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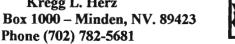
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4th Quarter: Oct-Nov-Dec. Deadline for ads Sep. 1st.



We need your help!, In publishing This newsletter.

PLEASE NOTICE



- *Send in your ads as soon as you can for the next issue of the club magazine. Note the deadline. The deadline is the last date we can accept your ads, so don't call in on the 12th of the month after the deadline and expect to have your ads placed in the magazine, we just can't do it.
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Colorado Springs, Co. 80903-3279

MEMBER DIRECTORY AVAILABLE

The membership directory of over 1600 members is available from Jim Steffner, Membership Officer for \$5 postpaid. The directory lists name, address, phone, and collecting interests. Information is not included for any member who has indicated that they do not want their information made available. Send check, money order, or cash to Jim at PO Box 368, Wellington, OH 44090

?MOVING?

If you are moving, be sure to let Jim Steffner, Membership Officer, know of your plans. If you normally receive your magazine by regular mail, it may not be forwarded. The club then pays the postage a second time to have the magazine returned. In many instances, the addressee has moved with no forwarding or the forwarding time limit has expired. If you are moving, send in a change of address card, e-mail Jim at casinojim@prodigy.net, or call the club membership toll free line, 1-877-4CCGTCC. Don't miss an issue of the magazine.

CC>CC SUGGESTION BOX

The CC>CC Suggestion Box will appear as a regualr feature in the quarterly magazine to promote communication between the membership and the club officers. This is an opportunity for all club members to submit suggestions. We will print new suggestion, including name and membership number, in the subsequent issue. Please send your submissions, including your name, telephone number and membership number to:

Kregg Herz, Magazine Editor P.O. Box 1000 Minden, NV 89423 or email at chipmaster@chipmaster.com

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October 27, 1999

CC>CC Suggestion Box Kregg Herz, Magazine Editor P.O. Box 1000 Minden, Nevada 89423 chipmaster@chipmaster.com Dear Kregg,

When I saw in Casino Chips And Token News that a suggestion box had been created and that your name/address had been associated with it, my first thought was: Poor Kregg, now she will have even more work to do for the club. Let's hope that this turns out to be a mostly positive experience and that in the end, it adds to the growth and an improved quality of the club. Good luck to you and your sanity.

I was a little hesitant to offer a suggestion because the last time I did, it degraded into a long running argument with former club president Archie Black. Essentially what happened was this: when the Internet address for the club was first published in the magazine, I discovered that there was a typo. Because web addresses have to be entered precisely to work, the given information made it impossible. Only after a few guesses did I happen to stumble across the correct address. At that time I wrote to someone pointing out this problem and they in turn forwarded my letter to president Black. He then e-mailed me with a very brief response saying essentially that it was an unfortunate mistake but already out there and there was nothing he could do about it. The tone of his response seemed to suggest that he really didn't care about the mistake and that he was kind of annoyed that it had been pointed out to him; especially after the magazine had been printed and mailed. To make a long story short, we ended up exchanging several emails that made numerous accusations based on a diverse selection of related and unrelated issues. The whole incident was totally unnecessary and exceptionally unfortunate. A correction was printed in the following issue of the magazine that thanked me for pointing out the problem and although this was a nice gesture, it wasn't my original goal. Now with the creation of a suggestions box it would seem that the new club officials are more receptive to input from the membership. However, I'm still a little hesitant and will attempt to travel this path softly and not to step on anyone's toes.

As someone who does a considerable amount of writing both professionally and personally, I have a concern over the numerous typos that appear in every issue of the club's magazine. However, I have been reluctant to mention this previously because I don't know if 1) the content of the magazine is simply items that are mailed in and them printed or 2) if what is submitted is proofed before being published. I now from personal experience that it is a major pain in the rear and extraordinarily time consuming to proofread anything. But I also know that any piece of writing is a reflection of the person or organization that composed it. I believe that it doesn't reflect the quality of the CC>CC nor the abilities of its members to produce a magazine in which numerous simple mistakes in spelling and sentence structure are made.

I would postulate that with any kind of club-related publication, there would be a desire to have as many of the club's members submit articles and other related material as possible. Naturally it would be unrealistic to assume that every member is a published writer with the highest writing abilities. My contention is not with the magazine's content as a whole but with the smaller individual elements. For example, in the report for the CC>CC 11th Annual Meeting at the 1999 Convention, there were two instances where the word "the" was misspelled. Is this the end of the world? Definitely not. But I would like to think that this report has some kind of official significance and is intended to be taken seriously. But I ask you this: How seriously can it be taken when a very basic word isn't spelled correctly—twice? I don't want to sound like an anal elitist here because I've made the same mistake when I was typing something. However, if what I was typing was intended to be presented to a membership of over 1600 person, I'd make an extra effort to be sure that it was as free of typos as possible.

Like I stated at the beginning, I'm not looking to piss anyone off. All I'm saying is that if the intention of the CC>CC is to take the club's magazine seriously, I believe more attention should be directed at eliminating typos. If, at some point during production, the content of the various articles can be given a quick going-over, I think the resulting end product would greatly benefit. It would be nice if the spelling checker included with most word processors was the ultimate authority of document content but the reality is that in the end, taking the time to read the material is the only sure way to guarantee success.

Thanks for the opportunity

Clint Hubbard Reno, Nevada CC>CC #R-2619

EDITORS RESPONSE

Mr. Hubbard's letter was printed exactly as I received it. Unfortunately I put this magazine together as a volunteer and as a volunteer the only time that I have available are evenings. Given my time restraints if I were to retype everything that is submitted, the magazine would never get out on time. As it is, with personal and professional things that come up it is almost impossible to meet the deadlines. I really try to fix most things that come in but some things slip through the cracks. All that I can ask is that if you submit something for the magazine please try to make sure that it is correct and possibly in camera ready form. I like to put articles in two column form, usually in 10 to 12 point type and in TIMES font. Maybe if we all work together we can meet Mr. Hubbard's expectations.

Did you know?

South Dakota has 91 small non-Indian "casinos," all located in Deadwood, about 60 miles from Mt. Rushmore. In fiscal 1998 they reported \$43.9 million in gross gaming revenue, or about what Trump Taj Mahal does in an average month. The casinos have a total of 2,267 slots and 52 table games. The maximum bet in any game is \$5. There are also eight Indian casinos throughout the state.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT by David Sarles

Well it's official, the contract with the Tropicana has been signed, sealed and delivered. Conventio 2000 is fast approaching and dealters have their applications by now. We have more room than ever before to accommodate sellers. If you are interested in a table contract our Convention Chairman Wayne Thompson, he should be able to accommodate you! Wayne did a masterful job negotiating a very favorable contract, congratulations Wayne!

In this issue you'll find a reservation form for the Tropicana Convention Roons. Please support your club by staying at the Trop.

It's also time for both Chip and Token of the Year and Convention Chip and Medal Design Contests. Both are fun events for the club. Info for these events are elsewhere in this issue.

The auction lots are in, and according to Auction Chairman Bruce Landau we can look forward to the best ever! Lots of <u>very</u> good chips this time.

Good work Bruce!

Dale Seymore and Mel Jung have put together a chipping seminar for the 2000 ANA Convention. The club will support this effort with \$100 scholarships to club members interested in attending. More info will be forthcoming from Dale & Mel.

We have a new webmaster for our web site. Greg Susong has graciously volunteered his services maintaining our site. Welcome aboard Greg! We also owe a debt of gratitude to Neal Silverman our outgoing web master for his countless hours of dedication buildding and nuturing our website previously. Thank you Neal!

Steve Cutler of the Tropicana Legends Hall of Fame is promoting the Club in his gaming museum. Steve's had a sign erected informing prospective members of the club and our annual convention if you haven't seen Steve's Gaming Museum yet, you don't know what your missing. The largest collection of gaming memorabilia anywhere! Thank's for the support Steve!

The use of the club logo policy is being revamped by the board. We are working on a more detailed and stringent policy to be published in the spring issue.

If you have a need for something to promote our 2000 Convention, Richard Allard has a limited supply of wooden nickels announcing Convention 2000. This is just one of the many items Dick volunteers to take care of, thank you Dick.

To the many new members joining us each month, Welcome and Have Fun!

Happy Chipping, David



Vice President Ken Hallenbeck

Registration

DETAILS, DETAILS

- Sign up early classes fill quickly, and registration is limited to the first 300 students each session.
- Lodging options: Most students stay in dorms on the CC campus, but we also offer two hotel packages.

Room at the Inn Bed & Breakfast, four blocks southeast of the ANA, offers private baths, queen-size beds and a hot tub.

The Econolodge, two blocks east of the ANA, offers an outdoor pool and cable TV, and small pets are allowed.

Hotels must be reserved and all fees paid by June 1, 2000. If you cancel your reservation after that date, you will be charged the actual cost to the ANA for the cancelled lodging.

• Tuition refund policy: If you cancel before June 1, 2000, you will receive a full refund. After June 1, 2000, there will be a \$100 cancellation fee.

MID-SEMINAR EXCURSIONS

There are two optional excursions between sessions for adult seminar participants. Each trip is \$50 (double occupancy) for students staying **both weeks** of Seminar. Others may sign up, space permitting, for \$195 per person (double occupancy). Participants will leave CC by van at 8 a.m. Friday, July 7, and return by 8 p.m. Saturday, July 8.

The Black Canyon of the Gunnison

The ANA's Ruthann Brettell, CFO, will lead students on a leisurely trip through mountains and sleepy Colorado towns. At the heart of the Colorado Rockies, Gunnison National Forest lies between the Continental Divide and the San Juan Mountains. The area offers a variety of attractions for explorers of the great outdoors including the dramatic steepsided Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Park. Transportation, hotel, entrance fees, and two meals a day are included.

Rudy Bahr, ANA's Membership Director, will lead the way south over scenic Colorado mountain roads into New Mexico. Taos combines Native American, European and cowboy influences to create an enchanting atmosphere. Walk the famous Plaza, with its blend of adobe and Southwestern architecture, and visit shops, museums or art galleries. Nearby is Taos Pueblo, home to Pueblo Indians for 600 years. Transportation, hotel, entrance fees, and two meals a day are included. The margaritas are additional!

National Coin Week is April 16-22, 2000. As a club member of the American Numismatic Association, the CC>CC is entitled to compete for awards by having our members and our chapters give talks, make exhibits, write articles, etc. The theme is "Discover America". highlighting dollars past and present.

Certainly #1 & \$5 chips and tokens are "present" dollars. "Neat" exhibits and articles can enhance the status and visibility of our hobby. Do you know a stroe or bank where you can set up an exhibit for a week? Contact Ken Hallenbeck.

711 N. Nevada Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903-1007 for more information.

Casino Chips and Gaming Tokens

One of the hottest new areas of numismatic collecting is that of casino chips, slot

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strike tokens.

from ancient

Roman dice to

and special silver

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cover everything

Gaming token from Barney's El Capitan Club, below, worth 25 slot machine points. Bottom, a dollar token from the Golden Nugget Gambling Hall in Las Vegas.





Las Vegas' infamous Bugsy Siegel, playing cards, casino collectibles, antique gaming devices, slot machines and more. Representatives from the Colorado Gaming Commission will explain why certain chips and tokens are approved for use and others are not. A slot machine

will be disassembled, revealing how it works and how it is calibrated.

With many more surprises in store, this new course promises to fill up quickly.

Instructors: Mel Jung and Dale Seymour, renowned authors and leading authorities on gaming tokens; Ken Hallenbeck, ANA past president, professional numismatist and ardent collector of unusual numismatic objects.

SESSION ONE

- 1. Grading U.S. Coins
- 2. Advanced U.S. Coin Grading
- 3. The Computer as a Numismatic Tool
- 4. Coin Photography
- 5. Coins of the British Isles
- 6. Coins of the Mexican Revolution
- 7. Numismatics for the Museum Professional
- 8. Detection of Counterfeit and Altered Coins
- 9. Numismatics of the Holy Land
- 10. U.S. Large-Size Paper Money
- 11. Numismatic Treasures of Colorado
- 12. Detection of Counterfeit U.S. Paper Money
- 13. Roman Republican Coinage
- 14. Numismatic Security
- 15. Intaglio Engraving
- 16. Art History through Coins (half day)
- 17. Colorado History and More
- 18. Flying Eagle, Indian Head and Lincoln Cents
- 19. Papal Coins
- 20. Money in Crisis: The Years of George III
- 21. Early American Copper Coinage
- 22. U.S. and Territorial Gold Coins
- 23. Casino Chins and Gaming Tokens

SESSION TWO

- 24. Grading U.S. Coins
- 25. Advanced U.S. Coin Grading
- 26. The Computer as a Numismatic Tool II
- 27. Coin Photography II
- 28. The Art of Engraving
- 29. Art History through Coins (half day)
- 30. Colorado History and More
- 31. Detection of Counterfeit and Altered Coins
- **32.** The Coinage, History and Personalities of the First U.S. Mint
- 33. Coins of the Ancient World
- 34. Numismatic Literature and Research
- 35. Civil War-Era Numismatics
- 36. Coins of the Bible and Byzantine Coins
- 37. Medals and Decorations
- 38. Modern Minting Process, Errors and Varieties
- 39. Asian Numismatics
- 40, Cobs and Treasure Coins
- 41. America's Colonial Coinage and Paper Money
- 42. The Coinage of the Twelve Caesars
- 43. U.S. National Bank Notes
- 44. Preparing a Competitive Exhibit
- 45. The Compleat Numismatist
- **46.** Understanding Numismatics (half day)

COURSE CANCELLATION

If a course is canceled, you will be notified at least 45 days prior to the class date and receive a full refund. The ANA is not responsible for cancellation of classes due to lack of registrants, and reserves the right to substitute instructors of comparable expertise.

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THE 8TH ANNUAL CASINO CHIP AND GAMING TOKEN COLLECTORS CLUB, INC. CONVENTION AND SHOW JULY 20, 21, & 22, 2000 THE TROPICANA HOTEL & CASINO

LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

It is not too early to start making plans to be in attendance at the Club's 8th Annual Convention and help us celebrate our organization's 12th Anniversary. We had over 2300 attend the 1999 Convention and we expect 2000 to be bigger than ever! If you have not attended one of the Club's Conventions in the past, you are missing the premier event of the year.

Just like Las Vegas, our Club has experienced tremendous growth and the growth is reflected in the fact that the Club has evolved and prospered to the point that we will be in our 12th year as an organization. The 2000 Convention will reflect our tremendous growth and should have something for every member. Chips, tokens, casino memorabilia, educational exhibits, seminars, trading sessions and more!

The Tropicana Hotel & Casino will be the site of 2000 Convention and we know the staff of the Hotel is anxious to assist the Club in presenting a first class convention. The Tropicana sits on the busiest corner in Las Vegas and is convenient to many amenities. The Grand Ballroom is beautiful and 50% larger than the one we used last year, the sleeping rooms have just been remodeled; there is a large selection of top-notch restaurants, headliner entertainment, a spa, and even swim-up blackjack. So plan on attending the 2000 CC>CC's 8th Annual Convention & Show at the Tropicana Hotel & Casino and meet your fellow collectors in person and find that elusive piece for your collection.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Hotel reservation slips are included in this issue of the magazine. The room rate will be \$45.00 Sunday-Thursday & \$85.00 Friday& Saturday per night. I am sure there are members who receive a better rate than this, based on their casino action or some one may find a better price as part of "package", but you have to come and go on the dates specified in the package. The fact i s the Club uses the number of rooms booked as a negotiating tool for show space and sleeping rooms for future shows. We hope you will elect to stay at The Tropicana.

We would encourage each member to make your reservations as early as possible. So please support YOUR CLUB by booking your room at the Tropicana Hotel & Casino. The room rates are good from July 15-22, 2000 for those folks who arrive prior to the show and/or would like to stay over after the Convention concludes. To insure accuracy in booking a group room block, reservations should be made using the reservation slips. No Saturday arrivals or departures.

DEALER TABLES

Any member who had a dealer table last year, should have received information about the 2000 Convention in the mail. The deadline for receiving table application is January 14th.

Because we are in a new location the floor layout will obviously change. Every effort will be made to make table locations for returning dealers comparable to last year. Please keep in mind there are no guarantees on location on the floor for any member. There will be a limit of three (3) table sold to any one member or members sharing table space. All table applicants will be notified around February 15 as to the status of their application. The final floor layout and list of dealers will be provided with notification. If anyone has any questions about the tables or the show please do not hesitate to contact the Convention Chairman.

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VOLUNTEERS

The Convention Co-Chair is now actively soliciting volunteers for the 2000 Convention. If you are planning on the attending the Convention and would like to donate a few hours before, during, or after the show, we can always use assistance. The real need for extra help is during the setup period on Tuesday and Wednesday and on Saturday evening assisting with the tear down of the show.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Convention Co-Chair Belinda Hixon.

Belinda Hixon 4307 Pembrooke Pkwy N. Colleyville, TX 76034 txbel711@aol.com

EARLY BIRD RECEPTION AND SWAP MEET

To be held on Wednesday July 19th at 6:00pm, 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. We are looking to make some changes to this year's reception that should make this event better than ever. Everyone is encouraged to bring their traders and duplicated for the intense trading session. 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. This reception/swap meet is restricted to members only. If you are bringing a spouse who is not a member they can become an associate member for \$5.

One other not on trading. The Hotel has asked the <u>no</u> trading or selling be conducted in the hallways of the convention areas. Thank you for your understanding.

