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## Correction

In the last issue of Chip & Token News under my column "Chips'N Tokens Update" in reporting the new \$10 Silver Strike tokens for Southern Nevada at the Westward Ho I mistakenly listed an incorrect name for one of the wrestlers. Number One listed as the Crusader should be "THE CRUSHER". My apologies to all involved with this issue.

Janice O'Neal CC&GTCC Member CH-008

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## MISCELLANEOUS MEMBERSHIP MENTIONABLES

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\*\* Two more members converted to Life Member status. The club now has 23 Life Members. Life Membership is presently \$300.00. First Class magazine delivery is extra and can be paid yearly or in multiple year increments to save on postage increases.

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## President's Letter David Sarles



It's always sad to see people leave our hobby. But it's especially sad when they pass away.

The board along with Belinda and Wayne have decided to honor those members who pass on. The 2000 convention tournament will be the 1st Memorial CC&GTCC Tournament; in honor of our late members.

It's nicer to be able to report our hobby is thriving. Our club continues to grow as our passion for collecting casino collectibles becomes more popular. The casino's are producing more chips, tokens, and silver strikes than ever before. The internet is also helping introduce new people to casino collectibles. If you haven't checked out our web site @ ccgtcc.com, please do. Greg Susong is improving it all the time. While there please register in the member directory. If you're not on line, I'm afraid you're missing out on a lot of collecting action on the internet.

The convention preparations are moving along nicely. This should be the biggest and best yet. Chairman Thompson reminds me we still could use a few volunteers who are willing to work. (No free passes). Plans are also being finalized for convention 2001. The location should be announced soon.

Welcome aboard our two newest volunteers. Steve Wells will handle the taxes and permits for the convention. Nick and Andrea Moericke will be our property managers in Las Vegas. Thank you Steve, Nick and Andrea!

With the convention just a few short months away, I can already sense the excitement. All those chips, tokens, ashtrays, matches.....I can't wait for the fun to begin. See you there!

Having Fun  
David

## SLOT TOKEN DESIGNS by John A. Bollinger #3119

In the course of studying and enjoying my accumulation of gaming slot machine tokens, I am often surprised by small changes of designs or metals from the original issue.

I first noticed this occurrence when I received the Diamond Jo Casino \$25 token from my new issue supplier. At first, I thought that my supplier had erred since he had sent me the original token just a year previous. However, I decided to compare it with the earlier piece for possible upgrading when everything fell into place.

Apart from a larger planchet plus different metals, it seems that Johnny Appleseed visited the Dubuque courthouse and planted a lush vegetation around the building. Plus an artist added some clouds in the sky to transform a rather drab looking token into an attractive serene setting. The only thing missing are birds in the air and children playing on the lawn to make the scene complete. Someone definitely "got it right" on this one.

The second set of tokens involves the \$5 Tiber Entertainment Group cruise line token. I distinctly remember that the one I already had was a copper-nickel specimen and was surprised to see a bronze example in a dealer's display case at the Las Vegas CC&GTCC show last year. What is the story here?

Are there two different cruise ships with their own unique tokens? .....Did one token supersede the other one?.... or were the 2 different tokens in use simultaneously on the same ship?.... Does anyone know for sure?

The third set concerns the \$25 token of Foxwoods Casino in Connecticut. On my first visit there in 1997, the original silver token (GDC MINT) was still in use. However, on a subsequent visit in 1998, I noticed a brass alloy token with OPM mint mark. The size of the token was also greatly enlarged.

So, what do all these changes mean? To me it represents a challenge to always scrutinize every token whenever I visit a casino, to see if I can detect even the slightest anomaly and has given me even more enjoyment whenever I find one.

This article only focuses on the tokens I have just discovered. Undoubtedly, there are many more out there waiting to be discovered and documented. I know I will be out there looking.

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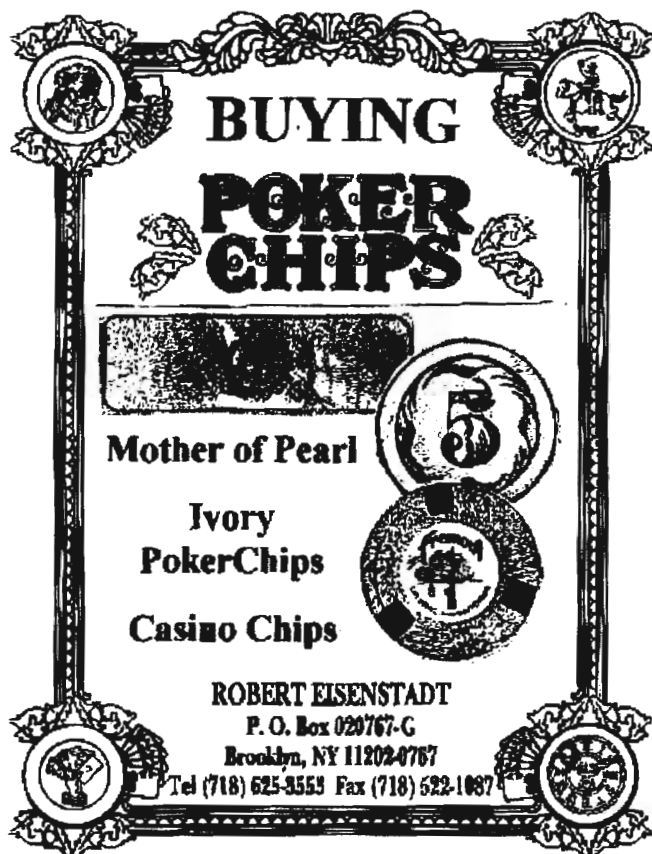
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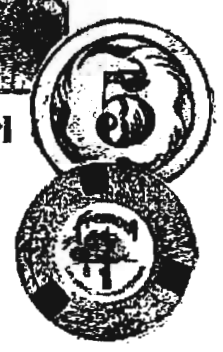
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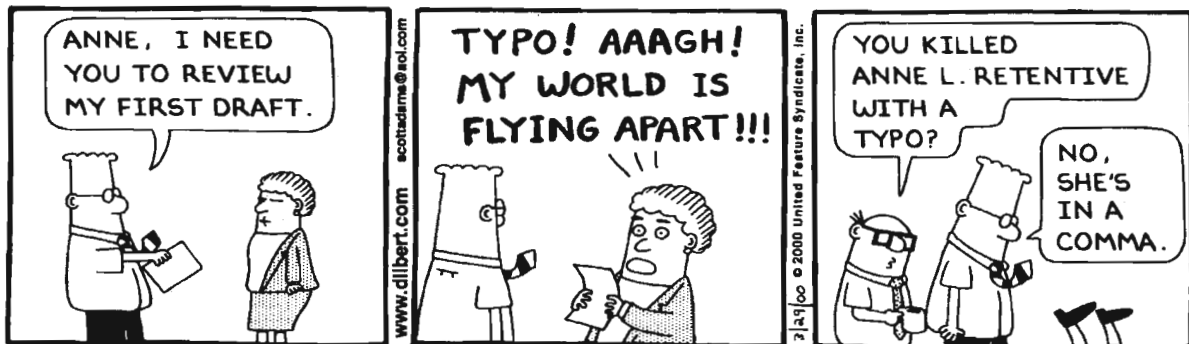
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**This seminar/class is a wonderful opportunity for advanced collectors and dealers as well as beginners. Mel Jung and Dale Seymour, two of the world's leading authorities and renowned authors will teach the course. Special guest instructors, interesting unusual exhibits, field trips and some great "goodie" packages await the students. Reservations and payment must be made by the students no later than May 15th.**

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- ◆ Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis first teamed up at the 500 Club.
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## THE TROPICANA HOTEL & CASINO LAS VEGAS, NV

It is hard to believe that it will have been 10 months since our last Convention, but the time is almost upon us. We hope that everyone has made plans to attend the Club's 8th Annual Convention and help us celebrate our organization's 12th Anniversary. The 2000 edition of our show promises to be bigger and better than you have experienced in the past! We have sold over 100 dealer tables and the exhibit tables are filling up. If you have not attended one of the Club's Conventions in the past, this is definitely the one you want to start with.

