie Wheelden.....</b>	<b>Table 12</b>
<b>Walt Gonski.....</b>	<b>Table 13 &amp; 14</b>
<b>Robert Holborow.....</b>	<b>Table 16</b>
<b>Bud Meyer Antiques.....</b>	<b>Table 17</b>
<b>Willow Creek Display Cases .....</b>	<b>Table 18</b>
<b>Gerald Carsman.....</b>	<b>Table 19</b>
<b>Larry Trapp .....</b>	<b>Table 21</b>
<b>Bob Feeney.....</b>	<b>Table 23</b>
<b>Cheques In The Mail, Inc. ....</b>	<b>Table 24</b>
<b>Tiny Treasures .....</b>	<b>Table 25</b>
<b>Kermit &amp; Barbara Stephen.....</b>	<b>Table 29</b>
<b>Green Mountain Falls Collectibles .....</b>	<b>Table 30</b>
<b>Roger Morgan .....</b>	<b>Table 31</b>
<b>Michael Angelo.....</b>	<b>Table 34</b>

THE 6TH ANNUAL CASINO CHIPS AND GAMING TOKEN  
COLLECTORS CLUB, INC. CONVENTION AND SHOW  
AUGUST 13, 14 & 15, 1998  
THE ORLEANS HOTEL & CASINO  
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Jim Episale.....	Tables 35 & 36
Nevada Gold Treasures, Inc.....	Table 38
Dale Seymour/Past Pleasures.....	Table 41
C.T. Coin.....	Tables 42, 43 & 44
Myers, Lewin, Craig.....	Table 45
Joe & Sue Dolce.....	Table 47
Stan & Betty Wilker .....	Table 48
B & V Coins.....	Table 49 & 50
T.D.S. Antique Gambling Chips .....	Table 51
Henry G. Garrett .....	Table 52
Philip Beguhl/Ralph Stranwold .....	Table 53
Goodrich/Johannes.....	Table 54
Mel's Casino Collectibles.....	Table 56
Chris Burns.....	Table 58
Nevada Obsolete Chips .....	Table 60
Chip-N-Sales .....	Table 61
Bill Payne.....	Table 62
Albert Rollins.....	Table 63
Wilcox Enterprises.....	Tables 64 & 65
Nate Pincus .....	Table 67
Bill Akeman, Jr.-Gaming Times .....	Table 68
DeWitt Enterprises .....	Table 69
Ted Brown .....	Table 70
Fun Distributing Services.....	Table 71
Casino Chip Enterprises.....	Table 72
Lee & Carolyn Bruton.....	Table 73
John Rauzy .....	Table 75
Larry & Fran Betker .....	Table 76
Gary Shepard .....	Table 78
Scott Hartman .....	Table 80
Robert Bosseler .....	Table 83
Robert Jordan.....	Table 85
Mark Lighterman.....	Table 87
Tim O'Neill .....	Table 91
David Sarles.....	Table 92

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## DEALER TABLES

SOLD OUT!!!!!!

## VOLUNTEERS

The Convention Chairman is still seeking volunteers for the 1998 Convention. 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 Drive, Coppell, TX 75019 or see Mike Skelton at the Show.

## 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.

All announcements and awards will take place during the reception this year, in an effort to leave all the available time for business discussion during the Thursday evening Club Business meeting.

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.

## HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

This year's convention will see the inception of the Collectors Hall of Fame. The 1st class of Inductees will be announced at the Early Bird Reception on Wednesday, August 12, so make a point to attend and find out who has been bestowed the honor of becoming the first members of the Collectors Hall of Fame.

### 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 #10 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 will be 12 full tables of exhibits.

### 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 that shows the convention rates. 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.

### CHEQUERS OPENS HOSPITALITY SUITE

Neal Silverman and the fine folks at Chequers will have a hospitality suite open on Thursday, August 13th from 1pm - 4pm. Free refreshments, door prizes and a casual cyberchipping seminar are on the agenda. No pre registration is required. So when you take a break from the convention floor, stop by the Chequers Hospitality Suite.

### WORKSHOP TO STANDARDIZE CODES

Ralph Pollack will moderate the World Workshop to Standardize Codes for Chips, Plaques and Tokens. This workshop will be held on Friday, August 14th, from 1- 4 pm, in the Esplanade Room. Please make plans to attend and lend your input.

## **1997 CHIP & TOKEN OF THE YEAR WINNERS**

Winners of the club's annual "Chip & Token Of The Year" Contest will be announced during the 6th Annual National CC&GTCC Convention. The 110 club members who served on the Official Balloting Committee cast their votes accordingly and the winners in each category have been elected. Thanks to all of you who participated. If any additional club members would like to serve on next year's committee, all you have to do is send in your nominations when the call is announced and you will be automatically placed on the elections committee to choose our 1998 Chip & Token of the Year Awards.

## **CLUB SEEKS CHAIRMAN FOR 1999 CONVENTION**

As most of you have read in the last issue of the club magazine, Mike Skelton will be stepping down after several years of outstanding faithful service to CC&GTCC as our annual Convention Chairman. Mike's decision not to continue as our Chairman extraordinary, was not an abrupt one as he gave the club officers plenty of advance notice of his desire to "retire". The club is now faced with seeking out another dedicated (hopefully experienced) individual who is willing to take on this challenging task on behalf of the club.

We all know that Texan Mike's boots will be difficult to fill and that the job requires a lot of time and potential problem solving skills, dealing with all the personalities involved in putting such an event together. We can even live with some shortcoming in order to fill the huge void that Mike will be leaving in his wake following the '98 convention. I know that Mike had considerable help and assistance from several club members and I'm confident that same help will be offered to Mike's replacement. If anyone feels up to the challenge. I will enthusiastically welcome your offer to help out. Please write to me at CC&GTCC, P.O. Box 63, Brick, NJ 08723

## **ATTENTION CC&GTCC MEMBERS**

**As your New Publicity Director, I am asking for assistance from all to fill my ledger of places that I could possibly write to for placing Ads, Press Releases, News Articles, Etc., regarding our club ALL AROUND THE WORLD.**

**If you could just write down the name of a magazine, book, newspaper, and the editor with an address that you feel that we can benefit from, I Will Handle The Rest.**

**With just a few minutes of your time, you have contributed a lot to your club. Just think of the possibilities we can have with Your Help.**

**Dennis Zeller  
Publicity Director  
399 20th Ave.  
Brick, NJ 08724**





## CC & GTCC FAMOUS CONVENTION SITE "THE ALADDIN HOTEL / CASINO" DISCONTINUED

Elvis and Priscilla married there. Neil Diamond opened its famous theater. CC & GTCC held their annual convention there. Wayne Newton and Johnny Carson once jockeyed to buy it. Newton bested Carson but faced national television reports he had help from the mob. He won an enormous defamation suit against NBC but lost it all to an appeal.

The famed Aladdin Hotel / Casino, shuttered since November, has checked out of its 32 year old Las Vegas Strip address in a spectacular implosion.

The 17 story, 1,100 room Aladdin is the fifth local icon to be blasted into oblivion in the last five years, all succumbing to the city's' megaresort mania.

Since 1989, 10 of the huge hotels, boasting 2,500-3,000 rooms and costing \$80 million to \$2 billion apiece, have gone up, and five more are planned or under construction.

Once the Aladdin's prime 35 acre site is cleared, construction will start on a new 2,600 room Aladdin Hotel / Casino, with a second hotel / casino with 1,000 rooms as a joint venture of parent Aladdin Gaming Ltd. And Planet Hollywood; and a shopping complex named Desert Passages. The 7,000 seat Aladdin Theater for the Performing Arts will be spared in the demolition and renovated. The three projects carry a price tag of \$1.3 billion, with completion scheduled two years from now.

Could this be the new CC & GTCC convention site for the 2000 millennium ?

Dennis Zeller  
CC & GTCC  
Publicity Director



# NOTES



from the Membership Chairman

**Expiration dates** for any new or renewal **Associate Members** will be changed in the future to coincide with the expiration date of the regular member. This will save sending in two renewals for different expiration dates. Associate memberships are available for \$5 covering someone residing in the same household as the regular member. An Associate member is entitled to the same benefits as a regular member except for the quarterly magazine.

When **renewing your membership**, please include your Member number. Your mailings will reach you sooner if I have your complete 9 digit zip code. If you are not sure of the last four numbers of your zip code, look at some of your incoming mail. Many pieces now have your 9 digit zip code as part of the address.

I have **club flyers** and membership applications available for any members who may be attending a coin or chip collectible show. Usually the show promoter provides a table at registration for the distribution of advertisements for clubs and events. Let me know if you need any of these flyers to help promote our club.

**Membership directories** are available for \$5.00. There are about 1400 of our members listed in the directory with address, phone numbers and collecting interests, where provided. These are available postpaid from me at the address below.

If you are **planning a move**, please let me know. If the post office has to notify us of your address change it costs the club 50 cents for each notification and you may not receive the current issue of the club magazine. Please write or E-Mail me with your new address as soon as you make the change.

In the quarter your membership expires I have been highlighting the expiration date on the magazine mailing label. We may be adopting a **new addressing method** which will not allow the date to be highlighted. Please **check your expiration date** on the magazine label and send in your renewal if your membership expires in September. If this new method has been adopted, you will see the postal barcode near your address on the envelope. This change will save your club several hundred dollars in mailing costs for each issue.

**Life Memberships** are now available. The Board has adopted a Life Membership category, available to any member in good standing. The cost will be equal to 15 years dues. At the present time that would be \$300 based on \$20 per year. First Class mailing is additional. The Life Member will be designated with an "LM" membership number with their original numerical number following. Should you wish to take advantage of this option, contact me at the address below.

James Steffner  
CC&GTCC Membership Chairman  
PO Box 368  
Wellington OH 44090

E-Mail CasinoJim@prodigy.net  
or NAYK27A@prodigy.com

# CHIP OF THE YEAR NOMINEES

## AND THE NOMINEES ARE:

### 1997 CHIPS & TOKENS OF THE YEAR

#### CHIPS

1. FIESTA	\$5	APRIL FOOLS DAY	LAS VEGAS, NV
2. FLAMINGO HILTON	\$5	LABOR DAY CHIP SHOW	LAUGHLIN, NV
3. FOUR QUEENS	\$5	THANKSGIVING	LAS VEGAS, NV
4. HARD ROCK CAFE	\$5	HALLOWEEN	LAS VEGAS, NV
5. HARD ROCK CAFE	\$5	4th OF JULY	LAS VEGAS, NV
6. HARD ROCK CAFE	\$5	VIII FAIRWAY TO HEAVEN	LAS VEGAS, NV
7. KEY LARGO	\$5	SAILFISH GRAND OPENING	LAS VEGAS, NV
8. NEW YORK NEW YORK \$10	\$10	GRAND OPENING	LAS VEGAS, NV
9. OPERA HOUSE	\$5	HALLOWEEN	NLAS VEGAS, NV
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# TOKEN OF THE YEAR NOMINEES

## TOKENS

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|---------------------------|-----|----------------------|---------------|
| 1. HARLEY DAVIDSON CAFE   | \$1 | LOGO                 | LAS VEGAS, NV |
| 2. HARRAH'S               | \$1 | PARROT PLAYING SLOTS | LAUGHLIN, NV  |
| 3. KEY LARGO              | \$1 | BRASS SAILFISH       | LAS VEGAS, NV |
| 4. LAS VEGAS HILTON       | \$1 | SPACEQUEST           | LAS VEGAS, NV |
| 5. NEW YORK NEW YORK \$1  |     | SKYLINE ON REVERSE   | LAS VEGAS, NV |
| 6. NEW YORK NEW YORK \$10 |     | BROOKLYN BRIDGE      | LAS VEGAS, NV |
| 7. SILVERTON HOTEL        | \$1 | LOGO                 | LAS VEGAS, NV |
| 8. SKY CITY CASINO        | \$5 | LIZARDS              | ACOMA, NM     |
| 9. SUNSET STATION         | \$1 | SAILING SHIP         | HENDERSON, NV |
| 10. SUNSET STATION        | \$5 | DON QUIXOTE          | HENDERSON, NV |
| 10a. SUNSET STATION       | \$1 | TRAIN                | HENDERSON, NV |



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7. SILVERTON HOTEL  
LOGO



8. SKY CITY CASINO  
LIZARDS \$5



9. SUNSET STATION  
SAILING SHIP \$1



10a. SUNSET STATION  
TRAIN \$1



10. SUNSET STATION  
DON QUIXOTE \$5

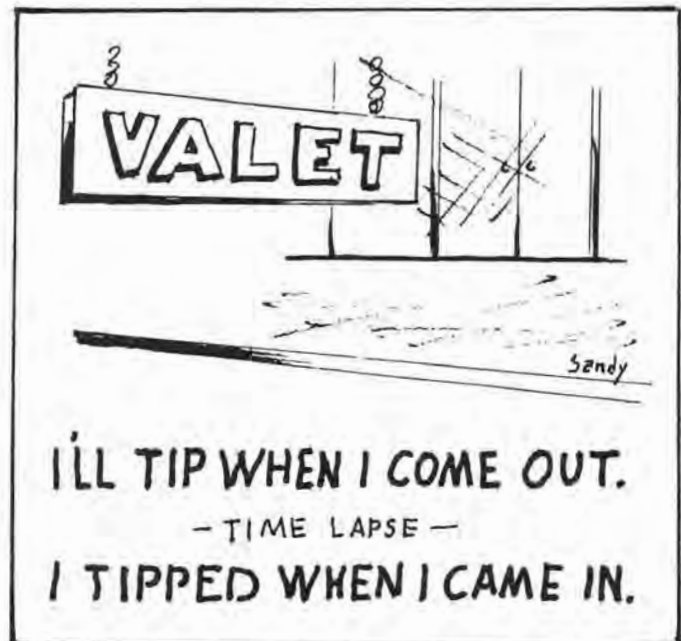


The above top ten nominees, in alphabetical, are the choices submitted by 121 CC&GTCC members. There were close to 200 different chips and more than 75 different tokens submitted for nominations. Only the members who participated in the nominations will receive an official ballot in the mail from President Archie Black, to cast their individual votes for the chip and token of the year. The winners will be announced during our 6th annual convention at the Orleans Hotel/Casino in August. Thank you for participating in your annual chip and token of the year activity

Dennis Zeller  
CC&GTCC  
Publicity Director

# New Members Since Last Issue

Harrold	Doug	R-3639	Brown, Ted	2812	Kofron	Francis	R-3714	Black, Archie
Harrold	Dean	R-3639-A			Muller	Robert	R-3716	
Niederman	Neal	R-3640	Knapp		LeBlanc	David	R-3717	Rusyn, Dave 0307
Sculky	Milton	R-3641			Bowen	W. N.	R-3718	Gonski, Walt
Loyd	Jack	R-3642	Marshall, Louis		Glaze	Tommy	R-3720	Anthony, Don
Jacobs	Doug	R-3643	Black, Archie		McCormick	Sheldon	R-3721	SCC
Marshall	Larry	R-3644	Marshall, Louis		Sorge	Peter	R-3722	
Marshall	Louis	R-3645	Finsteun		Cabral	Darryl	R-3723	
Rauzy	Jim	R-3646	Rauzy, John		Minor	Bruce	R-3726	Mera #523
Renfro	Jason	R-3647	Knapp		Davis	Robert	R-3727	
Blaker	Roger	R-3648	Steffner		Stoltenberg	Steve	R-3728	Blais, Jeb #1490
Smith	Bruce	R-3649	Steffner		Hanson	Robert	R-3729	Black, Archie
Cioffi	Dan	R-3650	Chequers		Jakubek	John	R-3731	Chequers
Bye	Frank	R-3651			Remy	Robert	R-3732	
Fuhlrodt	Jim	R-3652	Hoffman, Ed	2872	Bailey	Clyde	R-3733	Susong, Greg
Lowe	Jack	R-3654	Simmons, Doug		De Robertis	Richard	R-3735	
Kleintop	Ron	R-3655	Meredith		Moritz	Raymond	R-3738	Hoffman, Edw #2872
Long	John	R-3656			Conway	Nichael	R-3739	Redmond, Joe 2109
Carrano	John	R-3657	Eisenstadt, Robt		Bolin	Jason	R-3740	Zeller, Dennis
Long	Johnny	R-3658	chequers		Dietze	Arthur	R-3741	Zeller, Dennis
Freas	Howard	R-3659	Dolce, Sue		Bonner	Carl	R-3742	Black, Archie
Spinosa	Mario	R-3661	Jung, Mel		Cravalho	Niles	R-3743	
Israel	Melvin	R-3662	Knapp		Deems	Doug	R-3744	Susong, Greg
Wendleton	David	R-3663	Steffner		Becker	Craig	R-3745	Zeller, Dennis
Elfert	Dennis	R-3664	Knapp		Bernhisel	David	R-3746	
Buren	Ron	R-3665	Lueders		Albert	Bob	R-3747	Black, Archie
Buren	Linda	R-3665-A	Lueders		Ley	Fred	R-3748	
Pletschet	Bernie	R-3666	Knapp		Levitt	Howard	R-3749	
Quartemont	Michael	R-3667	Black, Archie		McKenzie	A. Dougl	R-3751	
Kowalew	James	R-3669			Missing numbers are those members who do not wish their information published.			
Kowalew	Joanne	R-3669-A						
Korff	Dan	R-3670						
Cutter	Judie	R-3671	Cas Coll					
LaRock	Ginger	R-3672	Steffner					
Chapel	David	R-3673	Black, Archie					
Peltz	Robert	R-3674	Chequers					
Moser	Paul	R-3676	Gaming Arch					
Plask	Ron	R-3677	Dolce, Sue					
Lewis	Robert	R-3679	Rodgers					
Downer	Veronica	R-3680	Rodgers					
Shey	Jeff	R-3681	Hughes, Andy					
Canamore	Kim	R-3683						
Van der Kar	Peter	R-3684	Weaver, Marv					
Sammler	Fundus	R-3685						
Larson	Skip	R-3686	Rodgers					
Okiec	Brian	R-3687	Fowler, Rick					
Gall	Barbara	R-3689						
Selin	Al	R-3691	Meredith					
Howard	Easy	R-3693	Edwards, Ted					
Guidinger	Ken	R-3694	Trimble, Gene					
Mathews	Michael	R-3696	Chequers					
Malani	Lloyd	R-3697	Van Der Kar, 3684					
Kobashigawa	Glenn	R-3699	Chequers					
Marquez	Ruben	R-3702	Nor Cal Nev					
Anderson II	Halstead	R-3703						
Reifer	Phyllis	R-3704	Susong					
Murphy	Paul	R-3706	Chequers					
Haws	Steve	R-3707						
Brown	David	R-3708	Chequers					
Matthews	Frank	R-3709	SCCC&GTCC					
McCoy	Robert	R-3710						
McCoy	Anna	R-3710-A						
Martino	John	R-3711	Craig, Ken	0436				





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**This sale includes group lots. We highly recommend that bidders take a very close look at these lots as some of them contain very significant rarities!!!!**