AUCTION

Auction chairman Bruce Landau will have gathered another fine assortment of lots for our Friday night auction. The auction will be on Friday, July 21st. and begin at 6:30 pm 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. You will still be able to register the night of the auction, but why wait until the last minute. Should be another fine auction.

CLUB BUSINESS MEETING

Again this year, in an effort to improve attendance, we will have the business meeting on Thursday evening July 20th. Why is it that 350 people can show up for free food and drinks, with chip/token swapping thrown in, but less than 100 people show up to conduct the business of this Club? This Club is growing and the business we conduct affects every one of us. Hopefully everyone will take time to make this important meeting.

LAST DANCE SWAP MEET

On Saturday, July 22nd., after the conclusion of the Convention, the Club will sponsor another swap session for any interested members. The session will begin at 7:00pm 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!

EXHIBITS

Mr. Archie Black has graciously volunteered to chair the Exhibit committee for the 2000 Convention. The exhibits will be of both competitive and non-competitive nature and there is no charge for entering an exhibit. We had some truly outstanding exhibits in 1999 and hope more members will offer to participate. If you have any questions regarding exhibits, please contact Archie Black, P.O. Box 63, Brick, NJ 08723 or e-mail MRNJCHIPS@aol.com.

MEETING SPACE AVAILABLE

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

2000 CONVENTION COMMITTEES

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ANA Chip Seminar 2000

(With the Emperors Blessing)

By Mel Jung

If you travel some 50 miles Northwest of Beijing, China; you will find the site of the 13 Ming Tombs. The most notable, is the tomb of Emperor Wan-Li. On the eve of the 50th anniversary of the Peoples Republic of China, I visited the tombs during a 21 day tour of China.

Visitors must walk down 400 steps into the burial chambers and the Chinese are seen leaving monetary offerings of native Yuan in the same manner foreigners throw coins in water fountains, ponds, and wishing wells for blessings and good luck. Our local guide checked with the attending Military Guard asking if I could make a donation and he interestingly answered that before foreigners brought the "offering" custom; no one left money at the tomb and the "American" custom was quite welcome. So, on Sept 31st 1999, a \$5 Monte Carlo obsolete chipco from Reno, Nevada was left among a huge pile of local Yuan currency with the wish that the American Numismatics Association (ANA) year 2000 Chip Seminar would be blessed with a full attendance and good fortune. With the blessings then, of Emperor Wan-Li, (I heard he was a notorious gambler) the following chipping topics and included course materials are outlined to create interest for your early consideration to attend Colorado College, in Colorado Springs; the first week in July 2000. We may even have a commemorative chip to celebrate the first ever chip seminar and the 4th of July (pending). The things we do for "chipping"......

CHIPS AND MATERIALS INCLUDED IN THE SEMINAR:

The new edition and some old editions of the "Chip Rack" donated by Knapp, Myers and Wheelden, and the "Casino Chip Price Guide donated by Campiglia and Wells to analyze chip values and appreciation.

Dale Seymours "Antique Gambling Chips", and "Nevada's Golden Age of Gambling " by Albert Woods Moe.

"Mel 's Chiphistry" a historical chronology of American Gaming chips, by Mel Jung,

A 1990 Harrah's keystone Sailboat \$5 chipco, a 1993 Reno Monte Carlo \$5 Reno (Wan-Li's tomb)as well as

some other notable chips being donated by club members. A SHORT LIST OF PROJECTED SEMINAR TOPICS:

- 1. A short history of gaming and casino collectibles.
- 2. The varieties of gaming collectibles: chips, tokens, dice, ashtrays, slot cards etc.
- 3. History, manufacture, and distribution of gaming chips including discussion of chip molds.
 - 4. How to find gaming collectibles and how they are used in various gaming venues.
 - 5. Gaming collectibles and the Internet the future. E-Bay included.
 - 6. California Chip Collecting, the sleeping giant in chipping.
 - 7. How to "specialize" and own a "free" collection.
 - 8. Slot Machines (the inner workings), tokens and Silver Premium Tokens (SPT's)
 - 9. Chip collecting and gaming issues in the new millinnium. Indians, LE chips, ethics, etc.
 - 10. Specialties: By mold, brass core, \$2.50's Riverboats, NCV's, Ivories, etc.

These represent a concise list of topics we expect to cover and welcome input with the expectation that we will design the week to satisfy the interest of 20 students. Let us know early with your application. The costs are: Seminar only \$299, with Lunch for the week \$350, with lodging (double occupancy) in a dorm \$479. The CCGTCC has donated \$1000 towards giving the first 10 members \$100 towards tuition and local chapters have all committed to give financial aid for at least the first 10 applicants so be sure and calendar this seminar for the first week in July in your plans for 2000. For questions call or write: Mel Jung (415)472-2869, or Dale Seymour (650) 948-0949. Or, ask directly to ANA, Gail Baker 800-367-9723

2000 CONVENTION CHIP & MEDAL DESIGN CONTEST

The Club is again accepting entries for our official 2000 Club Convention Chip & Medal Design Contest. These club convention commemorative issues are very collectible and popular with our membership. All members are welcome to compete. Entries can be hand drawn or computer generated. Winning entries will win prizes as follows:

1st Place: \$100 Savings Bond & Plaque 2nd Place: \$50 Savings Bond & T-Shirt

The second place designs will be used for illustration on the official convention t-shirt.

CONTEST RULES:

- 1. Designs must be submitted on 8 1/2" by 11" paper.
- 2. Artwork must be at least 6" to 8" in diameter
- 3. All artwork must include your name and membership number on the reverse.
- 4. Artwork can be in color or black & white, matted or unmatted.
- 5. All entries become the property of CC>CC and are not returnable.
- 6. The Club Board of Directors will serve as the judges for this contest. Their decisions are final and no appeals will be allowed.
- 7. Deadline for entries is February 28, 2000.

Please submit your entries to:

David D. Sarles CC>CC Design Contest 4513 N. Bailey Ave. Buffalo, NY 14221

TRESURER'S REPORT WINTER, 2000

As of November 30, 1999, the balance in the club's operating account was \$13,402 after payment of all substantial expenses incurred. Included in the expenses is the payment for the printing, mailing and postafe for the Fall, 1999 issue of our club magazine in the amount of \$9,678.00 and the deposit for our Convention 2000 at the Tropicana of \$5,000.00 Club revenues, in addition to dues, during the past quarter included \$1,967.00 received for advertising in the club magazine and \$430.00 from the sale of club promotional items. Our thanks go out to Charlie Rodgers and Dick Allard for their efforts in these areas. The balance in our money market account as of October 1, 1999 was \$33,244.00

The club is required to file an annual tax return with the IRS. The return was filed timely during the previous quarter. As in past years, our fellow club member and CPA, Mitch Smith prepared the tax return, at no cost to the club. Thanks again to Mitch for his valuable contribution.

Please feel free to contact me by e-mail, telephone or mail with any questions and comments regarding the club's financial position. Thanks again for your continued support.

> Nate Pincus Treasurer

PHILADELPHIA, "The City Of Brotherly Love"

Once again, I invite those of you who like to travel to large conventions around the country to put Philadelphia on your itinerary for this August. This annual grand-daddy of all numismatic conventions (casino chip and gaming token collecting certainly falls into this definition) the American Numismatic Association, will be conducting it's 109th Anniversary Convention on August 9-13, 2000 at the Philadelphia Convention Center, 1201 Arch Street in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Just over the New Jersey border, Philadelphia is very easy to get to and there are many historical sites to see in the city, while attending this huge primarily coin show.

If Vegas happened to be too far to travel for some of you east coasters, Philadelphia provides another opportunity to meet with some old and new chip & token collectors and dealers who will be in attendance. An informal CC>CC meeting will be held on Saturday morning, August 12th. You need not be an A.N.A. member to attend this national convention.... and, admission is free. Bring the kids!

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS COTY/TOTY 1999

The annual contest for the "1999 Chip Of The Year" and "1999 Token Of The Year" is now underway. As COTY/TOTY Chairman again this year, I'm calling for nominations of your favorite casino chips and gaming tokens that have been issued by hundreds, if not thousands, of casinos in various gaming jurisdictions from around the world during the previous year (1999).

Now is the time for ALL interested club members to send in nominations of your favorite five best chips and/or five best tokens which were issued between January 1st and December 31st, 1999 that you would like to see appear on the club's official ballot. From those anticipated hundreds of different nominees that will be forthcoming, the top ten nominations received in the chip category and the top ten nominations received in the tokens category will be placed on the official ballot to be voted upon by the COMMITTEE of club member judges. A full color photocopy of the top ten nominees In the event of nominated chips and/or in each category will accompany the ballot. tokens which have different obverse/reverse designs (other than casino logos); both sides will be illustrated. This year's panel of COMMITTEE judges will not be limited to only those who have submitted nominations, but also included for the very first time will be those additional club members who have demonstrated a genuine interest in serving on the judging COMMITTEE who have submitted a large SASE (self addressed stamped envelope without nominations) to receive the voting materials as well. open to ALL club members in good standing, including associates. In order to serve on the official COMMITTEE of Judges, a valid nomination, OR an empty large SASE, must be received by the COTY/TOTY Chairman on or before the deadline of February 29th.

In the event of sets of multiple chips and or multiple tokens within a series being nominated, only five individual chips and/or five individual tokens within that set will be eligible for nomination. Total nominations must not exceed five chips and five tokens or the nomination form will not be recognized. The committee chairman will have final disposition on any disputes that may arise.

The deadline for submitting nominations will be; <u>February</u>, 29th 2000. Nominations or SASE's should be sent to:

ARCHIE A. BLACK, Chairman 1999 CC>CC COTY/TOTY CONTEST PO BOX 63 BRICK, NJ 08723.

CALL FOR CONVENTION EXHIBITS

It is time for those who are planning on setting up an exhibit for display during the club's annual convention this year, at Tropicana, to begin putting their thoughts together about preparing their materials set up and layout design. July will be here before we realize it and this is not a project that should wait until the last minute to prepare.

Last year, under the direction of Exhibits Chair Janice O'Neal, the club membership was treated to dozens of excellent educational displays, which were viewed by hundreds of club members and convention visitors. Hopefully, this year we can match or exceed the amount of participation and quality of exhibits. If you have exhibited at any of our past conventions, you have in all probability picked up a few pointers from other exhibitors so that your display can be improved upon this year. If you are a first-time exhibitor, and you don't know exactly how to go about putting together an attractive display.... I would be most happy to help you out with answers to some questions you may have.

The Exhibit Rules are published elsewhere in this issue of the club magazine. Please read them carefully and return the Exhibitors Application as soon as you have committed to bringing your exhibit to Las Vegas so that ample table space can be reserved for the number of display cases your exhibit will be required to house. More than one exhibit may be entered.

There will be a suitable "People's Choice" award presented to the owner of the exhibit that viewers of all the exhibits on display will be asked to vote for the display of their choice they liked the best. All exhibitors will receive a handsome club appreciation plaque in recognition of their participation.

Also, for those exhibitors who are members of the American Numismatic Association, your exhibit in Las Vegas may be "recycled" and shown again a month later in Philadelphia, in the newly established "Gaming" category, where you will not be competing against rare coins, medals, and paper money. All exhibitors at ANA receive an impressive exhibitors medal and a free ticket to the very enjoyable and entertaining annual banquet. In addition, very impressive awards are presented to all First, Second, and Third place finishers in EACH category.... "Gaming"... being one just one of 24 categories. All 24 First Place finishers are eligible for the prestigious Best In Show Award.

Hope to see many new faces at this year's Exhibitor's award ceremonies in Las Vegas and in Philadelphia as well.

Archie A. Black, 2000 CC>CC Exhibits Chairman

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Annual List for the CC>CC Library

New donations reviewed...plus current list of Library materials by Robert Pardue (CH-003) – Club Librarian

New Additions this Quarter

Antique Gambling Chips is the theme of this quarter's new arrivals for the Library, thanks to donations from author Dale Seymour. Dale donated a copy of his current book, Antique Gambling Chips (Revised Edition-1998), an excellent 441-page catalog of information and illustrations for many non-casino chips. Antique chips encompass many materials (bone, mother-of-pearl, ivory, composition and more) over the last several hundred years. The book is well organized with descriptive groupings which help in identifying the graphics found on many older chips. Even if you focus your collecting interests on casino chips, you will find interesting information on chip manufacturing, and an informative section on chip manufacturer/distributor advertising chips. An excellent reference overall! A copy of Dale Seymour's first edition to Antique Gambling Chips, published in 1985, was also donated for the Library.

Dale Seymour also donated a copy of his book **Old Poker Chips**, a comb-bound book published in 1998. This 170+ page book is a perfect companion to **Antique Gambling Chips**. The layout includes sections illustrating each group of graphics found on old poker chips. The book is designed with the collector in mind, with additional space to check-

ANTIQUE GAMBLING CHIPS

REVISED EDITION

DALE SEYMOUR

Above: Antique Casino Chips - 1998 revised edition - by Dale Seymour. Nearly double the size of the original 1985 edition. An authoritative work on many types of non-casino chips.

off chips and add new finds in each section. The book includes a price guide, too.

Annual list of library materials

The following four pages list all the books and materials donated to the club Library. Thanks to the generosity of club members, we now have over 200 items in the Library. New additions will continue to be published quarterly, and the entire list will appear again in one year. In the meantime, the list will be updated periodically on the club website at www.ccgtcc.com.

Check-out procedures

As a reminder, club members in good standing may check out up to 4 items at a time for 3 weeks; renewable for 2 extra weeks if item is not on a waiting list. Make requests by email (preferred) or regular mail. Club pays postage to you; you pay return postage. It's that simple!

Email: pardue@home.com

Robert Pardue CC>CC Librarian P.O. Box 2014 Laguna Hills, CA 92654



Above: Old Poker Chips - published in 1998 - by Dale Seymour.

A companion for the collector to check-off illustrated chips and add new finds. Includes a price guide.

Casino Chips & Gaming Tokens Collectors Club CC>CC Gaming Library-by-Mail Library Collection - Updated December 1999

Subject Area	Title	Author	Date/Edition	Media/Type	#
CHIP & TOKEN GUID	ES				
Antique chips	Antique Gambling Chips	Seymour, Dale	1985	Book (pb)	1
Antique chips	Antique Gambling Chips - Revised Edition	Seymour, Dale +	1998	Book (pb)	1
Antique chips	Old Poker Chips	Seymour, Dale +	1998	Book (spiral)	1
Atlantic City	Black's Catalog of Atlantic City Casino Chips/Tokens	Black, Archie A.	1990	Booklet	1
Atlantic City	Atlantic City Casino Chips & Tokens [Black's Catalog]	Black, Archie A.	1997	Book (spiral)	1
Atlantic City	1998 Black's Catalog of Atlantic CityChips & Tokens	Black, Archie A.	1998	Book (spiral)	1
Atlantic City	1999 Black's Catalog of Atlantic CityChips & Tokens	Black, Archie A.	1999	Book (spiral)	1
Colorado guide	Colorado Ltd. Stakes Gaming Casino Chip & Token Guide	Johnson, Gary	1991-98/1st	3-ring binder	1
Curacao chips	Ginsburg's Guide to the Chips & Casinos of Curacao	Ginsburg, Robert A.	1998/1st Ed.	Book (spiral)	2
Caribbean	C&T of Dutch Caribbean:Aruba,Bonaire,Curacao,St.Maarten		1999	Book (spiral)	2
Florida	A Guide to Florida's Gaming Chips, Checks and Tokens	Lighterman, Mark ++	1996/1st Ed.	Book (spiral)	1
Florida chips	Top's Casino Chip Guide to Florida Card Rooms	Newby, John "Top"	1998/1st Ed.	Book (spiral)	2 1
Franklin Mint	Guidebook of Franklin Mint Issues [includes token list]	Krause, Chester L.	1980 1969	Book (pb) Book (bk)	1
Franklin Mint	Numismatic Issues of the Franklin Mint (1965-1969)	Franklin Mint, Inc. Eskin, Avram A.	1996	Catalog	2
General guide	1996 Casino Chips Mintage Report Blue Book of Casino Chips & Gaming Tokens [Borland's]	World Wide Casino Exch.		Binder(3-ring)	1
General guide General guide	Changing the Terrain of Casino Chip Collecting	Eskin, Avram A.	1995/1st Ed.	Book (spiral)	1
General guide	Collecting Casino Chips (2nd Edition)	Spencer, Donald D.	2000/2nd Ed.		1
General guide	Gaming Table, The - Chip, Check and Token Coll. Guide	Knapp/Myers/Wheelden		Book (pb)	3
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General guide	Handbook for Gaming Token Collectors	Don and Jean	1994	Book (pb)	1
General guide	Introduction to Casino Gaming Token Collecting	Don and Jean	1989	Brochure	1
General guide	Official U.S. Casino Chips Price Guide, The	Campiglia & Wells	1999	Book (pb)	1
Nevada	Nevada Silver Premium Gaming Tokens/1997 Price Guide	Weaver, Marvin	1997/3rd Ed.	Book (spiral)	1
Nevada	Nevada Silver Premium Gaming Tokens/1999 Price Guide	Weaver, Marvin	1999/4th Ed.	Book (spiral)	2
Nevada chips	Chip Rack, The Price Guide to Casino Chips of Nevada	Knapp/Myers/Wheelden	1994/Vol. 2	Book (spiral)	1
Nevada chips	Chip Rack, The Price Guide to Casino Chips of Nevada	Knapp/Myers/Wheelden	1996/3rd Ed.	Book (spiral)	1
Nevada chips	Chip Rack, The Price Guide to Casino Chipsof Nevada	Knapp/Myers/Wheelden	1998/5th Ed.	Book (spiral)	2
Nevada chips	Chip Rack, The Price Guide to Casino Chips of Nevada	Knapp/Myers/Wheelden	1999/6th Ed.	Book (spiral)	2
Nev GCB lists	Nevada Gaming Control Board - chip & token approvals	NGCB (monthly lists)	1998-12 mos.	Photocopy	1 set
Nev GCB lists	Nevada Gaming Control Board - chip & token approvals	NGCB (monthly lists)	1999-to July	Photocopy	1 set
Puerto Rico	1999 Black's Catalog of Puerto Rico Casino Chips	Black, Archie A.	1999	Book (spiral)	1
So.NV/not LV	Casino Gaming Token Guide -Series 1 Volume 1	Don and Jean	1989	Booklet	2
Tahoe Area	Casino Gaming Token Guide -Series 1 Volume 2	Don and Jean	1990	Booklet	2
SALES LISTS & AUC	TION CATALOGS				
Sales List	High Sierra Numismatics-Gaming Check & Chip List #1	High Sierra Numismatics	1985/May 1	Catalog	1
Auction catalog	Coin Company Gaming Token Auction No. 1	Coin Company, The	1991/Sept 5	Catalog (spiral)	
Auction catalog	Coin Company Auction No. 2	Coin Company, The	_	Catalog (spiral)	
Auction catalog	Coin Company Auction No. 3	Coin Company, The	1992/Oct 1	Catalog (spiral)	
Auction catalog	Coin Company Auction No. 4	Coin Company, The		Catalog (spiral)	
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Auction catalog	Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 11	Gaming Archaeology		Catalog (spiral)	
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Auction catalog	Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 18	Gaming Archaeology	1996/Apr 30	Catalog (spiral)	1
Auction catalog	Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 19	Gaming Archaeology	1996/Oct 22	Catalog (spiral)	1
Auction catalog	Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 20	Gaming Archaeology	1996/Dec 10	Catalog (spiral)	1
Auction catalog	Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 21	Gaming Archaeology	1997/Feb 20	Catalog (spiral)	1
Auction catalog	Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 22	Gaming Archaeology	1997/Jun 10	Catalog (spiral)	1
Auction catalog	Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 23	Gaming Archaeology	1997/Sept 9	Catalog (spiral)	1
Auction catalog	Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 24	Gaming Archaeology	1998/Jan 26	Catalog (spiral)	
Auction catalog	Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 26-A [Colorado]	Gaming Archaeology	1998/May 4	Catalog (spiral)	
Auction catalog	Gaming Archaeology Auction No. 27	Gaming Archaeology	1998/Jul 28	Catalog (spiral)	
Auction catalog	CC>CC Auction '96 [Aladdin]	CC>CC	1996/Jun 21	Catalog	2