Just like Las Vegas, our Club has experienced tremendous growth and that growth is reflected in the fact that the Club has evolved and prospered to the point that we will be in our 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 the staff of the Hotel is anxious to assist the Club in presenting a first class convention. The Tropicana is a grand and historic hotel, the Ballroom is beautiful and spacious, the sleeping rooms are recently renovated, there is a large selection of top notch restaurants, and headliner entertainment. So plan on attending the 2000 CC&GTCC 8th Annual Convention & Show at the Tropicana Hotel and celebrate the Club's 12th Anniversary.

### HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The room rate is \$45.00 Sunday - Thursday & \$85.00 Friday & Saturday per night. The fact is the Club uses the number of rooms booked as a negotiating tool for show space and sleeping rooms for future shows. So please support YOUR CLUB by booking your room at the Tropicana Hotel & Casino. To insure accuracy in booking a group room block, use the reservation slip located in this magazine. The deadline for reservations is June 10, 2000. After this date, rooms will be on "as available" basis only.

### DEALER TABLES

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## VOLUNTEERS

We are still seeking volunteers for the 2000 Convention. If you are planning on attending the convention and would like to donate a few hours during the show, we can always use the assistance. The real need for extra help is during set up on Tuesday, the reception Wednesday night, and on Saturday afternoon assisting with the tear down of the show. If you would like to volunteer, please contact, Belinda Hixon, P.O. Box 1195, Colleyville, TX 70034 [Txbel1711@aol.com](mailto:Txbel1711@aol.com)

## EARLY BIRD RECEPTION AND SWAP MEET

To be held on Wednesday July 19th at 5:30 PM, this is our most popular function of the week. You should make plans to attend this fine gathering. Refreshments and hors d'oeuvres will be served, with socializing being the mainstay until 7:00pm. Everyone is encouraged to bring their traders and duplicates for the intense trading session that will begin at 7:00 PM. We strongly encourage everyone to refrain from trading until this time. No one person or company may monopolize an entire table. No selling of books will be allowed at this reception. Please limit your trade stock to what you can carry. With the number of expected attendees, there is simply not enough room on the tables for the food, drinks and chip and token books, so please restrain yourself until 7:00pm. **IF YOU ARE BRINGING A SPOUSE THEY MUST BE A MEMBER TO ATTEND.** They can join as an associate member for only \$5, an application is located elsewhere in this magazine.

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

## AUCTION

Auction chairman Bruce Landau has gathered another fine assortment of lots for our Friday night auction. The auction will be held July 21 and begin at 6:30pm and we ask that everyone be prompt. In the interest of time, again this year you will be able to register for your Auction number during the normal show hours, instead of everyone trying to get their number at 6:15 PM on Friday. Hopefully, this will help speed up the start of the auction. On Thursday and Friday during show hours, stop by the auction table and have your Club membership number and you can pick up your auction number then. You will still be able to register the night of the auction, but why wait until the last minute. Should be another fine auction.

## LAST DANCE SWAP MEET

On Saturday, July 21st, after the conclusion of the Convention, the Club will sponsor another swap session for all interested members. The session will begin at 7:00 PM and last until midnight or until all traders throw in the towel, whichever comes first. There will be refreshments and light snacks provided. So, if you have to get in another few hours of face to face trading before heading home, here is your chance to dance the Last Dance. Bring traders and have a good time!

## SHOW FLOOR ACCESS

All dealers will be notified by mail of their access to the show floor. There will be NO variation to this time schedule. Members who are attending the show, will be allowed onto the show floor ONLY during the normal show hours. Volunteers who are assisting with the production of the show will be notified by the Convention Chairman of their access times. Beginning on Wednesday, July 19th through Saturday, July 22nd the show floor entrances will be secured and NO ONE will be allowed in without the proper credentials.

## CLUB BUSINESS MEETING

With the success moving the Club business meeting to an evening we will be doing the same this year. If we can have 350 people show up for free food and drinks, with chip/token swapping thrown in on Wednesday night, we hope the same number of folks will show up to conduct the business of this Club on Thursday night. Make plans now to attend the annual Club Business meeting on Thursday, July 20th at 6:30 PM. This is the one opportunity each year that members and the officers have a chance to gather face to face to discuss the business and direction of our organization. **This is YOUR Club, make plans to attend!**

## EXHIBITS

Mr. Archie Black has graciously volunteered to chair the Exhibit committee for the Convention. The exhibits will be of both competitive and non-competitive nature. Last year we had some outstanding exhibits and I'm sure this year's exhibits will be just as exciting.

## CAR RENTAL

We have negotiated some very good car rental rates for all attendees who will need a car while in Las Vegas. The agreement is with Budget Rent A Car and you must call Lisa Webber at 1-800-922-2899, ext. 237, to receive our convention rate. There is an ad located elsewhere in the magazine that shows the convention rates. The car can be picked up at several locations around Las Vegas and the rates are very good. Example: Midsize car: \$159.00 for the weekly rate, free unlimited mileage.

## PRE-REGISTRATION

There will no pre-registration for the Convention this year. Members will be able to pick up their badges starting Wednesday afternoon and again before the Show floor opens on Thursday.

# 2000 CC&GTCC Convention Schedule

(tentative and subject to change)

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 19<sup>th</sup>

- 12:00 NOON Dealers may pick up show credentials at the Convention registration table outside the showroom. Proper identification is required to pick up all credentials.  
**GRAND BALLROOM ENTRANCE**
- 12:00 NOON Dealer set up begins. Only dealers with tables are allowed in during setup.  
CREDENTIALS ARE REQUIRED FOR ADMITTANCE.
- 5:30 PM **EARLY BIRD RECEPTION.** Sponsored by CC&GTCC. Members only may attend.  
**CARRIBEAN BALLROOM**
- 7:00 PM **MEMBER SWAP SESSION.** Please bring only what you can carry. Members only may attend.  
**CARRIBEAN BALLROOM**
- 11:00 PM Dealer setup ends. Show floor closed until 7:00 AM.

## THURSDAY, JULY 20<sup>th</sup>

- 7:00 AM Dealer set up continues. CREDENTIALS REQUIRED.
- 8:30 AM **EDUCATIONAL FORUM** – Topic to be announced  
**CARRIBEAN BALLROOM**
- 10:00 AM **OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY.**  
Convention opens to membership and public  
**GRAND BALLROOM**
- 4:00 PM **Silver Strike Chapter Meeting**  
**CARRIBEAN BALLROOM**
- 6:00 PM Show in recess until 10:00 AM
- 6:30 PM **CLUB BUSINESS MEETING.**  
All members are urged to attend  
**CARRIBEAN BALLROOM**
- 8:00 PM Show floor must be vacated and secured
- 8:30 PM **2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL CC&GTCC POKER CHALLENGE**  
**EXCALIBUR HOTEL**

**FRIDAY, JULY 21<sup>ST</sup>**

- 8:00 AM Dealers with credentials may enter show floor
- 8:30 AM **EDUCATIONAL FORUM** – Topic to be announced  
**CARRIBEAN BALLROOM**
- 10:00 AM Show floor opens to members and public  
**GRAND BALLROOM**
- 5:00 PM **EDUCATIONAL FORUM** – Chip Grading- Pro or Con?  
(Location to be announced)
- 5:00 PM Show in recess until 10:00 AM
- 6:30 PM Show floor must be vacated and secured
- 6:30 PM **ANNUAL CLUB AUCTION**. Over 250 lots to be auctioned  
**CARRIBEAN BALLROOM**