1	A Group of \$1 ATLANTIC CITY Checks (17 Pieces) A nice starter set of Atlantic City \$1 checks.		(Slightly to- Never Used - lot of 17 pieces) Est. - [D]
2	\$25 AC [Agua Caliente] - Tijuana, Mexico black w/ a (R) white inlay	Crest & Seal	(Slightly Used) Est. - [C]
3	\$00 AC (monogram) Cuba- (Circa: 1930's) oval 54mm x 32mm tan	molded plastic	(Used) Est. - [B]
4	\$10 ADELAIDE CASINO - Adelaide, Australia predominately yellow w/ multi-colored logo - 10th Anniv.	CHIPCO	(Used) Est. - [A]
5	\$5 ALADDIN HOTEL & CASINO - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1968-1970) brown w/ 3-3/8sxs off white/brown/off white w/	16(H.C.E.)	(Used - small edge flaw) Est. - [B]
6	\$0e ALADDIN HOTEL CASINO - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980-1986) pink w/ gold hot stamp	42(H&C)	(Used) Est. - [A]
7	\$25 ARAWAK HOTEL - Gosier, Guadeloupe- (Circa: 1950's) sage green w/ 4-1/2 gray inserts w/ a gold hot stamp	(SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [B]
8	A Group of ATLANTIC CITY Checks & Tokens A mixed lot of gaming checks and tokens.		(Used to New - Lot of 24 pieces) Est. - [D]
9	\$25 ARUBA CARIBBEAN - Oranjestad, Aruba - (Circa: 1970's ) gold w/ 3-1/4 dk.blue inserts w/ a (R) white inlay	(EWING)	(Used) Est. - [C]
10	\$100 ARUBA CARIBBEAN - Oranjestad, Aruba - (Circa: 1970's ) brown w/ 3-1/2 mustard inserts w/ a (R) white	(EWING)	(Used) Est. - [B]
11	\$5'S & \$25'S ARUBA CARIBBEAN - Oranjestad, Aruba - (Circa: 1980'S-present) A nice little group of recent issues.		(Used - Lot of 4 pieces) Est. - [B]
12	\$5, \$25, \$100 ARUSINO CASINO - Oranjestad - Aruba - Neth.Antillies(Circa: 1970's ) A nice set of three denominations.	42 (H&C)	(Used) Est. - [B]
13	\$5 Atlantic City Commemoratives A very nice assortment of 16 Commemorative checks.		(Slightly Used to New - Lot of 16 pieces) Est. - [C]
14	N.D. B & R CLUB - Hot Springs, Arkansas - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1950's) Three different colors all with Indian reverse	36 (ARODIE)	(Used - Lot of 3 pieces) Est. - [B]
15	An assortment of \$2.50 gaming checks from around the world 44 different checks gives this lot exceptional appeal.		Used to new - Lot of 46 pieces) Est. - [C]
16	Pair of \$5 Checks from Deadwood, South Dakota- U.S.A. \$5 B.B. CODY'S predominately red. & \$5 HICKOK'S predominate red.	CHIPCO	(Slightly Used - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [A]
17	\$1 BAHAMIAN CLUB - Nassau, Bahamas - (Circa: 1940's) gray w/ a gold hot stamp	10(RECTL)	(Used) Est. - [B]
18	\$25 BAHAMIAN CLUB, NEW - Nassau, Bahamas - (Circa: 1950's) sage green w/ 3-1/4 orange inserts w/ a (R) white	8 (SM-KEY)	(Never Used - drilled) Est. - [C]
19	\$00 BALINESE ROOM - Galveston, Texas - U.S.A. mustard w/ a black & white (R) inlay	Crest & Seal	(Used) Est. - [D]
20	\$5. BANK CLUB RENO - Reno, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1932-1941) gray w/ gold hot stamp	7 (SRDIAM)	(Used - slight cigarette burn on one side) Est. - [C]
21	\$0e BARNEY'S CASINO - Stateline, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1967-1983) orange w/ gold hot stamp	9 (LG-KEY)	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
22	\$2.50 BOARDWALK REGENCY Atlantic City, NJ- U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980's) pink w/ 3-3/4 brown inserts w/ white (SCA) inlay	House	(Slightly Used) Est. - [B]
23	\$25 BOARDWALK REGENCY Atlantic City, NJ- U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980's) dk.green w/ 8-1/8 black inserts w/ a white (HEX)	House	(Used) Est. - [D]
24	\$5 FAMOUS BONANZA, THE - Central City, Colorado - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1992-) predominantly red w/ multi-colored logo	99 CHIPCO	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
25	\$25 BONANZA, Don French's - North Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1950's) dk.green w/ 4-1/5 orange inserts w/ a (R) white	41 (C&J)	(Used - Cancellation Removed) Est. - [C]
26	\$5. BOOMTOWN - Verdi, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1972-) brown w/ 3-5/8 orange w/ gray/white (R) inlay	45 (HORSHU)	(Used) Est. - [C]
27	An Assortment of NEVADA checks 76 different Nevada checks of various denominations.		(Used - Lot of 76 pieces) Est. - [E]
28	A Group of NEVADA checks (Circa: 1960-90's) 19 low demoninations Nevada checks.		(Used to New - Lot of 20 pieces) Est. - [C]
29	\$5 Commemorative Cruise Ship Checks A nice group of 5 Commemorative checks from boats.		(Slightly Used - Lot of 5 pieces) Est. - [A]
30	Colorado Gaming Tournament and No Cash Value Chips Some of the hardest to find checks from Colorado		(Slightly Used - Lot of 40 pieces) Est. - [D]
31	N.D. CDM [Club Casa Del Mar] - Los Angeles area - CA - (Circa: 1925) white w/ a (R) white inlay & red w/ a (R) white inlay	Crest & Seal	(Used - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [C]
32	A group of \$5 Colorado Checks 16 different checks.		(Used to New - Lot of 16 pieces) Est. - [C]
33	\$100 CACTUS JACK'S - Carson City - NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980's) black w/ 3-3/4sxs white/blue/white inserts w/ gold	42 (H&C)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [C]
34	\$5 CAESARS Commemoratives - Atlantic City, NJ - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1992-93) 12 different personalities	CHIPCO	(Slightly Used to New - Lot of 12 pieces) Est. - [C]
35	\$5 CAESARS - Atlantic City, NJ - U.S.A. predominately red w/ multicolored design - WBC	CHIPCO	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
36	5 points CAESARS - Atlantic City, NJ - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1993) predominately red w/ a CHIPCO sample reverse.	CHIPCO	(Never Used - notched) Est. - [A]
37	\$25 CAESARS - Atlantic City, NJ - U.S.A. predominately green w/ multi-colored logo	CHIPCO	(Never Used) Est. - [D]
38	\$100. CAESARS PALACE - Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1970's) black w/ 3-3/4sxs lt.green/brown/orange inserts	House	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]
39	\$5 CAESARS PALACE Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1970's) red w/ 4-1/4 sxs peach/brown/peach inserts w/ (R)	House	(Very Slightly Used) Est. - [C]
40	\$5 CAESARS PALACE at Sea - Maiden Voyage of the Crystal Harmony red w/ 4-1/2alt. blue/yellow inserts w/ a multi-colored full graphic logo - Maiden Voyage of the Crystal Harmony	House	(Slightly Used) Est. - [A]
41	\$25 CAESARS TAHOE - Lake Tahoe - NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980's) green w/ 3-1/2 sxs lt.blue/purple	House	(Used) Est. - [C]

42	\$100 CAESARS TAHOE - Lake Tahoe - NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980's) black w/ 3-1/2 sxs turquoise/yellow/turquoise w/ (R) white inlay	House	(Slightly Used) Est. - [C]
43	\$100 CAL-NEVA BILTMORE - Crystal Bay - NV - U.S.A. (Circa: 1950's) rose w/ 3-1/4 mustard w/ (R) white inlay	36 (ARODIE)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [E]
44	An assortment of Las Vegas Slot Tokens (Circa: 1966) 31 different gaming tokens from casinos and bars.		(Used - Lot of 31) Est. - [C]
45	\$100 <sup>00</sup> CAL-NEVA LODGE - Crystal Bay, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1959-1963) gray w/ 3-1/4 black w/ dk.gray (R) inlay	43 (T's)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]
46	\$25 CAL-NEVA LODGE - Crystal Bay, NV - U.S.A. (Circa: 1980's) green w/ 3-1/2 sxs fuschia/f-orange inserts w/ (SCA) white inlay	42 (H&C)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]
47	\$5 CASINO DE MONTREAL - Montreal, Canada - (Circa: 1990's) red w/ a orange lunette w/ gold lettering	molded plastic	(Used) Est. - [A]
48	\$5 CHINA MINT - Reno, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1960-1963) dk. blue w/ 3-1/2 yellow w/ white (R) inlay	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [D]
49	50¢ CIRCUS CIRCUS CASINO - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1968-1974) lavender w/ white (R) inlay	53 (NEVADA)	(Used) Est. - [B]
50	Two New York "Unlicensed" Clubs N.D. KIPS BAY & \$1 CLUB 27		(Used) Est. - [A]
51	A pair of Nevada gaming tokens 1966-W EL CAPITAN & 1966-FM CLUB CAL-NEVA		(Used) Est. - [A]
52	\$2.50 CLARIDGE - Atlantic City, NJ - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980'S) rose w/ gold designs w/ a ni-sil coin inlay	House	(Slightly Used) Est. - [E]
53	\$25 Checks - Three Southern Nevada Rarities in a single lot COLORADO BELL CASINO - CRYSTAL PALACE - POP'S OASIS	House	(Used - Lot of 3 pieces) Est. - [E]
54	A dealer's Lot of checks \$5 CONDADO BEACH HOTEL (100 pieces) & \$1 RAMADA SAN JUAN (100 pieces)		(Used - Lot of 200 pieces) Est. - [D]
55	\$1 CRIPPLE CREEK'S ORE HOUSE - Cripple Creek, CO - U.S.A. - - (Circa: 1991) predominately white w/ a multi-colored logo	CHIPCO	(Never Used) Est. - [A]
56	\$1 Gaming Token CRYSTAL BAY CLUB (1965-MT) Crystal Bay - NV - U.S.A. bronze gaming token		(Used) Est. - [A]
57	\$25 SANDS Las Vegas - NV - U.S.A. f-green w/ 4-1/2 sxs yellow/pink inserts w/ (SCA)	House	(Used) Est. - [B]
58	\$1 Gaming Tokens - South Dakota - U.S.A. 39 different Deadwood gaming tokens.		(Almost Unc. or better - Lot of 39 pieces) Est. - [B]
59	25 D - Unknown - (Circa: 1930's) black w/ (R) white inlay	crest & seal	(Used) Est. - [A]
60	A Group of Riverboat Tokens An exceptional group of these tokens for condition.		(Uncirculated - Lot of 12 pieces) Est. - [B]
61	\$100 DESERT INN - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. black w/ 3-3/8 yellow w/ nickel silver coin inlay	0 House	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]
62	50¢ DIAMOND JIM'S NEVADA CLUB 1967-FM Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A. Brass gaming token		(Uncirculated) Est. - [A]
63	\$5 DUNES HOTEL - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1956) black w/ 5-1/4 gray w/ white (R) inlay	10 (RECTL)	(Used) Est. - [E]
64	\$1 DUNES HOTEL, THE - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1956) dk. blue w/ white (SCA) inlay	41(C&J)	(Used) Est. - [C]
65	N.D. DUNES HOTEL - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1956) blue-gray w/ a (R) white inlay	Crest & Seal	(Used) Est. - [C]
66	\$5 <sup>00</sup> DUNES HOTEL COUNTRY CLUB - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (1960's) yellow w/ 3-5/8 red w/ white (R) inlay	41 (C&J)	(Used) Est. - [D]
67	Two for the Circus, Two for the Sahara 50¢ & \$1 pairs from both operations.		(Used - Lot of 4 pieces) Est. - [C]
68	\$25 EDDIE'S FABULOUS 50's - Reno - NV- U.S.A.(Circa: 1980's) dk.green w/ 4-1/2 sxs yellow/lt.green/yellow inserts	42 (H&C)	(Used) Est. - [D]
69	N.D. EDGEWATER - (Gulfport, Miss.) Kemah, Texas - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1940's ) red w/ a gold hot stamp	2 (HUB)	(Used) Est. - [A]
70	\$25 EDGEWATER HOTEL • CASINO - Laughlin - NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980's) lt.green w/ 4-1/2 sxs purple/brown inserts w/	42 (H&C)	(Used) Est. - [B]
71	\$1 <sup>00</sup> EL REY RESORT - Searchlight, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1946-1973) orange w/ gold hot stamp	41(C&J)	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
72	\$1 Gaming Tokens Set EL DORADO CASINO - Black Hawk - CO - U.S.A. - (1992) proof set of nickel silver gaming tokens - 1992		(Brilliant Proof in plush case-4 tokens) Est. - [B]
73	\$1 Gaming Tokens Set EXCALIBUR - Las Vegas - NV - U.S.A. (Circa: 1990) proof set of nickel silver gaming tokens - 1990		(Brilliant Uncirculated - 7 tokens) Est. - [B]
74	\$100 <sup>00</sup> EXCHANGE BAR CASINO - Beatty - NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1930's) pink w/ gold hot stamp	14 (LGSMCR)	(Worn - drilled) Est. - [D]
75	\$5 <sup>00</sup> 4-WAY CASINO - Wells, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1957-1989) yellow w/ gold hot stamp	39 (HHR)	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
76	*2* FLAMINGO HOTEL, The - Las Vegas - NV - U.S.A.(Circa: 1950's) yellow w/ a black (R) inlay	Crest & Seal	(Used) Est. - [D]
77	\$1 <sup>00</sup> FLAMINGO HILTON - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1973-) tan w/ white (R) inlay	0 House	(Used) Est. - [B]
78	A Pair of Flamingos \$1 <sup>00</sup> FLAMINGO HOTEL & 50¢ FLAMINGO HOTEL		(Slightly Used - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [C]
79	\$5 FLAMINGO HILTON [Legends of the West] - Laughlin, NV - U.S.A. (Circa: 1997) A nice group of limited edition commems with western personalities.	42 (H&C)	(Slightly Used - Lot of 12 pieces) Est. - [B]
80	A group of interesting checks \$1 <sup>00</sup> the VAPORS & N.D. KENTUCKY CLUB & \$1 FLOYD'S		(Used - Lot of 3 pieces) Est. - [C]
81	Glass Plate FRONTIER HOTEL 11-1/2 inch French crystal plate etched with		(New in original box) Est. - [B]
82	\$5 GARY'S CASINO - Stateline, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1976-1978) red w/ 3-1/2 off white w/ white (R) inlay	53 (NEVADA)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [E]

83	\$25 GOLD DUST - Reno, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980's) lt.green w/ 3-1/2 sxs pink/white inserts w/ an	42 (H&C)	(Never Used) Est. - [D]
84	\$5** GOLDEN GULCH - Reno, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1947-1948) yellow w/ gold hot stamp	5 (LCROWN)	(Used) Est. - [D]
85	\$1 Checks from the Caribbean An excellent group that represents a wide variety of Caribbean gaming houses.		(Used - Lot of 20 pieces) Est. - [B]
86	\$5\$ GOLDEN NUGGET - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1953-) lavender w/ 3-1/4 red w/ gold hot stamp	6 (SCROWN)	(Worn - notched and drilled) Est. - [C]
87	1 (roulette) GN (Golden Nugget) - Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A.(Circa: 1970's ) dk.blue w/ gold hot stamp	House	(Used) Est. - [A]
88	\$1, \$5, \$100 GOLDEN NUGGET Group - Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A.(Circa: 1970's ) A great set - all but the \$25 from this issue.	House	(Never Used - Lot of 3 pieces) Est. - [D]
89	\$1\$ & \$5\$ GOLDEN NUGGET - Las Vegas - Nevada A very unique error check - same colors but two denoms.	House	(Slightly Used - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [C]
90	\$25 & \$100 GOLDEN NUGGET Group A nice duet of two different issue checks.	House	(Used - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [E]
91	\$25 GOLDEN NUGGET - Atlantic City, NJ - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980's ) green w/ 8-1/8 yellow inserts w/ (HEX) white	House	(Used) Est. - [D]
92	A Pair of Bronze Gaming Tokens (1965)-MT JOE MACKIE'S STAR & 1979-MNC GOLDEN SPIKE CASINO		(Circulated) Est. - [A]
93	N.D. GRAN CASINO Habana - Cuba- (Circa: 1921) brown w/ a (R) yellow inlay.	Crest & Seal	(Used) Est. - [C]
94	\$5 GREAT PROVIDER - (Circa: 1920's) dk.gray w a (R) black/white inlay	Crest & Seal	(Never Used) Est. - [D]
95	\$5 The GRUBSTEAK - Central City, CO - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1990's ) red w/ 3-1/2 tan inserts w/ gold hot stamp	plastic molded	(Used) Est. - [E]
96	A group of \$2, \$2.50 & \$3 Chips An interesting group of these odd denominations.		Condition: (Lot of 5 pieces) Est. - [B]
97	N.D. HARRAH'S [Marion & Co.] gray w/ black lettering and colored pips around a	Slug core	(Never Used) Est. - [C]
98	\$5 HARRAH'S Reno, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1996-7) predominately red w/ multi-colored logo	CHIPCO	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
99	\$2.50 HARRAH'S - Reno & Lake Tahoe, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1970's) yellow w/ 16-1/8 brass w/ brass core - seri""H".	42 (H&C)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [C]
100	50¢ HARRAH'S - Reno, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1947-) lt. yellow w/ 4-1/8 dk. blue w/ white (HEX) inlay	42 (H&C)	(Never Used) Est. - [A]
101	\$25 HARRAH'S TRUMP PLAZA - Atlantic City, NJ -U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980's ) green w/ red designs and a ni-sil coin inlay	House	(Used) Est. - [D]
102	\$5 & \$25 HARVEY'S WAGON WHEEL - Stateline, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1960's) A pair of checks from the same series.	9 (LG-KEY)	(Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [C]
103	\$25 HARVEYS - Stateline, NV - U.S.A.(Circa: 1986) Orange w/ 4-1/5 brass inserts w/ brass logo	slug core	(Used) Est. - [B]
104	\$5 HILTON - Atlantic City, NJ - U.S.A - (Circa: 1984) red w/ 4-1/2 alt. f-orange/green inserts w/ (HUB)	House	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]
105	\$25 HILTON Atlantic City, NJ - U.S.A -(Circa:1984) green w/ 8-1/8 alt. f-orange/blue inserts w/ (HEX)	House	(Slightly Used) Est. - [E]
106	\$25 HILTON Reno - Reno, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1990's) green w/ 4-1/2sxs yellow/lt.green w/ (SCA) white	House	(Used) Est. - [D]
107	50¢ HORSESHOE, Binion's - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1960-) yellow w/ 3-1/8 gray w/ white (R) inlay	9 (LG-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [B]
108	25¢ HORSESHOE CLUB - Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1950's) maroon w/ (R) white inlay	36 (ARODIE)	(Used) Est. - [D]
109	A Pair of horseshoes Two different denominations on two different molds.		(Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [B]
110	\$2.50 Horseshoe Club, Binion's (set) - Las Vegas, Nevada (1994) Blue with 6-3/8 alt red and white inserts with a full graphic inlay.	42 (H&C)	(Never Used - Lot of 20 in original tube) Est. - [C]
111	\$5 Poker Hall of Fame BINIONS HORSESHOE Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. (1995) orange with 4-1/2 sxs brown/green inserts with on oversized inlay. Numbered set 1009.	42 (H&C)	(Never Used - Lot of 22 in original tube) Est. - [C]
112	\$500 HORSESHOE CLUB - Reno, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1960's) dk.red w/ 3-1/4 yellow inserts w/ (white inlay	2 (HUB)	(Never Used) Est. - [C]
113	A nice group of HOTEL NEVADA Checks from An almost complete group of checks for this club. These are all original issues and not the "Borland" reproductions.		(Used - Lot of 8 pieces) Est. - [B]
114	\$25 INTERNATIONAL - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1968-1973) green w/ 3-1/2ins. blue in pink w/ white (SCA)	0 House (Hilton)	(Used) Est. - [C]
115	\$2.50 ISLE VISTA CASINO - Bayfield, WI - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1990's ) predominately pink w/ multi-colored logo	CHIPCO	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
116	\$1 & \$10 J.P.C [Jay's Playmor Club] - Cheyenne, WY. -U.S.A.- (Circa: 1941-2) Two checks from the same club with different molds.		(Used - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [B]
117	All \$25's \$25 JAILHOUSE CASINO; \$25 JAX CLUB; \$25 GEORGE'S GATEWAY; \$25 KINGS CASTLE		(Used - Lot of 4 pieces) Est. - [C]
118	\$5 JIM KELLY' NUGGET - Reno, NV - U.S.A.- (Circa: 1960's) sage green/orange 1/2 pic w/ (SCA) white inlay	41 (C&J)	(Never Used - drilled) Est. - [B]
119	\$5** JOBY'S MONTE CARLO - Crystal Bay, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1955) dk.tan w/ 3-1/4 red inserts w/ gold hot stamp	2 (HUB)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]
120	\$1** JOBY'S MONTE CARLO - (Crystal Bay, NV - U.S.A.) - (Circa: 1955) black w/ gold hot stamp	12 (ZIGZAG)	(Used) Est. - [C]
121	\$100 JOBY'S MONTE CARLO - (Hawthorne, NV - U.S.A.?)-(Circa: 1957) tan w/ 3-1/2 black inserts W/ gold hot stamp	8 (SM-KEY)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [E]
122	N.D. JOBY'S MONTE CARLO - (Hawthorne, NV - U.S.A.?)-(Circa: 1957) dk.gray w/ gold hot stamp	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [B]
123	JOHN'S TAHOE NUGGET Stateline, NV - U.S.A.- - (Circa: 1990's) black w/ 3-3/4sxs pink/white/f-orange inserts w/ a (COG) white inlay	42 (H&C)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]