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CACINO COLLECTIO	1.50				
CASINO COLLECTIB Nevada+	Casinos and their AshtraysA Collector's Guide	Anderson Art	1994	Book (pb)	1
Chip collecting	"Chips Off the Old Block" in Cigar Aficionado magazine	Anderson, Art Rosenberg, Barry	1994 1998 reprint	from Webpage	1
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HISTORY					
Atlantic City	By the Beautiful Seathe Rise ofAtlantic City	Funnell, Charles E.	1975	Book (hb)	1
Atlantic City	Atlantic City DiaryA Century of Memories 1880-1985	Davis, Ed	1989	Book (pb)	1
Atlantic City	Atlantic CityThe TransitionA Picture Story	Schwarz, John K.	1989	Book (pb)	1
Atlantic City	Atlantic CityPlayground of the Nation [old postcards]	C. T. & CoChicago	No date [old]	Booklet	1
Atlantic City	Atlantic City-125 Years of Ocean Madness	Levi, V. & Eisenberg, L.	1979	Book (pb)	2
Atlantic City Atlantic City+	Boardwalk Jungle, The [Atlantic City] A Ferry TaleCrossing the Delaware [Cape May Ferry]	Demaris, Ovid Miller Jr., William J.	1986 1985	Book (hb) Book (pb)	1
Nevada	El Rancho Vegasthe First Las Vegas Strip Hotel	Gellette, Jim	1991	Booklet	2
Nevada	Nevada [States of the Nation series]	Laxalt, Robert	1970	Book (hb)	1
Nevada	Reno: Hub of the Washoe Countryan Illustrated History	Rowley, William D.	1984	Book (hb)	1
Nevada	Some RememberedSome ForgotNev. Mining Camps	Bruner, Firmin	1974	Booklet	1
Mob/Mafia	The Mafia: An Expose (10 part videotape set)	Madacy Entertainment	1997	Video-VHS	1 set
"Mob" History	Silent Syndicate, The	Messick, Hank	1967	Book (hb)	1
GAMING INDUSTRY					_
Atlantic City	The Company that Bought the BoardwalkResorts Int'l	Mahon, Gigi	1980	Book (hb)	2
Atlantic City	Trump: The Art of the Deal	Trump, Donald +	1987	Book (hb)	2
Nevada	No Limit: The Rise and Fall of Bob StupakStratosphere	Smith, John L.	1997	Book (hb)	1
Textbook	Casino Management	Friedman, Bill	1974	Book (hb)	2
CASINO OBSERVAT	IONS				
Atlantic City	Atlantic CityBehing the Tables	Alcamo, John	1991	Book (pb)	1
Las Vegas	Las Vegas Behind the Tables!	Vinson, Barney	1986	Book (pb)	1
Las Vegas	Las Vegas Behind the Tables! Part 2	Vinson, Barney	1988	Book (pb)	1
Las Vegas	Casino Secrets	Vinson, Barney	1997	Book (pb)	1
Las Vegas	Inside Las Vegas	Puzo, Mario	1976	Book (hb)	2
Roulette+	Eudaemonic Pie, The	Bass, Thomas A.	1985	Book (pb)	1
GAME INSTRUCTION	I / HOW TO PLAY				
Betting	10 Best Proposition Bets of America's Bigtime Gamblers	Scarne, John	1975	Booklet	1
Blackjack	Beat the Dealera Winning Strategy for TwentyOne	Thorp, Edward O.	1966	Book (pb)	1
Blackjack	Cheating at Blackjackand Advantage Play	Marks, Dustin D.	1994	Book (pb)	1
Blackjack	Million Dollar Blackjack	Uston, Ken	1981	Book (hb)	1
Blackjack	Professional Blackjack	Wong, Sanford	1980	Book (hb)	1
Blackjack	So You Wanna Be a Gambler!Card Counting	Patrick, John	1986	Book (pb)	1
Blackjack	Understanding and Winning Casino Blackjack	Chin, Kenneth S. Y.	1980	Book (hb)	1
Blackjack	Winning at 21the Archer Method	Archer, John	1973	Book (pb)	1
Craps	11 Articles on Craps Play [Photocopied/bound] Casino Gambling, Henry Tamburin on	Multiple authors Tamburin, Henry	Unknown 1988	Bound set Book (pb)	1
Multiple games Multiple games	Casino GamblingWinning Techniques	Patterson, Jerry L.	1982	Book (pb)	1
Multiple games	Casino Player's The Best of the Basics	Casino Player	1995	Booklet	1
Multiple games	Gambler's Digest: Everything You Need to Know to Win	McQuaid, Clement-ed.	1971	Book (pb)	1
Multiple games	How to Win Money Gambling in Casinos:Win \$50-\$100/hr	Unknown	Unknown	Booklet	1
Multiple games	Playing to Win in Atlantic CityBJ,Roulette,Craps	Grafstein, Sam	1989	Book (pb)	1
Multiple games	Win at the CasinoBeat the Odds at BJ,Craps,etc.	Harrison, Dennis R.	1982	Book (pb)	1
Multiple games	Winner's Guide to Casino Gambling, The	Silberstang, Edwin	1980	Book (pb)	1
Sweepstakes+	How You Can Win Sweepstakes and Lotteries	Weiss, Mark	1974	Book (pb)	1
Video Poker	Video PokerPlaying to Win	Gerhardt, David	1987	Book (pb)	1
GAMING MAGAZINE	s				
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 1	CC>CC	1988 #1-4	Photocopy	1 set
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 2	CC>CC	1989 #1-4	Photocopy	1 set
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 3	CC>CC	1990 #1-4	Photocopy	1 set
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 4	CC>CC	1991 #1-4	Photocopy	1 set
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 5	CC>CC	1992 #1-4	Magazines	1 set
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 6	CC>CC	1993 #1-4	Magazines	1 set
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 7	CC>CC	1994 #1-4	Magazines	1 set
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 8	CC>CC	1995 #1-4	Magazines	1 set
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 9	CC>CC	1996 #1-4	Magazines	1 set

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CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 10	CC>CC	1997 1&4only	Magazines	1 set
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 11	CC>CC	1998 #1-4	Magazines	1 set
CC>CC Mag	Casino Chip & Token News (Quarterly mag.) Vol. 12	CC>CC	1999 #1-3	Magazines	1 set
Atlantic City	Boardwalker's Gaming International [cover=A.C. chips]	Boardwalker's magazine	1983/Nov-Dec	Magazine	1
USA	Casino magazine [vol. 2/issues 1thru 8]	Casino [magazine]	1991	Magazine	1 set
USA	Casino magazine [vol. 3: 12 issues]	Casino [magazine]	1992-93	Magazine	1 set
USA	Casino magazine [vol. 4: 9 issues]	Casino [magazine]	1994	Magazine	1 set
USA	Casino magazine [vol. 5: 6 issues]	Casino [magazine]	1995	Magazine	1 set
USA	The Player Magazine [1989/4 issues: Sept-Dec]	The Player magazine	1989	Magazine	1 set
USA	The Player Magazine [1990/12 issues: Jan-Dec]	The Player magazine	1990	Magazine	1 set
USA	The Player Magazine [1991/3 issues: Jan-Mar]	The Player magazine	1991	Magazine	1 set
USA	Casino Player Magazine [1991/9 issues: Apr-Dec]	Casino Player magazine	1991	Magazine	1 set
USA	Casino Player Magazine [1992 set: 12 issues]	Casino Player magazine	1992	Magazine	1 set
USA	Casino Player Magazine [1993 set:12 issues +1 special]	Casino Player magazine	1993	Magazine	1 set
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USA	Casino Player Magazine [1997 set: 12 issues +1 special]	Casino Player magazine	1997	Magazine	1 set
Chips +	Chip Forum magazine [vol. 1/issue 2]	Chip Forum magazine	1996/May	Magazine	1
Chips +	Chip Forum magazine [vol. 1/issue 4]	Chip Forum magazine	1996/July	Magazine	1
Chips +	Chip Forum magazine [vol. 1/issue 5]	Chip Forum magazine	1996/Aug	Magazine	7 1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 1/issue 1] Gaming Times magazine [vol. 1/issue 2]	Gaming Times magazine		Magazine Magazine	1
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Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 2/issue 1]	Gaming Times magazine		Magazine	1
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Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 2/issue 3]	Gaming Times magazine		Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 2/issue 4]	Gaming Times magazine		Magazine	1
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Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 2/issue 6]	Gaming Times magazine		Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 2/issue 7]	Gaming Times magazine		Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 2/issue 8]	Gaming Times magazine		Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 2/issue 9]	Gaming Times magazine		Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 2/issue 10]	Gaming Times magazine	1997/Oct	Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 2/issue 12]	Gaming Times magazine	1997/Dec	Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 3/issue 1]	Gaming Times magazine	1998/Jan	Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 3/issue 2]	Gaming Times magazine	1998/Feb	Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 3/issue 3]	Gaming Times magazine	1998/Mar	Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 3/issue 4]	Gaming Times magazine	1998/Apr	Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 3/issue 5]	Gaming Times magazine	1998/May	Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 3/issue 6]	Gaming Times magazine		Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 3/issue 7]	Gaming Times magazine	-	Magazine	1
Chips +	Gaming Times magazine [vol. 3/issue 8]	Gaming Times magazine	-	Magazine	1
USA	Gambling Times A Guide to Past Articles [Index]	Gambling Times mag.	1977-1980	Booklet	1
USA	Gambling Times magazine [1977 issues, in binder]	Gambling Times mag.	1977	Magazines	1 set
USA	Gambling Times magazine [1978 issues, in binder]	Gambling Times mag.	1978	Magazines	1 set
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Chips+	NY Daily News Fall Casino Guide"Chip Craze" article	Littman, Larry (article)	1998, Oct 18	Newspaper mag	
Poker+	Poker Digestwith "Chip Collecting" article by Trimble	Trimble, Gene (article)	1998, Oct 9		1
Collectibles Mag.	Warman's Today's Collector"Old Casino Chips" article	Ellingboe, Steve(article)	1998, June	Magazine	1
USA	WIN Magazine [1990 partial set: 9 issues]	WIN Magazine	1990	Magazine	1 set
USA	WIN Magazine [1991 partial set: 8 issues]	WIN Magazine	1991	Magazine	1 set
USA	WIN Magazine [1992-93 set: 11 issues]	WIN Magazine	1992-93	•	1 set
Coin magazine	Numismatist, The (ANA monthly magazine)	ANA	1999/May	-	1
Coin magazine	Numismatist, The (ANA monthly magazine)	ANA	1999/June	-	1
Coin magazine	Numismatist, The (ANA monthly magazine)	ANA	1999/July		1
Coin magazine	Numismatist, The (ANA monthly magazine)	ANA	1999/August	Magazine	1

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Coin magazine	Numismatist, The (ANA monthly magazine)	ANA	1999/Sept	Magazine	1
GAMING NEWSLETT	TERS				
Blackjack	The Experts Blackjack Newsletter [1990-94: 8 issues]	Gambling Times Pubs.	1990-94	Newsletter	1 set
LV Bargains	Las Vegas Advisor [Sept 89-March 92: bound set]	Las Vegas Advisor	1989-92	Newsletter	1 set
LV Bargains	Las Vegas Advisor [Apr 92-Dec 94: bound set]	Las Vegas Advisor	1992-94	Newsletter	1 set
LV Bargains	Las Vegas Advisor [1995: 12 issues]	Las Vegas Advisor	1995	Newsletter	1 set
LV Bargains	Las Vegas Advisor, Anthony Curtis' [1996: 12 issues]	Las Vegas Advisor	1996	Newsletter	1 set
LV Bargains	Las Vegas Advisor, Anthony Curtis' [1997: 12 issues]	Las Vegas Advisor	1997	Newsletter	1 set
Gambling	So You Wanna Be a Gambler! [1987-1992: bound set]	John Patrick Product'ns	1987-92	Newsletter	1 set
Gambling	So You Wanna Be a Gambler! [1993-1995]	John Patrick Product'ns	1993-95	Newsletter	1 set
Gambling	So You Wanna Be a Gambler! [1996-April 1997]	John Patrick Product'ns	1996-97	Newsletter	1 set
TRAVEL MAGAZINE	s				
Nevada Tourism	Nevada magazine [1989/4 issues: June/Aug/Oct/Dec]	Nevada magazine	1989	Magazine	1 set
Nevada Tourism	Nevada magazine [1990 set: 6 issues + 3 special issues]	Nevada magazine	1990	Magazine	1 set
Nevada Tourism	Nevada magazine [1991 set: 6 issues]	Nevada magazine	1991	Magazine	1 set
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Nevada Tourism	Nevada magazine [1997 set: 6 issues]	Nevada magazine	1997	Magazine	1 set
GUIDE BOOKS					
Atlantic City	Guide to Fine Dining in So. New Jersey1992-93 ed.	Atlantic City Magazine	1992	Booklet	2
Nevada	Bargain Citythe New Las Vegas	Curtis, Anthony	1993	Book (pb)	1
Nevada	Casino Directory for Nevada	RW Directories	1989	Booklet	1
Nevada	Frugal Gambler, The	Scott, Jean	1998	Book (pb)	1
USA	Casinos USA: The Nationwide Guide for Gamblers Only!	Hansen,L. & Zywiec, M.	1996	Book (pb)	1
USA	American Casino Guide 1999	Bourie, Steve	1999 Ed.	Book (pb)	1
MISCELLANEOUS					
Atlantic City	Atlantic City Proof	Gilmore, Christopher C.	1978	Book (pb)	1
Coin Guidebook	Official A.N.A. Grading Standards for U.S. Coins-5th Ed.	Bressett & Kosoff	1987	Book (pb)	1
LV Movies	Photographs (8-B&W) from "Las Vegas Nites" movie	Unknown	1950's	Photographs	1 (set)

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In the true spirit of friendship and giving, the Atlantic City Chapter raised a total of more than \$5,600.00 to help defray the medical bills of fellow chipper Bob Mera. Bob has been one of the top recruiters for the CC>CC over the last 10 years and probably introduced 75% of the members of the Atlantic City Chapter to the chip and token collecting hobby. Bob also operated a retail chip and casino related item shop on the Boardwalk in Atlantic City. Bob's shop, The Gaming Emporium, served as the focal point for chip collectors between our regular Chapter meetings. A chipper's visit to A.C. would not be complete without a visit to "Bob's" to catch up on the latest happenings in the world of chip collecting. Over the years I have spent many an hour of quality time exchanging chips and stories with Bob and the other chippers who would gather there. Bob had been battling Leukemia for several years and had to undergo a very expensive bone marrow transplant operation in early October.

Spearheaded by Chapter President Dick Brach, the A.C. Chapter conducted a special Chip Auction and 50/50 Drawing at the Chapter Meeting held at the Showboat Casino in Atlantic City on September 26, 1999. Over 150 members and guests attended the meeting and actively participated in the Auction and 50/50 drawing. All of the proceeds from the Auction went to a special account designated to help cover the cost of the operation to collect bone marrow from Bob's brother to use in the bone marrow transplant. The winners of the 50/50 drawing graciously donated a portion of their winnings back to the Chapter to be used for the transplant. A special note of thanks goes to Mark Lighterman who donated his entire First Place Prize of \$450 back to the chapter for this worthy cause.