**SATURDAY, JULY 22<sup>ND</sup>**

- 8:00 AM Dealers with credentials may enter show floor.
- 9:00 AM **EDUCATIONAL FORUM** – Topic to be announced  
**CARRIBEAN BALLROOM**
- 10:00 AM Show floor opens to members and public.  
**GRAND BALLROOM**
- 4:00 PM 2000 Show closes.
- 6:00 PM All dealer tables must be down and floor vacated.
- 7:00 PM **THE LAST DANCE**. Final trading session. Bring only what you can carry. Members only may attend.  
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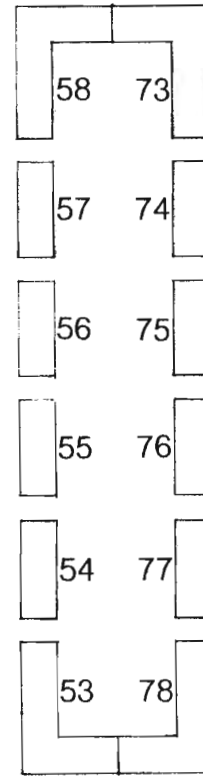
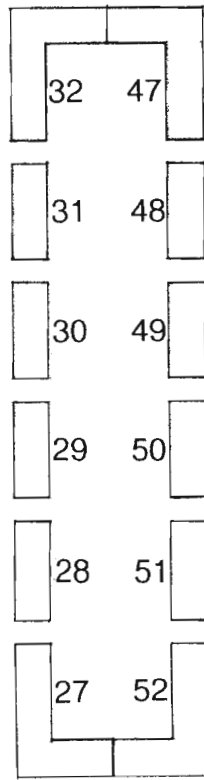
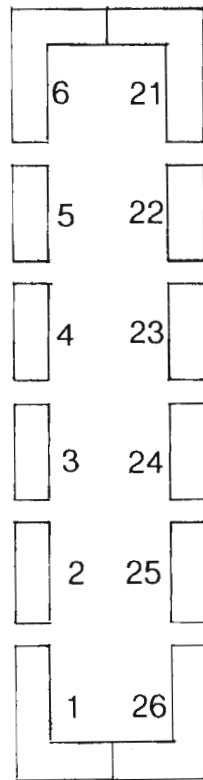
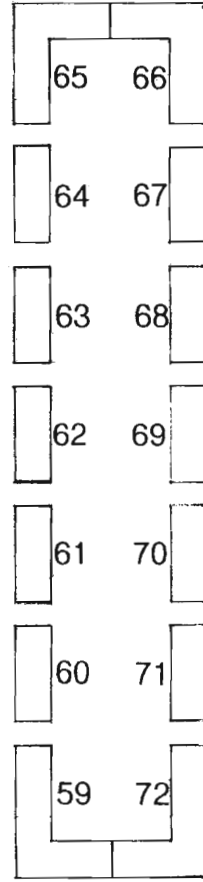
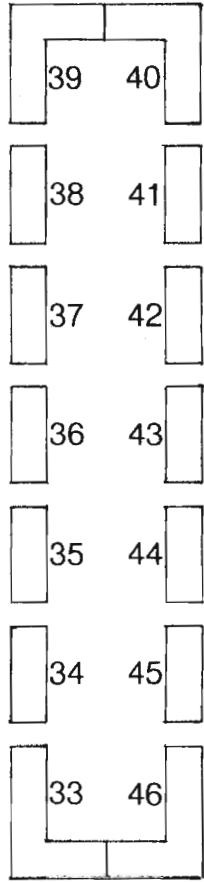
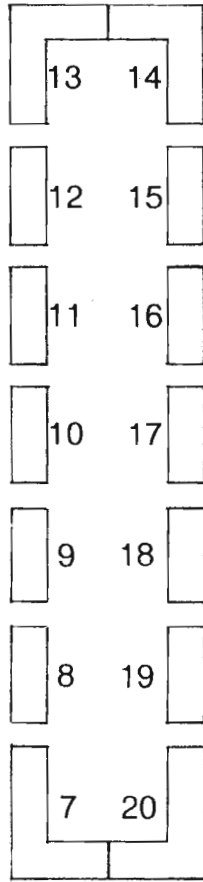
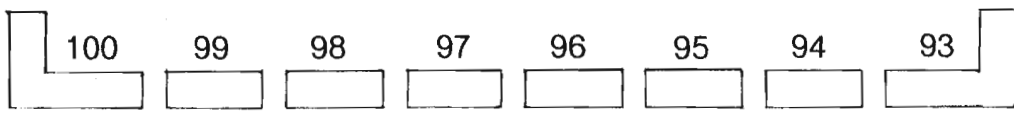
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0		A Miniature House of Cards!!		Never lived in!
1		1965 Franklin Mint Proof Set - Set No. 486 - .999 fine Silver		1965 Proof
2		1 & 25 Mother of Pearl jetons		Used
3	\$25 (HSE)	20th CENTURY HOTEL & CASINO green w/ 4-1/4 cream w/ red/white (SCA) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1977-1978 Never used
4	\$5.00 (C&J)	A-1 CASINO dk. purple w/ 3-5/8 red w/ gold hot stamp	Wendover, Nevada - United States	1956-1967 Never used
5	\$255 (SCROWN)	ALADDIN, Milton Prell's green w/ pie purple w/ white (LSC) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1966-1968 Never used
6	\$5 (H.C.E.)	ALADDIN HOTEL & CASINO brown w/ 3-3/8sxs off white/brown/off White w/ white (SCA) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1968-1970 Used
7	\$500 (HSE)	ALADDIN HOTEL • CASINO purple w/ 3-1/2sxs f-orange/blue/red w/ white (HEX) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1987-1992 Slightly used
8	\$5 & \$25 (H&C)	ALHAMBRA CASINO \$5-red w/ 3-1/2sxs lt.green/dk blue w/ white (HUB) inlay; \$25 dk. green w/ 3-1/2sxs gray/orange w/ white (SCA)	St. Maarten, - Netherlands Antillies	Never Used-drilled Lot of 2
9	\$5.00 (C&J)	ALIBI CLUB dk. blue w/ gold hot stamp	Pittman, Nevada - United States	1961-1962 Used
10	\$5 (BJ-A5D)	AMERICANA - Aruba red w/ 4-1/2 white w/ brass (R) coin inlay		Used
11	\$25 (BJ-C25D)	AMERICANA - Aruba Resort • Casino yellow w/ 4-3/8sxs black/red/black w/ white (R) inlay		Used
12	25¢-\$20	A Set of ARTICHOKE JOE'S Checks	Carson City - Nevada - United States	1990's Never used - in plastic case (6 pieces)
13	\$1-\$5	Atlantic City Group of 8 pieces	Atlantic City, New Jersey - United States	Used - Lot of 8 pieces
14	\$500.00 (H&C)	AZURE SEAS white w/ 3-3/4sxs yellow/purple/f-orange w/ gold hot stamp		Never used
15	\$100 (HSE)	BALLY'S black w/ 4-1/2 spl. f-orange/white/peach w/ white w/ hologram (COG) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1986- Never used
16		A Group of Arrow-die chips and checks - 12 total 12 different chips of this popular die.		Used - lot of 12 pieces
17	\$1 Gaming	BATISTA'S	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	Uncirculated
18	\$25 (SMKEY)	BEVERLEY COUNTRY CLUB sage green w/ 2-1/8 red inserts w/ gold hot stamp	Kentucky - United States	Used
19	\$5 (HAT&CANE)	BINION'S HORSESHOE Poker Hall of Fame Set (22 pieces)		Never used - Lot of 22 pieces)
20	\$5 (Chipco)	BLACK DIAMOND CASINO	Cripple Creek - Colorado - United States	1990's Never used
21	\$5 (Chipco)	BLACK HAWK STATION 5TH Annual Rocky Mtn Harley Davidson	Black Hawk - Colorado - United States	1990's Never used
22	10¢-\$25.00 (HORSHU)	BOON DOCK'S set of 5 checks	Winnemucca, Nevada - United States	1981-1982 Never used
23	\$7	Group of 6 \$7 Premium tokens	Nevada - United States	1980's Proof - group of 6 pieces
24	\$2.50	Group of 20 \$2.50 checks	Various World Wide Casinos	Slightly used - Lot of 20 pieces
25	25¢	A Group of 25¢ gaming tokens from Nevada		1980's-90's Used - lot of 8 pieces
26	50¢	A Group of 50¢ Checks		1980's-90's Mixed conditions - (Lot of 20 pieces)
27	\$2.50	BOARDWALK REGENCY pink w/ 3-1/2 gray w/ (R) white inlay (Black-C-BOA-2.5)	Atlantic City, New Jersey - United States	Never used
28	\$25 (House)	BOARDWALK REGENCY green w/ 8-1/8 black w/ (HEX) white inlay (Black-C-25a)	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1980's Used
29	\$25 (House)	BOARDWALK REGENCY green w/ 3-1/2sxs blue/orange w/ (SCA) white inlay (Black - C-BOA-25)	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1980's Used
30	\$25 CHIPCO	BOWL OF GOLD CASINO, THE predominately green w/ multi-colored logo	Cripple Creek, Colorado - United States	1992-1992 Never used
31	roulette	BRIGHTON, THE blue w/ 2-1/4v inserts w/ (R) yellow inlay w/ spade design	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1980's Used
32	50¢ (H.C.E.)	CAESARS PALACE off white w/ gold (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1966-1969 Slightly used
33	\$5 (H.C.E.)	CAESARS PALACE red w/ 3-3/8 yellow w/ gold (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1966-1969 Used
34	\$5 (HSE)	CAESARS PALACE red w/ 4-1/2sxs hot pink/dk.brown/hot pink w/ white (OR) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	Never used
35	\$25 (Chipco)	CAESARS (Atlantic City) predominately green CHPCO (Black-C-CAE-25a)	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1990's Never used
36	\$20 & \$40	CAESARS (Atlantic City) Silver Strikes \$20 - AC 1892 beach; \$40 Caesar head in circle of people	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1990's Proof - Lot of 2 pieces
37	\$40	Three Silver Strikes - CAESARS TAHOE (2) and HARRAH'S LV (1) Caesars Tahoe (Coliseum); Caesars Tahoe (Caesar Statue); Harrah's (Bourbon St.)		1990's Proof - Lot of 3 pieces
38	\$5	A Group of Three Cruise Line Checks		1990's Never used - Lot of 3 pieces