124	A Group from the Pagni's Jubilee Inn - Pleasant Valley, Nevada - U.S.A. yellow w/ 3-1/2 black w/ white (R) inlay	8 (SM-KEY)	(Slightly Used - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [D]
125	\$25/p JUBILEE, Pagni Bros. - Pleasant Valley, Nevada - U.S.A.- (Circa: 1953-1959) Sage green w/ 3-1/2 dk.blue inserts w/ a (R) white	8 (SM-KEY)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [E]
126	A Pair of \$ Gaming Tokens 1984-GD KACTUS KATE'S; 1965-FM BILL CROW'S MINT		(Circulated - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [A]
127	Silver Champagne Goblet LADY LUCK HOTEL - Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A. - (1986) silver plate champagne goblet engraved "Grand		(Like New) Est. - [A]
128	\$5** LA RUE - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1950-1951) brown w/ 3-1/4 off white w/ gold hot stamp	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [D]
129	50¢ LAS VEGAS HILTON - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1973-) purple w/ orange (R) inlay	16 (H.C.E.)	(Used) Est. - [B]
130	An assortment of Australian Checks 6 nice checks from donw under.		(Slightly Used - Lot of 6 pieces) Est. - [B]
131	\$5 LAST FRONTIER - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1951-1955) yellow w/ 3-1/2 black w/ white (R) inlay	7 (SRDIAM)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [B]
132	\$1.** LATIN QUARTER - Newport, KY - U.S.A. - - (Circa: 1940's) tan w/ 2-1/4 black inserts w/ gold hot stamp	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [B]
133	\$5.** LATIN QUARTER - Newport, KY - U.S.A. - - (Circa: 1940's) charcoal w/ 2-1/4 red inserts w/ gold hot stamp	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [B]
134	\$25 LATIN QUARTER - Newport, KY - U.S.A. - - (Circa: 1940's) red w/ 4-1/4 yellow inserts w/ gold hot stamp	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [B]
135	An assortment of Las Vegas \$1 Checks Most better than average condition - the Stardust is slightly warped		(Used - Lot of 20 pieces) Est. - [C]
136	A group of \$5 checks from Winnemucca 3 checks from this central Nevada town.		(Used - Lot of 4 pieces) Est. - [A]
137	\$100** LITTLE CASINO - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1953-1965) maroon w/ 3-1/4 yellow w/ gold hot stamp	22 (CORD)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]
138	\$25 LOOKOUT HOUSE - Covington, KY - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1940's) brown/yellow split w/ gold hot stamp	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [C]
139	\$25 LUCKY NEVADA CLUB - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1949-1969) green w/ 3-1/4 orange w/ white (R) inlay	53 (NEVADA)	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
140	\$25 LUCKY SPUR - Carson City, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1960's) black w/ 3-1/2 rose w/ (R) white inlay	45 (HORSHU)	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
141	\$55 MATTY [Matty's Tropics] - Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A. (Circa: 1955) yellow w/ 4-1/8 purple w/ gold hot stamp	5 (LCROWN)	(Used) Est. - [B]
142	5¢ MCP Unattributed- (Circa: 1940's) Description: tan w/ gold hot stamp	10 (RECTL)	(Used) Est. - [A]
143	N.D. MEC [Miles E. Custer] - Stateline, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1930's) Description: green w/ gold hot stamp	5 (LCROWN)	(Used) Est. - [A]
144	N.D. MECCA - Newport, KY - U.S.A. - - (Circa: 1940's) mustard w/ gold hot stamp	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [A]
145	\$25 MGM DESERT INN - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1988-1991) green w/ 4-3/8 yellow w/ bronze (R) coin inlay	252 (BJ-E25D)	(Used) Est. - [D]
146	\$500 MGM DESERT INN - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1988-1991) blue w/ 4-1/2sxs white/dk. blue w/ bronze (R) coin	224 (BJ-D500D)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [E]
147	A Bicentennial Duo \$5 MGM & \$1 Silver Slipper Two nice Bicentennial pieces. \$5 MGM GRAND [1976]; \$1 SILVER SLIPPER [1976]		(Used) Est. - [D]
148	\$100 MGM METRO CLUB - Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1970's) brown w/ 3-1/2 sxs dk.brown/white/dk.blue w/ (R)	42 (H&C)	(Used) Est. - [D]
149	\$25 MGM - Las Vegas, NV -U.S.A.. - (Circa: 1970's) green w/ 3-1/2 pink w/ (R) white inlay	42 (H&C)	(Used) Est. - [D]
150	\$25 MGM GRAND - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1973-1989) yellow w/ 3-1/2sxs black/green w/ white (COG)	0 House	(Used) Est. - [D]
151	A Group of \$5 MGM Checks The first check is pre-fire, the other two after.		(Used) Est. - [C]
152	\$5 MGM GRAND - Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1993) red w/ white designs and a (R) white inlay - Grand Opening Dec. 1993	House	(New) Est. - [A]
153	\$5 MGM GRAND HOTEL - Reno, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1978-1986) dk. red w/ 3-1/2sxs yellow/green w/ white (R) inlay	0 House	(Used) Est. - [A]
154	N.D. MICKEY'S - North Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1978-1980) brown w/ gold hot stamp "Good for One Drink".	39 (HHR)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [A]
155	Some Colorado Special Edition Sets - MIDNIGHT ROSE 1997 Set & J.P. MCGILLS Two nice sets - one no cash value and one grand opening.		(Never Used - Lot of 7 pieces in cases) Est. - [B]
156	\$5** MINDEN HOTEL - Minden, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1950's) This small operation was located in beautiful downtown Minden where cows still outnumber people.	8 (SM-KEY)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [B]
157	N.D. MINT HOTEL, THE - Faro - Las Vegas, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1960's) orange w/ a gold hot stamp	41 (C&J)	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
158	10¢ MOM'S PLACE - Fallon, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1961-1977) off white w/ gold hot stamp	6 (SCROWN)	(Used) Est. - [B]
159	100 SOCIETE DES BAINS DE MER - Monte Carlo, Monaco- (Circa: 1950's) blue mother-of-pearl w/ 3 lunettes w/ black and gold	plastic molded jeton	(Used) Est. - [A]
160	10,000 SOCIETE DES BAINS DE MER - Monte Carlo, Monaco- (Circa: 1930's) 94mm x 66mm brown w/ 3 lunettes.	Molded plastic	(Used) Est. - [B]
161	A set of Monte Carlo - James Bond Movie Plaques 90mm x 126mm- plastic plaques	plastic	(Slightly Used) Est. - [B]
162	50¢ MONTE CARLO - Crystal Bay, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1957) maroon w/ gold hot stamp	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [C]
163	25¢ MONTE CARLO - Hawthorne, NV - U.S.A. - - (Circa: 1957) purple w/ gold hot stamp	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [B]
164	\$1, \$5, \$25 (R) MONTGOMERY PASS LODGE - Montgomery Pass, Nevada - U.S.A. This is a great group of checks from an early ownership of the Lodge.	11(SQSQRT)	(Slightly Used - Lot of 4 pieces) Est. - [B]

165	\$100 NEW FRONTIER - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1955-1956) black w/ 3-1/4 purple w/ white (R) inlay	10 (RECTL)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [E]
166	\$1 & \$5 NEW BROWN DERBY - Las Vegas, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1979-83) brown w/ 3-1/2 blue-gray inserts w/ gold hot stamp; yellow w/ 3-1/2 brown inserts w/ gold hot stamp	52 (DIECAR)	(Used - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [B]
167	\$25 NUGGET, The - Reno, NV - U.S.A. (Circa: 1950's) black w/ 3-1/4 gray inserts w/ (R) lt. blue insert	8 (SM-KEY)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [B]
168	\$100 ORMSBY HOUSE - Carson City, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1970's) black w/ 4-1/2 yellow inserts w/ (R) white inlay	6 (SCROWN)	(Never Used) Est. - [C]
169	Roulettes from ORTABANDA CASINO - Curaçao- (Circa: 1990's) two colors for #1 and two for #2	Crest & Seal	(Used - Lot of 4 pieces) Est. - [A]
170	\$1** OWL CLUB - Yerington, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1974-1977) red w/ gold hot stamp	9 (LG-KEY)	(Used) Est. - [A]
171	A group of 41 different Nevada Checks an assortment of Nevada Checks.		(Used - Lot of 41 pieces) Est. - [C]
172	10¢ PALACE - Reno, NV - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1964-1979) yellow w/ gold hot stamp	41 (C&J)	(Used) Est. - [B]
173	\$25 PARK TAHOE - Stateline, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1978-79) green w/ 3-3/8 sp yellow w/; (R) ni-sil coin inlay	House	(Slightly Used) Est. - [C]
174	\$5** THE PATIO - Las Vegas, NV. -U.S.A. - (Circa: 1954) dk. blue w/ 3-1/4 purple inserts w/ gold hot stamp.	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used - damaged as noted) Est. - [D]
175	N.D. PAULSON GAMING CORPORATION hot pink w/ predominately green full graphic inlay	Large Hat & Cane	(Never Used) Est. - [A]
176	\$1, \$5, \$25 PEOPLE'S CHOICE - North Las Vegas, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980) A nice group of the first issue checks.	42 (H&C)	(Used - Lot of 3 pieces) Est. - [C]
177	\$5 PIONEER CLUB - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1948-1956) lavender w/ 3-1/4 dk. blue w/ white (R) inlay	2 (HUB)	(Never Used) Est. - [D]
178	25¢, 50¢, \$1, \$5, \$25, \$100 PIONEER CLUB CASINO Las Vegas, NV. U.S.A. - (1995) a six piece commemorative set.	42 (H&C)	(Never Used - Lot of 6 pieces) Est. - [D]
179	A group of Las Vegas, Nevada Checks 70 different Nevada checks.		(Used - Lot of 70 pieces) Est. - [D]
180	\$25 PLAYBOY - Atlantic City, NJ. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980's) green w/ off-white designs and a ni-sil coin inlay	House	(Used) Est. - [E]
181	5** PLAYERS CLUB - Las Vegas, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1940's) purple w/ a gold hot stamp	5 (LCROWN)	(Used) Est. - [D]
182	\$1** PC [Palace Cafe] - Sheridan, WY. - U.S.A.- (Circa: 1950'S) Dk. blue w/ gold hot stamp	5 (LCROWN)	(Used) Est. - [A]
183	\$1** PRIMADONNA - Reno, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1955-1974) pink w/ 4-1/2xss brown/white w/ white (R) inlay	6 (SCROWN)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [C]
184	\$25.** RANCH HOUSE CASINO - Wells, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1960's) dk green w/ gold hot stamp	8 (LG-KEY)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [C]
185	50¢, 50¢, \$1**, \$5.** RCC [Red Cliff Casino] - Bayfield, WI - U.S.A. - (1990's) four different checks	39 (HHR)	(Slightly Used - Lot of 4 pieces) Est. - [A]
186	10¢ REEDER HOTEL - Reeder, ND. U.S.A. - - (Circa: 1950's) Description: brown w/ gold hot stamp	44 (TK'S)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [A]
187	\$10** RENO CASINO - Reno, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1944-47) black w/ gold hot stamp	34 (C)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]
188	N.D. RENO CLUB California - (Circa: 1960'S) two non-denominated chips in different colors.	(L's)	(Slightly Used - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [A]
189	\$100 R R (Reno Ramada) - Reno, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980-1989) white w/ brass "RR" logo	slug core	(Never Used) Est. - [D]
190	\$5** RESORTS INTERNATIONAL (Training School) - Atlantic City, NJ. - U.S.A. red w/ gold hot stamp	42 (H&C)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [A]
191	\$1 RESORTS INTERNATIONAL - Atlantic City, NJ. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1978) Description: white w/ 3-1/2 purple w/ (R) white inlay	42 (H&C)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [B]
192	20 years RESORTS INTERNATIONAL - Atlantic City, NJ. - U.S.A. - (1998) Original Superstars Reunion set	CHIPCO	(Never Used - Lot of 2 pieces) Est. - [D]
193	\$5.** ROYAL CASINO - Henderson, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1960-1964) dk. blue w/ 3-5/8 yellow w/ gold hot stamp	41 (C&J)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [B]
194	A group of Las Vegas, Nevada Checks 69 different and interesting Nevada checks.		(Used - Lot of 69 pieces) Est. - [C]
195	Four Nevada Checks of Interest \$5 OWL CLUB; \$5 YEP-LUCKIE; \$5 NUGGET, CARSON CITY; HONEST JOHN'S		(Used - Lot of 4 pieces) Est. - [C]
196	25¢ SAHATI'S STATELINE COUNTRY CLUB - Stateline, NV. - U.S.A. green w/ gold hot stamp	43 (T's)	(Used) Est. - [D]
197	\$1 SAHARA THUNDERBIRD - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1972-1976) off white w/ white (R) inlay	16 (H.C.E.)	(Used) Est. - [D]
198	\$2 SAN FELIPE CASINO - San Felipe Pueblo, NM. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1990's) predominately white w/ multi-colored logo	CHIPCO	(Used) Est. - [A]
199	\$20 SANDS - Atlantic City - NJ - U.S.A., yellow w/ 4-1/2spl red w/ (SCA) multi-colored inlay	House	(Used) Est. - [C]
200	\$20 SANDS - Atlantic City - NJ - U.S.A., predominately yellow CHIPCO w/ Tara Holland #0081	CHIPCO	(Used) Est. - [C]
201	\$20 SANDS HOTEL • CASINO (Baccarat) - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: yellow w/ 3-1/2xss gray/black w/ white (R) inlay	0 House	(Used) Est. - [D]
202	\$5 SANDS HOTEL & CASINO - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1981-1983) red w/ 4-1/2xss pink/gray w/ multi-colored (R) inlay	0 House	(Used) Est. - [C]
203	\$25 SANDS HOTEL & CASINO - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1981-1983) green w/ 4-1/2xss brown/green w/ multi-colored (R)	0 House	(Used) Est. - [D]
204	\$100 SANDS HOTEL & CASINO - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1981-1983) black w/ 3-1/2xss brown/lt. blue w/ multi-colored (R)	0 House	(Used) Est. - [D]
205	\$5, \$20, \$50, 100, 500, 1,000 SANDS (Baccarat) - Las Vegas, NV. - U.S.A. - (1960's) A French style baccarat set of 6 pieces.	plastic molded	(Slightly Used - Lot of 6 pieces) Est. - [E]

206	Gaming Token Proof set from the SANTA FE - Las Vegas, NV. - U.S.A. brass gaming tokens in original red plush case.		(Brilliant Proof) Est. - [B]
207	\$5 THE SHACK - (State Line, NV.) - (Circa: 1980's?) red w/ gold hot stamp	47 (DIASQR)	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
208	\$5 SHERATON CASINOS - Halifax, Nova Scotia - Canada - (Circa: 1995) predominately red multicolored logo - grand opening	CHIPCO	(Never Used) Est. - [A]
209	N.D. SILVER PALACE - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1958-1959) off white w/ 3-1/2 dk. blue w/ white (SCA) inlay	8 (SM-KEY)	(Used - drilled) Est. - [C]
210	One Dollar Gaming Token SILVER QUEEN brass gaming token		(Uncirculated) Est. - [A]
211	\$5 SILVER SLIPPER - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1968-1988) yellow w/ 3-3/4 red w/ nickel silver coin inlay	101	(Used) Est. - [C]
212	\$1 SILVER SLIPPER - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1968-1988) blue w/ 3-1/2sxs red/white w/ white (R) inlay	42 (H&C)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [C]
213	\$25 SINABAR CASINO - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1972-1972) green w/ 3-1/2 orange w/ white (R) inlay	51 (EWING)	(Never Used) Est. - [C]
214	\$1, \$5, \$25 SKY UTE CASINO - Ignacio, CO. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1998) \$1, \$5, \$25 fourth Anniversary set in a triangular plastic holder.	CHIPCO	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
215	\$50 SKYLINE CLUB Unattributed (Circa: 1950's) red w/ gold hot stamp	36 (ARODIE)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [B]
216	\$5 SONOMA JOE'S predominately black w/ multicolored logo encased in plastic with a brass back.		(Used) Est. - [A]
217	\$25 SOUTH TAHOE RIVERBOAT - Stateline, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1970-1970) green w/ 3-5/8 black w/ white (R) inlay	45 (HORSHU)	(Never Used) Est. - [D]
218	\$5 SOUTH TAHOE NUGGET - Stateline, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1968-1981) red w/ 4-1/2sxs green/yellow w/ white (R) inlay	42 (H&C)	(Used) Est. - [A]
219	\$25 SOUTH TAHOE NUGGET - Stateline, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1968-1981) green w/ 4-1/2sxs lt.green/peach w/ white (R)	42 (H&C)	(Used) Est. - [C]
220	An Interesting Lot of Cruise Ship and Riverboat items 18 checks and an original pass to the Tango.		(Used - Lot of 19 pieces) Est. - [D]
221	\$1 checks from Royal Caribbean SPLENDOR OF THE SEAS A very difficult set of checks	CHIPCO	(Slightly Used - Lot of 8 pieces) Est. - [B]
222	\$10,000 SPORT OF KINGS - Las Vegas, NV. -U.S.A. - (Circa: 1990's) predominately gray w/ multi-colored logo	CHIPCO	(Never Used - notched) Est. - [A]
223	5 SC (monogram) [Sporting Club] - Monte Carlo, Monaco - (Circa: 1920's) imitation bone w/ silver inlay	molded plastic	(Used) Est. - [B]
224	\$25 STARDUST - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1958-1985) dark blue-green w/ 3-5/8 red w/ white (SCA) inlay	41 (C&J)	(Never Used) Est. - [C]
225	\$25 STARDUST HOTEL AND CASINO - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. green w/ 3-1/2sxs dk. blue/yellow w/ green/white	0 House	(Slightly Used) Est. - [C]
226	N.D. STARLITE CLUB - Chicago, IL - U.S.A. white w/ gold hot stamp	26 (RCTHRT)	(Used) Est. - [A]
227	50¢ STATE LINE CASINO - Wendover, NV. -U.S.A. - (Circa: 1970's) green w/ 4-1/2 blue w/ (SCA white inlay	51 (EWING)	(Never Used) Est. - [C]
228	10¢ STEVE'S GAY NINETY'S - Unattributed - (Circa: 1980'S) tan w/ gold hot stamp	47 (DIASQR)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [B]
229	\$5 TAC [Tony A. Costanza - Caliente Club] - Caliente, NV. - U.S.A. orange w/ gold hot stamp	36 (ARODIE)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [B]
230	5 <sup>mm</sup> TAHOE VILLAGE - Stateline, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1946-1947) red w/ silver metal wafer inlay	8 (SM-KEY)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]
231	N.D. TAHOE VILLAGE - Stateline, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1948) brown w/ silver metal wafer inlay - Hockey Player	Crest & Seal	(Used) Est. - [D]
232	N.D. TAHOE VILLAGE - Stateline, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1948) brown w/ silver metal wafer inlay - Skier	Crest & Seal	(Used) Est. - [D]
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235	50¢ THUNDERBIRD, HOTEL - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1949-1964) maroon w/ 1/2pie dk. green w/ gold hot stamp	41 (C&J)	(Never Used) Est. - [C]
236	\$25 TOIYABE CLUB - Gabbs, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1960-1961) red w/ gold hot stamp	9 (LG-KEY)	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
237	\$5 TOLL GATE - Central City, Colorado - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1991-1993) maroon w/ 3-1/4 dk. blue w/ white (R) inlay	39 (HHR)	(Never Used) Est. - [B]
238	\$1 TOLLGATE - Central City, Colorado - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1994-1995) white w/ 3-1/2sxs dk.blue/lt.blue/dk.blue w/ white	molded inserts	(Slightly Used) Est. - [A]
239	N.D. TOMMERLINS GOLDEN-BANK - Reno, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1950's) off-white w/ gold hot stamp	6 (SCROWN)	(Used) Est. - [C]
240	Tournament Checks from the TREASURY CASINO - Brisbane, Australia an interesting assortment of colors.		(Slightly Used - Lot of 7 pieces) Est. - [B]
241	\$5 TROCADERO - Reno, NV. -U.S.A. - (Circa: 1940's) red w/ gold hot stamp	10 (RECTL)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [D]
242	\$25 TROCADERO - Reno, NV. -U.S.A. - (Circa: 1940's) yellow w/ gold hot stamp	10 (RECTL)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [E]
243	\$1 TROPICANA - Las Vegas, Nevada - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1968-1972) blue w/ 1/2pie white w/ white (R) inlay	6 (SCROWN)	(Used) Est. - [C]
244	\$25 TROPICANA - Las Vegas, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1960's) red w/ 4-1/4 black w/ a (HUB white inlay	6 (SCROWN)	(Never Used) Est. - [C]
245	\$5 Set of Suits from TRUMP CASTLE - Atlantic City, NJ. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1997) red w/ 4-1/2 alt. peach/black inserts w/ a full	House	(Never Used - Lot of 20 pieces) Est. - [D]
246	N.D. WOLF LICHTEN 50TH BIRTHDAY - (Taj Mahal - Atlantic City) multi-colored CHIPCO	CHIPCO	(Never Used - in original case) Est. - [B]

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252	\$1 WESTSIDE STORY - Las Vegas, NV. - U.S.A. - (Circa: 1980-81) tan w/ gold hot stamp	52 (DIECAR)	(Slightly Used) Est. - [C]





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# Goodbye to an Old Friend

by Howard W. Herz & Gregg L. Herz



## *Last Light on the Aladdin*

It was kind of like making arrangements for a trip out of town to attend a funeral. We were looking forward to being there when a page in the annals of gaming history was being written. After months of speculation on the final date for the implosion of the Aladdin Hotel, Monday, April 27 was confirmed. We had arranged to document the event and with the helpful assistance of Gina Cunningham of Bally's Las Vegas, we would witness the event from the top floor of Bally's.



We arrived in Las Vegas in the early afternoon and checked into Bally's. A press room was established on the top floor and security had removed the window blocks for a clear view of the event scheduled at sunset. We were joined by several television camera crews and reporters.

Early in the afternoon I had walked along Las Vegas Blvd. and looked at the hotel - a lonely monument about to descend into the history books in a cloud of dust. The fence in front of the Aladdin was crowded with signs from the demolition companies and the hotel had an air of impending doom. A black band of material circled the tower and pre-demolition had cleared most of the casino area behind the Arabic arched facade that fronts on the boulevard. I could see through the front doors and daylight was visible. The massive sign was draped to conceal a message that would be revealed just before the implosion.

I returned to Bally's and found that the marketing department had supplied a tray of fruits (the strawberries were great) for the starving journalists. Mr. and Mrs. Matthews joined us in the top floor suite and we awaited sunset.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pollack also joined us and helped with the photography. Kregg kept track of events on a video recorder while I took still pictures. As the sun put its final rays of light on the Aladdin, the street below filled with people.

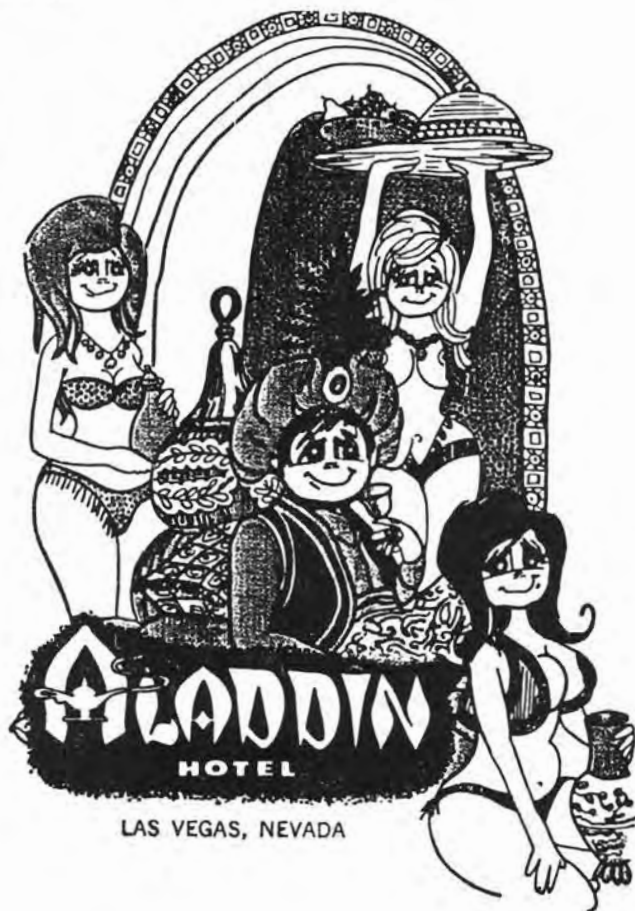
The evening was calm and only a slight breeze ruffled the palm trees on the strip. All of the people in the room were aware of the many enjoyable times that the Aladdin had provided. There was always the possibility that the weather would not cooperate, but a calm descended on the scene.