In addition to the fund raising efforts for Bob Mera, the A.C. Chapter continues to conduct its regular meeting about every two months. In addition to the September 26th meeting, its regular meeting mentioned above other recent meetings were held on July 18th and November 16th. The regular meetings are held on Sunday afternoons in the Showboat Casino Mississippi Room located on the 2nd floor of the Casino. Regular activities included a swap session, an auction, 50/50 drawing, guest speakers and reports from Chapter Officers. We would like to have you join us at our next meeting.

"At the A.C. Chapter we not only care about chips, but we care about our fellow chippers."

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CC>CC 1999 7th Annual Convention 6 color tee shirt(XXL \$11.00)Med.Lg. & X Lg.)	
1999 Full color Convention Pin	\$4.00 ea.
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1995 or 1996 Official Las Vegas Convention Club chip(Chipco)	
1999 Official Las Vegas Convention Club Chip(Paulson)	
1994 or 1995 Official Convention Medal set (silver & bronze)	\$20.00ea.
1996, 1997, 1998 or 1999 Official Convention Medal Set (silver & bronze)	\$22.00ea.
1993 thru 1999 Official Convention Medal (bronze)	\$5.00ea.
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A.N.A. Club Meeting Souvenirs	
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1989 "Two Wooden Dollars" Commem. Club wooden dollar. Pittsburgh, Pa	
1991 "Four Chicago Dollars" Commem. Club wooden dollarChicago, IL	75c ea.
1992 "Five Wooden Dollars" Commem. Club wooden dollar. Orlando, Fl	75c ea.
1993 "Six Wooden Dollars" Commem. Club wooden dollarBaltimore, Md	
1994 "Seven Wooden Dollars" Commem. Club wooden dollarDetroit, Mi	
1995 "Eight Wooden Dollars" Commem. Club wooden dollarAnaheim,Ca	75с еа.
1996 "Nine Wooden Dollars" Commem. Club wooden dollarDenver, Co	75c ea.
1997 "Ten Wooden Dollars" Commem. Club wooden dollarNew York, N.Y	
1998 "Eleven Wooden Dollars" Commem. Club Wood dollarPortland, Or.	
1999 "Twelve Wooden Dollars" Commem. Club Wood dollarChicago,Il	75c ea.
Miscellaneous Club Wood Issues	
1993 Official CC>CC 1st Convention Wood dollar (Gold or Silver color)	75c ea.
1994, 1995, or 1996 Official (2nd, 3rd, or 4th) CC>CC Convention Wood dollar	75c ea.
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1993 Wooden Nickel "You Are Invited" woodnik	
1994 Wooden Nickel "Repeated By Popular Demand" woodnik	50c ea.
1995 Wooden Nickel "Bigger & Better" woodnik	50c ea.
1996 Wooden Nickel "The Place To Be" woodnik (Ty.1 Wrong date & Ty.2)	
1997 Wooden Nickel "The Biggest Yet-Be There" woodnik	
1998 Wooden Nickel "A New Hotel-Don't Miss It" woodnik	
1999 Wooden Nickel "Be sure to - Be there" woodnik(Teal or Orange)	
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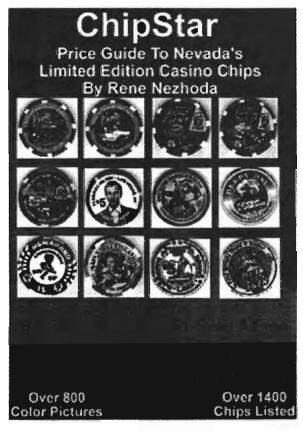
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CASINO LEGEND HALL of FAME

By James Campiglia

All I can say is if you're a collector and haven't seen the museum at the Tropicana in Las Vegas - You must go! It's not just for the chips! Steven Cutler, curator, has put together a collection which is unsurpassed!

Vegas was built on entertainment and as the name implies the "Legend's" are there. Big name stars and entertainers are depicted with memorabilia from the past.

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Relive Las Vegas as it was by reading and seeing the pictures in that Fabulous Vegas book, and see it all for "real" at the Casino Legends Hall of Fame at the Tropicana Hotel. Who knows who you may see there! I might be there or Steve Cutler may be giving tours to casino owners, or entertainers.

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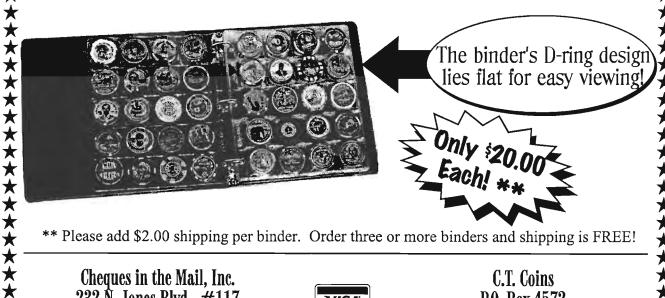




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ANTIQUE COLLECTIBLES

by Dale Seymour & Ken Craig

COLLECTING OLD NUMERAL CHIPS

Clay numeral chips made during the period 1880-1940 contained several types of designs and manufacturing styles. Many of us have hundreds of these chips in our collections and we all have our favorites. When collectors recognize a style or series, it is natural to wonder, "Do I have them all?"

The engraved series of numeral chips shown below is more than 100 years old. These chips were pictured in the 1886 B. A. Stevens catalog (see p. 405 in *Antique Gambling Chips*). The authors of this column know of the following denominations and colors.



We would be curious to know if any readers have or know of other denominations or color combination in this style of numeral chip. In the Stevens catalog only the four denominations shown above appear, so it is likely that there were no others. In general, we find that chips to be used as ones or units are white, fives are red, and twenty-fives are gold, blue or green. In this series, however, these color values do not

hold. That is also true with other numeral chips and one wonders what rationale was used in determining the colors of numeral chips.

Another popular numeral chip is the inlaid litho chip with four overlapping rectangles surrounding the numeral. Many of these chips were made with a serrated edge. Close scrutiny

of the numerals indicate that they are, in fact, slightly different. Manufacturers did not hesitate to copy each other's popular designs.



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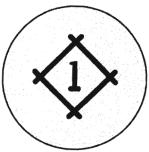
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37.98 mm green rim/gold numeral



39.11 mm purple rim/green numeral



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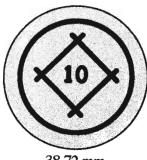
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38.72 mm celluloid chip red/black numeral



39.11 mm black rim/red numeral



brown rim(serrated)/ gold numeral





38.73 mm celluloid chip brown/white numeral



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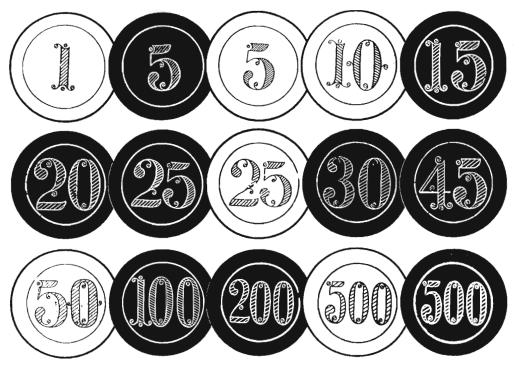
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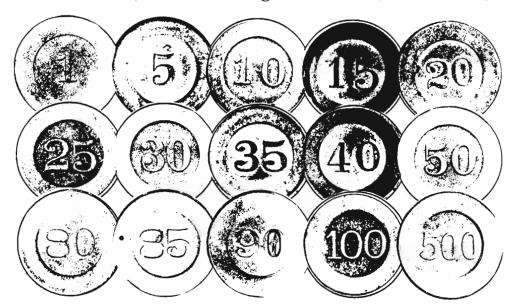
Evidently some poker players prefered chips with specific numerical denominations on them as opposed to the majority of players who chose to decide what values each chip color would represent in their game. It is surprising that the numeral chip colors varied as much as they did. One would suspect that ones would be white, fives - red, twenty-fives blue, etc.

That was not the case. Each numeral chip could be found in a variety of colors.

The most common engraved and embossed numeral chip designs are shown below. Several manufacturers made chips in these designs or in minor variations of them.



19th and 20th Century engraved numeral chips made in many denominations, colors and design variations. (reduced 75%)



19th and 20th Century embossed numeral chips made in many denominations, colors and design variations. (reduced 75%)

ANTIQUE COLLECTIBLES (Continued)

A good collection of 19th and 20th Century clay numeral chips might contain as many as 500 different chips. Some chips with numerals were, of course, used as roulette markers or credit chips. Odd denominations such as the 49, 76, and

170, shown in the illustration below, may indicate the club name or service club number.

A variety of styles of numeral chips are shown below. These chips are shown at 90% of actual size.

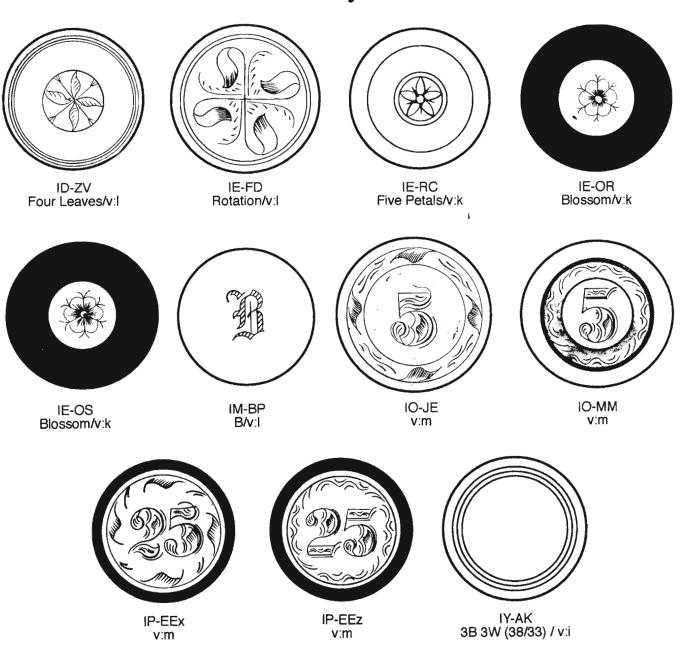


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The ivory chips pictured below are new finds. New ivory finds are more common recently thanks to the internet. The chip IE-OR was literally *unearthed* at Plymouth, CA in 1945, when a 15-year old was asked by his mother to spade up an area in the backyard for a garden. To his surprise the boy hit a wooden box containing 596 ivory chips. The box contained

a Sacramento newspaper dated 1868. The chips stayed in the family until this October when the boy's widow reluctantly decided to part with them. It is interesting that Plymouth, Ca. used to be called "Pokerville." Bud Meyer was excited to get some of these chips as he grew up just a few miles from the dig site. Every chip has a story. Wish we knew them all.

New Ivory Codes



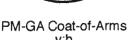
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New clay chip codes are shown below on this page. Recall that we only code chips that were made before 1940. We often have chip designs submitted that are plastic advertising chips from the 40's or 50's, as well as chips with mold borders (hub, triangle & square, etc). Also, we are not assigning codes to chips that are minor variations of existing codes.

Chips do not always photocopy well. Ralph Strandwold found a small (24 cm) fiber advertising chip engraved with the name, Buss Fuses. The reverse side says "A SAFE BET." The chip is definitely old: most fiber chips were circa 1880-1910. We will give it a code in the advertising section of PY-BX, value: f.

New Clay Codes







PM-QQ Pick & Shovel v:h

The chip shown below was most likely an illustration by a would-be artist on a plain clay chip. We find these often with names, dates, sayings or sketches. This would have been a nice chip design.



Our last column featuring old poker chip boxes shook out a few boxes that we hadn't seen. Don Lueders of Lake Oswego, Oregon sent in the following photocopies.













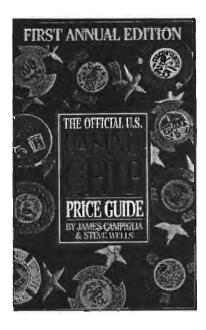


A Book Review by Howard W. Herz LM3-85

The Official U.S. Casino Chip Price Guide by James Campiglia & Steve Wells

In a hobby that has been starved for information, the appearance of the "The Official U.S. Casino Chip Price Guide" was a refreshing event at the 1999 CC>CC National Convention. This 304 page soft cover edition features a full color layout that brings the full impact of color to the data contained in the book.

The book continues in the healthy trend of giving collectors more information. Both James Campiglia and Steve Wells have shared much of the information that they have gathered from chipping and interviews with old timers. It is this type of information, frequently informal, that will be the salvation to our hobby when many of the original players of the 1940's and earlier have gone.



Before anyone steps up to criticize this publication I would suggest that they think long and hard about the vast number of hours and expense that James and Steve have invested that will never be returned except in the satisfaction of having given the hobby this book. I am well aware that neither James or Steve had any idea of the time and effort a book of this complexity requires - now they are experts at knowing.

The publication divides Nevada into four major areas of collecting, Las Vegas, Lake Tahoe, Reno and the other small towns of Nevada. This is a handy division for those who collect only a certain area of the state but a somewhat acquired presentation for the overall Nevada enthusiast. The color codes greatly help in quickly finding your favorite section. With six full color illustrations per page, at least a sample of each type of check is represented. Colorado, Deadwood and Atlantic City are also included.

The book tackles the previously ignored subject of condition and grading head on. You can disagree or agree with the concepts of grading presented, but they have been presented to the hobby and that is probably what counts. As our hobby evolves, this subject will continue to be debated.

The pricing is a guide that is greatly assisted by a rarity number. Popular issues that command higher prices can be judged against rare but obscure issues with lower popular prices. As a pricing guide, the book will certainly have its effect on the market.

In my correspondence with James on the book there are several things that he considers very significant. He deeply appreciates the great number of collectors who opened their collections for his examination and photography. Some of the pages in the paper bound editions have a tendency to come loose (Kinko can rebind them with a spiral binding) but this can be solved and the hard bound editions are less prone to this problem. The 1,000 hard bound editions feature a limited edition Chipco chip included in the cover of the book. For those who would like a reference and a nice edition, the hard bound is great.

For additional information contact James Campiglia; 4371 Lucas Ave., Las Vegas, Nevada 89120 (702) 434-1956: e-mail: jcampi@anv.net. Hardback copies are still available for \$49.95 plus \$4 postage.

By - Mary Lou Waterbury

A Visit to A Casino Under Siege

In November my husband and I decided to make a trip up to the Santee Village in Nebraska, which borders South Dakota and is about 70 miles west of Sioux City, Iowa. Coming from Omaha, this was going to be a full day to get up there and back. We finally found it to be out in the boonies with the closest town about 30 miles away.

The Santees for years have had a 75 percent unemployment rate. This is one of the poorest counties in America along with the Pine Ridge Reservation in Shannon County, S.D.

The Santees decided to start a little casino that employed 25 people. Using their early profits, they helped financed the Santee Paper Products Co. employers of 15 to 20 people.

Unemployment going down a little, everyone rejoices, right? Wrong! The great State of Nebraska deems what is gambling and casino gambling with slot machines is not legal! Horse racing is legal, lotteries are legal, and keno is legal, according to the legislature.

To attempt to bring the Santees to their knees the Federal Government stepped in at the bidding of the State and fined the Santees starting at \$3,000 per day and is now at \$6,000 per day. Since the Santees had not turned over any money, some of their bank accounts were seized! That meant that 40 or so of the tribal employees did not get paid that week. The moneys in those accounts were deposited by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. So now it has to be determined if the monies given by one government entity can be taken by another government entity.

The Santees have had to answer charges and they came to Omaha to the Federal Court (which is a long drive) to plead their case. More than once they have come expecting to be jailed!

Knowing this background, we decided to go up and see for ourselves. On the way up it did occur to me that this could be the day that the Federal Government would decide with the help of the State of Nebraska to come up and close the place down and arrest everyone in it. I don't consider myself militant, but I would have been proud to have been arrested with my fellow Americans!

We walked into a small building that had housed a cafe. The largest denomination machines were for the \$1 generic slots. There were some quarter slots and the rest were nickels. There were no table games.

It was a very clean place and I felt like I had stepped back in time to when I was a little girl and would walk into a country store where the men would be playing pitch or penny ante.

From what we could see most people played a little while and then left. In a place where there can't be much to do, this was somewhere you could go and spend \$20 and then go home. There were the papers on the bulletin board regarding their "persecution" along with usual notices.

Although there were no silver strikes, it was a trip well worth our time and we wish the Santee much success in this endeavor to lift themselves out of poverty row.

I admit being ashamed of this state. Nebraska has done little to help the Santee by providing jobs, housing or health care. Since other states have permitted gambling without "going to Hell in a hand basket," it would seem that we are out of step with the times.

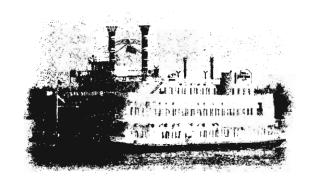


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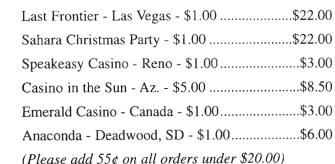
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JUNGLE INN By Jeff "The Dice Man" Lauderman

I've written before about the illegal joints in Ohio, but that was a year or two ago and there is more information available now. The Jungle Inn was one of the four major joints in Ohio in the WWII era. The Pettibone, Mounds and Colony Clubs were the other three.