39	\$25 (ARROWDIE)	CAL-NEVA BILTMORE blue w/ 3-1/4 red inserts w/ (R) white inlay	Crystal Bay - Lake Tahoe, Nevada - United States	1950's Never used
40	\$1** (SMKEY)	CAL-NEVA LODGE red w/ gold hot stamp	Crystal Bay - Lake Tahoe, Nevada - United States	1940's Used
41	\$100** (T's)	CAL-NEVA LODGE lt. gray w/ 3-1/4 black w/ metallic blue hot stamp	Crystal Bay, Nevada - United States	1948-1955 Slightly used-drilled
42	Various \$'s various molds	A group of 10 CAL-NEVA LODGE checks	Crystal Bay, Nevada - United States	1948-1955 Used - Lot of 10 pieces
43	Various \$'s	A Group of 12 California Checks		1940's-90's Never used - Lot of 12 pieces
44	\$5** (H&C)	CAPONES red w/ 3-1/2sxs dk. green/gray/dk. green w/ white (R) inlay	Deadwood, South Dakota - United States	- Never used
45	\$500-\$1000	CARIBE HILTON CASINO	San Juan - Puerto Rico	1990's Used - Lot of 4 pieces
46	\$1. \$5. \$25 (H&C)	The Fun Ships (Carnival Cruise Line) Old style ship on blue center inlay		1980's Used - Lot of 3 pieces
47	\$1 (C&J)	CARSON CITY NUGGET yellow w/ (R) black inlay w/ white circle	Carson City - Nevada - United States	1960's Slightly used
48	1000 Francs	EC Engraved mother-of-pearl plaque		1920's? Used
49	5 (SM-KEY)	CASINO DE PARIS pink w/ gold hot stamp	Stateline, Nevada - United States	1952-1954 Never used
50	\$1000 (SM-KEY)	CASINO DEL RIO lavender w/ 3-1/2 mustard w/ white (R) inlay	Havana, - Cuba	1959 Never used
51		CASINO DE VICHY jetons	Vichy, France	1950's Used - Lot of 5 pieces
52	\$1 & \$5 (T's)	CASINOS NACIONALES DE PANAMA	Panama	1960's Used - Lot of 5 pieces
53		A Group of 5 Panama Checks	Panama	Used - Lot of 5 pieces
54	\$25 (H&C)	CENTER-FOLD CASINO green w/ 3-1/2 blue inserts w. gold hot stamp	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1970's Used
55	\$1 (SM-KEY)	CHRISTMAS TREE black w/ white (R) inlay	Mt. Rose Hwy., Nevada - United States	-1944 Slightly used
56	\$5 (C&J)	CLUB BINGO red w/ 3-1/4 gray w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1962-1983 Slightly used
57	\$1-\$500 (CHIPCO)	A Group of CASINO ROYALE Checks		1990'S Slightly used - Lot of 6 pieces
58	\$5	A Group of \$5 Colorado Checks	Colorado - United States	1991- Slightly used - Lot of 10 pieces
59	\$1, \$5, \$25 (H&C)	A Group of COLORADO BELL CASINO Checks	Laughlin, Nevada - United States	1980-1984 Used - Lot of 3 pieces
60	\$1 (BJ-3DIECARE)	COLORADO RIVER HOTEL yellow w/ 3-3/4 white w/ nickel silver coin inlay	South Point, Nevada - United States	1979-1980 Used
61	N.D. (HUB)	CC (Copper Club) 5 colors	Ely - Nevada - United States	Sept. -1931 Used - Lot of 5 pieces
62	\$5 (RECTL)	COTTON CLUB mustard w/ 3-1/4 red w/ pink (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	Never used
63	\$5\$ (SCROWN)	COTTON CLUB yellow w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	Slightly used
64	1 roulette (SMKEY)	COUNTRY-CLUB LAKE TAHOE dk. red w/ gold hot stamp	Stateline - Lake Tahoe - Nevada - United States	1930's Used
65	Various	A Group of Cruise Ship Checks		Used - Lot of 26 pieces
66	\$5 (LG-KEY)	CRYSTAL BAY CLUB lavender w/ 3-1/2 yellow w/ white (R) inlay	Crystal Bay, Nevada - United States	1952-1970 Never used
67	Various	A Group of Cuban Checks	Cuba	Used - Lot of 14 pieces
68	\$1-\$25	A Group of Las Vegas Checks	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1980's Used - Lot of 8 pieces
69	\$25** (SRDIAM)	DESERT INN, Wilbur Clark's dk. green w/ 2-3/8 dk. pink w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1950-1967 Used-drilled
70	\$5 (H.C.E.)	DESERT INN, Wilbur Clark's maroon w/ 3-3/8sxs yellow/green w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1950-1967 Used
71	\$5 (H&C)	DESERT INN (Baccarat) orange w/ 3-1/2sxs black/off white w/ white (R) inlay "Baccarat"	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1958-1967 Used
72	\$5 (DIECAR)	DESERT INN red w/ 3-1/2 white w/ nickel silver coin inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1967-1988 Used
73	\$1000 (BJ)	DESERT INN (Baccarat) hot pink w/ 3-1/2in black in lt. blue w/ nisl coin inlay	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1990's Never used
74	\$1, \$5, \$25 (CHIPCO)	DESERT INN & COUNTRY CLUB DI, tennis and golf motifs	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1991 - Slightly used - Lot fo 3 pieces
75	\$25 (SCROWN)	DESERT SPA red w/ 3r-1/2 green w/ white (WHL) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1958-1959 Slightly used
76	50¢ (C&J)	A pair of DIAMOND JIM (Free Play - Nevada Club) 2-color w/ pie sage green/red w/ gold hot stamp; 2-color w/ pie red/yellow w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1959-1969 Slightly used - Lot of 2 pieces
77	\$1 (C&S)	CLUB UNION brown w/ black hot stamp	Santiago de Cuba, - Cuba	Slightly used