It was shortly after sunset - dusk to be exact - when a series of explosions reverberated from the area of the Aladdin. Slowly the hotel began to buckle and then the tower plunged into a massive cloud of dust. It was a dramatic ending for one of the legendary hotels of the strip.



We watched as the cloud of dust slowly drifted over Las Vegas boulevard and the thousands of people dispersed in a run to escape the dust. Shortly after, Bally's security came in and secured the windows to avoid what one of the housekeepers described as the ultimate nightmare. "Art Anderson will miss the Spam sushi" quipped Gregg. - Now it was history.





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*Galveston Police Chief Willie Burns smashes a Bang Tails Winter Book Horse Race Machine. On June 19, 1957, the Texas Rangers confiscated fifteen hundred slot machines, roulette wheels, card and dice tables and cases of chips ending Galveston's 30 year gambling era.*

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# ANTIQUE COLLECTIBLES

## by Dale Seymour & Ken Craig

"He who knows only his own generation always remains a child." ... Plato

This is the first article of what is planned to be a regular feature of the *Casino Chip and Token News*. Although the major interest in this magazine appears to be modern casino chips and new commemorative chips, there are several collectors who subscribe that are quite interested in knowing about all kinds of gaming chips and counters. Even if one does not collect a certain category of chip, it is frequently beneficial to know the rarity and value of chips that they discover from time to time. A profitable find can help finance acquisitions in one's own special interest area.

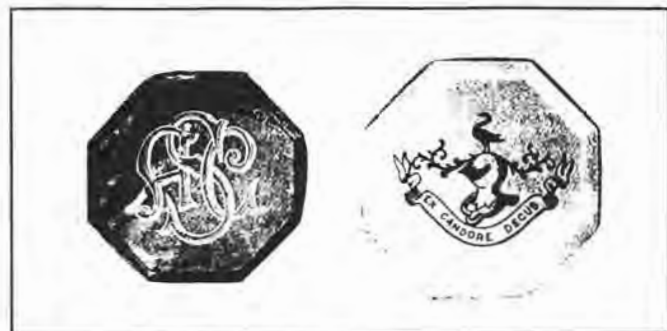
The use of game counters, as they were called in earlier days, goes back hundreds of years. Counters were used in a variety of games throughout the world and they were created from nearly every type of material that you can imagine. These include: metals of all types, bone, ivory, jade, mother-of-pearl, porcelain, wood, clay, paper, Bakelite, leather, celluloid, coal, woven straw, and plastic.

In Europe, during the 16th through the 19th centuries, bone and metal counters were most commonly used. Games such as *Quadrille*, *Pope Joan*, *Loo* and *Ombre* required counters for "melding" or betting. Actual currency or coins were frequently used, but often was inconvenient for a number of reasons. The game of *Poker* was derived from the English game of *Bragg* and the French game of *Poque* in the New Orleans area in about 1835. Both poker and the more popular game of *Faro* required numerous game counters or checks to play the game efficiently.

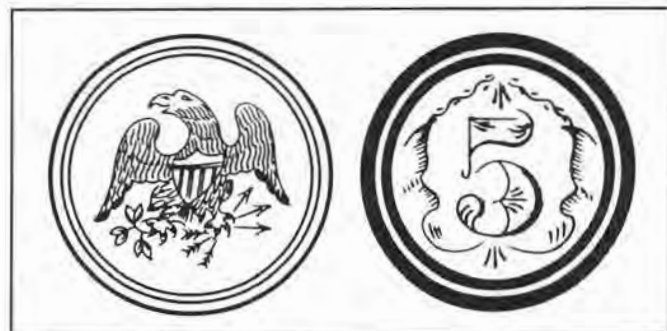
This need for game pieces inspired some enterprising business types to actually manufacture sets of chips to be sold to the public. Most early European chips sets were housed in a box about 9 inches by 12 inches. This larger box contained four smaller boxes of counters and often a deck or two of playing cards. The four smaller boxes usually each contained counters of a distinct color or design. It seems that this "set" provided four players each with their own box of counters.



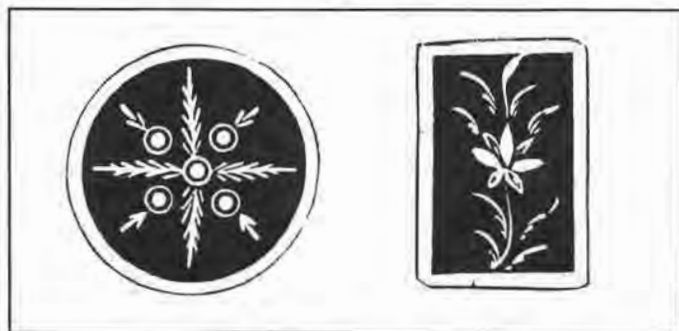
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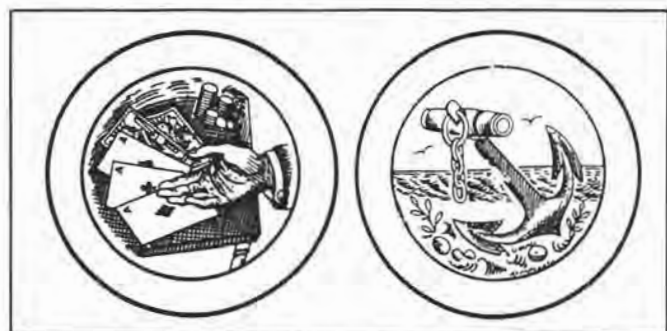
French Style Mother-of-Pearl (1830-1930)



American Style Ivory (1840-1900)



Bone Counters (1600-1900)



American Style Clay (1880-1940)



# ATLANTIC CITY

By Archie A. Black CH-001

New Atlantic City chips and tokens continue to be scarce in numbers and in frequency of issues. By the time you read this report, the Resorts International promotional "chip of the week" 20th year commemorative No Cash Value twenty piece chip set will have been completed. I've been able to keep about a dozen A.C. collectors up to date with these not easily obtainable issues and I'm aware of a significant number of other collectors who have been obtaining them from additional sources; there seems to be lots of genuine interest in the series.

Relatively few chips have been issued by other properties in town since my last quarterly report. A \$5 chip commemorating their 20 year anniversary has been issued by Resorts.



Tropicana has been actively releasing Limited Edition new issues to keep chip collectors live interesting during this "drought". Tropicana has issued a Limited Edition \$5 St. Patty's Day chip. Trop's Triple Crown Series included a \$5 Kentucky Derby chip, a \$5 Preakness chip, a \$5 Belmont Stakes chip and their new rack of regular table chips, which are ready to be introduced any day now, will replace the old TropWorld rack.



Claridge has issued the last chip in their series of "Gambling Legends". The \$5 Wild Bill Hickok issue completes the series of six chips.



For the token collectors, the only new A.C. issue to keep their collecting interests alive is a new \$1 token from Trump Marina which replaced the now obsolete \$1 Trump Castle slot tokens.



We're still awaiting the \$20 Milton Berle chip out of Sands to be issued and I've learned that Harrah's has a brand new set of CHIPCO roulettes in the vault ready to be put into play at

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their discretion.

Meanwhile, a news article that appeared in the May 14th issue of the Atlantic City Press reported on the approval of DGE (Division of Gaming Enforcement) of a brand new \$10 Harrah's/Budwieser beer chip. The vote was not unanimous however. DGE Commissioner James R. Hurley reportedly said, "this is not like Miss America", referring to the popular chip that was issued jointly last summer by several A.C. casinos. "This (chip) is not wholesome, apple pie".

DGE Commissioner Leanna Brown who was concerned about the commercial aspects of Harrah's petition asked that the word "commemorative" be removed from the agency's order. "We're not interested in commemorating penguins, unless we are saving them", she said.

According to the Press article, 2,500 **ten dollar** chips will feature the Bud Ice penguin and logo on one side and the Harrah's logo on the other. DGE Commissioner Hurley, who cast the only dissenting vote, remarked that "the chips promote alcohol consumption and are unlike true commemorative chips that celebrate famous events or people". (*Aha! At last, I've found a man who shares my personal opinion on the subject.*) Hurley concluded, "I think this is a mistake. Harrah's does not need it. Anheuser-Busch has all the money in the world to advertise their products".

*(Right on Mr. Hurley... what's next, Coca-Cola chips? How about Wonder Bread or joint chips with any of the hundreds of other casino suppliers?? I can see it now' linen supply chips, limousine service chips, bus line chips w/buffet coupons, florists and landscapers chips, etc. all in conjunction with a casino of course)*

The Press article observed that, "commemorative gaming chips are prized by collectors, who buy them without the intent of redeeming them, and are profitable for casinos". Susan Schneider, Harrah's VP of marketing, said that the \$10 Bud Ice chips will cost

Harrah's between 60 cents and a dollar each, or between \$1,500 and \$2,500 for the batch. If they sell out as expected, Harrah's will generate \$25,000. Harrah's expects to begin selling the Bud Ice chips this summer. Michael Pollock's "Gaming Industry Observer" estimated that local commemorative chip sales could eventually reach \$10 million annually according to the Press article.

How many times have you read/heard the casino's claim that "these chips are intended for our customers, not collectors?" Mr./Mrs. Casino VP... whom do you suppose are purchasing your chips??? Your chip collector customers; that's who. Non-collector players could care less if you issued redeemable plastic bottle caps to cash in their winnings as long as they get their dough. Hold you letters and e-mails on this one folks; this is just one man's opinion. I invite you to write your own column if you differ, as I'm very much aware that many of you take exception to almost everything and anything I comment on.

## 1998 ATLANTIC CITY CATALOG READY

"Black's Catalog", the long awaited up to date comprehensive catalog for collectors of Atlantic City casino chips and gaming tokens is now ready for distribution. 106 pages, over 1,000 illustrations, including every chip known up to the \$100 denomination is illustrated in full color. Tokens up to the \$100 denomination are illustrated in black/white as are \$10, \$20, \$40 "silver strikes" and Fun Nite paper and Fun Nite chips. A chronological listing of all commemorative chips issued to date, with dates and quantities issued, plus a revised 1998 Price Guide is also included. This A.C. collector's "bible" is priced at \$29.95, plus \$3 postage via U.S. Priority Mail, can be ordered directly from the author at P.O. Box 63 Brick, NJ 08723.

## AN OBSERVATION ON COLORADO

I know the following information probably does not belong in my Atlantic City column. However, I believe it is noteworthy to report that in Howard Herz' May 4th Auction No 26a, which featured Colorado chips exclusively, Lot #261 fetched an amazing \$3,661, plus a 10% buyers fee for a total price paid of over \$4000... or more than 8 times catalog estimate! (The auction catalog estimate given was \$500). The chip auction off was a \$25 CHIPCO from Main Street Station in Blackhawk.

Not impressed? How 'bout Lot #315... another \$25 CHIPCO from Silver Mine Gambling Hall & Casino which brought a winning bid of \$1,815 plus 10% against a catalog estimate of \$150-\$175 for a total price realized of more than 11 times catalog estimate. Another \$25 CHIPCO, Cripple Creek Ore House, Lot #84 brought \$1,207, plus 10% against a catalog estimate of \$150-\$175!

See; chips from Atlantic City and Nevada ain't the only casino chips bringing big four-figure money! Amazing! Whether one speaks of Colorado, Atlantic City, Nevada, etc.; the masses at the time of issuance simply didn't collect the \$25 chips just a relatively few short years ago; or collectors didn't appreciate their potential future value, so there are not that many \$25 chips around to begin with. When these chips go obsolete, the prices tend to sky rocket.

With the expanding number of collectors entering the hobby, today's limited edition chips of 1,000-1,500 or less may not be sufficient quantities to satisfy collector demand just a few years down the road (in my opinion). So, if you can afford up to the \$25's for a face value or slightly over while they are available today; go for it.... they will make fine additions to your collections of tomorrow!

Happy Collecting, Archie

## THE GATEWAY TO CHIP HISTORY

by Steve Passalacqua

Harvey Fuller, Phil Jensen, Howdy Herz, Al Moe and Doug Saito have all done the deed. Each one of these gaming historians have dedicated a part of their life to locate former casino owners and unearth their stories. Their past and continuing effort to preserve periods of gaming history is and will be savored by the current and future collector.

Reading and hearing of their face-to-face interviews with many of the early casino pioneers, has intensified my hunger for knowledge about the way it was. Every new piece of information added more character to the chips. The sharing of these distinctive accounts flooded my brain with personalized meaning for many of the gaming chips in my collection.

Each chip has a story of it's own. Who made it? Where was it used? When was it in play? Who were the players that might have temporarily utilized it to flirt with Lady Luck? A hard luck drifter might bet a single chip and the wealthy bet many. GAMbling is done at all levels on the ladder of wealth. From the 1800's to the present day, chips are the gamblers utensil of choice. Chips have become flashy markers to track a players ups and downs. More flaunt success, less confirm loss. The intent of the gambler is to cash in a pile of chips, and the intent of the collector is to maintain a pile of chips.

I have collected chips for over 25 years, the first 15 years was on looks alone. Over the last 10 years the hard to find gaming history came creeping into my life. History has added life to my chips and is now the driving force for my chip collection. Some of my favorite chips were hot stamped with a greek style lettering that read "George's Gateway". I wanted to know more about these interesting gaming artifacts and the man behind the chips. An interview with Barbara Anne Canon gave me my chance to uncover a bonanza of research about George Sam Canon, the man that built and owned GEORGE'S GATEWAY at South Lake Tahoe, Nevada.

On September 24th, 1908, George Sam Canon was born in Merkel, Texas. He was the oldest of five children. After his parents separated, George's mother and her 5 children worked their way to California picking cotton. As a teenager in California, George had his own watermelon patch in El Centro. In 1927 the price

of his watermelons were at an all time low. George could no longer profit from the melons left in his field. He was not about to let anyone else profit from his hard work, so he drove his truck through the field smashing all of the remaining melons and joined the Navy.

At the age of 19 he was learning more than how to be the average sailor. As a talented Navy boxer he was never knocked off his feet. He earned the title of Heavy Weight Boxing Champion of the Pacific Fleet. This was an early boost of the confidence he would carry through out his life. It also gave him respect among the men in the days when the boss was the toughest guy on the street. He proved to his cronies, that if the time ever came, he could and would run the show.

Earlier George had promised his mother not to marry until he was 21. Toughness would not alter the respect George has for his mother. He would honor his promise and marry the love of his life five days after he turned 21. On September 29th, 1929 he married Anna.

One day George awoke in jail. In a hospital there was a man in serious condition stemming from a fight and could not remember what took place. Not remembering the fight scared George, he realized that drinking could put him out of control. George would stop drinking booze at the age of 21. In my opinion, going on the wagon was a necessary step for George to succeed. He knew that being a tough guy was not enough to run the show, you had to be in control.

George and Anna had their first of two children born in 1932.



Barbara Ann Canon left, George Canon middle, Anna Canon right

Barbara Anne was the first of two girls. Her sister Carol would be born 12 years later.

Aboard ship George was learning and refining his occupational calling. This career was not centered around swabbing the deck. Gambling was becoming his way of life. The Navy saw gambling as a substantial obstacle to the All American Sailor. Those caught would have to pay the price. In 1934 his heavy involvement with gambling at sea would earn him a Bad Conduct Discharge. George was a proficient gambler and the revenue from gambling aboard ship was extremely good. He could not walk away from the guaranteed riches to be made at sea. After his discharge, to profit from gambling, he and a buddy were stowaways on a Navy ship headed to Shanghai, China. During their stowaway stay they hid in the boiler room and the only thing George lost was 15 pounds from the heat. It wasn't long before they were apprehended, detained and returned to shore. The gambling experiences aboard ship would serve as a strong foundation for his future in legal gambling in the State of Nevada.

Into the late 30's George and Anna were living in Vallejo, California, located about 35 miles northeast of San Francisco. Vallejo was a navy town and the home of Mare Island navel ship yard. This area employed over 50,000 Navy and blue collar ship builders. The passenger ferry to and from the island docked close to the end of lower Georgia Street. Lower Georgia Street was the reckless part of Vallejo, off limits to the domesticated citizens. This two block area was said to have more night clubs, and bars per block than anywhere in the world, including Singapore. A good friend and past Navy shipmate Norman Reinberg A.K.A. Dopey Norman had a club in Vallejo. Most of these clubs had liquor and dancing out front, with gambling in the back, and the ladies upstairs. Often the alley behind the clubs had long lines of sailors and ship builders waiting to climb the back stairs and pay for some pleasure with a lady of their choice. According to Barbara her father would not get involved with prostitution or drugs.

George was working as a bouncer for a good friend William "Willy" Musso at a Georgia Street club. One night two sailors tried to take George down. The first sailor got down behind George with the second one trying to knock George backwards over the first. George's wife Anna was present and knew just what to do as the plot was unfolding, she grabbed a pool cue

and broke it over the head of the standing sailor. For many months George would travel up and down Georgia Street bragging to everyone about his courageous Anna.

In 1939 George and a partner took over the Vallejo Locker Club on Georgia St. and started C&S Sportland. It was a Penny Arcade in the front, with lockers in the rear for sailors to store their uniforms when dressed in civilian clothes. Of course the gambling was up stairs in the back



Vallejo Locker Club bought by George Canon and turned into C&S Sportland Vallejo, California

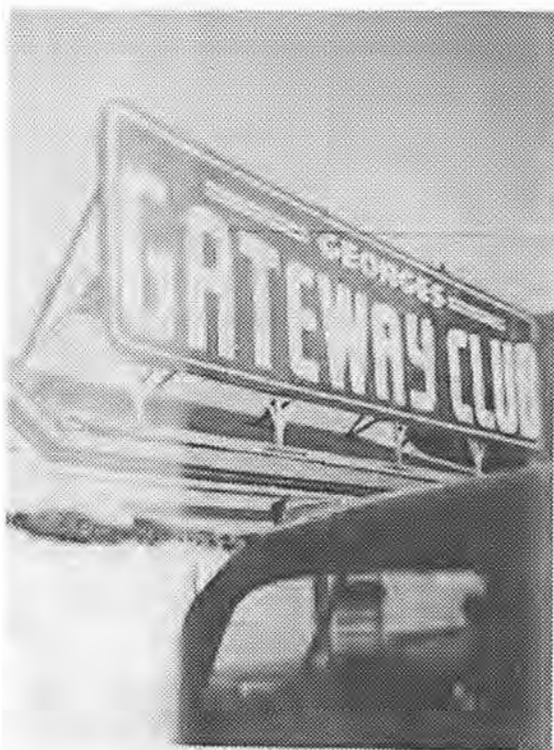
During the summer of 1946 Willy Musso and the Canons were in Daytona Beach, Florida. Barbara was 13 years old and remembers enjoying the beach and fishing from a boat. At night her father and Willy ran the gaming at the Chateau Lido. One night in a private poker game her father won a hand full of loose diamonds. Barbara received one of the 5 beautiful rings made from that nights victory. The operation at the Chateau Lido was short lived. One night the local boys showed up and introduced themselves as George and Willie's new partners. Willy told them to go to hell. It was time to get back to California.

In 1947, George and several partners owned a bar and dance hall in Colfax, California called the Quonset Club. With the income from the dance club dropping, George decided in the winter of 48 to dismantle the quonset hut piece by piece, load it on two flat bed trucks and haul it to Nevada. The strategy was to rebuild it in Nevada as a casino. The destination was at the south shore of Lake Tahoe on the lake side of Highway 50. It was to be the first club on the left when entering Nevada from California. George put up the money to move the hut to Nevada and owned

over 50% of the rebuilt club, called GEORGE'S GATEWAY.



Quonset Hut becomes George's Gateway at South Lake Tahoe



First sign at the newly constructed Quonset at Lake Tahoe

Lake Tahoe was only a summer vacation destination at the time. The new club would be open year round with modest to almost no business in the winter. The snow would close down Highway 50 cutting off access from most of California. George did everything in his power to promote Lake Tahoe into a year round play ground. George and one of his major Gateway partners, Philip "Curly" Musso, Willies younger brother, were a hard working team. Everything they did was to make money and share it with family and friends in the form of giving them a job. With over 65 employees there were plenty of

family and friends working at GEORGE'S GATEWAY. In my opinion from 1949 and on to into the 60's George Canon was Mr. Lake Tahoe.

George's daughter Barbara Anne was pregnant with her first child during the construction of the Gateway. Being pregnant didn't stop Barbara from working on the soon to be casino. She stripped tree bark with draw knives to shape the wooden log beams in the Gateway's rustic dining room. Over the years Barbara worked at various jobs associated with casinos. At that time in Nevada, she informed me, children of casino owners were allowed to work in the gaming area of their parents casino before they were 21. When she told me she was a "pot hopper", I had to ask her for a definition. She would give change and hop from one jackpot to the next to pay off the winners.

These were the days when a family run casino could be put together on a shoe string allowance with little regulation from the Gaming Control Board. In the first week of business at George's Gateway someone hit a jackpot of \$750. There was not enough money in the cashiers cage to make the payoff. The payoff money was taken from the crap and blackjack tables in the pit. In a casino today, a slot machine payoff from the pit would be ridiculous, if not prohibited.

It was not long before Barbara was the Manager in the cashiers cage. In an 18 hour period over the 4th of July in 1953, more than one million dollars went through the cage in slot machine and table fills. After Barbara turned 21 years old she left the cage to deal games in the pit, craps, roulette and blackjack.