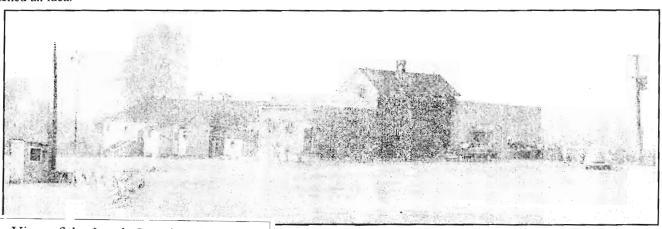
The saga of the Jungle Inn begins in 1934 when two brothers wanted to get into the gambling racket in Youngstown, Ohio. Mike & John Farah were both well known hoods in the area. They were very active in the bootlegging industry of the 1920's and graduated (along with the Cleveland Syndicate) to illegal gambling operations by the late 1920's/early 1930's.

The building that would become the Jungle Inn was in an unincorporated part of Trumball County and was used as a hour of prostitution. The Farah brothers, along with factions of Detroit's Purple Gang saw the potential of the location and hatched an idea.

ladies), and a very big race book. With the political clout of the Farah brothers and the ominous cloud of the Purple Gang hanging over the Jungle Inn,. operations ran unobstructed and business was booming from the start.

It was during and just after WWII that the Jungle Inn earned its reputation as a blood-thirsty, greed infested gangsterdom of gambling. There was so much money coming in and such impunity that murder and mayhem ran rampant at the Jungle Inn. Dealers with "sticky fingers" disappeared all the time, as well as citizens that complained too much about the goings on at the Inn. There were actual gun turrets inside the casino area, ostensibly to fortify against raids and robbery. The guards all carried blackjacks and weren't hesitant about using them. Contrast this with the surroundings at some of the Saratoga, New York joints and you will see that the Jungle Inn was more of a rough and tumble joint than a place of luxury.

Governor Frank Lausch finally put a stop to the Jungle Inn. Only weeks after he was elected in 1949, Lausche ordered the State Liquor Board to investigate liquor violations at the many illegal joints throughout the state. This was done because there



View of the Jungle Inn circa 1940's

The city of Halls Corners was conceived and brought into being by the new owners of what would become the Jungle Inn to protect the only industry in the vicinity, gambling. There were only nine voters in the proposed city, all of which became city officials and all of them connected with the Jungle Inn.

According to a "city councilman" (who was really a garbage hauler for the Jungle Inn), meetings were held only occasionally to conduct what little business there really was in Halls Corners. These meetings took place in a garage. The city treasurer was really a parking attendant at the Jungle Inn and was functionally illiterate to boot!

Located near the boundary line of Trumball and Mahoning counties in Ohio, the Jungle Inn lay about 3 miles outside of Youngstown. A dirt road named Applegate-Sodom Road connected the two lane highway to the Jungle Inn.

Two buildings, separated by about five feet, comprised the Jungle Inn. One building housed the kitchen, bar, slot machine repair, and office areas, and the other was the casino and race book. The office has an intercom system that could communicate with stations in both buildings. There was a huge parking lot out back, accommodating hundreds of cars. The casino had 83 slots, 3 craps tables, chuck-a-luck, roulette, bingo parlor (for the

were so many corrupt law enforcement officials throughout the state that liquor violations were the only thing the Governor could act upon, as there were no State Police at the time. The liquor agents visited the joints as customers and gathered evidence. When they gave their report to the Governor, he decided to take action and raids were planned.

The raid on the Jungle Inn took place on Friday, August 12, 1949 at approximately nine pm. There were only about 20 liquor agents for the raid, and they all filed into the Jungle Inn throughout the evening. The announcement was made by the lead enforcement agent that the place and it's owners and operators were under arrest. There were some 1000 patrons and most were allowed to leave quietly, but the dealers and John Farah were held.

There were about 20 goons and parking attendants outside the buildings at the time of the raid, and about 200 cars in the lot. It is presumed that these goons vacilitated what would happen next.

Mike Farah came inside the Jungle Inn about a half hour after the raid commenced, trying to incite a riot between the dealers and employees and the agents. Failing that, he fled the scene and escaped successfully into the night. John Farah was the day

to day operator. He shouted orders to a goon in the gun turret to kill the lead agent, but when no shots came from the gun turrets inside the casino, John ran to the turret and attempted to carry out his own order. He was prevented by an agent already in control of the turret.

About a hour after the raid commenced, there appeared about 150 hoods in the parking lot of the Jungle Inn. The agents were all inside, carrying out the raid and the thugs gathered outside, preventing any cars from coming in to the Jungle Inn lot, effectively barricading the liquor officials within the buildings. Most of the patrons had left the scene and the agents were waiting for the sheriff to arrive (the raiders called the sheriff five minutes after the raid started, seeking assistance, but he didn't arrive until 11:30pm! He said he was policing the fairgrounds at the tine.)

These goons were just milling about, barricading the liquor officials inside the building and only letting fellow criminals unto the lot. This open defiance of the law was to continue throughout the night was well into the next say, as goons harassed newspaper men and curious onlookers that had gathered. The standoff finally ceased when the corrupt sheriff was forced to arrest the employees and operators of the Jungle Inn.

After all the events cooled down and the people were taken away to jail, the sheriff tried to impede agents from confiscating equipment. He stated that he didn't know if he had the authority to take the equipment, even though he was the sheriff of the County. After some rigmarole, there order was handed down from a judge that the search and seizure warrant that the liquor agents had was to be executed to the fullest.

Tens of thousands of dollars worth of equipment and money were confiscated in the raid. All the dealers and operators pleaded guilty and received fines. John Farah got fined \$1000, three other employees were fined up to \$700 each, and the rest of the twenty or so arrested received \$100 fines and no jail sentences. The slot machines were to be destroyed, but the money inside them was ordered returned to the owners. They paid all the fines and court costs with this money alone.

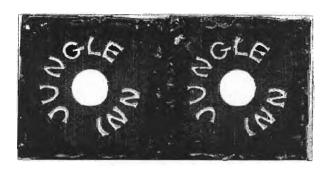
The Governor was successful in closing down the Jungle Inn with the help of liquor officials and the fire marshal, who declared the buildings to be fire traps and padlocked the doors. The Governor then started proceedings to throw out the false Mayor of Halls Corners and dissolve the Charter. By 1949, the "city" had grown to only 100 voters, many of whom were connected in some way to the operation of the Jungle Inn. The vote to dissolve the city charter was passed almost two to one and Halls Corners, as a city, ceased to exist three weeks after the raid.

As things change, so they stay the same. The Farah brothers and their casino employees started another operation in a different location near Youngstown, naming the new venture the Jennings Inn. I'm not sure how this worked out, but I'm fairly sure it didn't last long, as the Governor was successful in closing most of the illegal operations over the next few years, getting a big helping had form the Kefauver Committee.

As happened with many of the gambling centers closed down in the 1050's, dealers and operators alike headed west to the legal confines of Nevada gambling. Several dealers and managers of the Jungle Inn turned up at the Sans Souci Casino in Las Vegas. That place was mired in financial difficulties and only lasted a few years before going under. There were several Youngstown hoods involved "behind the scenes" and bad things

happened to most of them after the Sans Souci failed. Mike Farah was murdered in 1961 at his home in Warren, Ohio, being shot-gunned in his front yard. Another "investor" who was involved with the Jungle Inn and later Sans Souci was the victim of a car bombing in Ohio around this same time.

The Youngstown Vindicator was the newspaper of the time and carried many stories of the infamous Jungle Inn. If anyone reading this lives in Ohio and wants to dot eh research, many pictures and much information could be gleaned from old Vindicator microfilm. Be sure to copy me with your findings, I'm always anxious to learn more. I can be reached at my web site www.diceman.net or directly through e-mail at diceman@diceman.net.



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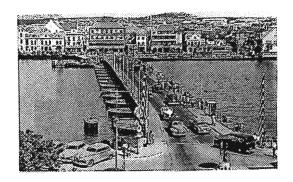
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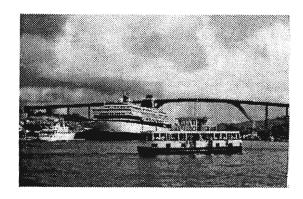
CURACAO'S FIRST CASINO

By Ralph P. Pollack LM-13

Curacao is a small island off the coast of Venezuela, South America. It is thirty-eight miles long and a little over two miles wide at its narrowest dimension. It boasts having the longest airport runway in the Caribbean and has one of the best seaport and harbors. The entrance to the harbor (Santa Anna Bay) is protected on both sides by land masses which shelter the harbor and allow safe passage for commercial shipping vessels. These shipping include many oil tankers for the active oil refineries and cruise line vessels for thousands of tourists.

A unique pontoon bridge, called the Queen Emma Pontoon Bridge, was originally placed in 1888 and rebuilt in 1938 and connects Punda to the Otrabanda side. It spans over the water with a road which originally allowed cars to cross the bay. When ships enter the harbor, a small motor rotates the end of the pontoon bridge, via a pivot on one end, thus allowing it to swing open. This bridge then attaches to the Otrabanda side thus enabling shipping traffic to enter the bay. If you missed crossing the pontoon bridge, pedestrians can cross the bay via a small ferry which can dodge the shipping traffic. Today this bridge is used for pedestrians only while Queen Juliana Bridge replaced the pontoon bridge for car and truck traffic. This new bridge links and spans two small mountain ranges (see photos).





Queen Emma Bridge

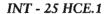
Queen Juliana Birdge with a ferry crossing the bay

Curacao had a vibrant gaming history that started in the late 1950's. It all began with the new, luxurious CURACAO INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL which was the first tourist oriented hotel in Curacao and it opened in 1957. This unique hotel is

situated at the harbor entrance and built into the original Fort Amsterdam sharing some of the original walls. This unique fort was originally built in the mid sixteen hundreds. The Curacao Intercontinental Casino was Curacao's first casino which was started and managed by Mr. Bud Sweet. The first chips that were used were the regal looking H.C.E. MOLD chips manufactured by the Burt Co. for the H.C. Edwards Co. The green \$25.00 chip has a center inlay with a red 'fort-like' structure with the letter 'i' inside the letter 'C', PRC # INT - 25 HCE.1 *, (see photo). The word 'Curacao' is followed by the letters 'N.W.I.' which signify 'Netherlands West Indies'.

The second series of chips that were used were the Hat & Cane variety with the same logo in the center inlay. The \$5.00 chip is brown with a green fort, PRC # INT - 5 H&C.1.







INT - 5 H&C.1

The third series of chips were the EWING MOLD chips manufactured by the Burt Co. These chips have the same center inlay design as their predecessors. The \$5.00 chip is identified by PRC # INT - 5 E.1.

The forth variety of chips for the Intercontinental Casino was the DICE & CARDS MOLD, signified as DIECAR or for abbreviation 'DIE' mold in the PRC code system. The green \$5.00 chip was used on the roulette tables along with other colors of the same denomination to signify different player's chips, PRC # INT - 5 DIE.1, see photo.



INT - 5 E.1



INT - 5 DIE.1

The fifth series of chips represent the Canadian Pacific Railway's presence in the Caribbean. The hotel was owned by the Canadian Pacific and was called HOTEL CURACAO. They used the H.E. Mason's HUB MOLD. The \$1.00 chip is beige with a black center inlay with white writing. Again the logo of the letter 'i' is inside the letter 'C', PRC # HOT - 1 HUB.1, see photo. They used a black \$5.00 chip which is commonly used for \$100.00 valuations. This black \$5.00 is quite unusual in the gaming world. Red is usually, but not limited to, the universal color utilized by casinos for the \$5.00 chips in the Western Hemisphere. This black \$5.00 was the only color for the Blackjack and other table games. No other \$5.00 chips are known to exist. Uniform colors usually enable the dealers, pit bosses and other management personnel to distinguish the value, or denomination, of chips for easy recognition.

The sixth series of chips were Jaymeyer's SCROLL MOLD chips. The Casino was called the CURACAO PLAZA CASINO and their \$5.00 chip can be seen in the photo, PRC # PLZ - 5 S.1.





HOT - 1 HUB.1

PLZ - 5 S .1

The seventh series of chips were made for the Curacao Plaza Casino were the Bud Jones Metal (stainless steel) inlay chips. The red \$5.00 chip has the PRC # PLZ - 5 BJM.2, see photo. Due to manufacturing costs the Bud Jones Co. changed from the metal center inlay to a plastic center inlay, thus the eighth series of chips were made.

This eighth series of chips also made for the Curacao Plaza Casino were the Bud Jones Plastic Inlay chip. The \$1.00 blue chip has the PRC # PLZ - 1 BJP.2, see photo. Since these chips were primarily used on the roulette tables, other colors exist with the same denomination. For example a yellow one dollar chip exists and has the PRC # PLZ - 1 BJP.1.



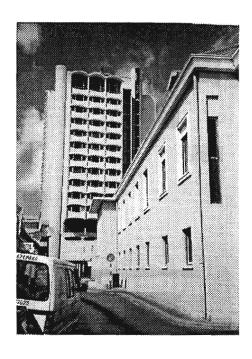


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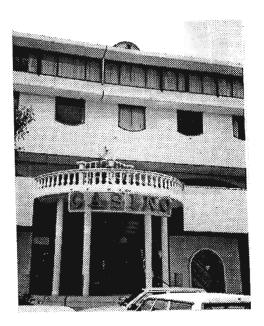
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During the forty-one year history of this casino, with different ownerships, eight different chip designs were utilized. This gives the collector a varied number of chips to accumulate! Happy Chipping.

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View of the Plaza Hotel's new tower



View of the casino entrance

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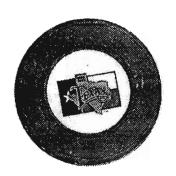
BILLY BOB'S TEXASby Charles Kaplan, R-2558

Billy Bob's Texas is located in the historic Stockyards district of Fort Worth, Texas. It is advertised as the "World's Largest Honky Tonk" with an indoor area of over 100,000 square feet. Inside you will find 40 bar stations from which you can order up a beer in a long neck bottle, several Texas sized dance floors for two steppin', live entertainment from top country music stars, a general store, an indoor rodeo with live bull riding on the weekends, a video arcade, a pool hall, a shooting gallery, a shoe shine with gals dressed like Dallas Cowboy cheerleaders, and much more. Even the telephones are different. A row of sit down, enclosed and sound-proofed telephone booths offer optional background music. My favorite was "office sound" which is the clattering of typewriters and phones ringing....."Honey, I'm still at the office working on this deal. I'll be home real soon."

In the early 1980's I was in Dallas regularly on business. A local friend drove us over to Fort Worth one night for some barbecue and Billy Bob's. The barbecue was great, wish I could remember the name of the place, but Billy Bob's was unbelievable. It's a bar as big as a city. For anyone from Texas or the Southwest, I'm sure Billy Bob's is well known. But for someone from New York, who knew? I came to visit Billy Bob's often on my trips to Dallas and took delight in introducing it to other Easterners. On one of these visits, they had a Casino Fun Night with blackjack and craps and perhaps some other table games. I bought in and played for a while. For some reason, I decided to keep one of each color chip they used that

night, a read, white and blue. This is long before I began collecting chips or maybe this was my start.

The chips lay unseen for many years until I recently starting collecting in earnest. The chips are H&C and all have the same center inset - white background with a map of the state of Texas imposed on top of the Texas state flag. In very small letters "Billy Bob's" is written in the panhandle area of the map and "Texas" is written in much larger letters across the entire map. I have never seen these chips anyplace else or on any for sale or trade list. I call to Billy Bob's provided this additional information: Billy Bob's closed for a short time in January, 1988 and reopened in November under new management. The chips went back to the original owners. They still hold Casino Fun Nights there for groups, but now they bring in an outside company to run it and they use their own (generic?) chips. If you have any additional information about these chips, please 11 Calais Court, Rockville write me at: NY 11570 e-mail: Centre, or ckaplan@ibm.net.





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By Archie A. Black HLM-001

On the way into the city during September, Brenda spotted a new billboard on Route 30 proclaiming, "Play our slots and win collectible coins". The billboard was for Tropicana casino. Well, the only "collectible coins" I was familiar with in town were the former silver strikes that were being offered in a half dozen casinos a couple of years ago, but have all been withdrawn from play except at Claridge. Could it be that Tropicana had reintroduced silver strikes? The former silver strikes issues had TropWorld struck on them. Just maybe......Tropicana now?

Nope; instead the "collectible coins" were in reality what could be best described as "collectible medallions" as they have no cash value... and are not redeemable for goods or services; which is the generally accepted definition for tokens. However, they did have the casino name on them and did commemorate the popular Titantic exhibition that was presently on display at the Trop. So I asked a very congenial slot attendant where I could find these machines. She directed me to the new slot section at Tropicana called, "The Fun House".

Here I found an island of ten slot machines which were designated as "Titanic Slots". Upon closer examination, affixed to the top of each slot machine was a plexiglass holder and a paper insert which outlined the four steps for obtaining these neat looking Titanic "tokens" so the rules called them. Funny, the billboard called them "commemorative coins" but the rules the machine called them on "commemorative Titanic tokens". I guess the Trop marketing department needs a brief education in hobby terms "coins/tokens" are neither. But that's not the main story here.



Collect your tickets from the ticket dispenser to redeem for commemorative Titanic tokens. Here is how:

STEP 1: As you play, tickets will be dispensed. Collect your tickets immediately.

STEP 2: Take your tickets to the Casino Services desk to redeem.