78	\$1 (C&J)	DUNES HOTEL, THE dk. blue w/ white (SCA) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1956-1988 Used
79	\$5 (C&J)	DUNES HOTEL, THE orange w/ 3-5/8 black w/ white (SCA) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1956-1988 Used
80		Original wooden chip tray by KEVIN NORRIS		New
81	\$25 (HSE)	DUNES dk. green w/ 3-3/4sxs yellow/salmon w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1988-1989 Used
82	\$1	A Group of \$1 Las Vegas Checks	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1980's-90's Never used - Lot of 14 checks
83	\$500 (H&C)	EDDIE'S FABULOUS 50'S white w/ 8-1/8alt. pink/turquoise w/ white (HEX) inlay	Reno, Nevada - United States	1987-1989 Slightly used
84	(25¢) (H&C)	EL CORTEZ HOTEL • CASINO black w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1963- Used
85	\$5 (H&C)	A Group of Paul-son metal inlay checks	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1976-78 Used - Lot of 4 pieces
86	\$5 (H&C)	EL RANCHO HOTEL red w/ 4-1/2 f-orange inserts w/ gold hot stamp	Wells - Nevada - United States	1990's Never used
87	\$25 (H&C)	EL RANCHO HOTEL green w/ 4-1/2 f-orange inserts w/ gold hot stamp	Wells - Nevada - United States	1990's Never used
88	\$5 (DIASQR)	EL RANCHO VEGAS HOTEL dk. blue w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1941-1943 Used
89	\$25 \$ \$100	EL RANCHO VEGAS	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1940's Used-faded & slight water damage - Lot of 2
90	\$25 (SCROWN)	EL RANCHO VEGAS red w/ 2-1/4 dk. blue w/ white (HUB) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	Used
91	\$1000	EL REY RESORT plastic laminated business card "chip" from W. Martello	Searchlight - Nevada - United States	Used
92	\$5°° (C&J)	EL REY RESORT sage green w/ gold hot stamp	Searchlight - Nevada - United States	1960's Never used
93	\$5	A Group of \$5 Las Vegas Checks	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1986- Never used - Lot of 5 pieces
94	\$25 (CHIPCO)	FIESTA HOTEL Millenium issue in presentation case.	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1999/2000 Never Used-in display case
95	\$5 (CHIPCO)	FIESTA HOTEL predominately red special issue ofr 5 year employees	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	2000 Never Used-in display case
96	\$5°° (C&S)	FLAMINGO, THE brown w/ 2-1/4 yellow w/ brass metal wafer inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1946-1947 Used-drilled
97	\$5°° (SM-KEY)	FLAMINGO, THE orange w/ 2-1/4 blue w/ brass metal wafer inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1947-1947 Used
98	\$5 (HSE)	FLAMINGO (Hilton) dk. red w/ 3-5/8ins. pink in dk. blue w/ white (SCA) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1973- Used
99	\$5 (H&C)	American Classic Car set from the FLAMINGO HILTON Various American Classic Cars on Checks	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1996 Never used - Lot of 12 pieces
100	\$5 (H&C)	Legends of the West set of FLAMINGO HILTON checks Various Western personalities	Laughlin - Nevada - United States	1996 Never used - Lot of 12 checks
101	\$5 (ARODIE)	FOUR QUEENS red w/ 3-1/4 lt. blue w/ lt. blue (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1966-1973 Used
102	Various	a Group of FREMONT HOTEL Checks	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1970-1985 Used - Lot of 13 pieces
103	50¢ (ARODIE)	FREMONT HOTEL brown w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1970-1985 Used
104	\$500 (HOUSE)	FRONTIER yellow w/8-3/8v purple inserts w. (HEX) white inlay	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1980's Slightly used
105	\$500	FRONTIER A \$500 check encased in an acrylic diamond paper weight.	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1980's Acrylic encased
106	\$5 (H&C)	GAMBLER'S red w/ 3-1/2 black w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1974-1976 Slightly used
107	\$5 (NEVADA)	GARY'S CASINO red w/ 3-1/2 off white w/ white (R) inlay	Stateline, Nevada - United States	1976-1978 Slightly used
108	\$5°° (HUB)	GEORGE'S GATEWAY CLUB red w/ gold hot stamp	Stateline, Nevada - United States	1949-1954 Slightly used
109	\$25°° (HUB)	GEORGE'S GATEWAY CLUB yellow w/ gold hot stamp	Stateline, Nevada - United States	1949-1954 Slightly used
110	\$100 (SQSQRT)	GEORGE'S GATEWAY black w/ gold hot stamp	Stateline, Nevada - United States	1949-1954 Never used
111	\$5 (H&C)	GLITTER GULCH, Bob Stupak's red w/ 3-1/2sxs lt. blue/pink w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1980-1981 Slightly used
112	\$25 (H&C)	GOLD SPIKE CASINO green w/ 3-1/2sxs orange/brown w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1981-1983 Used
113	roulette (SMKEY)	A Group of BANK CLUB roulettes Nos. 3 and 4 roulette	Reno - Nevada - United States	1950's Used - Lot of 5 pieces
114	\$25.°° (C&S)	GOLDEN CLUB lt. green w/ white (R) inlay	Reno, Nevada - United States	1948-1952 Slightly used-drilled
115	25¢ (H.C.E.)	GOLDEN GATE CLUB mustard w/ yellow/white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1955- Used
116	25¢ (C&J)	GOLDEN GATE CASINO gold w/ white (LSC) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1955- Used

117	50¢ (SCROWN)	GOLDEN GATE CASINO hot pink w/ 1/2pie yellow w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1955- Used
118	100 (HOUSE)	GN (Golden Nugget) Fill Bank Only cream w/ black hot stamp	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1960's Used
119	\$5 (HSE)	GOLDEN NUGGET brown w/ 3-3/8ins. off white in orange w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1953- Used
120	\$1 & \$5 (HOUSE)	A Group of GOLDEN NUGGET (Atlantic City) Checks	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1980's Slightly used - Lot of 6 pieces
121	\$5\$ (SCROWN)	GOLDEN SLOT CLUB dk. blue w/ 4-1/8 yellow w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1956-1958 Slightly used
122	\$1& \$5 (H&C)	A Pair of GREAT BASIN CASINO checks gray w/ gold hot stamp	Baker, Nevada - United States	1981-1983 Never used - Lot of 2 pieces
123	\$5** (SCROWN)	GREEN SHACK red w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1951-1956 Slightly used
124	\$1 (SM-KEY)	HACIENDA gray w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1956-1972 Used
125	(H&C)	A Group of HARD ROCK HOTEL AND CASINO Checks five different denominations of a no cash value chip	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1990's Never used - Lot of 5 pieces
126	\$100 (SM-KEY)	HARRAH'S CLUB purple w/ 3-1/2 sage green w/ white (R) inlay	Reno & Lake Tahoe, Nevada - United States	1945- Never used
127	\$1, \$2.50, \$5	HARRAH'S slug core checks	Reno & Lake Tahoe, Nevada - United States	1970's Slightly used - Lot of 3 pieces
128	\$500 (SMCROWN)	HARRAH'S (Movie Prop) A movie prop check for the movie "Jinxed" filmed at Harrahs's	Stateline - Nevada - United States	1982 Slightly used
129	\$100 (BJ)	HARRAH'S TRUMP PLAZA black w/ purple designs w/ nilis coin inlay	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1980's Slightly used
130	roulettes (CHIPCO)	HARRAH'S MARINA An interesting and colorful group of roulette chips.	Atlantic City, New Jersey - United States	1990's Slightly used - Lot of 63 pieces
131	\$5 (SM-KEY)	HARVEY'S WAGON WHEEL off white w/ 3-1/2 red w/ white (R) inlay	Stateline, Nevada - United States	1945- Never used-drilled
132	\$25 (SM-KEY)	HAWTHORNE CLUB dk. blue w/ gold hot stamp	Hawthorne, Nevada - United States	1950-1963 Never used
133	\$1000 (H&C)	HIGH SIERRA HOTEL / CASINO dk. blue w/ 3-1/2 sxs f-orange/lt.blue/f-orng w/ (R) white inlay	Stateline - Nevada - United States	1980's Never used
134	25¢-\$1000 (H&C)	A Full Group of HIGH SIERRA HOTEL / CASINO checks	Stateline, Nevada - United States	1965-1990 Slightly used - Lot of 9 pieces
135	\$5	HILTON Atlantic City red w/ 4-1/2alt f-orange / green insets w/ (HUB) white inlay	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1980's Slightly used
136	\$2.50, \$5, \$8 Slug Core	HOLLYWOOD PARK CASINO three demoninations of the Year of the Rabbit 4697	Los Angeles - California - United States	1999 Never used - Lot of 3 pieces
137	25** (SM-KEY)	HOTEL LAST FRONTIER 21 CLUB red w/ silver metal wafer inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1942-1951 Used
138	\$100.00 (T's)	SILVER SLIPPER GAMBLING HALL green w/ 3-1/4 yellow w/ blue (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1951-1956 Used
139	\$20 (SMKEY)	HUNTERS LODGE purple w/ gold hot stamp	Carson City - Nevada - United States	1950's Never used
140	Various	A Group of New Mexico Indian Gaming Checks	New Mexico - United States	1990's Never used - Lot of 8 pieces
141	\$1, \$5, 25 (EWING)	JACKPOT CASINO	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1971-1979 Never used - Lot of 3 pieces
142	\$1\$ (SMCROWN)	JERRY'S PASTIME CLUB purple w/ gold hot stamp	Fallon - Nevada - United States	1960's Slightly used
143	\$25\$ (SCROWN)	JOE'S TAVERN green w/ 4-1/4 red w/ gold hot stamp	Hawthorne, Nevada - United States	1950- Slightly used
144	1 Token	JOHN ASCUAGA'S NUGGET brass gaming token	Sparks - Nevada - United States	1965 Uncirculated
145	\$100 (H&C)	JOHN'S TAHOE NUGGET black w/ 3-3/4sxs f-orange/white/pink w/ (COG) white inlay	Stateline - Nevada - United States	1980's Slightly used
146	\$20,\$25,\$100 (H&C)	KING INTERNATIONAL (Baccarat)	Aruba	1980's Slightly used - Lot of 3 pieces
147	N.D. (CIRCLE)	LA RUE Restaurant white w/ black hot stamp	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1940's Slightly used
148	\$1 (H&C)	LANDMARK HOTEL dk. red w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1969-1978 Slightly used
149	\$5NCV (H&C)	LANDMARK (No Cash Value) yellow w/ 3-1/2 lavender w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1978-1983 Used
150	\$5 CHIPCO	MAIN STREET GAMING HOUSE predominantly red w/ multi-colored logo	Black Hawk, Colorado - United States	- Never used
151	5, 25, 100 (C&S)	MAPES HOTEL all with metal wafer inlays	Reno, Nevada - United States	1947-1982 Used - Lot of 3 pieces
152	\$5 CHIPCO	MAYOR WILLIE'S SALOON & CASINO predominantly red w/ multi-colored logo	Central City, Colorado - United States	1992-1992 Slightly used
153	\$5 (HSE)	MGM GRAND red w/ 3-1/2sxs blue/white w/ blue (R) inlay - Bicentennial Issue	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1973-1989 Slightly used
154	\$25 (HOUSE)	MGM GRAND pink w/ 4-1/2sxs dk.brown/cream inserts w/ (SCA) white inlay - sample	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1970's Never used-mold rim
155	\$500 (H&C)	MGM GRAND white w/ 4-1/2sxs lavender/black/blue w/ full-graphic inlay - Holyfield-Tyson Serial # 1	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1997 Never used-serial #1