Barbara Anne Canon dealing blackjack inside George's Gateway

Each season at Lake Tahoe was bigger and better than the year before. In August of 1953 the entertainment at South Shore Lake Tahoe included Barney Dodd's Quartones, in the Round Up Room at GEORGE'S GATEWAY CLUB. HARVEY'S WAGON WHEEL was on the right side of the Gateway with the Delta Rhythm Boys appearing in the Sage Room. Across the street at SAHATI'S STATE-LINE COUNTRY CLUB was Louis Jordan and His Tympany Five. Just 1/4 mile into Nevada from state line, the SKY HARBOR CASINO was hosting The Ink Spots and the CASINO de PARIS had a variety show headed by the Arnaut Brothers.

Every year George would take several employees elk hunting to Jackson Hole, Wyoming. Always returning with 14 elk, the Gateway would host an annual Elk Feed. This event was attended by prominent guests from 4 states. Herb Caen, a famous San Francisco newspaper columnist, visited and wrote three favorable articles about George's Gateway and the food they served.



Trailer overturns on Elk Hunt

One of the first, if not the first, shuttle vehicle for gamblers was started by George. It was a commercial truck transformed into an improvised train engine pulling a look alike passenger car. This shuttle would travel on Highway 50 giving gamblers a free ride to and from the casino. This shuttle vehicle was also used later on in Carson City when George ran the gaming at the Senator Club.



Most probable the first shuttle at Lake Tahoe Later used at the Senator Club in Carson City.

In 1953 part of the agreement in selling the Gateway to Bill Harrah, from HARRAH'S CLUB, in Reno, was for George not to be involved in gaming for one year. During the year away from gambling Canon and Curly Musso were two of the partners that started the now famous ski resort, Heavenly Valley. George sold his share of the ski resort in 1960.



Carol Canon and George Canon on the lifts at Heavenly Valley.

Although George was never granted another gaming license in the State of Nevada after selling George's Gateway Club. For many years he was involved with gaming at clubs throughout Nevada. The CASINO de PARIS, formerly the TAHOE VILLAGE, experienced several unsuccessful opening until Canon and Musso hosted the gaming action.



George owned a plane and was his own pilot. Naturally, he was involved with the dirt air strip and gaming at Sky Harbor. Some time afterward he was named Business Man of the Year for heating the air strip at the Lake Tahoe Airport in California. The heated air strip would generate year round flights. In Jackpot, Nevada he built another dirt air field so he could fly in and out when he operated two more clubs and a motel. His first club in Jackpot was GEORGE and TEX'S GATEWAY. It had a huge slot machine on the front of the building with the pay out area as the front entrance. Barbara thought that after this Gateway was destroyed by fire, Diamond Jim's was built on the same property. Barbara said that her father was proud of the logo he designed for Diamond Jim's. The logo was a diamond held high by the gambler. Adjacent to the casino property he had the Annabelle Motel named for his wife. In the late 50's George was so involved in Jackpot, Nevada the local slang name for the town was Canonville.



Steve Passalacqua and Barbara Anne Canon

The following is a sample of the chips used at George's Gateway Club in Lake Tahoe.



George & Tex's Gateway in Jackpot, Nevada

His last Nevada enterprise was in the early 1970's for about two years at STOCKMAN'S in Elko. After leaving Nevada he settled in the Sacramento area. He would continue to run local poker games in clubs, bars and halls. In 1979 a fall from a ladder, resulting in a severe head injury, he was never the same. Barbara was able to care for him the rest of his life. George Sam Canon died December 13, 1988. An entrepreneur and true casino gaming pioneer of Lake Tahoe, Canon is buried in the Happy Homestead Cemetery at Lake Tahoe.



Pink



Yellow



Black



Red



Yellow



Black

GEORGE'S GATEWAY CLUB  
BOX 67  
LAKE TAHOE,  
STATE LINE, CALIF.

M1611  
8/18/53

5300 B9 HUB CHECKS  
3000 RED STAMP 1 SIDE \$5.00 IN GOLD  
1500 YELLOW STAMP 1 SIDE \$25.00 IN GOLD  
800 BLACK STAMP 1 SIDE \$100.00 IN GOLD

STAMP REVERSE SIDE ALL CHECKS SPECIAL  
DIE: GEORGE'S IN GOLD \$500  
GATEWAY GATEWAY  
\$2500 CLUB \$10000 CLUB

Rec'd 8-18-53 M-1611  
Comp. 8-21-53

5300 Hubbs  
3000 Red - 5.00 one side \$10000  
1500 yellow - 25.00  
800 Black - 100.00

Reverse sides George's Gateway  
Club. in gold. \$500  
\$2500 GATEWAY CLUB

## COLLECTORS BUY, SELL TRADE IN A.C.

By Brian Hickey

Staff Writer for the Atlantic City Press

**ATLANTIC CITY** - Nate Pincus returned home from a 1985 trip to the casinos with a six bucks worth of chips in his pocket. Redeemed, they'd have covered the bill for a ham sandwich and a soda.

Pincus never turned those souvenirs into a cheap meal, however. They just sat around and aged. By the time the Casino Chips & Gaming Tokens Collectors Club member rediscovered those little round pieces, Pincus could have hosted a lunch for 58 friends.

"I wasn't a knowing collector with those first chips," said Pincus, of Wayneswood, Pa., at the club's meeting at Showboat Casino-Hotel. Those chips were issued by Hilton before the opening of Trump's Castle Casino Resort. "It's what happens to everyone. I had 'em and it was the basis for my collection," he said.

Pincus was among about 100 club members who attended the local club-chapter meeting, where chips from the resort and across the country were bought, traded, auctioned and sold.

Dennis Zeller, of Brick Township, said there are more than 2,000 people in the national organization, the local chapter making up one-tenth of that total. The club started in 1988 when people joined together with the shared interest in collecting casino chips.

Demand among collectors combine with the sometimes limited supply of casino-issued chips to turn low-value chips into valuable keepsakes. In one case, a \$100 chip is now valued a \$1,100. A \$20 early-issue Resorts Casino Hotel chip now attracts \$4,000.

With returns like that, it's easy to understand why people like Pincus and Zeller tote books with hundreds of chips encased in plastic.

"There's no risk whatsoever," Zeller said, eyeing a \$5 George Burns chip for which he had just traded. "That chip will always be worth at least what you paid for it. You never lose your money; you can only gain."

Zeller said more people are being drawn to the hobby because gaming operations are no longer isolated in this resort and the Nevada desert. And with more casinos opening, there are more chips for collectors to seek.

To stay abreast of activity in other areas, organizations issue price guides that offer pictures of the chips as well as their values. When there aren't meetings, people trade or buy chips through those magazines or on the World Wide Web.

"It's all about getting a piece of history," Zeller said.

## Playing with chips, riskfree



## PHIL'S FORAYS by Phil Jensen

### -COLLECTING IN OLD NEVADA-

Having been coerced by several of my piers to pen my memoirs, I've decided to write a short series of articles to appear in "Casino Chip and Token News".

Now, the dictionary defines foray as ravaging in search of spoil; to pillage - so I guess that comes pretty close to describing my adventures in early day Nevada - so Phil's Forays it is.

Anyway, here it is April of 1969 and I'm just a month off the Navy's U.S.S. Hancock (CUA-19). That's an attack carrier to you landlubbers. I had been all over the far east - (this was at the height of the Vietnam War for those of you old enough to remember) - but was anxious to return to Nevada and resume my casino dealing career which I had begun a couple of years earlier in Las Vegas Downtown Glitter Gulch.

I was also anxious to get out to the hinterlands of Nevada and explore the small towns and see what they had to offer. That meant casinos and bars and any place else that might attract the attention of a young guy on his own. I had been thinking about collecting casino chips as a hobby as I had collected coins since 1953. Anyway, in those days about the only inspiration was a 300 piece chip collection on display at Harvey's Hotel in Lake Tahoe. I lived at the lake from June of 1966 until around March of '67 and spent a lot of time perusing the gambling discs mounted on a roulette layout there.

I remember thinking it was probably the most complete collection of Nevada chips ever assembled - and it probably was at the time. Anyway, the seed was planted and it flowered soon after.

My dad had offered to buy me a new truck from a dealer friend of his in Soda Springs, Idaho. So after a trip to the potato state, I was eager to explore the towns of Wendover and Jackpot. After arriving in Salt Lake City, I began the hundred mile or so drive across the Bonneville Salt Flats to Wendover. It would be the first of 200,000 miles I would drive exploring the Silver State.

Now, in those days Wendover consisted of two gambling joints, the Stateline Hotel and The A-1 Casino. The Stateline started out in 1928 as a gas station and featured a light mounted on pole which served as a beacon to travelers on lonely U.S. 40. The original hotel was demolished not long after my first visit and replaced by a modern Vegas-style operation. It still retains its original gaming license though.

Anyway, I remember sitting at the bar, listening to the entertainment and surveying the casino. I noticed that the 21 tables all had a couple of rows of 50¢ chips.

Some were faded green while others were a re-ordered bright green. I managed to buy a few of each - along with a couple of ones and a five - not realizing they'd be worth a hundred bucks each someday. I finished my beer and set off to the A-1 Club which was just down the road.

Now the A-1 was my kind of place. Upon entering, the bar was to the left along the west wall and on this day the joint was empty except for the bartender. As I pulled up a stool I noticed the crap and 21 table were across the room partially hidden from view by a partition that was probably three or four feet high. In the early days of Nevada it was my understanding that the gambling had to be separate from the bar area. I'm not sure why but it was probably some politician's idea of how to keep the two evils apart - a good idea - in theory anyway.

The bar had one of those big antique cash registers but the thing that captured my attention was a large clock-like device mounted on top with an arrow that spun around when the register was activated. There were sections marked with "Free Beer" and cigars along with some blanks. I ordered a beer and the bartender rang it up. The arrow whirled around rapidly and dutifully stopped on a dud. I wasn't surprised.

I walked over to the 21 game which was also empty and started a conversation with the dealer who turned out to be Louis Dotson. He would later work at the Stateline and also owned the Hideaway - a popular locals bar located down by the old Wendover air base. Anyway, he sold me a couple of dollar chips plus a five and I went back over to the bar. This time I figured I had a "lock" on a free beer, but again the contraption on the register came up blank. It was obvious this thing was for entertainment only. Many years later Louis told me he had all the A-1 chips but they were locked in the trunk of an old car he had parked in his yard. I eagerly volunteered to pry it open but he declined. Somehow I never did get the chips and they were never to be seen again.

I headed back to the Stateline Hotel and pulled up in front. The wind was whistling off the Bonneville Salt Flats so I stretched out on the seat of my new truck and dozed off. It was to be the first of many nights I slept in the truck although I would later add a camper and cover the walls with postcards of Nevada places I'd visit.

The next morning I was off to Jackpot, my main interest. I wondered what a place with a name like that would look like. Located on the Nevada-Idaho border, it was a small isolated place with a lot of trailers and three casinos - the Horseshu, 93 Club, and Cactus Pete's. All three still exist although they have been upgraded with Cactus Pete's resembling a Vegas-style operation. Back then, though, they were small, quaint places typical of

rural, old time Nevada joints. Two other places - Diamond Jims and the Stardust - had closed but were still standing.

I say the Stardust was still standing but barely so. There was a huge hole in one of the cinderblock walls which offered easy access. All the furnishings had been removed but the floor was littered with menus, placemats, keno tickets and other items all imprinted with the Stardust logo. I gathered up an assortment of stuff hoping to find an errant chip but had no such luck. Years later I would locate a \$25 (Ray and Ruth's) Stardust chip at an exchange service in Reno - it was just a hotstamp but one of my all-time favorites. The next time I'd get to Jackpot the remains of the Stardust would be replaced by a joint called Danny's (the casino with a heart). But alas, it was a slots only operation with no live gaming or chips to offer.

As it turned out, Jackpot was the last hurrah for hundreds of old mechanical slot machines that had done time in casinos around Nevada. Many were from joints on Fremont Street in Las Vegas and I recognized some of them from the Pioneer and other clubs I had played in. The newer electro-mechanicals were rapidly replacing the old mechanical clanger-bangers.

Cactus Pete's was the major casino in Jackpot but was still a small cramped operation. The thing that impressed me most was that the five dollar chips were white and the dollars were red- just opposite of what was common in Las Vegas. Anyway I bought a few and was even able to get some promotional dollars with the boss's name on them.

The 93 Club and Horseshu were smaller operations and I not only was able to get some of their chips but some obsolete one as well. They seemed glad to get rid of them.

I especially liked the 93 Club hot stamps in 50¢, \$1 and \$5 denominations with the little hiway signs on them.

Happy with my new chip acquisitions, I headed south back to Las Vegas. I made a quick stop at a small market and discovered several dozen cases of ashtrays from Diamond Jim's - which had gone out of business several years before - stacked out in back - the manager told me to help myself and I did.

I left Jackpot with happy memories that day and have returned many times since. But, I'll always remember the first time I saw Jackpot, Nevada.

## CC&GTCC Library Receives New Book Donations from Club Members


*Additional materials requested from members*  
by Robert Pardue (CH-003)

The new club library is operational, with over 100 books and related materials donated by club members so far. Special thanks goes to **Archie Black, Albert Rios and Michael Hurley** for contributing multiple gaming-related books and magazines to the library.

Please send library donations at any time to the address below. For members' convenience, donations can be made at the convention at The Orleans casino in August. Look for the box at the CC&GTCC club table.

After the convention, a list of library materials will be published in the next available quarterly magazine.

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**Special request for club members who have authored books about chips, tokens or gaming collectibles: How about contributing a copy of your book to the club library?? Thanks!!**



### CC&GTCC Gaming Library solicits book donations to new Club Library

The new club library is now accepting donations of gaming related materials for the new Gaming Library-by-mail. Initial contributions are beginning to come in, but we need more materials in all areas including...

- Chip and Token books of all types
- Casino and Gaming Industry books
- Historical materials related to Nevada, Atlantic City, Illegal Casinos, etc.
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Note: Club Library donations accepted at Aug.'98 Convention

The following is an article on one of the pioneers of chip collecting: Carey Burke

# American Collector

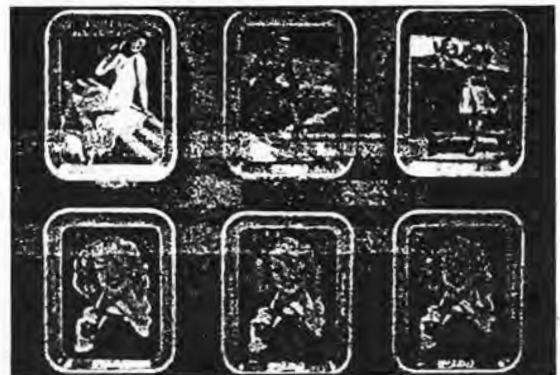
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**From Las Vegas, rare collection of gaming chips**





A \$100 gambling chip is among 5,000 tokens in Carey Burke's collection.

**T**he miser's dream of many Las Vegas visitors is to come away a winner from the lively gambling tables while struggling to carry an overflowing handful of casino chips, the colorful discs that serve as money at the games of chance. Long-time Las Vegas resident Carey Burke has a virtual hoard of about 5,000 of those gaming chips and casino tokens that overflow his kitchen table, but he emphasized with a laugh: "I'm not even a gambler!"

He is, however, one of Nevada's most avid chip collectors, flipping through the many thick albums housing the chips provides a quick



Fellow collector George Dmitrevsky (left) looks over gambling chips collected by Carey Burke.

glimpse at the changing fortunes of the Silver State's gaming industry.

A passenger service agent for Hughes Air West, Burke originally collected U.S. coins, finding some needed items in circulation at the airport ticket counter. "Around 1965, when the silver was taken out of coins, I lost interest in the hobby, became disenchanted with the clad (copper and nickel) coinage," he recalled.

A fellow collector proudly showed Burke his collection of transportation tokens from various subways, bus companies, and toll bridges. "Gee, that's kind of neat, and it's not too expensive," Burke remembers thinking at the time. "I put together about 500 pieces. Tokens are as interesting as coins, if not more, because there are so many categories—merchants tokens, hard-time tokens, Civil War tokens."

Another collector who had worked as a casino security guard invited Burke to view his collection of gambling chips from defunct casinos.

Chips from closed casinos were about as valuable at that time as stock certificates from bankrupt companies. "So I started picking 'em up; they were easy to get! I didn't pay high prices for any of my chips then like I sometimes do now," noted Burke as he pulled out a few of his rarities for inspection.

A "high price" for rare casino chips still may be only in the \$5 to \$6 range, unlike the five and six-figure prices some rare U.S. coins now command. Many scarce, obsolete gambling chips, with face values up to \$100, are available for less than a dollar each; the casinos that issued them are out of business and the chips can no longer be cashed in.

The history of Nevada gaming tokens with casino names on them begins in the early 1920s, although gambling was not legalized until 1931—that's why many casinos did not put their names on the chips earlier. Chips issued by one casino were accepted as cash at other establishments in town for gambling and purchasing food, beverage and lodging. That practice was halted in the mid-1960's when federal authorities warned that no one but Uncle Sam has the right to make "money." Since then chips are honored only at the specific casino where they are issued, they cannot be used as "money" anywhere else.

Among the great rarities of Nevada gaming tokens are those from the famed El Rancho Vegas, the first hotel built on what is now known as The Strip, on Highway 91 from the Hacienda and Tropicana hotels on the south to the Sahara on the north.

The El Rancho, opened in 1941 on 33 acres of now extremely valuable desert land that had been purchased for only \$150 per acre, was gutted by fire in 1960. "It burned while people were shootin' craps," recalled Burke, "and everybody had to run out."

The fire was so intense it fused stacks of silver dollars into lumps of metal. An estimated \$417,000 in cash burned that night of June 17, 1960. The only chips that survived are those few carried in the hands of fleeing gamblers and the ones held in the cashier's cages of other casinos in town: this was before federal authorities prohibited the use and exchange of chips between different establishments.

El Rancho chips are prized collector's items. Even a few years ago, before the increased popularity of gaming tokens, Burke paid \$20 for a set of five El Rancho chips: two \$5, two \$25, and a \$100 chip. Today, the price of that set is about \$75.



Flashing chips on friends is fun, if they don't know California Club is closed.

Casino Token Collection Grows Big

# Cash In Chips? Not This Man

By DONN PEARLMAN

"Chip prices can vary suddenly," points out Burke. "They can be scarce until someone turns up a box of them" So far, no one has discovered a hoard of El Rancho pieces.

"When a person is learning to become a craps or blackjack dealer, he may be given some obsolete chips to take home and practice stacking. I go to garage sales and flea markets here in Vegas and you'd be surprised at what I'll find."

At one garage sale Burke purchased several scarce chips from the Boulder Club, a casino that operated in the late 1920s and early 1930s in downtown Las Vegas. To complement the chips and tokens, Burke collects picture postcards and matchbook covers from the Boulder Club and the El Rancho Vegas.

"The fun of chips is that practically every one has been used, and there are no uncirculated pieces as such, except perhaps for special tokens issued as souvenirs. A lot of my chips have holes in them because people used them for key chains or good luck pieces, but I'm still tickled to death to have them."

A beautiful set of chips from Monaco was found fastened to a bracelet being sold at a weekend flea market. The chips are now individually housed in one of Burke's many loose-leaf binders filled with gambling tokens.

Some gaming industry executives in Nevada, such as John Moss, formerly with the Dunes Hotel, and Joe Wells of the Thunderbird (now the Silver Bird), issued business cards in the form of casino chips with their name and perhaps picture on one side and a denomination, sometimes as high as \$1,000, on the other side. These chips were not used for gambling, only promotion.

Burke's collection includes gaming chips with face values of 25 cents to \$100 and trade tokens with denominations as low as 10 cents (good for a drink or a game of Keno, an 80 number form of gambling that resembles Bingo). "Some of the larger hotels now have chips with cash values of \$500 and even \$1,000 for use at such games as baccarat (where the minimum bet may be \$25 or \$50 a hand).

"I have a book filled with tokens good for trade—free drinks, free souvenirs, free this and free that. Many of these are plastic not wood like the gaming chips."

He also has a few old brothel tokens which were intended to be redeemed for various goods and services, too; however, not necessarily free.

A rather unusual item is an error chip. It is green and correctly notes the face value of \$25 on one side, but incorrectly notes a value of \$5 on the other side. Burke's acquaintance with casino officials resulted in his acquiring the odd chip. "One of the owners of the casino discovered it and gave it to me with a warning: He better not see it in his cashier's cage."

Not all of Burke's chips and tokens are from Nevada. Aside from the Monaco pieces lifted from a flea market bracelet, he has collected pieces from casinos and clubs in Aruba, St. Martin, and Puerto Rico. Many of them are still redeemable at the gaming tables there.

The recent shortage of Eisenhower \$1 coins prompted some Nevada casinos to issue dollar-sized tokens for use in their slot machines. The appearance of these tokens, struck by the Franklin Mint and other companies, has expanded an already existing category for collectors. Similar tokens were struck for the gaming industry in the mid-1960's when the then-common Morgan and Peace silver dollars were being pulled from circulation by collectors and speculators.

Burke keeps a set of these 1965 special tokens housed in a blue lucite holder shaped like the state of Nevada.

About half of his 50,000-piece collection are duplicates so he actively trades with token and chip collectors in the area. He is a member of the California Exnumia Society and the Western States Token Society.

Collectors interested in trading chips and tokens may write to Carey Burke at P.O. Box 11063, Las Vegas, Nev. 89111.

Burke has two major collecting goals in the immediate future. First, he is appealing to the Nevada State Gaming Control Commission to release some never-used \$5 chips that were rejected by the issuing casino because they were slightly off-size. He feels collectors should be able to purchase some before the entire batch is destroyed.

Second, he wants to acquire chips and tokens now being issued in the newest gambling scene, Atlantic City, N.J. With Burke's enthusiasm and determination, the odds seem pretty good he'll reach his goal—you can bet on it. □

## SILVER STRIKES OF NEVADA by Jack Haddock

The Silver Strikes hobby is alive and well with new collectors being heard from every week. The hobby is growing despite the fact that few tokens have been issued during the winter months.