STEP 3: Earn 40 tickets to receive one commemorative slot token.

STEP 4: Earn 200 tickets to receive the complete set of four tokens in a gift box.

Slot cashback will not be earned on Titz in slot machines. Certain restrictions apply. Bet with your head, not over it. Gambling Problem? Call 1-800-GAMBLER.

Upon sitting down at a .25¢ Red White Blue machine, and playing a couple of rolls of quarters, it became apparent that this particular machine I was seated at did not pay out very frequently or generously... and that the tickets being issued from a dispenser on the side of the slot machine (similar to Skillo in an arcade) were equally very few and far between. I began to count how long it took for a ticket to be dispensed. Answer: Every 100 coins or credits played (which is not noted on the above rules). Now lets do some quick math. 100 quarters equals \$25 in slot play to receive ONE ticket. It takes 40 tickets (or \$1,000 in slot play) to

redeem for one "Titanic token". There are four different tokens to the set which one would need to collect 160 tickets to get all four. \$25 per ticket in slot action, it would take \$4,000 in slot play to "win" a set of four of these individual Titanic "tokens". Now, if I wanted a matched serially numbered set of four "tokens" in a custom gift box, I would need to "earn" an additional 40 tickets just for the box. right, another \$1,000 in slot play for a gift box! I don't know about you, but \$5,000 in slot play for a set of four attractive serially numbered medallions in a gift box seems like a very high Of course there is always the price to pay. remote possibility that somewhere along the way, one may hit a jackpot!

Well, needless to say, I was not prepared to sink that kind of money into a .25¢ slot machine for a souvenir set of Titanic medallions that are not redeemable for anything. But, wait a minute... what is that string of six tickets hanging out of a machine two empty seats away?





Aha, perhaps a tourist, or conventioner, or day tripper, who has no idea what to do with these tickets who has played the machine and left. Circle the floor Archie! More tickets found hanging out of dispensers, waiting to be plucked. Not quite the same as harvesting roulettes, but heck, this method requires no money up front! In about an hour or more, I had my first 40 tickets and I visted the promotions booth to redeem them for my first medallion. I selected the dramatic design with the ill-fated ship going down.



(common reverse)

After several more hours over the busy weekend doing "ticket duty", I was able to "harvest" enough tickets to redeem for the additional three medals to complete the set as illustrated below.



Oh, one last point I forgot to mention..... at the bottom of the published rules, in small print, you will notice that "Slot cashback will not be earned on Titanic slot machines." I guess, the casino figures that for \$5,000 in slot play that someone played... and "earned" 200 tickets... is enough of a reward.

On the Atlantic City chip front, not much has been happening since the Miss America issues, released back in September. The smallest casino in town, Claridge, has been the only property to have issued ANY chips over these past few months. That will change I'm sure with the coming of the new millennium.





Claridge has issued two different \$5's & two different \$10 Halloween chips; and a \$5 & \$10 Thanksgiving Day chip along with the ninth and tenth chip in their Gambling Legends Series since the Miss America issues were released on September 17th. The \$5 Halloweens were issued on October 29th in quantities of 1000 each, while the \$10 denomination chips only 500 were issued. The latest Gambling Legends chip is of John Wesley Hardin, Esq. 2000 \$5 chips were issued on November 5th. The previous eight chips in the Gambling Legends series are: Wild Bill Hickok; Bat Masterson; Doc Holliday; Belle Starr; Frank "Buckskin" Leslie; Poker Alice; "Soapy" Smith; and Madame Moustache.

The Claridge held a "chip close-out special" on at 4 p.m. on Sunday November 14th, when they put out all their left over LE's chips on a reserved roulette table for the specific purpose of selling their left over inventory of past issues. Coincidently, the date fell on the same Sunday as the Atlantic City Chapter meeting! Thank you Claridge!! It was truly a chip collectors day in A.C. on that enjoyable afternoon.





On November 24th, Claridge issued two Thansgiving Day chips.... once again a \$5 and a \$10, in 1000/500 quantities. This "smaller but friendlier casino" is quickly becoming known as the "Chip Factory of the East". On the same day the Thanksgiving chips were released, the tenth chip in the series, Dutch Jack Goetz was issued at the same time. However, if it weren't for Claridge, there would not be much to write about, or anything new to maintain our collector's interest in the way of Atlantic City chips.



For you token collectors..... Trump Taj Mahal and Bally's Park Place have changed over all their .50¢ slot machines from accepting U.S. Half Dollars and has modified them to accept new 50¢ tokens instead. The Bally's piece is neat in that it also says "Wild Wild West" on the token obverse.



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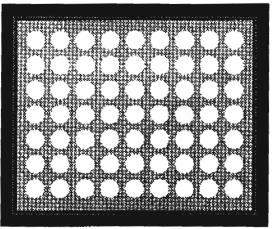
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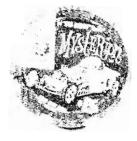








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Chips 'N Tokens Update

by Janice O'Neal CH-008

Greetings to all. We hope you have had the happiest of holidays and are looking forward to the best collecting year ever. We start a new year with new decisions that must be faced. Writing this edition of Chips 'N Tokens Update is the saddest thing I have ever had to do, as it will be my last.

As you well know the amount of chips that are now being released by casinos everywhere has become impossible to keep up with for many collectors, ourselves included. I used to be able to put things together for you in two or three days, now it takes ten days or better and gets harder to keep track of every quarter.

We have made the decision to drastically cut back on what we are collecting, and will no longer have the material available to furnish the information and pictures that we have given you in the past. We have had a wonderful time for the past eleven years doing this column and have met so many people we now consider personal friends. We can only hope these friendships will continue even though this column no longer exists.

We will continue to maintain our various check lists that so many collectors now use to track their collections. You will find an ad elsewhere in this magazine for them.

We would like to say good luck to all collectors everywhere and we hope to meet each of you along the collecting trail. And now, for the last time, on to the new chip and token issues-----

NEVADA CASINO CHIPS Riviera LV \$5 Chipco multi red, Football Kickoff 1999. On September 22, 1999 Four Queens LV issued a set of 13-\$5 Chipco for 13 American Colonies; (1) Connecticut, (2) Deleware, (3) Georgia, (4) Maryland, (5)Massachusetts, (6) New Hampshire, (7) New Jersey, (8) New York, (9) North Carolina, (10) Pennsylvania, (11) Rhode Island, (12) South Carolina, & (13) Virginia.

Barbary Coast LV \$5 house mold picture chip, red 3 org, multi wht center, Gold Coast LV \$5 house mold picture chip, red 3 org, multi wht center and Orleans LV \$5 house mold picture chip, red 3 org, multi wht center. All three are for "2000 Millennium". ALL three are same color edge and inserts with white center, Barbary Coast-party man, Gold Coast-cowboy, & Orleans-alligator. Other side only the name of the casino if different.

Excalibur LV 8 -\$5 chips in a stacking set. \$5 Chipco for Tournament of Kings, Millennium commemoratives, (1) Austria, (2) Dragon, (3) France, (4) Hungary, (5) Ireland, (6) Norway, (7) Russia, & (8) Spain. Four Queens LV #10 Millennium Oct 1999 "Wallstreet 80's". The New Frontier LV \$5 & \$25 Millennium 2000. Mandalay Bay LV \$5 & \$25 house mold picture chips for "First Annual WB Radio Music Awards 10-28-99" Tropicana LV \$5 & \$25 H & C picture chips "The New Millennium, obverse/Tropicana 2000 reverse. The above \$25 chip is being considered an error chip by some because "The New Millennium" is printed backward and new chips have been released with correct wording, only after the

first lot of chips was completely sold out.

Four Queens LV \$5 & \$25 H & C picture chips (10-99) '57 Chevy. Hard Rock Hotel LV \$5 H & C picture chip "Fairway to Heaven Golf Tournament". Riviera LV 4-\$5 Chipco, multi red (1) Crazy Girls, (2) LaCage, (3) Comedy Club, & (4) Splash. All regular \$5 table chips have been removed from play and replaced with the four show chips. I consider these "retired" not "obsolete" because there is always the possibility they will return to the tables in the future.

Riviera LV 6-\$5 Chipco, "Millennium Series"--(1) Grand Opening 1955 multi red, (2) 60's Shecky Greene multi grn, (3) 70's Englebert Humperdinck multi tan, (4) 80's Splash multi prp, (5) 90's WWW.COM multi blu, & (6) Millennium 2000 multi yel. Four Queens LV \$5 & \$25 H&C picture chip, Halloween 1999. Tropicana LV 3-\$5 & 3-\$25 H&C picture chips, Halloween 1999, (1) Frankenstein, (2) The Mummy, & (3) Creature From the Black Lagoon. Riviera LV \$5 Chipco Halloween 1999. Hard Rock Hotel LV \$5 H&C picture chip Halloween 1999.

Four Queens LV \$5 Chipco #11 Millennium Nov 1999 "The Computer Revolution 90's" Lady Luck LV \$5 Bud Jones red 4 org, metal center. Same as previous issue, now with "BJ" on center. Caesar's Palace LV \$25 & \$100 house mold picture chips "Millennium 2000". Desert Inn LV \$25 H&C picture chip, Tony Bennett/New Years 2000. Flamingo Hilton LV \$5 & \$25 H&C picture chips "2000 A Millennium Celebration". Riviera LV 3-\$5 Chipco multi red. These are three porno film stars with movies they are "famous" for, (1) Jenna Jameson, movie-"Exclusively Wicked", (2) Nikki Tyler, movie-"Totally Wicked", & (3) Heather Hunt, movie-"Fantasy Revue".. These chips were pulled by the gaming commission to be destroyed. they were only available three or four days in the casino. San Remo Hotel LV \$25 H&C dk grn 3 wht/grn/lt blu, multi center "Millennium, New Years 2000"

Mandalay Bay LV \$5 & \$25 house mold picture chips, "Holyfield VS Lewis, Unfinished Business 11-13-99". Mandalay Bay LV \$5 & \$25 house mold picture chips, "Don King Only in America Holyfield VS Lewis 11-13-99" Bally's LV \$25 house mold, Evander Holyfield 11-13-99, \$25 house mold, Lennox Lewis 11-13-99, & \$100 house mold, Don King 11-13-99. Paris Las Vegas LV \$25 house mold, Evander Holyfield 11-13-99, \$25 house mold, Lennox Lewis 11-13-99, & \$100 house mold, Don King 11-13-99. Las Vegas Hilton LV \$25 house mold, Evander Holyfield 11-13-99, \$25 house mold, Lennox Lewis 11-13-99, & \$100 house mold, Don King 11-13-99.

Westward Ho LV 3-\$5, 3-\$25, & 3-\$100 Grubstake Jamboree/Millennium 2000, (2) Ho-Waiian Luau/Millennium 2000, & (3) Puttin' on the Ritz/Millennium 2000. Four Queens LV \$5 & \$25 Thanksgiving 1999. Riviera LV \$5 Thanksgiving 1999. Sam's Town LV \$5 Chipco multi red, Sam Boyd Poker Classic Nov 1999. Las Vegas Hilton LV 4-\$5 & 4-\$25 house mold picture chips, "2000 Millennium" (1) Jack/Ace Hearts, (2) Jack/Ace Diamonds, (3) Jack/Ace Clubs, & (4) Jack/Ace Spades.

Boulder Station LV \$5 & \$25 Bud Jones, "Millennium 2000". Circus Circus LV \$1 Chipco multi wht, clown/adventure-dome, new Dec 1999. Four Queens LV \$5 Chipco #12 Millennium "Satellite Communications". Bally's LV \$5 & \$25 house mold "Millennium 2000". Gold Coast LV 1999

Rodeo, 4-\$5, 4-\$25, 4-\$100 house mold chips, (1) Ote Berry, (2) Joe Baumgarten, (3) Joe Beaver, & (4) Jake Barnes.

Rio Suites Hotel LV \$25 H&C, Rod Stewart New Years/Masquerade Millennium. Paris Las Vegas LV \$5 & \$25 Millennium. Venetian LV \$5 Celebrity Encounter (wax museum). Riviera LV \$5 Chipco Rodeo 1999. Four Queens LV \$5 & \$25 Rodeo 1999. Tropicana LV \$5 & \$25 Rodeo 1999. Tropicana LV first of 13 (one each month??) Trop showgirls. First one is "Tessera"-Miss December 1999.

Speedway Casino, 322 Civic Center NLV at I-15 & Cheyenne opened 3-99 with slots only. Live gaming open 10-1-99. Chips are all H&C, \$1 blu 3 yel/red, \$5 red 3 lt blu/dk blu, & \$25 dk grn 3 pnk/blk. All have same red blk wht CI. Fiesta NLV 2-\$5 H&C picture chips, Sports Edition 10-9-99 (baseball) for (1) Carl Erskine & (2) Jim Gentile. Texas Station NLV \$5 & \$25 Bud Jones, "2000A.D. (millennium not on chip). Mahoney's Silver Nugget NLV \$5 Chipco, "Midnight at Mahoney's" Halloween 1999, skeleton heads with shawls. Opera House NLV \$5 Chipco "Ghouls' Night Out" Halloween 1999, skeleton heads with top hats. Fiesta NLV \$5 Chipco, "Last Grand Opening of the Century" December 1999, Roxy's/Gardunos. Commemorating opening of huge new addition to Fiesta Hotel & Casino. Jerry's Nugget NLV \$5 Bud Jones, 35th Anniversary 1964-1999. Fiesta NLV \$5 H&C picture chip, Sports Edition 12-4-99 (baseball) for Spider Jorgensen.

Nevada Landing, Jean \$10 Chipco "10th birthday 1989-1999". Gold Strike Hotel, Jean all new table chips 10-99, all old H&C chips are obsolete. New are \$1 Chipco multi wht, \$5 Chipco multi red & \$25 Chipco mult grn. There were also 10-\$5 and 3-\$25 Chipco commemorative chips issued at the same time. These commemorate the billboard ads that are posted along I-15 on both sides of Jean for their campaign of "IN-JEAN-OUS" advertising. Nevada Landing, Jean all new table chips 10-99, all old H&C chips are obsolete. New are \$1 Chipco multi wht, \$5 Chipco multi red, & \$25 Chipco multi grn. There were also 10-\$5 and 3-\$25 Chipco commemorative chips issued at the same time. These commemorate the billboard ads that are posted along I-15 on both sides of Jean for their campaign "IN-JEAN-OUS" advertising. The 10-\$5 and 3-\$25 at each of the two casinos have the same designs. Gold Strike Hotel, Jean \$5 Chipco "Millennium Magic 1999-2000" and Nevada Landing, Jean \$5 Chipco "Twilight Zone 1999-2000" Millennium Magic & Twilight Zone are the themes for New Years Eve parties at each casino. Buffalo Bill's, Primm Valley Resort, & Whiskey Pete's ALL at Primm each have \$5 & \$25 H&C picture chips for "Millennium 2000".

Terrible's Lakeside Casino, Pahrump has replaced the regular \$25 H&C grn 3 prp, multi wht CI chip with \$25 H&C lt grn 8 prp, multi wht CI. Sunset Station Henderson #10 Millennium, 10 of 13, cards hand-4 jacks. Klondike Sunset Casino, 444 Sunset, Hend, just off Boulder Hwy open 10-1-99. \$5 H&C picture chip red 2 lt blu/pnk/lt grn, multi red center & \$25 H&C picture chip dk grn 3-tan 3-lt brn, multi grn center. This was Tom's Sunset Casino that closed 5-98. Sunset Station, Hend #11 Millennium 11 of 13, cards hand-4 queens. Sunset Station, Hend #12 Millennium 12 of 13, cards hand-4 kings. Only aces and joker left!!

Hacienda, Boulder City open 11-10-99, was Gold Strike Inn that burned. \$1 Bud Jones wht 3 blu,blk red pnk wht CI, gold

ring around CI, \$5 Bud Jones red 3 split yel, blk red pnk wht CI, gold ring around CI, \$25 Bud Jones grn 4 org, blk red gry wht CI, gold ring around CI, \$5 Bud Jones red 3 split yel, multi CI, "Grand Opening, & \$25 Bud Jones grn 4 org, multi CI, "Grand Opening".

Atlantis Casino Resort, Reno new table chips have been added in with older chips. \$1 grooved rim, \$5 & \$25 NOT grooved. All are Bud Jones, same colors and designs as before, except each has "BJ" on center. Circus circus, Reno \$5 Chipco "Street Vibrations 1999 (motorcycles). Harrah's, Reno \$5 Bud Jones, 1999 Reno Air Races Sept 16-19, 1999. Speakeasy Casino, 200 E 6th, Reno (was old Reno Ramada Casino) opened with slots only 4-99. Added live table games 10-99. Chips are \$1 H&C blu 3 yel/red, blk wht tan brn CI, \$5 H&C red 3 lt blu/dk blu, blk wht blu CI, & \$25 dk grn 3 pnk/blk/pnk, brn wht mrn CI. These chips are same color edge and inserts as the Speedway casino in North Las Vegas (yes, it is same owner). Fitzgerald's, Reno \$5 & \$25 H&C picture chips, 2000 Millennium. These are same design center as Las Vegas issue.

Silver Club, Sparks \$5 Chipco "Ironing Out the Y2K Bug" and Silver Club, Sparks \$5 Chipco "Millennium 2000". Carson Nugget, Carson City 5--\$5 Chipco Millennium Series, (1) State Printing Office, (2) Nevada State Capitol, (3) United States Mint CC (4) Federal Building, & (5) Governor's Mansion. Scoreboard Sports Bar, Spring Creek (near Elko) removed live tables 6-99. All \$1 chips are gone, \$5 & \$25 still available at cashier as of 10-99.