156	Tokens	A Group of the MGM GRAND Fight Tokens	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	Uncirculated - Lot of 16 pieces
157	\$5 (HSE)	MGM SANDS red w/ 4-1/2sxs blue/gray w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1988-1989 Used
158	\$5 <sup>00</sup> (SMKEY)	MINER'S CLUB red w/ 3-1/4 sage green w/ gold hot stamp	Mountain City - Nevada - United States	1950's Slightly used
159	1 <sup>00</sup> (DIACIR)	O'MEARA'S red w/ gold hot stamp	Mountain City - Nevada - United States	1960's Slightly used
160	25¢ (SCROWN)	MINT, THE (Pan Room) dk. purple w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1963-1984 Used
161	N.D. (C&J)	MINT HOTEL, The (Faro) five different colors of these Faro chips	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1960's Never used - Lot of 5 pieces
162	2.50 (H&C)	MINT, THE green w/ pie purple w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1984-1988 Used
163	25¢ (H&C)	MINT, THE purple w/ 2-1/2 yellow w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1984-1988 Used
164	\$5 (SMKEY)	MONTE CARLO, Hawthorne's sage green w/ 3-1/2 dk.blue inserts w/ gold hot stamp	Hawthorne - Nevada - United States	1950's Used
165	\$1 Token	MOTHER LODE CASINO one nickel-silver issue - one gold plated	Cripple Creek - Colorado - United States	1990's Uncirculated - Lot of 2 pieces
166	\$5 (SM-KEY)	MOULIN ROUGE red w/ 3-1/2 gray w/ white (R) inlay (tower)	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1955-1959 Used
167	\$5 <sup>00</sup> (SQINCR)	NEVADA CLUB CARLIN red w/ 4-1/4 pink w/ gold hot stamp	Carlin, Nevada - United States	1968-1969 Slightly used
168	\$100 (SM-KEY)	NEW CAL-VADA LODGE off white w/ 2-1/4 black w/ gold hot stamp	Crystal Bay, Nevada - United States	1956-1958 Slightly used
169	\$25 (HRGLAS)	NEW FRONTIER sage green w/ 3-1/4 red w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1955-1956 Slightly used
170	\$100 (HRGLAS)	NEW FRONTIER purple w/ 3-1/4 orange w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1955-1956 Never used
171	\$1 (HHR)	NEW TOWN TAVERN orange w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1974 Slightly used
172	\$5	A Group of three Cruise Ship Checks from the Norwegian Crise Lines		1990's Slightly used - Lot of 3 pieces
173	1 roulette (ZIGZAG)	NSC (North Shore Club) red w/ gold hot stamp	Crystal Bay - Nevada - United States	1950's Used
174	10¢ (H&C)	ORBIT INN brown w/ gold hot stamp Small lettering.	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1964-1966 Used
175	\$5 <sup>00</sup> & \$25 <sup>00</sup> (H&C)	A Pair of OUR BAR Checks	Pahrump, Nevada - United States	1982-1983 Never used - Lot of 2 checks
176	10¢ (HRGLAS)	PALACE red w/ gold hot stamp	Reno, Nevada - United States	1931-1964 Used
177	\$25 (BJ)	PARK green w/ 4-1/2sp white w/ (R) white inlay	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1990's Used
178	\$5 (HOUSE)	PARK PLACE red w/ 4-1/2 blue inserts w/ (HUB) red inlay (Black-C-BPP-5)	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1980's Slightly used
179	\$25 <sup>00</sup> (H&C)	PEOPLE'S CHOICE dk.green w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1970's Slightly used
180	\$5 (LG-KEY)	PINE NUT CASINO black w/ 3-1/4 sage green w/ gold hot stamp	Topaz Lake, Nevada - United States	1968-1975 Slightly used
181	\$25 (H&C)	PIONEER CLUB dk. green w/ 3-1/2sxs white lt.green inserts w. (R) white inlay	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1980's Used
182	\$5 (HOUSE)	PLAYBOY Atlantic City red w/ yellow designs w/ nilsil coin inlay	Atlantic city - New Jersey - United States	1980's Used
183	\$5 (HOUSE)	PLAYBOY CLUB BAHAMAS red w/ 3-1/2 yellow w/ nilsil coin inlay	Bahamas	1970's Slightly used
184	\$25 (HOUSE)	PLAYBOY CLUB BAHAMAS dk.green w/ 6-1/4 orange inserts w/ ni-sil coin inlay	Bahamas	1970's Never used
185	\$100 (HOUSE)	PLAYBOY CLUB BAHAMAS black w/ 3-1/4sp green w/ ni-sil coin inlay	Bahamas	1970's Never used
186	5 <sup>00</sup> (LGCROWN)	PLAYERS CLUB LAS VEGAS purple w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1940's Slightly used
187	50 CENTS (SCROWN)	PRIMADONNA lavender w/ white (LSC) inlay	Reno, Nevada - United States	1955-1974 Used
188	\$1 Token	Queen Elizabeth 2 and Club Royale Tokens		1990's Circulated - Lot of 2 pieces
189	roulette (BJ)	RED LION CASINO five different colors	Elko - Nevada - United States	1980's Used - Lot of 5 colors
190	roulette (BJ)	RED LION INN seven different colors	Elko - Nevada - United States	1990's Slightly used - Lot of 7 pieces
191	\$1 (HOUSE)	RESORTS INTERNATIONAL white w/ 3-1/2 purple inserts w. (R) white inlay	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1970's Slightly used
192	\$1.00 (C&J)	RIVIERA purple w/ 4-1/2 yellow w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1955-1973 Slightly used
193	50¢ (SMKEY)	SAGINAW CHIPS dk.orange w/ goldhot stamp	Michigan - United States	1980's Never used
194	Various	A Group of SAHARA HOTEL Checks	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1960's-90's mixed grades - Lot of 14 pieces