One of the more recent tokens issued was the \$20 Diamondfield Jack from Cactus Jack's in Jackpot. This token offers a story about Diamondfield Jack on a small slip of paper folded and placed inside the plastic case. The \$20 token is going in the direction of the \$40, less and less machines all the time. Of the 16 casinos that offered the \$20 machine when it first was introduced, only 6 remain.

Most of the remaining \$40 machines are being removed in the north. Caesars Tahoe, Comstock and Fitzgerald's are gone with Harrah's to be soon. Leaving Harvey's, Tahoe with two machines active.

Casinos in the north issuing new \$10 silver strikes this summer include Circus Circus (6 coins), Flamingo Hilton (2 coins), Sundowner (3 coins), Mr. B's, Mill City (2 coins), Harvey's Tahoe (New Cosby), Peppermill (Slot August Nights), and Eldorado (5 coins). In the south there's a 25th Anniversary at Balleys and New California Hotels coming soon. The machines which have been removed include Caesars, Las Vegas and Gold River in Laughlin.

During the months when not many new silver strikes have been issued, collectors have spent a great deal of time identifying varieties and error. An interesting error is the misspelling of "LIMITED" (LIMITIED) which can be found on an Eldorado, Reno \$10 and a Sam's Town, Las Vegas \$20. The Sam's Town error was corrected just before the machine was removed leaving the corrected version the scarcest. Another error on a \$10 silver strike had dual casino recognition; "Sam's Town" on one side and "Fremont". Quickly discovered, it is now a premium collectors item.

Varieties identified during the winter include large vs small ".999", frosted vs not frosted, straight letters vs slanted, and other specific to a certain token like the Caesars \$40 which has two varieties; gold head vs silver head. All in all, the varieties have added only a few tokens to collect but several collectors have found it fun to compare and see if they can identify differences. Two of the Gold Country, Elko, tokens were found to have 2 different manufactures.

New tokens since April include the Atlantis, Reno; set of 4 from the Sands Regency, Reno; 11 more from New York-New York, Las Vegas; 2 from the Imperial Palace, Las Vegas; and the Luxor, Las Vegas, has reinstated their machine utilizing the four designs they had before plus 2 new designs. Among the casinos

putting the silver strike machine back into action include: Circus Circus - Reno and Peppermill - Reno.

The summer promises to be one full of new additions to the silver strike collections. As of this writing, twelve casinos in the northern part of the state are known to have submitted new art work for coins. Many are for very interesting and exciting series. Those gambling trips to Nevada will be very special experiences this summer.

For more information on silver strikes, contact me at P.O. Box 7544, Reno, NV 89510. Until the next time - be a winner! Jack Haddock

## OVERHEARD WHILE DEALING BLACKJACK Art Sanderson R-171

I like poker better - where you can bluff.

I wonder if she subtracts as fast as she adds,

She does her subtracting on your pile of chips.

I'd better save this for the valet parker.

"COCKTAILS" - "COCKTAILS" Just once I'd like to  
hear her say - "COFFEE, TEA, OR MILK".

First Base - Third Base - It's the Pitcher I'd rather be.

"Did she say something is wild?" "Oh, she hasn't seen  
you in AWHILE". "Sorry".

## CASINORAMA MARCH 1998

by Janice O'Neal

Jim Munding's Casinorama Show (originally known as the Bellflower show) grows better every year. The pictures were taken toward the end of the day so the crowd had started to thin out. Most of the day it's hard to walk between the tables.

Jim does a great job in providing a place where dealer and collector can come face to face across a show table for buying, selling trading, bartering, or just some plain old casino collectibles gab!



The promoter of Casinorama, Jim Munding, W. Covina, California

Below: CC&GTCC advertising manager, C.T. Rodgers of C.T. Coins, Lakewood, California



James Campiglia, Las Vegas, Nevada in his usual position with telephone glued to ear. Maybe he should get one of the phone holders that go over the head so he can have both hands free to show chips!

Right: Bill Akeman, Jr. of Gaming Times Magazine, Las Vegas, Nevada - out from his own table doing some PR! And Steve Passalacqua, Napa, California who has a great time whether he sells anything or not!





## FREE CHIP-PLUS OTHER RHETORIC

by Gene Trimble

The Fiesta and Paul-Son Gaming Supply have teamed up to give something back to the hobby, that has been good to them. A little thank you so to speak. This thank you will be in the form of a FREE CHIP. It will be a full graphic chip commemorating the 10th year of organized chipping. It will be a two sided chip. I think it is the 1st of its kind. It will be available to any chipper that stops by the Fiesta beginning 10:00 am on Aug., 12th. It will be a limited edition of 2,000 and limited to one per chipper. Please see ad elsewhere in this issue.

After browsing Greg Susong's chipguide.com and Neal Silverman's chequers.com for a few days, I came to the conclusion that the most asked question in chipping is "Can anyone ID this chip?" I started looking for answers after I pulled up my file on unidentified chips. I must have a hundred of them. This information might not tell you where the unidentified casino was but it will tell you where the chip was made.

When asked who made a certain chip, the chipper will answer B.C. Wills, Langworthy, Mid West Gaming etc. This is not true. These companies were distributors. They did not make chips. Only 3 companies made clay compression molded chips until the late 70's. U.S. Playing Card, T.R. King, and The Burt Co. in Portland, Maine. In 1947 Burt took over the USPC molds, and then there were two. At least 95% of all clay compression molded chips can be attributed to Burt. Paul-Son opened in 1963 but Burt made the H/C for them until about 1979. If you can not trace it to USPC pre 1947, Paul-Son after 1979, or T.R. King, it was made in Portland, Maine. All hot stamps were put on by the distributors. Burt felt the hot stamps were too easily altered or counterfeited. Therefore only the distributors would have records on where hot stamped chips were used.

Chipco bought Burt and sold all the old molds to Atlantic Standard. Chipco did convert the HHR and HHL to injection molds and did produce sample chips from them. Cash value chips were not produced from these molds. Atlantic Standard's most popular mold today is the Acrest mold. All the old molds still exist. The cost to convert them to today's manufacturing standards is considered to not be cost effective. Some molds such as the Die Swirl and HHR have been converted for a distributor, Gambler's General Store who also owned Langworthy no longer has exclusive distribution rights to HHR but they do have the Triclub and the Ewing molds. Triclub had been converted to an injection mold. The Diamond mold that we attribute to the Jack Todd Co., is a Paul-Son mold after 1963 and a Burt mold pre 1963. It was last produced in the early 80's. T.R. King owns the Chain mold plus the Small Crown. The Large Crown is no longer being produced. All of the other old molds belong to Burt. Great old molds like the Arrowdie, L's, T's Die /Cut Brass, Zigzag, Cord, etc. are destined to be part of chip history. Maybe that is as it should be. I had an idea I could resurrect the old molds for a commemorative series. Maybe it was a good idea and maybe it was not. It did get me a lot of information. Clay compression molded chips today are produced today are a plastic/clay composite or just plastic, both are injection molded. Very few records still exist today on the old distributors. The IRS only requires that a business keep records for 10 years.

Injection molded chips are now being made in Asia. I found a Rail City Casino, Sparks, NV chip purchases in Asia by Rail City and sent to T.K. Specialty in Reno, NV for hot stamping. This chip met Gaming requirements and was probably cheaper. It was the same mold that Gambler's General Store has in it's 1998 catalog and is making on Main St. in L.V. Atlantic Standard also has the same chip on its web sight, pokerchips.com. Three companies, same mold? If an Asian Co. can make cheaper chips and sell them, we can look to see the end of clay compression chips in the near future. There are only 3 companies left. When will they have to switch, to compete in today's market? In my opinion it would be an end to an era. The same as the US Mint changing to clad coins. They are just not the same, but it is called progress. Do we really want to see the Arrowdie on a plastic chip? I vote, NO!

Special thanks to John Kendall at Chipco, Jim Blanchard at Atlantic Standard, Dennis O'Neill at T.R. King, Don Jarchow at Gambler's General Store, and Paul Endy at Paul-Son for some enlightening chips facts. They took time from busy schedules to talk chip history with me.

I doubt if Richard Hagopian was aware of the 2 replies to his letter to the editor, that were being published in the last issue, when he asked for more replies in the last issue. I also call for more replies. My question is basically the same as his. How many chippers want to limit the hobby to certain chips? How many chippers want to let the hobby grow and welcome all chippers to the club? Let's take a vote. Here is your chance to send Trimble to the showers.

Surprise, I have another opinion: Sam's Club and Hy-Grade Collectibles are getting beat up on the web sights, for their chip promotion. Larry Grossman sent me samples and they are great, but they are not designed for you. Would a chipper buy them? Probably not. Are they making money for Sam's Club and HGC? I hope so. Is the promotion going to ruin the hobby? Are you kidding? Is it comparable to the baseball card craze? Not even close. Pete Rose, etc. were on kazillions of BBC's each year. At best, a large casino might put out 30,000 \$1 chips and change them up every few years. The Sam's Club promotion will make thousands of people aware of our hobby. If our membership doubled because of it, would the club become too big? We have less than 3,000 members, for crying out loud. Until the early 90's the CC&GTCC was the best kept secret in collectibles. Word got out and the membership doubled. Do the people who ask these small minded questions really believe the club would be harmed if we had 6,000 members? If every member would bring a new chipper to the 1998 and 1999 conventions and a couple of promotions like Sam's Club were a success, we could have 10,000 members by the millennium. Is that bad? I challenge the membership to each bring one new member in August and to give the hobby breathing room. To quote an old Chinese proverb, "Ask not what the hobby can do for you - Ask what you can do for the hobby."

I welcome your comments at poker@skylink.net.

## TIME TO KILL Art Sanderson R-171

We experience occasions when there just isn't anything to do for a couple of hours. It can put an unnecessary strain on the mind that can cause all sorts of complications.

Occasions like - waiting for your wife while she's at the beauty parlor - hanging around while she mows the lawn - is busy cooking up a big holiday dinner - cleaning out the garage - or any other chore you need to be out of the way from.

Here's an idea that's time consuming, doesn't cost anything - and could be gainful. To try this you need to be real short of money or just CHEAP.

Drive to your favorite casino - when the valet parks hands you the claim check say - "I'll tip when I come out".

Once inside pick up the largest plastic coin bucket you can find - This is a very important prop, as you'll see later. The coin bucket must, at all times, be held by the bottom, as if it's very heavy, and tilted slightly toward you, so no one can see that it's empty.

Walk around casually - You want to be noticed by the casino wheels - Anyone with a loaded bucket not headed for the cashier's cage is their potential meat.

In the dollar slot area, get a little ahead of the cocktail waitress and sit down at a machine. Pretend to read the pay-out combinations, (holding the bucket by the bottom, slightly tilted toward to you) until the waitress asks "cocktails"? Order your favorite drink, putting your finger on the spin button, as if to play. When she returns take the drink with your right hand (your still holding the bucket with your left). Your hands are full so you can't tip. Look embarrassed, nod your head and say "thanks".

Now, enjoy the drink - maybe walk around a little more - looking in the pay-out pans, a previous player may have missed some quarters or tokens. Also, you're looking for an area serviced by a different waitress, your glass is about empty.

With a fresh one go watch the One Man Band, or whatever other entertainment they have - keep the bucket (you know how) for all to see that it's heavy.

When you think it's about time to go - wander back to the dollar slot area, hit the waitress for another - only this time ask to see the "slot host". Here comes the part that may qualify you for Hollywood.

When the Slot Host arrives look real sad - let your bucket tilt so it's obvious it's empty, and say something like - I've messed around here for over three hours, what does it take to get a comp buffet?

They've seen you walking around with the heavy bucket, and can see now it's empty - they'll probably

write one right then and there. Even ask if you want it for two. What can you lose.

Anyway it's time to go. You've enjoyed a few hours of drinks, music, and maybe picked up some loose change. Don't forget the comp buffet ticket.

When you had over your claim check to the valet parker say - "I tipped when I came in".

Back to your wife that's more beautiful, or the lawn is mowed, or whatever you got out of, and you didn't spend any money - NONE! Tell her she's had a hard day and you're going to take her out to dinner (remember the comp). You can put the bucket down now - you won't need it again - until the next occasion you have "TIME TO KILL".

EDITORS NOTE: Art, have you tried this?????



## MORE SECRETS AND LIES

by Mel Jung

Chinese New Years is a wonderful time for gamblers to receive a special gift from the venue in which they often spend their life savings. It became a tradition to receive a very nice gift from a major casino-race track in Southern Calif. in the form of an Eight Dollar "Year of the Tiger" casino chip. The manufacturer of the chip was strictly ordered to make only 888 of these chips to be mainly given to the Asian high rollers that appreciate the significance of the lucky number 8. In fact, the evening the chips were to be grandly presented at the Southern California chapter of chippers, I walked to the cage with the casino manager and the General Manager to get the chips and neither of us were allowed to buy one because he insisted that he announce the policy of only one per person. No one, not the casino GM, the chapter president, manufacturers rep., casino customers, chip dealers, Michael Jordon.... no one would receive more than one.... no exceptions. The policy was announced, we lined up for one chip per chipper and it sure seemed no one would ever have an extra to sell or trade.

In the past, this stringent promise and policy would force chippers to find extras from the Asian games high rollers that often got into financial trouble and would sell their gift from the casino at a fairly high price. Regardless, it surely seemed destined to be a pricey chip on re-sale when I could not plead an extra even for the owner of the company that manufactured the chips for the event, Royce 600.

In the following two weeks I was contracted by a chipper that did not collect California chips. And, that he would sell me his \$8 Chinese New Years Tiger bi-metal for \$40. To me, that was the new value level and I was more than willing to pay it, because I had already had 7 requests for the issue that I could not deliver. Another source produced a chip that was mis-made with the flow of plastic injection not filling the Tiger casting. I bought that one for \$20 and intended to give it to the owner of the company that made them, Reliable - Royce 600. By the time of the next collectible show, which was in Santa Clara, it appeared that no one had been able to buy an extra. I sold the one I recently purchased for \$40 to a San Francisco Policeman for \$45 and another dealer sold his for \$50. One dealer had it in a set with the \$2.50 and \$5 for \$100 feeling the chip was now worth over \$65 alone.

Within another 10 days, at the Arizona Charlies chip show, I discovered a magazine for chippers was advertising the 3 piece set for \$25... INCLUDED was the \$8 Tiger. I don't recall if I was more confused or more angry. How could this happen? But there it was. In full color, a dealer had them for sale and further inquiry determined he and another dealer had received 30 full sets to sell. Unfortunately, the second dealer was more in tune to the promises heard throughout the grapevine that the chip was scarce and priced his at a very uncompetitive \$59 per set.... Not the first victim of the lie. And not the last to be let in on the secret.

So, more than a few dealers got hurt in this one. The one that sold his for \$25 was way too low and the dealer at \$59 will be accused of being too high. The rest of us will be accused of lying that no one would have more than one \$8 Tiger to sell. I know one San Francisco Policeman that won't ever deal with us again when his \$45 buy is now available for under \$25. But the one that gets hurt the most is the casino that promised not to sell

duplicates to anyone and got caught in a lie.

I wrote the General Manager and casino manager. I said they had "squashed" some supportive dealers and stepped on a lot of chippers with their lie. We all acted with reliance on their policy of one per person. It was to our detriment to believe them. All the chippers at the meeting that quoted their policy became liars. They each acted on the premise that no one would be dealing in this chip. We were all misled.

Within a day of their receipt of my letter, I received a conference phone call that basically questioned my insulting stance in calling them liars. In addition, the old defensive adage that the chip owners can do whatever they please with their chips and that they had decided to pay back some debts by selling 30 to each of their favored species. That the policy of "one per person" extended to only those in the room at that specific meeting and did not pertain to anyone else... Whatever, it sounded good and logical to them and I really believe they were expecting my apology and a reconstruction of their trust and integrity. I'm not good at that when these are the circumstances and do not believe either will be forthcoming.

What's the big deal? So a coupla' chippers paid some greedy dealers too much? So what's new? Well, I would like to let you know what will not remain a secret. At least one chipper made it known that he was concerned the casino might find chippers unwelcome on the premises and even that they may take away... their meeting room!

Also, that the casino manager almost lost his job over these chips? Can you really believe that a casino manager might get fired over a chip incident? I don't think so. Maybe we should all apologize for their 'misunderstanding' so chapter meetings can continue. I don't think so. Is a meeting room really worth one's integrity? Are we tired of people lying to us about chip policies? If they cancelled the chapters meeting accommodations, the reflection on the casino would be so petty that further association with them would be intolerable. And, to defend their policy as a chipper, and be concerned with the casino manager's job is beyond my logic and integrity.

What's interesting here is that the issue is no longer a limited edition chip that became rather unlimited. It is how the reactions surfaced to various personalities that failed to know all the facts. Facts that were not available to everyone and created secrets and lies. It is also a fact that the accused in this scenario are of the highest ethical reputation and integrity. You don't run the most successful race track Casino in California without those attributes... at least not for long. This incident, when reduced to the truth and facts, should reveal that perception of a policy can develop into a perceived lie and snowball into serious secrets and allegations that can be overly damaging to one's integrity. That is really a shame and should be avoided in the future. Let's not ever lose sight of the truth that these little round discs are, and always will be, only chips.

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**Chips 'N Tokens update**  
**by Janice O'Neal CH-008 V.P./Club Historian**

Hello again, it's time for more update information and time to really start thinking about this year's sixth annual club convention. This year being August 13-14-15, 1998 at the Orleans Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas. There will be some extra celebrations this year, being the tenth anniversary of the forming of Casino Chips and Gaming Tokens Collectors Club. Club members should also make a note to be in on Wednesday, August 12, 1998 for the reception and Wednesday night trade session.

For coming events in and around Las Vegas, we now have a future opening date for Mandalay Bay LV of March 15, 1999. The Spacequest Casino in the Las Vegas Hilton Hotel has removed live gaming tables and replaced them with video and slot machines. Spacequest hologram chips and Spacequest roulette chips are now obsolete. Spacequest has also removed the Silver Strike medallion set machines, so these sets are also now obsolete. CBS Sports World LV has lost a court judgement and must remove "CBS" from the name. It will now become Sports World Casino. World Trade Center LV has been denied a gaming license, so we may never see the already approved chips and tokens for this one.

Holiday Inn/Boardwalk Casino LV will replace entire set of chips, including the \$1 clown head (CC&GTCC Chip of the Year 1996) in the near future. This may already be done by the time you read this. Alystra, Henderson is closed and out of business. Billboard outside states, "Watch for new casino in this location fall 1999". At this time we are still waiting for the opening date for the Mesquite Star in Mesquite.

For this three month period we find chip issues have slowed a bit compared to what they have been. But look for the next period to pick up again in the southern Nevada area in particular. Token issues have slowed even more with many more bars converting to the new cashless slots.

Another redemption notice on commemorative chips has surfaced. This time at the Golden Nugget, Laughlin. \$5 Fourth of July 1995 and \$5 Happy New Year 1996 will not be redeemed after July 31, 1998. Also at Golden Nugget, Laughlin \$2 token has been discontinued and will not be redeemed after July 31, 1998. It is beginning to look like the \$2 token is headed for extinction, as more and more casinos are removing them.

NOTICE: Due to some changes we have made in the way we compile our listings for O'Neal Check Lists, we will no longer have available the lists entitled "Paul-Son Picture Chips" and "Chipco Issues". There will be new lists entitled "Nevada Commemoratives" and "Colorado-Indian-Riverboat Commemoratives". These new check lists will provide a better over-all look at commemorative and limited edition chips, as they will now include the Bud Jones issues. Because of the continual addition of pages some list prices have been increased.

And now for new chip and token issues-----

**NEVADA CASINO CHIPS:**

Arizona Charlie's LV \$10 H&C picture chip, tan 3 yel/dk grn, multi dk tan center for 10th anniversary (1998).



CBS Sports World LV \$1 BJ wht 3 blu, red blk wht CI, same design as previous issue EXCEPT now has "Limited Edition", "Established Aug 29, 1997". There is also a matching \$5 BJ red 3 split wht, red blk wht CI that was issued after the \$1. Both will soon be obsolete.



For the second year Tropicana LV has sponsored a Miss Hawaiian Tropic beauty pageant and issued a chip for this event. \$5 H&C picture chip, red 3 prp, multi center for Miss Hawaiian Tropic (1997) issued 4-98.



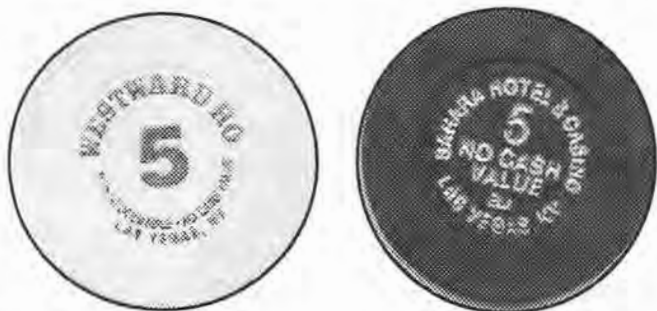
Bally's LV \$5 BJ red 8 grn, multi CI for entertainer-Jeff Foxworthy.



Rio Suites Hotel LV \$5 H&C picture chip for Danny Gans.



There are No Cash Value chips available with coupon at Westward Ho, LV, 5NVCV H&C brt org--HS, and Sahara Hotel & Casino LV 5NVCV BJ 8-suit dk blu--HS. This one has the new "BJ" mark that most new Bud Jones chips will now have.



The annual World Series of Poker tournament at Binion's Horseshoe LV issued a \$2.50 H&C picture chip for the continuing series of champions. This chip is blu 4-wht 4-red, multi center for 1997 winner, Stu Unger, and was issued May 1998.