NEVADA CASINO TOKENS

La Bayou, 115 E Fremont LV (was Coin Castle) changed over 11-99. \$1 (1999) OC. All Coin Castle tokens are obsolete. Riviera LV 4-\$10 Special Permium Millennium tokens. I do not consider these to be "Silver Strike" tokens. This is a special promotion by the Riviera and Osborne mint with no involvement by Anchor Gaming. These tokens are won by playing special machines and hitting designated jackpots. When jackpot is hit machine pays the cash won, attendant is called and brings your choice of the four tokens to you. These tokens are the same size as the \$10 Silver Strikes and can be redeemed for \$10 at the cashier, and they are not playable in any machine. Design side of the token has been hand painted and covered with a clear plastic coating to protect the paint. Tokens are (1) Riviera Grand Opening 1955 with 1955 building, (2) Introducing Video Poker 1970's with draw poker machine, (3) night view of modern building that has the light display, & (4) "Millennium 2000". The reverse of the Grand Opening and the video poker is a silver color alloy metal. The reverse of the night building and the Millennium are a yellow color alloy metal. As far as we know there are no varities of this.

Speedway Casino, 3227 Civic Center NLV, at I-15 & Cheyenne. \$1 (1999) GDC, 1st issue GDC-plain edge, still in play. \$1 (1999) NCM, 2nd issue NCM-reeded edge. Fiesta NLV 4 new \$1 dated 1999 RWM for new addition to Fiesta (1) Roxy's, (2) Gardunos, (3) Blue Agave, & (4) Spin City Casino. Klondike Sunset Casino, 444 Sunset, Henderson just off Boulder Hwy. Open 10-1-99 \$1 (1999) RWM. No \$5 slots. Was Tom's Sunset Casino that closed 5-98. Club Fortune Casino Hend was Triple J Bingo & Casino. \$1 (1999) OC, no \$5 slots. Hacienda, Boulder City, was Gold Strike Inn, that

burned. Open 11-10-99 \$1 & \$5 (1999) OC "Hoover Dam 1935-2000" reverse. Both are same design.

Speakeasy Casino, 200 E 6th, Reno \$1 (1999) GDC, issue #1 GDC-plain edge still in play. \$1 (1999)NCM, issue #2 NCM-reeded edge. Peppermill, Reno \$1 dated 1999 OC "1999-2000 Win More-Play Longer".

NEVADA TOKENS BARS & STORES

P T's Pub, 3935 S Durango LV open 9-20-99 \$1 (1999) GDC, US Coin. Same design as most other P T's Pub tokens. Lindo Michoacan Bar & Grill, 5350 W Charleston LV & Lindo Michoacan, 3820 E Craig NLV have both changed name to Barajas Bar & Grill. Lindo Michoacan tokens at both places that were new 4-99 are now obsolete. New \$1 (1999) OC, South West Gaming. Both have same design.

Rosy's Saloon, 2300 E Desert Inn LV open 9-99, \$1 (1999) CT, E-T-T-,Inc. Was Scotty's Lounge. Scotty's tokens now obsolete. SILVER

STRIKE TOKENS

Westward Ho LV 4 new \$10 (1999) for wrestler's-(1) The Crusader, (2) Verne Gagne, (3) Mad Dog Vachone, & (4) Greg "The Hammer" Valentine. Mandalay Bay LV 4-\$10 (1999) G, "Millennium Series"-(1) building, (2) tropical fish, (3) sharks, & (4) parrots.

As reported before the GDC mint mark no longer exists. Whenever new Silver Strike tokens are ordered they will be an all new mint mark. This change is NOT being reflected in the approval lists, so they must be found by trial & error. Here is what we know so far--Flaming Hilton LV 3-\$10 "G" (1) Bugsy/short feather logo, (2) 1946 building/flamingo bird logo, & (3) 1999 building/flamingo bird logo. Desert Inn LV 1-\$10 & 1-\$20 "G", both DI logo/golfer. Bally's LV 2-\$10 "G". these have stars on reverse rim making them an all new die. (1) monorail & (2) running 7's.

Tropicana LV 4-\$10 & 1-\$20 "G". Tens are (1) god of Money, (2) Island of Las Vegas, (3) angel fish, & (4) blue macaw. Twenty is 36th Anniversary of Folis Bergere. Rio Suites Hotel LV \$10 Masquerade Village (1999) "G". Sam's Town LV 3-\$10 (1999) "S" mint mark. (1) panner, (2) pony express, & (3) stagecoach. Four Queens LV 4-\$10 (1999) "G". Diamond, Heart, Club & Spade Queens. Horseshoe LV 3-\$10 (1999) "G" (1) Horseshoe & money, (2) Binion on horse, & (3) Binion bust figure. McCarran Airport LV also has new "G", designs not known at this time.

***Riviera LV 4-\$10 Special promo Millennium tokens will be listed with regular tokens in O'Neal check lists of tokens. These are not Anchor Gaming and have nothing to do with the Silver Strike program.

Treasure Island LV \$10 (1999) G "Millennium/marquee 1999-2000". Eldorado, Reno \$10 brew Brothers/ Millennium Edition. Silver Legacy, Reno \$10, 4th Anniversary. John Ascuaga's Nugget, Sparks \$10 "Millennium Edition". Silver Club, Sparks \$10 (1999) G, "Dawn of the Millennium-Year 2000" Stockman's, Elko \$10 (1999) S with .999 inside. Red Gatrter, Wendover 10-99 machine is turned off. We were told they are waiting for new tokens.

COLORADO NEWS

Gilpin Hotel, Blackhawk \$5 Chipco multi red, 7th Anniversary 10-1-99. Gilpin Hotel, Blackhawk \$5 Chipco multi red Halloween 1999. The Lodge Casino, Blackhawk 3 more \$5 Chipco multi red for the Millennium series: September-Buffalo Bill 1846-1917, October-Colorado Population 1,000,000 in 1931, and November-Gaming 1991. Only two more to go!!! Harvey's, Central City \$5 H&C dk red 4 pnk/lt red/pnk, multi red center inlay for Bill Cosby (Cosby name not on chip), dated Aug 13, 1999. Bronco Billy's Cripple Creek \$5 Chipco multi red, 7th Annual Golf Tournament/Fight Brest Cancer Sept 1999. Double Eagle Casino, Cripple Creek \$2 (1999) RWM brass token, new 10-99.

WASHINGTON CARD ROOMS & CASINOS

Habana Lounge & Cafe, Tacoma open 11-99, 50-cent Chipco mrn gry yel, \$1 Chipco mrn gry blu wht, & \$5 Chipco mrn gry pnk red. Six Gun Charlie's, Tacoma open 10-99, \$1 Chipco multi blk wht & \$5 Chipco multi wht red. Slo Pitch Casino, Bellingham open 10-99, \$1 H&C yel 2-dk lav 2-prp, blk gry yel wht CI & \$5 H&C red 4-tan 4-lav,blk gry red wht CI.

INDIAN CASINO NEWS

Blue Water Casino, Parker, Ariz opened all new resort-casino on the river. New \$1 token (1999) GDC. Original (1995) GDC had water & palm trees obverse/"1" & waves reverse. New (1999) has Indian design obverse/"1" & building reverse. No report on \$5 tokens. Chips remain the same ones used in the old casino. Desert Diamond, Tucson, Ariz \$5 Chipco multi red/prp. Regular casino logo obverse/Five Years Anniversary 1995-2000 "Welcome to the New Millennium" reverse. Sky Ute Casino, Ignacio, Colo \$5 Chipco multi red 1999 Motorcycle Rally and \$5 Chipco multi red 6th Anniversary 1999. Little River Casino, Manistee, Mich open 7-28-99 has added \$5 (1999) OC token. Same design as \$1 reported last time.

Treasure Island Casino, Welch (has "Red Wing" on chip), Minn \$2.50 Bud Jones yel 4 sets split blk, multi center. Oh-Kay Casino, San Juan Pueblo, N.M. (near Santa Fe) \$1 (1999) GDC token, same design as (1995) but no longer bronze. Continues to use (1997) \$5 token. New chips are \$1-\$5-\$25 Chipco. Dice & Swirl mold chips are obsolete. Santa Ana Star Casino, Bernalillo, N.M. new \$1 (1999)/1997 token. New feather and star design obverse/same Indian design dated 1997 reverse. The Mill Casino, N. Bend, Oregon new 1999-\$1 Bud Jones wht 4 blk, blk wht tan CI & \$5 Bud Jones red 4 sets 3split blu, blk wht tan CI. 1995 Chipco are obsolete.

RIVERBOAT CASINOS

Lady Luck, Bettendorf, Iowa \$5 Bud Jones red 8 split blu, multi center. Roger Craig Sports Bar, 4th Anniversary 11-23-99. Belle of Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, La changed name to Argosy Casino 10-99. Same owners, just new name. New chips are \$1-\$5-\$25 Chipco. All Belle of Baton Rouge chips are obsolete. Treasure Chest,Kenner, La has new chips. \$1 H&C wht 3 lav/turq/gry, multi CI & \$5 H&C red 2-lav 2-dk blu, multi CI.

Boomtown, Biloxi, Ms \$5 Chipco multi red "Shoot for Year 2000". Grand Casino, Biloxi, Ms new \$5 Chipco with smooth finish. Imperial Palace, Biloxi, Ms \$5 H&C picture chip red 3 org/gld, multi wht center, "Blast from the Past" Nov 1999. & \$5 H&C picture chip red 3 org/gld, multi center, "2000 AD Millennium".

Harrah's, Vicksburg, Ms 4--\$5 H&C picture chips, red 4 wht/pnk/wht, multi center. "Millennium 2000, Legends of Entertainment" (1) George Burns, (2) Carol Channing, (3)

Sammy Davis, Jr, & (4) Marlene Dietrich. This same set is at several other Harrah's riverboat casinos. Sam's Town, Robinsonville (Tunica), Ms \$5 H&C picture chip, "Sam's Town 250" obverse/race car reverse and \$5 H&C picture chip Richard Petty (Petty name not on chip) obverse/race car reverse.

OTHER NEWS

Land-based Harrah's Casino, New Orleans, La opened for the second time 10-99. All regular table chips and slot tokens are same ones used the first time this casino was open. There is a new \$5 H&C picture chip, red 4 yel/blu/grn, multi center "Grand Opening Oct 1999".

Slots at race tracks. Billy the Kid Casino at Ruidoso Downs Race Track, Ruidoso Downs, N.M. One dollar token reported last time. Also has \$5 (1999) GDC, same design as \$1, diferent design reverse, AND \$5 dated May 1999, Grand Opening token. Sunland Park Racetrack & Casino, Sunland Park, N.M. near border with El Paso, Texas. \$1 & \$5 (1999) GDC, same design obverse. \$1 roadrunner bird reverse and \$5 jockey on horse reverse.

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Our principal character, Harold Davis, was born on August 10, 1896 in Omaha Nebraska. He was of Welsh, Irish, and German decent. When he was growing up there was a gym nearby where many of the neighborhood kids hung out. That's where he initially got interested in boxing.

He left home in his early teens and, as he put it, "rode the rails" out west. The story progresses. He was now called Frankie (his middle name) Davis, and ended up in Goldfield, Nevada, where he met Jack Dempsey, very early in his career. He was fighting a 10-round bout with Johnny Sudenberg in Goldfield. The fight ended in a draw. The young lad on the left of the picture, with the suspender over his right shoulder, is our 18 year old friend, Speed.

Speed himself was a real crowd pleaser in the ring. A newspaper of the day described him as "always battling from the crack of the first gong until the bout is over". He campaigned as a featherweight and was a contender for the Utah State championship, held at the time by Jimmie Johns of Ogden.





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BIG EVENT TO TAKE PLACE AT HIPPODROME THEATER ON WEDNESDAY NIGHT

With but two days till the glove contest takes place at the Hippodrome theater Wednesday night, the interest in the training preparations of the various mitt slingers was confined yesterday principally to the preliminary boys, Sudenberg observing Sunday as a day of rest and O'Brien only doing light work. The crowd which turned out to see "Speck" Duffy of local fame and Kid Davis, the speedy lad from Frisco, go through their paces indicated the interest that is being taken in the minor features of the big show.





Bid Davis, who will meet Pesty Ryan the classy coast boy in the semi-windup, has always been a flavorite windup, has always been a flavorite within the boxing fans off this city through the tagt that he is always battling from the crack of the list gong until the bout is over and as he is anxious to re-establish his claim to the feather weight, champlonship of Utah, he has been promised a match with himme Johns of Ogden for the state champlonship in case he wins this bout

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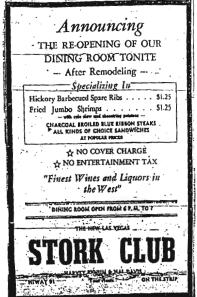
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By this time Speed was married. He and his wife, Martha, had two children, Pat and Bob. Pat is an interesting story herself. She says the family didn't know Bugsy Siegel too well, but brags a bit when she shares the fact that de did comp she and her husband a room on their wedding night.

Speed next traveled to San Francisco and met a man named Manny Levine. They became partners and bought a liquor store in Oakland. Eventually the store was sold and they headed for the desert... Las Vegas.

It was now 1947. They bought a place on "Hiway 91... on the strip" formerly called the Diamond Horseshoe. They immediately changed the name to the Stork Club. They were doing quite well, and according to Harvey Fuller's 1992 Index of Nevada Gambling Establishments, the club offers craps, 21, and roulette.





All of this changed in an instant. This happened when Manny went to one of the neighboring clubs and gambled away all of their money. As his daughter Pat tells the story, "My father was so mad he threatened to shoot Manny, so Manny left town".

Speed (now also known as Hal) needed a new part ner. Enter Harvey Bynum. Bynum was a gambler with California roots who previously had owned the Paradise Club in Las Vegas in the late 30's. Together they remodeled the dining room and announced its reopening in an ad in the Las Vegas Review Journal of June 7, 1947.

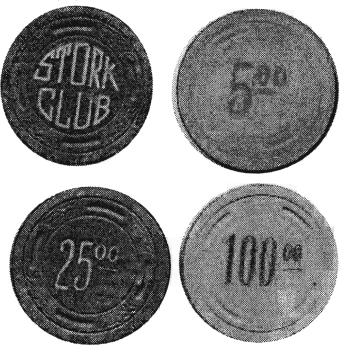
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In spite of all their efforts, they were unable to make a go of it and the Stork Club closed in 1950. Speed returned to San Francisco, very broke, and got a job tending bar at the Fairmount Hotel. Before too long he was back in business at the Old Waldorf, a working man's bar at 84th Street. He had a new and improved partner whose name was Ernie. Ernie died but Speed kept working until he retired at age 69. The Waldorf was torn down several years ago, as San Francisco "redeveloped".

A friend of the Davis family wrote an article which appeared in the Sonoma Index Tribune in August 19, 1976 in celebration of Speed's 80th birthday. In it he said that his friend Speed was still dancing at aged 80. Speed David died on January 17, 1993 at the ripe old age of 96.

Chips from the Stork Club haven't been seen in over 50 years. Pat found them while cleaning out "the store room". She is excited and eager to see the Stork Club, and her Dad, take their place in Nevada and Las Vegas gaming history.

Three different denominations of Stork Club chips exist: \$5, \$25 and \$100. The \$5 chip is red, the \$25 chip is blue and the \$100 chip is yellow. T.R. King & Co. authenticated scans of the Stork Club chips. It was confirmed by email that the chips "were purchased by Harvey Bynum, Las Vegas, NV 1947." They are large crown mold and the condition of most of them is remarkable. Most have full hotstamps and nearly square edges.



Originally Pat found about 30 of each denomination. At this time many of these have been added to the collections of online chippers, who were notified of the Stork Club chip discovery in October. If you would like to also add these 50 year old chips to your collection. please see the ad and ordering information on the following page.

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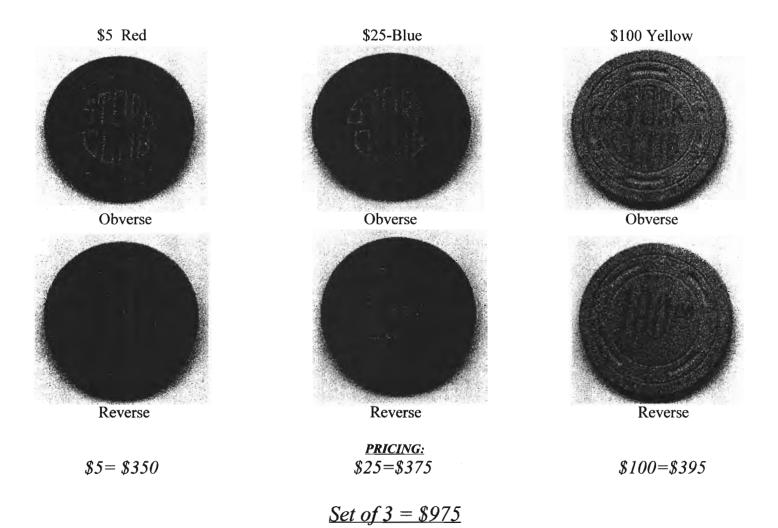
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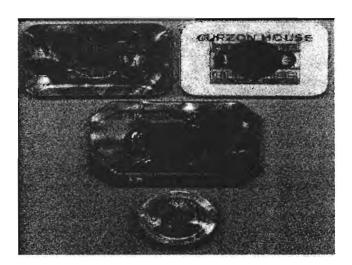
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After World War I, the house fell out of family hands and was occupied for a while by the Duke and Duchess of York while their own house in Picadilly was completed. They later became King George VI and Queen Elizabeth (now the Queen Mum). It became a club in 1939 and was very popular with the great land-owning families who didn't want to maintain a townhouse in London. It had 36 bedrooms available for members.