195		A Group of SAHARA HOTEL French style plaques	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1960's Used - Lot of 5 pieces
196		A Group of SANDS HOTEL French style plaques	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1960's Used - Lot of 6 pieces
197	\$5 (H&C)	SANDS red w/ 4-1/2 green w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1967-1981 Used
198	\$5 (HSE)	SANDS HOTEL • CASINO (Baccarat) blue w/ 3-1/2x2s orange/purple w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1967-1981 Used-edge ding
199	\$1000 (H&C)	SANDS HOTEL-CASINO (Race/Sports) brown w/ 8-3/8altv yellow/green inserts w/ (4NOT) white inlay - oversized	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1980's Slightly used
200	\$20 (HOUSE)	SANDS HOTEL CASINO - Atlantic City yellow w/ 4-5plsp red w/ (SCA) multi-color inlay	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1980's Used
201	\$2.50 & \$5	SANDS CASINO	Reno, Nevada - United States	1978- Never used - Lot of 3 pieces
202	\$1 (RECT)	SANS SOUCI red w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1950's Slightly used
203	\$100 <sup>00</sup> (C&J)	SANS SOUCI black w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1960's Never used
204	\$5 <sup>00</sup> (SMCROWN)	SANTA ANITA orange w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1960's Slightly used
205	\$1 & \$25 (INSERT)	SAVANNAH LADY	Savannah - Georgia - United States	1990's Used - Lot of 2 pieces
206	N. D. (ARODIE)	SENATOR CLUB dk.red w/ goldhot stamp	Carson City - Nevada - United States	1950's Used
207	Various	A Group of SHERATON CASINO checks	Halifax - Nova Scotia - Canada	1990's Used - Lot of 4 pieces
208	25¢ (ARODIE)	SIERRA LODGE tan w/ gold hot stamp	Crystal Bay, Nevada - United States	1953-1955 Used
209	\$25 (NEVADA)	SILVER CITY green w/ 3-1/2 yellow w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1975-1981 Used
210	25 (SM-KEY)	SILVER CLUB yellow w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1952-1956 Used
211	\$5 (SMKEY)	SILVER PALACE dk.red w/ 3-1/2 purple inserts w/ (SCA) white inlay	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1960's Never used-drilled
212	\$1, \$5, \$25 (C&J)	SKYLINE	Henderson, Nevada - United States	1961-1965 Used-drilled - Lot of 3 pieces
213	\$1,\$5,\$25	A Group of Checks and Tokens from the STAR CASINO both checks and tokens	Cripple Creek - Colorado - United States	1990's Slightly used - Lot of 9 pieces
214	\$1 (C&J)	STATE LINE CASINO black w/ 4-1/2 orange w/ white (SCA) inlay	Wendover, Nevada - United States	1950- Used
215	\$25 <sup>00</sup> (HRGLAS)	TAHOE PALACE yellow w/ 3-1/4 black w/ gold hot stamp	Stateline, Nevada - United States	1956-1959 Used
216	5 <sup>00</sup> (SM-KEY)	TAHOE VILLAGE red w/ silver metal wafer inlay	Stateline, Nevada - United States	1946-1947 Used
217	N. D. (CHIPCO)	TRUMP TAJ MAHAL - Wolf's 50th Wolf's 50th Birthday	Atlantic City - New Jersey - United States	1993 Never used
218	\$1. <sup>00</sup> (TS)	THE PLANTATION BLACK W/ YELLOW HOT STAMP	Hammond - Indiana - United States	1940'S Slightly used
219	\$5 (C&J)	THUNDERBIRD HOTEL brown w/ 4-1/2 yellow w/ white (SCA) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1949-1964 Used
220		TOLEDO CLUB red w/ (R) white inlay	Toledo - Ohio - United States	1930's Used
221	\$5 (HHR)	TOLL GATE maroon w/ 3-1/4 dk. blue w/ white (R) inlay	Central City, Colorado - United States	1991-1993 Never used
222	\$25. <sup>00</sup> (C&J)	TONOPAH CLUB black w/ gold hot stamp and painted edge spots	Tonopah, Nevada - United States	1963-1970 Never used
223	\$25 (C&J)	TOWN HALL ROUND-UP green w/ 3-5/8 red w/ white (R) inlay	North Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1962-1964 Slightly used
224	\$5. <sup>00</sup> (H&C)	TOWN TAVERN, THE red w/ 3-1/2 green w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1967-1968 Used
225	reoulette (HORSHU)	TRADER DICK'S red w/ gold hot stamp	Sparke - Nevada - United States	1960's Slightly used
226	Various	TREASURY six different denominations	Brisbane - Australia	1990's Slightly used - Lot of 6 pieces
227	\$5 (RECT)	TROCADERO red w/ gold hot stamp	Reno - Nevada - United States	1940's Never used
228	N. D. (H&C)	TROPICANA - M. William Isbell black w/ 4-1/2 turquoise inserts w/ (COG) white/gold inlay	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1970's Never used-notched
229	\$5 (H&C)	TROPICANA HOTEL & CASINO red w/ 3-1/2 lavender w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1979- Used
230	\$25 (H&C)	TROPICANA HOTEL & CASINO olive green w/ 3-1/2 f-orange inserts w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1990's Used
231	\$25 (H&C)	TROPICANA green w/ 3-1/2x2s brown/yellow w/ full graphic inlay - Monty Hall	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1999 Never used
232	\$1 (SCROWN)	TROPICANA blue w/ 1/2pie white w/ white (R) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1968-1972 Used
233	\$25 (HSE)	TROPICANA green w/ 3-1/2 brown w/ white (SCA) inlay	Las Vegas, Nevada - United States	1968-1972 Used

<b>234</b>	\$100 (H&C)	<b>TROPICANA HOTEL &amp; CASINO</b> bkaci w/ 3-1/2sxs white orange inserts w/ gold hot stamp	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1990's Slightly used
<b>235</b>	\$1 (CHIPCO)	<b>UNCLE SAM'S CASINO</b> April 1999 Grand Opening	Cripple Creek - Colorado - United States	1999 Never used
<b>236</b>	\$5 (HOUSE)	<b>VENETIAN, The</b> error check with both sides the same.	Las Vegas - Nevada - United States	1999 Never used
<b>237</b>	\$25 (ARODIE)	<b>WILLOWS</b> black w/ gold hot stamp	Reno, Nevada - United States	1953-1956 Slightly used
<b>238</b>	\$5 (H&C)	<b>WINDFLOWER</b> red w/ 3-3/4sxs blue/brown/purple w/ white (HUB) inlay	Deadwood, South Dakota - United States	Never used





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## TREASURER'S REPORT Spring, 2000

As of February 29, 2000, the balance in the club's operating account was \$41,689.00. Included in the expenses for the past quarter is payment for the printing, mailing and postage for the Winter, 2000 issue of our club magazine and payment for convention flyers. Club revenues during the past quarter included \$7,661.00 for dues and first class postage, \$31,665.00 for convention table fees and auction catalogs, \$1,874.00 received for advertising in the club magazine and \$135.00 from the sale of club promotional items. The balance in our money market account as of January 31, 2000 was \$33,456.00.

Please take an opportunity to examine the Income and Expense Statement for the 12 Months Ended December 31, 1999 included in this issue. Income for the year exceeded expenditures by \$434.00. We were again able to publish four outstanding magazines, put on a successful convention, publicize the club and the hobby and continue to carry out responsibilities required by the bylaws and expected by our membership. We were only able to accomplish all of this due to the help of the many volunteers who devoted much time and effort to this club. A special personal thank you goes out to Chuck Tomarchio. As former Treasurer, he was responsible for the financial aspects of the club up through last year's convention. The financial records that he transferred to me were in excellent order. He was also extremely helpful in the transition and at the club auction.

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.