Lady Luck, LV original issue \$1 BJ wht 4 org--MI had light orange inserts. There is a new 1998 variety that has dark orange inserts. Palace Station LV also has a new \$1 variety. This one is same BJ wht 4 tan--MI, but now has the "BJ" mark on the metal inlay on both sides



Four Queens LV \$5 Chipco multi red, Mother's Day, May 10, 1998. Four Queens LV \$5 Chipco multi red, Memorial Day May 25, 1998 one side/ "The Indy" car races other side.



Ellis Island LV has discontinued use of the \$1 chips and the entire supply has been sold out. For those that look for color variations on chips: Silver City LV has new 25-cent and \$1 chips. The 25-cent H&C pnk--HS is a darker pink than the original. The \$1 H&C blu--HS is a different blue than any before. We will call this one "deep blue" as it is between regular blue and dark blue.

Mahoney's Silver Nugget NLV \$5 Chipco April Fool's Day 1998.



Fiesta NLV on Monday April 6, 1998 issued the last two chips for the Royal Flush series. These being the ace of spades and the spade flush hand, Fiesta NLV three more \$5 BJ Sports Edition for baseball, (1) Ray Boone 1948-1960, (2) Mickey McDermott 1948-1961, & (3) Duke Snider, Hall of Fame 1980. Fiesta NLV also issued a re-run of the original 1994 \$1 H&C but it turned out to be a variety instead. Issue #1 has "North Las Vegas". Issue #2 has "N. Las Vegas".



Mahoney's Silver Nugget NLV \$5 Chipco multi red, Mother's Day 1998.



Jerry's Nugget NLV \$5 BJ red 8 yel, multi wht center, Cinco de Mayo 1998.



Another color variation: The Reserve, Henderson on the \$1 Chipco, the original has a light tan pattern in the background, and the color around the white \$1 is a light tan. The variation has almost no pattern in the background and the color around the white \$1 is light orange.

Laughlin: Ramada Express \$5 BJ red 4 split 3 wht, multi center St. Patrick's Day March 17, 1998.



Edgewater issued a set of four BJ \$5 chips for "Laughlin Rodeo Days". Each chip commemorates a different year of this event, (1) 1st annual-1995, (2) 2nd annual-1996, (3) 3rd annual-1997, & (4) 4th annual-1998, all issued together in April 1998. The rings of color on center inlay may be misleading as the two sides on each chip are not the same, #1-1995 red on one side, It peach on the other, #2-1996 dk blu one side, It prp on other, #3-1997 dk grn one side, turq on other, & #4-1998 dk prp one side, lav on other.



Colorado Belle \$5 BJ red 4 org/brn/org/brn/org, multi center "Boiler Room Brew Pub".



The annual Laughlin River Run motorcycle rally was held April 23-26, 1998. Four Laughlin casinos issued chips to commemorate this event and the "biker babes" ride again! Colorado Belle \$5 BJ red 4 sets 3 split gry, girl on motorcycle one side, Colorado Belle Casino other side. Pioneer \$5 H&C picture chip red 4 mus/lav, girl on motorcycle one side, Pioneer logo & building other side. Ramada Express \$5 BJ red 4 sets 3 split wht, girl on motorcycle one side, old train other side. Edgewater \$10 BJ red 4 dk turq. This one is more of a cartoon drawing with guy & gal riding motorcycle one side, building other side.



Edgewater \$2.50 Chipco multi yel added to regular issue chips.



Additions to the Ramada Express "Back to the '40s" series are #6 "War Bonds" and #7 "United Nations". At the Riverside the 1 NCV-Win Cards chip reported last time is already obsolete as the Win Card program there has been canceled.

In Reno: Atlantis Casino Resort \$5 BJ red 4 split lt blu, multi center, "Have a Ball in Reno", 1998 bowling championships.



Pioneer added a \$1 H&C dk blu, multi CI to go with the \$5 that was issued last year.



Atlantis Casino Resort \$1 BJ wht 4 blu, multi CI. This is the first Bud Jones chip to be issued in Nevada with the new grooved rim. Design is same as original issue





Club Cal-Neva \$5 Chipco multi red, 1998 American Bowling Congress.



Peppermill issued a 5NCV (No Cash Value) H&C picture chip for the 1998 bowling tournaments. This chip was available to bowlers free with coupon, but now is being sold from the cashier at \$5 each for all chip collectors.



Eldorado has retired all metal center \$25 & \$100 chips. New \$25 BJ grn with a different configuration of inserts. There are 4-orange and 4-yel/blk/yel, with blk grn bronze yel CI. This chip was approved March 2, 1998 and put in play April 1998. The "1997" date on center inlay is a registered trade mark date for the "Eldorado Resorts LLC" name. There is also a "TM" for trade mark registered next to the Eldorado logo. Also a matching new \$100 chip.



Rail City Casino, Sparks has a \$1 NCV chip. Pink 3 split wht--HS, "No Cash Value-Win Cards". The "TK" initials on chip is the chip distributor in Reno, TK Specialties Co. This appears to be a foreign made chip that only looks like RT PLastics (ex-Langworthy), but is lighter in weight..



Red Lion Inn & Casino, Elko \$5 H&C picture chip, 1998 Cowboy Poetry Gathering. Another of the Bud Jones variety chips with thin and thick lines around the edge was discovered at Red Lion Inn & Casino, Elko. The chips are \$5 red 3 split lt grn--MI and there seems to be no other difference, as they are the same dice & suits logo on both chips. Also these look like they have been in play for sometime and have gone undiscovered by collectors.



Carson Valley Inn, Minden \$2.50 Chipco multi yel also has a variety. Type I-original is the pebble background. Type II-newer variety is the smooth background. 4-Way Casino, Wells was approved for a new \$5 chip October 3, 1997. This chip has finally been found and again is one of the Bud Jones variety chips. Original \$5 red 3 lav--MI, dice & suits logo on rim. New red 3 lav--MI, 3 sets of 4 suits logo on rim. Another of the "hard to spot" chip issues.



#### NEVADA CASINO TOKENS:

Some unusual developments in tokens: Nevada Palace LV has re-installed a \$5 machine and brought back the (1988) SSM brass tokens. King 8 LV has removed the \$2 machine, \$2 tokens are retired. King 8 has also brought back \$5 machine using (1994) LM brass tokens. So one is gone and two have come out of retirement. Just goes to prove how many things that are "obsolete" can still be lurking in casino vaults, and can re-appear at any time. Stardust LV \$1 (1998) GDC issued 3-98, but seems to be scarce and are mixed in with older tokens in machines. Design is similar to the 1993 LM



. A real surprise for token collectors, Luxor LV had approval for a new \$10 token (not a Silver Strike) on November 7, 1996. No one could ever find this and most of us had given up looking. This token has just recently been found in play. This will be listed as (1998)/1996 in O'Neal check lists, (1998) for when put in play, 1996 for actual date on token



The New Frontier LV has pulled the \$10 tokens out of play, finding them too close in size to the \$5. Fiesta NLV new \$10 (not Silver Strike) 1998 GDC antique brass.



Railroad Pass, Henderson added \$5 machines. Tokens are \$5 OPM mint dated 1998



Golden Nugget, Lau \$2 token obsolete, \$2 machines removed. A very odd token found at Gold Country Motor Inn, Elko. Same design as previous (1993) LM Type II-slanted lines under ore car, one side only. The new token has a shiny gold finish and still has the LM mint mark.



**NEVADA TOKENS BARS & STORES:**

Schuler's Roadhouse, 4755 Spring Mtn Rd LV \$1 (1998) CT, E-T-T, Inc.



Club Diamond, 840 N Decatur LV \$1 (1998)/1989 "G" Anchor Coin. This place has had a varied history: Brass Monkey 1991, Big Bears 1993, First & Ten Sports Bar 1994, and now Club Diamond. All have had dollar slot tokens.



Sunrise Lounge & Restaurant, 6055 E Lake Mead LV \$1 (1998) CT, E-T-T, Inc (same shopping center as In & Out Market).



Another P T's Pub, 310 E Warm Springs LV \$1 (1998 GDC, U S Coin.



More token redemption notices: C & R Coin Route Company tokens at Whistle Stop, Office Bar #3, and Office 6 Bar & Grill. Also for Rainbow Vegas Hotel downtown LV. Ligouri's, 1133 N Boulder Hwy, Henderson has finished re-modeling and has opened as a Dotty's (no tokens). After being open since 1991 and using Ike dollars, Carollo's, 551 W Mesquite Blvd, Mes has dollar slot tokens, \$1 (1998) CT, E-T-T, Inc.



Louis' Basque Corner, 301 E 4th St, Reno \$1 (1998) GDC, Dynasty Games.



Tiger Tom's, 196 Gentry Way, Reno \$1 (1998) GDC, Dynasty Games. Broadway Colt Service Center (truck stop), 670 W Front St, Battle Mountain \$1 (1998) CT, United Coin.



Pilot Casino & Truck Stop, Carlin \$1 (1998) GDC, no route company. The new K Mart Stores token that had approval 9-18-97 has been found at the K Mart Store in Elko and will be listed as \$1 "Reno Area" (1998) RWM, Cardivan



Obsolete tokens: Now paper pay outs; Point After Lounge, 925 N Pecos LV. Top Cat Bar & Grill, 4225 E Sahara LV. Magoo's Bar & Grill, 2585 E Flamingo LV and 5785 W Tropicana, LV probably other Magoo's locations also. Kilroy's, 1021 S Buffalo LV. Triple Play, 1875 S Decatur LV. Cheyenne Saloon, 3103 Rancho LV.

Now using Ike dollars; all slot tokens obsolete, Off Ramp Bar, 3935 E Charleston LV, Maxx's Lounge, 39 S Water St, Hend. Cantina Los Tres Hombres, Reno. Gateway Inn, Reno & Shenanigan's Pub, Reno.

Tokens obsolete, bar is closed; Kahuna's Bar & Grill, 2780 S Virginia, Reno, Mt. Rose Pub, 294 E Moana Ln Reno. Sterling Village Pub Reno. Same Place Lounge, 1200 S Rock Blvd Sparks. Little Waldorf Saloon, Reno now using tokens from Rookies Lounge, Incline Village. Cork Room Reno dollar slot gone.

Ans so the trend continues toward the end of most bar tokens. We will continue to let you know what is obsolete as collectors help us check them out one by one.

All Las Vegas Payless Drug Stores are now Rite-Aid Stores, but all are still using Payless tokens at this time. Ben's Liquor, N Virginia Reno tokens obsolete, dollar slots removed.

**SILVER STRIKE TOKENS:**

Monte Carlo LV has joined in with Silver Strike tokens. There are six designs with micro beer designs and beer names. These designs are each in oval frames, making them look so much alike some collectors have mistakenly believed there was only one token. Names are; (1) Brewmaster Special, (2) High Roller Red, (3) Jackpot Pale, (4) Las Vegas Lites, (5) Silver State, & (6) Winner's Wheat.



Las Vegas Hilton LV has brought back two \$10 silver Strike machines to replace the obsolete Starlite Express tokens. There are six new designs; (1) old Hilton H logo, (2) new H fan logo, (3) pot of gold, (4) Barron Hilton portrait, (5) Barron's Club (slot cards), & (6) "24th Century" logo. The obverse side is very plain with small H logo and "Las Vegas Hilton" written out. The Spacequest Silver Medallion set machines are gone and the boxed sets are now obsolete.



Bally's LV \$10 25th anniversary of Bally's organization 1973-1998 GDC mint.



Caesar's Palace LV has approval for three new 1998 \$10 chariot, bearded head, & Magical Empire. As of 5-16-98 the Silver Strike machines were removed from the casino and the 1997 tokens are being sold at the cashier! New machines coming?? Stay tuned. Imperial Palace LV approval for two new \$10 car designs, 1914 Rolls Royce and 1904 Eldridge. Right now only token in machines is the older "building".

Luxor LV has returned Silver Strike machines. Six \$10 tokens available, same four designs as before but dated 1998 with "G" mint mark. Two new designs are "seated goddess" and "two standing figures".

Then there is New York New York, LV. Easy to identify as all are now "G" mint mark. All previous were "S" mint mark. So far Miss Liberty, I Love NYNY, Hamilton's, & Manhattan Express (roller coaster) have been found. No new "buildings" and no new "Motown Cafe". All five signed Babe Ruth with "G" mint mark are available.

Two new \$10, one at Stardust LV and one at Fiesta NLV are regular play tokens, not Silver Strikes.

Sands Regency Reno, four new \$10 (1998) "G" in play 4-98, (1) bull rider, (2) P-38 airplane, (3) Mustang automobile, & (4) hot air balloons. Atlantis Casino Resort, Reno new \$10 (1998) "G" parrot & fish logo. Previous token had parrot only.

Varities on Silver Strike tokens continue to be discovered, even on the original \$7 tokens! Harrah's, RENO \$7 (1993) LM snow skier design, part reeded edge has been found to have, Type I-large letters on rim and Type II- small letters on rim. These tokens were obsolete in 1994. The Harrah's Reno \$40 (1994) LM, genie on carpet has been found with silver fringe on carpet and gold fringe on carpet.

Gold Coast LV \$10 with slot winner has been found with ".999" at bottom on BOTH SIDES. Westward Ho, LV \$10 (1993) CT, Ho-Waiian Lau has been found in medal align and coin align variations. Flamingo Hilton, Laughlin \$10 (1996) GDC, Type I-large buildings, "O" in Flamingo touches sidewalk. Type II- small buildings, "O" in Flamingo not touching sidewalk.



Fitzgerald's LV has removed \$20 machines, \$20 Mr. Lucky and \$20 Rainbow's End are obsolete. Sam's Town LV, \$20 machine removed, \$20 (1995) S wolf design is obsolete.

**CALIFORNIA CARD ROOMS:**

Bay 101, San Jose \$5 BJ yel 4 split blk, multi center for 3rd anniversary.



Duke's Card Room, Fresno, all new Chipco, \$1 multi gry, \$2 multi grn, \$3 multi dk blu, & \$5 multi red. All have same design.



Jok-Erz Wild Casino, a new card club opened recently in Petaluma, in the location of the closed Sonoma Joe's. All Chipco, 25-cent multi lt org, \$1 multi lt blu, \$2 multi lt turq, \$3 multi gry, \$5 multi yel with blu letters, & \$5 multi yel with red letters. "Grand Opening". Designs are all the same.



River Card Room, Petaluma open 4-1-98. Chips are \$1 H&C dk grn, 3 lt grn/pch, blk wht red grn CI and \$5 H&C red, 4 lt blu/lav, blk wht red CI. There are also \$20 & \$100 chips here



With thanks to Mel Jung, CC&GTCC member R-0291 the following information comes from Petaluma. The manager of the new River Card Room goes back to a place called P & G. "Patty & Gloria" were avid poker players that decided to start their own small card room, but soon broke up when Gloria left to start her own "Gloria's" three blocks away, but this closed in only six months. Patty & Gloria again became partners when they co-owned Sonoma Joe's Cardroom. This partnership also only lasted about six months, when this time Patty left to open Queens Casino in the old P & G location, which closed within a years time. Sonoma Joes closed and was sold out to become the new Jok-Erz Wild Card Room. Patty next moved down the street to open Kodiak Jacks for a year before closing this one and moving next door to become manager of River Card Room. In a small quiet town in northern California, Patty & Gloria have kept poker players busy playing poker and chip collectors busy trying to keep up with the chip changes. Unfortunately the following news is too late to help, but we would like to add Mel was guest speaker on May 13th at the Redwood Empire Coin Club in Santa Rosa California, where his subject was collecting Calif Card Room chips with emphasis on the history of gaming in Sonoma County. It has been reported that a great time was had by all that attended.

**COLORADO NEWS:**

Blackhawk; Blackhawk Station \$25 Chipco for Mardi Gras & Fat Tuesday, Feb 24, 1998. There were only 200 issued and it was sold out in less than a day. Blackhawk Station also issued a \$1 (1998)/1991 NCM light bronze token as a special promotion. There are a limited number and these are not easy to obtain.



Gilpin Hotel has new \$1-\$5-\$25 Chipco. The 1992 issue, Type I-was the pebble surface. 1998 issue, Type II- is smooth surface. Design is mostly same as original set. Bullwhacker's took over the closed Bronco Billy's building and opened 5-1-98 as the Bullpen Addition. New \$1 token is 1998 RWM, but has only "Bullwhackers" on it.



Central City; Lady Luck is closed. Building went back to owner, (J D Corella, owner of Coyote Creek Casino) and he has reopened it as original Gold Coin Casino, using the original \$1 & \$5 Gold Coin tokens and no chips at all.

Cripple Creek; Lucky Lola's closed March 1998, \$1 & \$5 (1992) NCM tokens are retired. Chips have been gone since 1993 when all live games were removed. Goldiggers removed tables, chips are retired. Treasure Mountain is closed, all chips & tokens are retired.

**FLORIDA NEWS:**

Much to everyone's surprise a Grand Opening chip was found on the Palm Beach Princess sailing out of Port of Palm Beach. \$10 BJ yel 3 spt red (Not a grooved rim like the regular set of chips), multi center. Has ship on one side and flowing hair maiden on other side. Has "Palm Beach Princess Casino" on ship side and "grand Opening January 1998" other side.



Another new one-day cruise boat started sailing from Moss Marina in Ft. Myers Beach recently. The Big M Casino chips are \$1-\$2.50-\$5 H&C, all with same multi wht CI; \$1 wht 1-lrg lt grn 1-lrg gry, \$2.50 brt pnk 3 gld/olv, & \$5 red 4 dk blu/yel/dk blu. Tokens are (1998) OC, brass, 25-cent-\$1-\$5. All have the same design. There is also a slot club on board with plastic slot card. This is the "Liberty 1" ship that was in Brooklyn, NY last year. All of the Gold Star chips have been returned to the original owner and no telling where they will turn up next!!



Sun Cruz Casino (Hollywood Fla has two new Chipco, \$1 multi wht with new Sun Cruz logo and \$2.50 multi blu with beach scene.



The Midnight Gambler (Ft Pierce) is no longer sailing, chips & tokens are retired for now. Royal Princess (Ft Myers) sailed off into the sunset (sunrise?) and these chips & tokens are retired (but not for long, see New York News). This casino was using both "Entertainment Cruises" and "Regency Cruise Line" chips. The New Sea Escape (Ft Lauderdale) added \$5 (1997) GDC slot token and \$5 Non Negotiable Chipco, IGT credit chip. Credit chips are purchased at a discounted rate, can only be played, and cannot be turned back in.

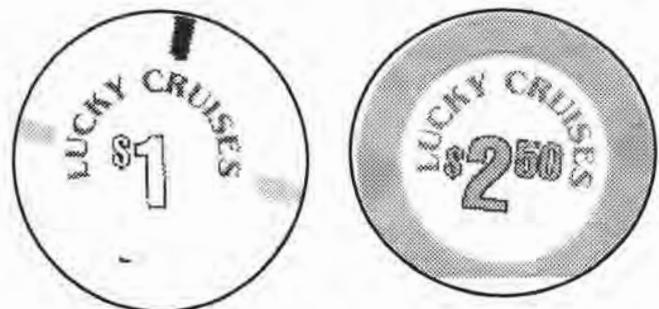


**NEW YORK NEWS:**

One day cruise to nowhere ships are coming and going so fast here it is impossible to keep up with them. I really need a couple of volunteers to start sending me some information as it becomes available or these are not going to get fully documented for the future collectors.

There was Bay Cruises, Liberty 1, Sheepshead Bay, Brooklyn, using Gold Star Casino chips. Liberty 1 left New York for Florida to become Big M Casino. Gold Star chips returned to original owner. There is said to be another Liberty 1 in New York, but we do not know if it is sailing or not. Viking Starliner opened 9-13-97 for a short time, with a neat set of Chipco. Before anyone got chips off the ship, it reportedly left for Florida for the winter. Not to be heard of again!!

Manhattan Cruises opened January 1998 at Manhattan, New York. Chips are "Lucky Cruises" (no other info on chip). \$1 H&C wht 2-pch 2-dk gry, red blk wht CI, \$2.50 H&C pnk 1-dk brt pnk 1-lt blu, red pnk blk wht CI, & \$5 H&C red 4 org/blu, red blk wht CI. This ship left for Asia 5-2-98 taking all chips with them. Manhattan Cruises is trying to secure another ship to continue and there will be all new chips at that time.



Royal Princess, New York, New York moved from Florida to New York, first sailing 4-24-98 using "Entertainment Cruises", (with alligator logo), chips. Looks like the "Regency Cruises" chips are gone for good now, except for those being sold at the Paul-Son retail stores. This is what I think I have so far. Any comments, corrections, or additions will be appreciated for future report..

#### INDIAN CASINO NEWS:

Casino of the Sun, Tucson, Ariz closed poker tables 3-98, all chips are retired. On the horizon--Casino Arizona at Salt River, Ariz will be opening soon. We have seen ads for hiring poker dealers.

Some of my sharp eyed helpers discovered a \$1 chip missing from one of my reports. Thanks to those that caught me! Barona casino, Lakeside, Calif also has a \$1 hrs hds rt dk grn 4 blk, red brn wht CI with mission logo. This makes a total of five one dollar issues here; #1-H&C lt blu 4 grn--HS, #2-H&C dk grn 4 blk, red brn wht CI, mission logo, #3-hrs hds rt dk grn 4 blk, red brn wht CI, mission logo, #4-tri & club dk grn 4 blk, red brn wht CI, mission logo, and #5- new birds & suits mold dk grn 4 blk, multi wht CI with new flags logo.