Bob Barnett and his brother bought the club in 1962 and converted in into a gaming club. For most of the 1960's, the club had 5 chemin-de-fer tables, baccarat, and 2 French roulette tables. It also had 12 poker tables as well as facilities for bridge and kalooki, a 13-card rummy game popular at the time. The Coral Group, a large bookmaking chain, later bought the club. By that time the laws had changed and so roulette, blackjack and punto banco (the type of baccarat played in U.S. casinos) were the main games, although they kept the poker and bridge rooms.

Between 1979 – 1981, there was an upheaval in London gambling, and several clubs were closed as a result. The main issue was violations of the credit laws. Some clubs were taking checks and allowing players who won to buy them back. This was strictly illegal, as checks had to be banked within 2 days. There were also marketing issues and other technical violations. The Curzon House Club and other Coral casinos were raided by some 400 police and records seized. The Coral Group, Ladbrokes, Playboy and others lost their licenses to run casinos.



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PHIL'S FORAYS LITERARY MASTERPIECES

by Phil Jensen

By 1973, after much schmoozing and carousing, I had managed to amass around 2000 current and obsolete Nevada chips. In the four years I had been collecting I made a lot of friends and acquaintances who helped be obtain old chips. Some of those people were members of a club known as CANTS or California-Nevada Token Society, a group of folks who primarily collected the old metal trade tokens (i.e. Good for 12 1/2¢ in trade at some place in Ferber Nevada - an actual town, by the way). O attended the meetings primarily for the camaraderie as nobody actually collected gaming chips except for one or two people who were into old poker chips.

One of those collectors was Bill Wright who, at the time, was also the General Manager of the Las Vegas Review Journal. We became good friends and I'd visit him often at the R.J. Bill was the consummate Nevada collector who spent many hours travelling the roads of Nevada in search of old bottles, tokens, and railroad memorabilia. One day Bill suggested the R.J. do an article on my chip collecting efforts. It sounded like a great idea to me as I figured I could get a little exposure and drum up some interest in the hobby.

The actual piece was published in the Nevadan, the now defunct magazine section of the Sunday paper on November 11, 1973 and I was pretty proud of it, buying up several copies at thirty-five cents each.

It wasn't long before I received a call from a individual in New Jersey who had seen the story as was a collector of Nevada chips. His name was Andy Gazsi and he was probably more nutty than me about collecting chips. Trouble was, there weren't many Nevada chips in New Jersey and I eventually sent him hundreds of duplicates that I'd pick up.

There were others too, and gradually more people started collecting. In 1976 I wrote an article for CANTS detailing all the Bicentennial chips that were issued by various casinos. As it turned out, these were probably the first of the flood of limited edition chips we are seeing today.

Also, in 1976, I was approached by Stanley Paher, a well-known Nevada author who had written an extensive book on ghost towns, about doing an article for his new Nevada Bicentennial Book. It would be included in a section on collectibles and my friend Bill Wright would do one of trade tokens. Again, I jumped at the opportunity hoping to drum up interest in the hobby.

Well, I don't know how successful I was in promoting the hobby but judging from the interest today I like to think I played a small part. Anyway, these are reprints from the Review-Journal, CANTS, and Nevada Bicentennial Book. I hope you get a kick out of them.

Gaming Chips

by Phil Jensen

The forerunner of the modern gaming chip is the Spiel Mark or game counter, which in many cases were crude imitations of the United States coins with unusual captions on them. Since Nevada gambling was not legalized until 1931, even the oldest chips are relatively new. However, chips from the 1930's are still difficult to locate since most have been destroyed when a club closes, when a new issue of chips replaced old ones, or when casinos have been destroyed by fire.

Many chips are hard to identify because the operator was careful not to include much information on them. Generally speaking, chips in the old days had only the owner's initials on one side and the denomination on the other. This enabled the operator to use the same chip in several locations, or, in case the game was operating illegally, any chips seized in a raid would be virtually useless as evidence.

As the years went by and larger clubs opened, chips became more elaborate. Now there are multi-colored ones with names, locations, designs and pictures on them.

Some of the early chips were made in a variety of materials including rubber, glass, celluloid, bake-a-lite, wood and ivory. Most modern chips are made of a special mixture which is a well-kept secret by the manufacturer.

Acquiring chips can sometimes be a trying task. There are many current ones which can be bought right at the tables, but old, obsolete ones require much searching. The best way is to get a casino owner to dig into old junkboxes which every casino invariably has.

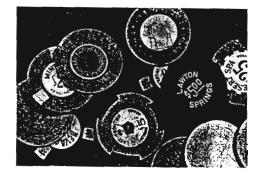
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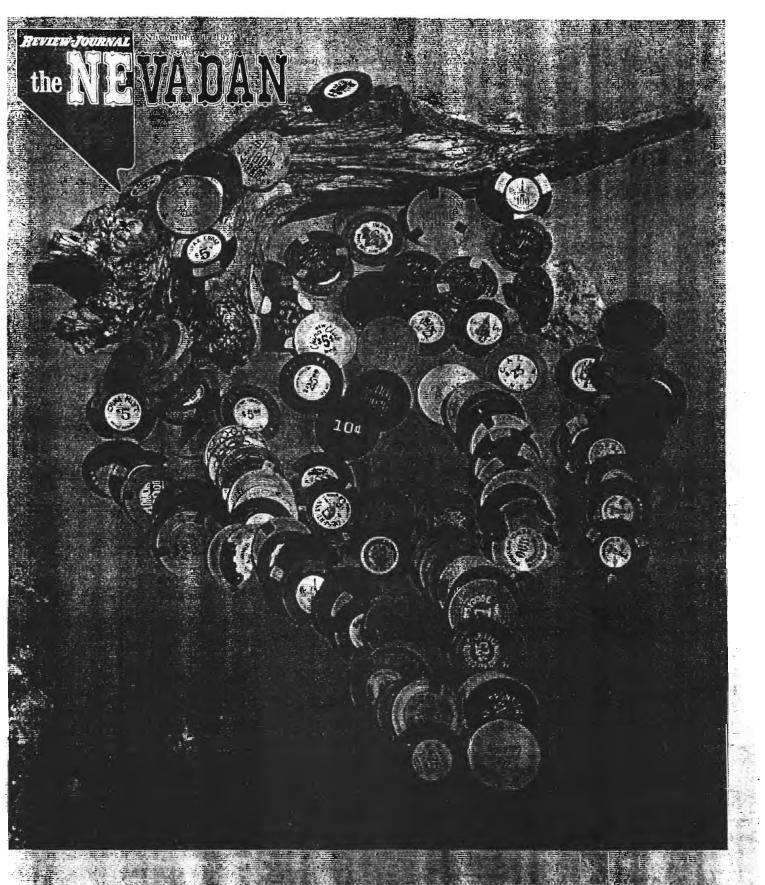
contacts with people who are in a position to get them. This is especially true in the smaller towns where a one day visit isn't long enough to turn up any choice items.

Just recently when the old Pioneer and Domino Hotels in Reno were torn down, the general manager of the Overland Hotel, who owned the building, found some of the old chips used in the Corner Bar Club and gave them to me.

Many casinos in Hawthorne and in other boom towns have long since closed their doors, having operated in the 1940's and 50's when there was much activity and numerous clubs. Today, old chips from these casinos are very hard to find. Winnemucca and Ely are the other towns which once boasted more clubs than they do now, and, finding old chips from these towns is very challenging.

Hopefully, I might find an old-timer who was shooting dice in one of those old casinos one day twenty years ago and dropped a few chips in his pocket for a souvenir. And maybe he'll give one of them up along with a story that invariably goes with it.





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Hello, Mr. Chipps --- Oldest Nevada Newspaper --- The Godspell Magic



Phil Jensen is in the chips, but he doesn't even gamble. He just collects them. And he paid \$5,000 for 2,000 of them.

by Lee Baker

Some people collect stamps. Some people collect coins. Some collect antiques and whathave-you. But who collects chips?

Hardly anybody except Phil Jensen.

Young Mr. Chips has been known to pay

\$10 for a \$5 chip. Why?
Some psychologist would have a best seller on his hands if he could explain collector mania.

"I guess I'm kind of crazy," Phil admits happily, with only a trace of embarrassment.

Phil works as a crap dealer downtown. For the past three years every off hour and every spare cent was spent chasing down chips

His 2,000 chips have cost him \$5,000.

The chips ARE kind of pretty — an assortment of wild colors: maroon, pink,

And it IS kind of interesting that they are made from all kinds of materials: rubber, wood, glass, bake-a-lite, plastic, even ivory. But \$5,000?

Talk with Phil long enough and you wind up thinking maybe they are worth it.

Chips spell history to Phil. He probably knows as much about the development of casinos and gambling in Nevada as anybody. And there isn't a small casino owner in the area he hasn't made friends with. He knows

Hello, Mr. Chips

that in some back room in a forgotten box, the owner must have a treasure of old chips.

But casino people are not overly eager to give these away, even to sell them. Just isn't good business to let them get in circulation. Who knows but somebody might try to collect, even if they are out-of-date.

Phil has to do a lot of talking.

'Nevadans are kind of funny," he says "You have to go back a few times. They want to see you prove yourself. They won't give anything the first time. You have to build up good faith."

Phil wins his prospects over with extensive knowledge about chips and his out and out love for them.

Like did you know that all chips are made in Portland, Ore., by Burt Company, a billiard ball manufacturer? The company makes gaming chips as a side business.

Chips are identifiable by the moldings, or indented markings, around the edges. The design denotes the distributer. Some examples are top hats, horseshoes, horseheads, crowns, diamonds, hearts, card symbols and letters like T's and H's.

Chips have been made in all denominations: one cent, five cent, ten cent, quarter, fifty cent and \$1 through \$1,000, plus \$2.50 and

Today, casinos use \$5 and \$25 and \$100 denominations mainly.

None of the chips are ancient since gambling was just legalized in 1931. But some pre-legal chips are as much as 50-years-old. They can be identified by gold stampings. Chips with plastic insert pictures of the owner or some other symbol date back 30 years.

Casinos frequently change chips. A recent \$70,000 chip robbery forced casinos to use new chips. Sometimes the chips get worn, and sometimes they start disappearing. Time to change.

Unfortunately for Phil, chips are destroyed at this time.

In the past, some casinos threw the old chips into Lake Mead. Bad idea. Seems they wash ashore and end up back at the cashier window. One owner took his to his butcher's bone grinder.

The Frontier dumped some of theirs down the old Belmont mine shaft in Tonopah.

Some casinos put them in cement before a foundation is laid. Others just see that they get burned real good.

Asking Phil to pick his favorite chip is like having Nabokov pick his best butterfly. Mr. Chips looks over the collection revently and can hardly bring himself to choose.

"Well, I guess my favorite foreign one is Wilbur Clark's Havana Club.

He hesitantly picked the Old Golden Club, steel inlay \$100 chip, as his favorite local find. The club burned down in a sensational fire in the early 60's. More than a few clubs have met that end. However, many seem to go bankrupt.

Whichever, Phil has lots of chips from clubs that exist no longer or have changed names and management. Some old-timers will remember these clubs: El Morocco, Zanzibar, King's Crown, Westerner, Rancho Inn, El Rancho, Fortune, Sans Souci, Chesterfield, California Club, Royal Nevada Hotel, Louisiana and Bonanza.

Phil can tell you about them all.

One thing, he may be in the chips, but this is one crap dealer that doesn't gamble.

"To me," he says, "there's no way you can win. Losing money is not fun. If I lost \$20, it's just that much less I couldn't spend on what I want.

What Phil wants is chips and more chips.

Apparently, this is not the dead-end hobby his teenage coin collection was. You can always find some chip you don't have.

He hopes others will get interested in chips, so he'll have people to trade with.

Strange avocation for a guy who started out a few years back to be a pharmacist. He left his studies at the University of Arizona to become a change boy at Harrah's Club in

He fell in love with casinos, "especially little places with two slot machines." His dream is to own his own gaming house and maybe write a book or two. Subject? What else? Chips.



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Old postcards show out-of-date chips that Phil Jensen An old-time craps table, Caption: "Where all men are Hose a same of fare-is-played at the Bank Club in-

NEVADA BICENTENNIAL GAMING CHIPS AND TOKENS

BY Phil Jensen

The bicentennial theme was apparent everywhere this year and Nevada gambling halls were no exception. Colorful red, white, and blue chips as well as tokens have been making their way across the green felt in several of the state's casinos.

The clubs, of course, are betting that the gamblers will pocket at least one of them for a souvenir, thereby giving the casino a profit of the difference between their cost and the face value of the chip. On a five-dollar chip this is substantial.

The first establishment to issue a five dollar bicentennial chip and perhaps the originator of the whole idea was the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas. The basically red chip with white and blue edge markings pictured the MGM lion with the dates 1776-1976. This chip was put into play on November 10, 1975, even before the bicentennial year began.

Shortly thereafter, the Sahara, Golden Gate, and Union Plaza casinos in Las Vegas followed suit by issuing five dollar chips, each with their personal vignette.

The Union Plaza featured an eagle with the inscription, "Happy Birthday America", and the dates 1776-1976. This chip was for use of the baccarat table only.

The Sahara Hotel chip featured the American flag with the dual dates around the Sahara Lady.

The Statue of Liberty with an American flag in the background graced the Golden Gate's five dollar chip. It, too, bore the dates 1776-1976.

The Lady Luck Casino in Las Vegas soon issued a five dollar, sterling silver, 32 millimeter token for use on their twenty-one tables. This very attractive piece featured a flying eagle with the two dates circled over it.

The Silver Slipper Gambling Hall on the Strip was the first casino to issue a one dollar chip for the bicentennial. This blue chip with red and white edge markings pictured the bicentennial star with the inscription, "American Revolution Bicentennial." It, too, carried the dates 1776-1976.

The Holiday Inn followed with a similar one dollar chip that was used primarily in the poker room. It showed a large ONE decorated in red, white, and blue, with the dates 1776-1976 surrounded by the club's name and eight stars.

Concluding the Southern Nevada list of bicentennial chips is a small casino just off the Strip with the unlikely name of "The

Casino." It produced both a one and five dollar chip. Both were rather plain, however, with no picture but only the motto "Bicentennial 1776-1976."

In the northern part of the state things were a bit different. Harvey Gross, owner of Harvey's Hotel at Stateline introduced the first two dollar bicentennial chip on April 13, 1976. This, of course, coincided with the issuance of the two dollar bill and Thomas Jefferson's birthday. Full page ads in the Lake Tahoe and Reno newspapers advertised the event and the new chip became an immediate success. Since then, several thousand have been pocketed for souvenirs. Apparently the red, white, and blue chip was more of a novelty that its one and five dollar counterperts; in fact, it could prove to be more popular than the two dollar bill.

On 1 July 1976, Gary's Casino, a small club just down the highway from Harvey's opened its doors and put into play a two dollar chip similar in appearance to its neighbor.

Only two clubs in Reno commemorated the bicentennial, but one of them, the Holiday Hotel, went all out with five, twenty-five and one hundred dollar gaming tokens which were made of bronze, .999 fine silver, and ten-karat gold, respectively. Their purpose was twofold, in that 1976 marked the hotel's twentieth anniversary as well as the bicentennial.

On 26 January 1976, the tokens were put into play and were also put on sale to collectors. The original order of the gold 100-dollar token sold out on the first day!

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The twenty-five and hundred dollar tokens showed a mustang on the obverse and the Liberty Bell, bald eagle, and thirteen-starred flag on the reverse, the only difference being the denomination noted on the obverse. The five dollar bronze token pictured the hotel on the obverse and Washington crossing the Delaware on the reverse. Medallic Art Comapny of Danbury CT struck the pieces.

Finally, the Horseshoe Club in Reno issued a five dollar plastic chip inscribed "1776-1976 Bicentennial." This chip is unusual because it is red on one side and blue on the other. It is advertised throughout the club as a take-home souvenir.

It should be mentioned here that two other two-dollar chips were produced probably as a result of the issuing of the Harvey's piece. They are the two-dollar El Capitan of Hawthorne and the two-dollar Landmark of Las Vegas. They are not, however, bicentennial pieces.

It will be interesting to see what happens to the bicentennial series as 1977 begins. Perhaps they will be destroyed, stored, or even sold to collectors in the casino gift shops.

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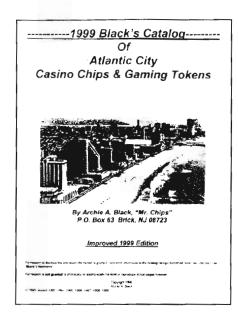
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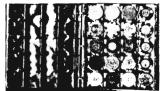


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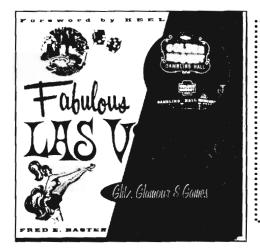
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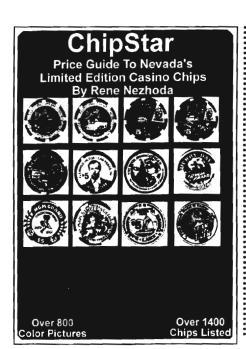
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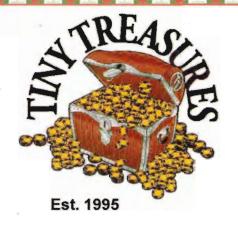
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