Cahto Bingo & Casino (CBC initials only on chips), Laytonville, Calif closed in 1997. Now re-opened as Red Fox Casino. The chips are an odd mold plastic poker chip; 25-cent lt blu--black HS, \$1 dk blu--silver HS, & \$5 dk red--black HS

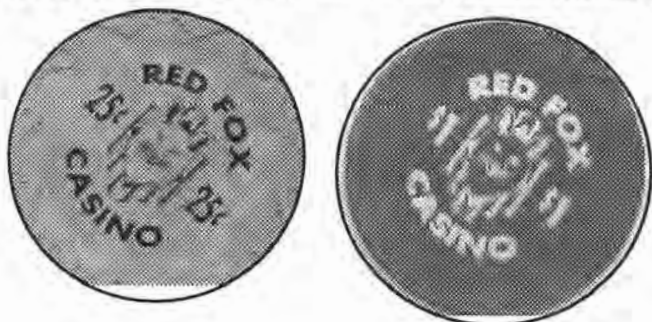


Table Mountain Casino, Friant, Calif \$5 Chipco multi red, 10th Anniversary, and the first of three commemorative chips honoring Indian Chiefs. #1-\$5 Chipco "Chief Joseph".. Look for "Sitting Bull", June 22 and "Geronimo", September 22. Other side of all three has feathers logo and wording, "We've got a great spirit!"



Foxwoods Casino Ledyard, Ct \$2 Paul-Son picture chip, house mold yel 4 dk gry, multi center.



Grand Casino, Hinckley, Minn added \$2.50 H&C pnk 1-org 1-blu, grn blk gld wht CI. Same design as original set.



Silver Star Casino, Philadelphia, Miss is running low on 50-cent chips and will not re-order. When these are gone they will convert to U.S. 50-cent coins.

Oh-Kay Casino, San Juan Pueblo, NM \$5 slot token (1997) GDC.  
 Taos Mountain Casino, Taos, NM \$5 slot token (1997) GDC,  
 same design as one dollar token.



Dakota Magic Casino, Harkinson, ND 50-cent H&C picture chip  
 lt blu 1-dk mrrn 1-dk grn, multi center, \$1 H&C picture chip wht  
 3-lt grn/dk mrrn, multi center, & \$5 H&C picture chip red 2-lav 2-  
 turq, multi center.

San Felipe Casino, Pueblo, NM \$5 Chipco multi red 2nd  
 Anniversary.



Indian Head Gaming Center, Warm Springs, Oregon (no city or  
 state on chip) \$5 H&C red 3 lav/grn, multi wht CI.

Casino Sandia, Albuquerque, NM has all new Chipco now in play.  
 All previous -A- mold chips are retired. Two sets of chips; one set  
 for regular play, each has "SANDIA" printed around the edge, \$1  
 multi wht, watermelon logo, \$2.50 multi pnk, sky lift car logo, \$5  
 multi red, hot air balloon, & \$25 multi grn, Indian design & moun-  
 tain. Second set for poker only, each has "CARD PARLOR"  
 printed around the edge, \$1 multi wht, rainbow over mountain, \$5  
 multi red, eagle head logo, & \$25 multi grn, Indian head logo.



Lake of the Torches Casino, Lac Du Flambeau, Wisc has a previ-  
 ously unreported token in play. \$1 (1995) NCM. This would have  
 been issued when the casino changed name from Lac Du  
 Flambeau Tribal Casino to Lake of the Torches Casino.





Regency Casino, Mole Lake, Wisc re-opened after being closed for over two

**RIVERBOAT CASINOS:**

Diamond Jo Casino, Dubuque, Iowa new \$5 H&C red 3 lt grn/lav, red grn lt tan wht CI. Design in center different than original 1994 \$5 chip.



Harrah's, Tunica, Miss has added one more to the Harrah's 60 years Anniversary chips. \$5 H&C picture chip, red 4 lt blu/wht/lt blu, multi wht center. This is dated 1997, but was not released until March 1998.



Copa Casino, Gulfport, Miss \$5 H&C picture chip, red 4 lt org/blk/lt org, multi center for 16th annual All-Harley Memorial Day Blow Out (1998).



And there you have it for another three months. Still a lot to look for and there will be more next time. My sincere thanks to all that have sent information to help me with this material.

Until next time---See you at the convention!!

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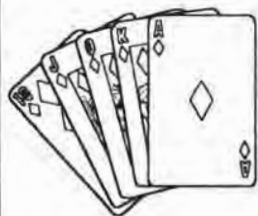
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## HARRAH'S CLUB RENO

SECOND ISSUE - CIRCA: 1948

See GAMING ARCHÆOLOGY Auction No. 22 for a color photo of this recently discovered rare issue from the "Newhouse '95 Find."  
(LESS THAN 25 EXAMPLES ARE KNOWN)

### DESCRIPTION:

The Chip Rack No: N7259



Pink, SM-KEY, white inlay.

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This Chip's debut: October 31, 1995

Levels at which examples of this chip traded while initially consigned and afterwards owned by me:

November 6, 1995 - \$100

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January 7, 1998 - \$1,750

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(Circa: 1937)**

The only other time an exact example of this chip (The Chip Rack: N6322) was offered at auction was June 20, 1997, in "Auction '97" of the Casino Chips and Gaming Tokens Collectors Club Convention. The winning high-bidder paid \$770 for the chip at that time.



The Chip Rack: N6322

Maroon with cherry-red ring.

In December 1996: The chip's debut; a few examples of the series were offered in a private sale at \$250 each.

On February 20, 1997, in GAMING ARCHAEOLOGY Auction No. 21, a six-piece set was offered and the average price paid was \$714 per chip.

In the Spring Issue (Volume 11, #2) of "Casino Chip And Token News," another example of the series (The Chip Rack: N6316) was offered for sale, and the highest bid was \$1,451.  
That chip was dark-blue with a black ring.

On May 7, 1998, at EBAY AUCTIONS, item #1283836: Brown with a yellow ring (The Chip Rack: N6333) sold for \$1,450.

**I'm now offering my last example of  
this chip (The Chip Rack: N6322)  
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The 1937 roulette chips from the Cal-Neva Lodge are extremely scarce. Though known to have existed through the research of noted Historian Howdy Herz, those known examples were housed in the museum of the US Playing Card Co.; twice-drilled and mounted in a salesman's sample book.

When I informed Howdy of the well-preserved examples I located, he and the other advanced collectors of Lake Tahoe material were overjoyed.

Howdy also mentions that the manufacturer's records at USPC indicate that less than 100 of each chip's color combination were ordered: seven colors with a yellow ring; seven colors with a red ring and seven colors with a black ring.

*For a very interesting commentary on the Cal-Neva history, including manufacturer's records as to dates of these chips being ordered and shipped, please see Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 21.*

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# THE INFORMATION BOOTH

**Michael Knapp**

Welcome to another installment of "The Information Booth." For those of you who are reading the column for the first time, I try to provide some information about unidentified flying chips (UFC's) submitted by members for identification, and to answer questions about casino history, chip history, or related subjects.

As I always do, I'll begin with some answers to previous UFC questions. Also, I repeat my request for participation by club members. This column is only of value if you take time to write to me with identifications of chips you recognize here in the column, and if you send *legible* photocopies (full size is a must; black and white is preferred, and please *do not send enlarged copies or color copies*) or samples of chips you'd like identified. Please don't assume that if you recognize a chip, someone else will. Don't assume that "everyone knows what that chip is." If you have information which may be of help to other members, please share it through this column.

There are always far more unidentified chips than there are members who write to me with answers. The purpose of this column is to try to identify chips that our members ask about. It's important to share your knowledge of chips that your fellow members may not know about. Come on, collectors: help!

You will notice that very few of the chips which appear in the column are simply photocopied. That's because many older chips do not have enough contrast to photocopy well, and if they will not photocopy once, they certainly will not photocopy a second time when the magazine is published. As a result, I hand-illustrate most of the chips pictured here. It's a painstaking process, because I make every effort to make sure that each chip illustration is as close as possible to its original version. That way, recognition and identification may be possible. Believe it or not, it's actually more difficult to work with color photocopies than with black and white, even though they look prettier when you copy them! And digital scans are virtually impossible to work with, because

they're almost never actual size. If you have a scanner, I know you like to show off the results, and electronic transmission is certainly faster and easier than (gasp!) taking pen in hand and writing a note, but please, if you want your UFC to appear in this column, don't send me scans!

*Please realize that if you cannot read what is printed on a chip clearly after you photocopy it for the column, neither can I, and illustrating it will be impossible.* In such a case, you may send the chip to me, *with return postage* if you would like the chip sent back to you.

Also, please realize that if you recognize a chip published here as a UFC, you have information that your fellow collectors do not have. Please share. That's the whole point of this column. What is common knowledge in one area of collecting is completely unknown in others. For those of you with answers or questions, please share your information by writing to me at P. O. Box 340345, Columbus, Ohio 43234.

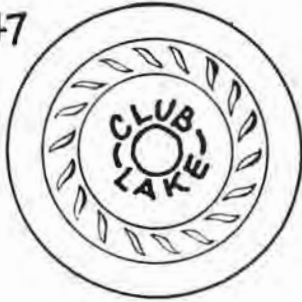
As usual, we'll begin with some identifications of previously-published UFC's. The volume and issue number of the magazine where the chip first appeared is shown in parentheses so you can see the illustration if you wish.

**UFC 944 (9/4):** Carolyn Bruton has identified this one for us. It's a Bud Jones coin inlay chip with a "Liberty" head in the center. It was used by a casino night company in Colorado. Unfortunately we don't know the name of the company or whether it's still in operation.

**UFC 1122 (11/2):** There was a Club Lake located in Hot Springs, AR. Kenny Craig has a chip specifically identified as having been used there, but the mold design and lettering style are different from the **Club Lake** chip pictured in the last issue. Kenny's chip is

pictured below, as number 1147. For now, I'm going to assume that both styles of chip were used at the Hot Springs illegal casino, until further information is provided by someone who can authenticate UFC 1122 as having originated elsewhere.

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**UFC 1129 (11/2):** Talk about information from the horse's mouth! It seems that our member Ed Weinstein is Vice President of Marion & Co., a casino supply company in N. Miami, FL. Marion & Co. happens to own the elfcrown mold, and Ed was able to provide us with the precise identification of this chip, which bears only the number 21 and a denomination. The chip was made for the **21 Club**, a private gambling club in New York City, which opened in 1985 and closed in 1989.

As we indicated in the last issue, Ed confirms that most of the elfcrown chips have been sold overseas, Puerto Rico and St. Maarten being two of the main markets for the chips, as well as private casinos throughout the world.

Thanks, Ed!

**UFC 1138 (11/2):** This chip, which bears the name Hudson, is from the **Bee Hive Tavern** which was located in Coos Bay, OR in the 1970's. Our Pacific Northwest expert, Steve Goodrich, suggests that Hudson may have been the owner's name, because there's no other apparent connection with the Bee Hive.

Unfortunately I have no other identifications to share with you in this issue, but I'm sure that there will be more next time. We certainly have more UFC's for you though, and hopefully someone will be able to help us identify some of them. Thanks to all members who take time to write about chips they recognize, and to send photocopies of chips they can't identify.

The more members who participate and share the information they have, the more every collector's

knowledge and understanding of the hobby benefits.

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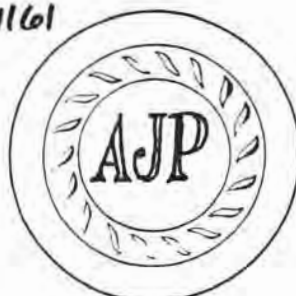
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To which the young man said simply: "Yes dear."

After they left, Slots Silverstrike commented: "I wonder if they realize those two places are well over a hundred miles apart?"

And Jerry O. standing next to him said: "Not only that, but I wonder if they realize -- whatever token may be available now are horribly beat-up -- what Janice would call dog-meat!"

"Yeah," I said, "just a few minutes ago, a guy was pleading with me to buy a bunch of battered dog-meat tokens."

"When I said no thanks, he responded: 'Well I offered them to everyone in the room -- so I guess I gotta go play them in some machines.'"

"Ok," I said, "but keep an eye out for security and that eye-in-the-sky. And if you hit a jackpot, where they hafta open the machine, you may not get paid-or worse."

Dewey Doubledown, who was standing at the end of the table, volunteered: "I know at least one of those bars that young couple is headed to is so rough and mean-looking that I'm not sure they will even want to try going in for tokens, beat-up or otherwise."

Then he went on to say: "Dottie has a strict rule -- if there's more than two old, beat-up, rusty pick-up trucks parked outside, she won't go in and begs me not to -- saying 'the tokens are not worth the risk.'"

"Reminds me of the Wonder Bar," said Slots. "Correctly named because it's a wonder anyone ever succeeded in getting any decent tokens from there."

"Yeah," I said, "we remember pulling into their gravel, rut-filled, bumpy parking lot and being confronted by a swarm of drunken pick-up drivers -- and one of them almost plowed into a telephone pole in the middle of the parking lot. Too bad -- most of the tokens I've seen from that place look about like the bar did when it was still open."

And Larry Lineaway philosophized: "Going to some of those places for tokens is like opening a box of chocolates, or the come-out roll on a crap table. ...You never know what you're going to get."

Then, his buddy Harry Hardway told us about the hard time he had in one of his token collecting ventures: "The proprietor of the Hot Dawg Saloon in North Las Vegas after screaming, cussing and blowing beer-breath in my face, threw me out yelling 'I don't want no damn coin collectors in this place.' 'And don't come back,' he said -- among other things. 'Heck,' I said, 'I have no intention of patronizing your crummy establishment!' Now that really made him mad -- although I'm not sure he could translate such big words." And after I left, I realized, even more, the risks that token collectors take in pursuing their hobby urges."

"We've been through that kind of treatment," I said. "We usually recommend tipping bartenders or cashiers in casino cages when they've been helpful or at least friendly. That way, they'll be more willing to help the collectors that follow you." "So, Larry," I asked, "did you tip Mr. beer-breath?" "No way!" he said.

In the afternoon, a well-known dealer dropped by our table and asked how we did at the last convention show at the Aladdin. "Great show," I said, "except, with the rampant thievery that went on -- perhaps they should advertise the next convention show as SELL, SWAP & STEAL."

Danny Dotcom, who was standing nearby, said: "Yeah, I heard about that in some E-mail. Wonder if it was some professional crooks at work in the large crowds, or some rotten apples that have wormed their way into the hobby?"

"Either way," I said, "something's gotta be done about it. The hobby is definately changing."

A little while later, a familiar looking elderly gentleman approached our table. After greeting him, I asked: "Still collecting only casino tokens?"

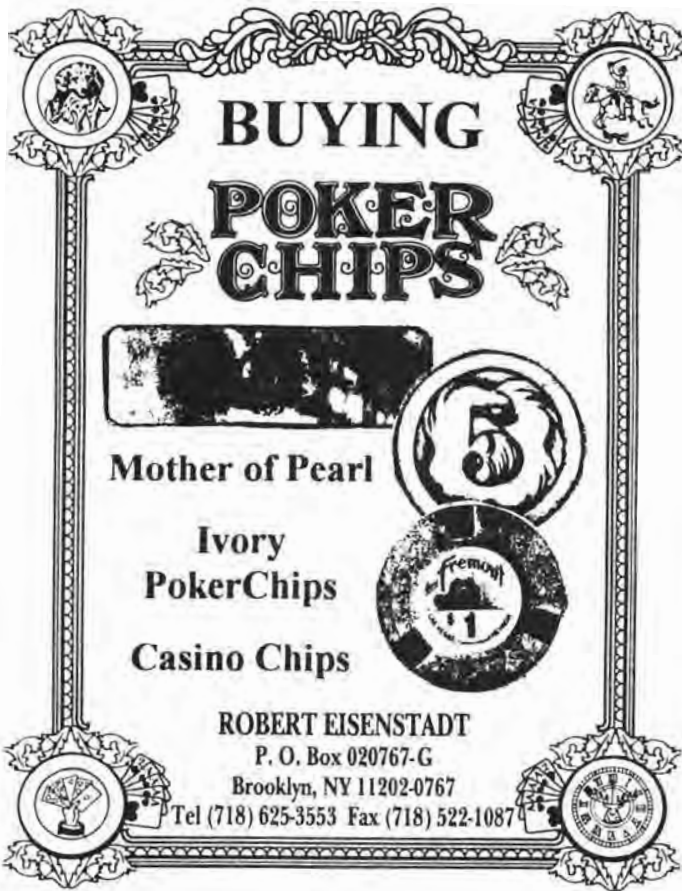
"Yep," he said, "except an unsigned article in a recent issue of the Casino Chip and Token News insists I gotta believe a casino is any place that has gaming, because some bureaucrats on a control board said so. I refuse to label supermarkets, dinky bars, laundromats, or liquor stores as casinos."

"And not only that," I said, "but you could consider many churches across the country to be casinos -- unless you claim bingo is not gambling. Wonder what the newly formed National Gambling Impact Study Commission, or the honorable senator from Utah, would think of that?"

As the gentleman walked away dejectedly, he said: "Hope Janet Reno doesn't come after us with flame throwers because we don't always agree with government bureaucrats."

And a little while later we all packed up and left.




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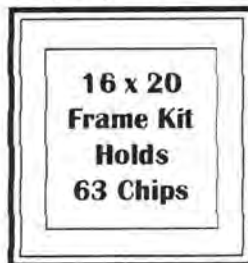


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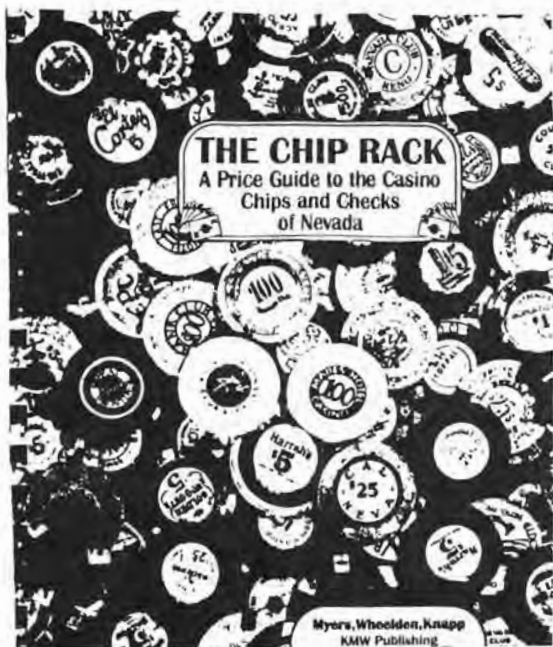
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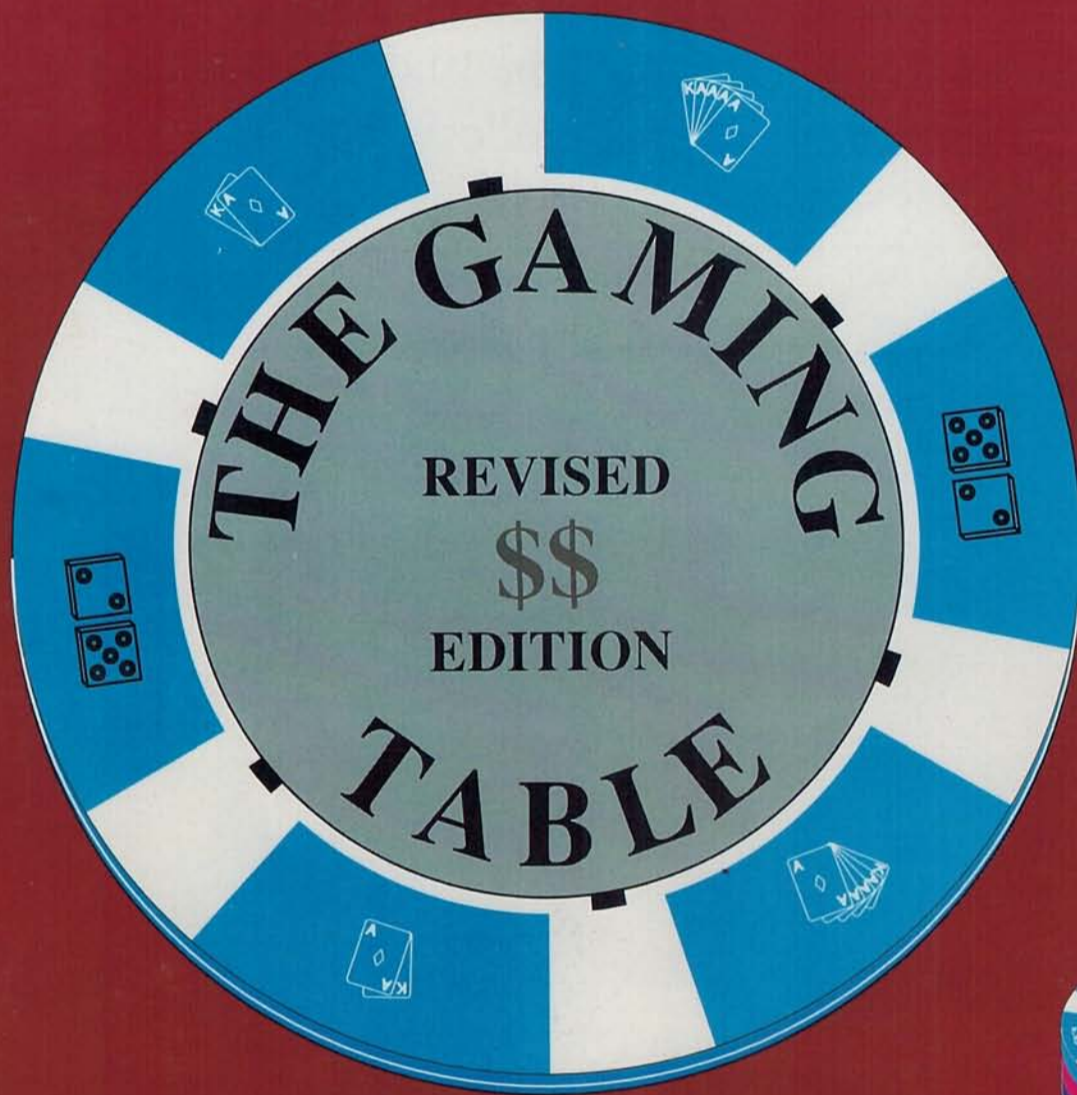
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