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Income

Dues, including 1st class postage	\$50,769
Convention:	
Table Fees	25,235
Auction Catalogs	2,005
Auction Proceeds - In	17,681
Logo/Souvenir Sales	7,376
Admissions	1,215
Program Ads	1,622
Reception Donations	1,167
Convention Total	56,301
Magazine Advertising	4,528
Logo/Souvenir Sales	1,423
Directory Sales	326
Donations	68
Interest Income	1,782
Showcase Rental	730
Other Income	7
 Total Income	 \$115,934

Expenditures

Magazine, including printing & mailing	\$47,686
Convention Expenses - 1999	37,686
Auction - Payouts - 1999	8,569
Convention Deposit - 2000	5,000
Printing/Copies	7,136
Publicity	4,024
Supplies/Stationary	2,217
Website	1,500
Library Expense	147
Telephone	430
Travel	202
Storage	740
Miscellaneous	163
 Total Expenditures	 \$115,500

Net Difference	\$434
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Beginning Cash Balance - 1/1/1999	\$47,049
Net Difference	434
Ending Cash Balance - 12/31/1999	\$47,483

# The Casino Legends Hall of Fame *One Collector's Dream*

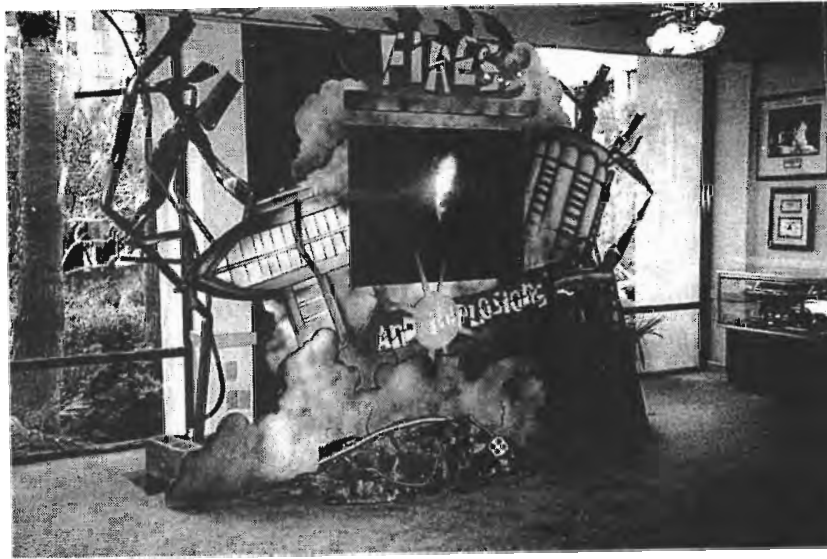
by Howard W. Herz (LM-85-3)



I'm sitting in the Casino Legends Hall of Fame, interviewing Mr. Steve Cutler. Every collector has a dream - and I am sitting in the middle of Steve's. The Hall of Fame is *really* a Hall of Fame where celebrity inductions take place amid a collection of Las Vegas memorabilia, gambling artifacts and... of course chips and checks.



What is in the Casino Legends museum is not just a single collection but a group of collections from matches, swizzle sticks, dice, advertising, plates to posters, chips and statues. It is a well woven fabric that ties together the history and feel of gambling, Nevada style. Steve Cutler has created the spirit and essence of Nevada gaming from when it was legalized in 1931 to today's mega casinos.



The artifacts of this museum give a thumbnail sketch of most of the gaming history of Las Vegas, Reno, Lake Tahoe and the outlying areas of Nevada. Classic photographs put the artifacts into perspective and some of the old time scenes are almost alive. Modern technology has not been neglected and the videos of implosions, star performances and history give the viewer a compact version of gaming history.



Steve comments that the Entertainment Industry has been a major part of the success of the Gaming Industry. His museum pays homage to not only the stars that made it to the headliner rooms, but also to the show girls that decorated the stages like frosting on an entertainment cake.

Steve has been around the state and visited most of the museums that preserve Nevada's history. The lack of gaming history in other institutions was not lost on Steve. "It is almost as though they were ashamed of it" Steve comments. In fact Steve is right and has done something about it. With literally thousands of artifacts, The Casino Legends Hall of Fame fills a long neglected part of Nevada's past.

Steve's personal history with Las Vegas began in 1953 when his family moved to the small town with a population of around 40,000. "My parents were pack rats and I became one. At first I collected coins and Coca-Cola memorabilia." Steve began collecting gaming items when he entered the gaming industry in 1972 and has not stopped. His passion for coins and other collectibles has been completely replaced by his love for gaming memorabilia.

Steve's museum began with a small display at the Pioneer Club in downtown Las Vegas in 1994. From the Pioneer the museum was transformed into the Nevada Gold Museum for the Hilton Corporation as a traveling exhibit. After a stay at the Reno Flamingo Hilton and the Laughlin Flamingo, it was time for the display to return to Las Vegas. By repackaging the exhibit and creating the Casino Legends Hall of Fame, Steve was able to land 7,200 square feet of space at the Tropicana, its present location. As Steve's interest and his collections grew, his original collection of chips expanded to include all gaming items.

Having gone from a 500 square foot display area at the Pioneer to the extensive spread at the Tropicana - where is Steve headed now? He will not say, but the gleam in his eye indicates that he is thinking about bigger and better displays. Steve sees his next project in terms of more than 10,000 square feet and very interactive.

Keeping track of the items in the collection is more than just an exercise in inventory and accounting, it is also the documentation of gaming history. The headliner entertainers and not just memorialized with photographs, but with their contracts, paychecks and programs. This gives a fuller picture to their life and times in Las Vegas.

With thousands of items in the collection, space has become a premium. More than 3,000 roulette chips have surrendered valuable display space to an exhibit on the "Rat Pack". When the future provides a greater area, they will be back on display. And if you are curious about the authenticity of the artifacts, only two are reproductions, the first Nevada gaming license and the death certificate of Bugsy Siegel.

The Hall of Fame memorialized several categories of history. Movies filmed in Las Vegas are one of the categories. Visionaries like Howard Hughes and Benny Binion who were willing to put their money on the line for Las Vegas is another category. Headliners that made Las Vegas the entertainment capital of the World are a Hall of Fame category. Showgirls, the icon of Las Vegas have their own category of Fame. Famous gamblers are also one of the categories. Even some of the more infamous personalities of Las Vegas are memorialized in a display of the Mob and Las Vegas.

With the CC&GTCC convention in the same building as the Hall of Fame, the 2000 gathering will offer collectors a great opportunity to browse through the museum. I would recommend a visit just to familiarize yourself with some of the memorabilia that was a part of the lively action that the gaming chips witnessed. The museum features a number of integrated displays so all of your favorite chips and checks might be in several cases. Browse, learn and enjoy, you might get an inspiration for your own museum!





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# Riverboat Chips

By Greg Susong R-2120  
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After reading in the last issued that Janice O'Neal would no longer be able to do her popular "Chips 'N Tokens Update", I emailed our Editor and volunteered to fill part of the void by submitting a column on Riverboat Chips each month. With just a few days left before the printing deadline, I didn't have time to include photos of all the chips, but I have listed them all and will include more photos next time.

It's hard to believe how many new riverboat chips have been released in the last few months. The chip manufacturers were very successful in convincing the casinos that having a limited edition chip for the millennium was a must!

## Illinois

- Alton Belle, Alton  
\$5 Millennium
- Grand Victoria, Elgin  
\$5 Millennium  
\$25 Millennium  
\$100 Millennium
- Empress, Joliet  
\$1, \$5 & \$25 (new table chips)

## Iowa

- Ameristar, Council Bluffs  
\$5 Millennium
- Belle of Sioux City, Sioux City  
\$5 Millennium

- \$5 Millennium
- Lady Luck, Bettendorf  
\$5 4th Anniversary  
\$5 Millennium set of 11
- Lakeside Casino, Osceola  
\$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25 & \$100  
(new table chips)
- Miss Marquette, Marquette  
\$5 5th Anniversary

## Indiana

- Caesars, Harrison County  
\$5 Millennium
- Casino Aztar, Evansville  
\$5 Millennium
- Trump Casino, Gary  
\$5 Millennium set of 13

## Louisiana

- Bally's, New Orleans  
\$5 Millennium
- Casino Magic, Bossier City  
\$5 Millennium set of 10
- Harrah's, Shreveport  
\$5 Millennium 4 piece set
- Isle of Capri, Lake Charles  
Millennium from gift shop

## Mississippi

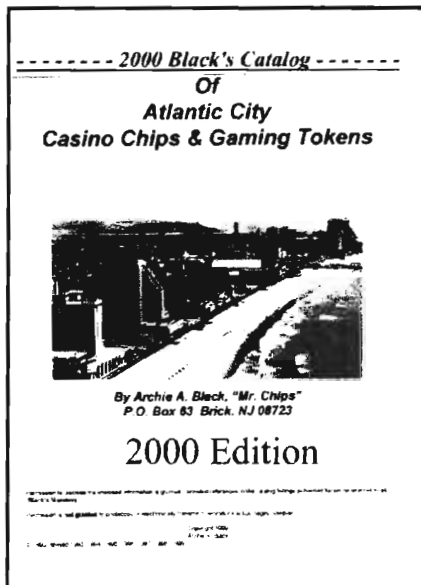
- Ameristar, Vicksburg  
.25 table chip  
\$5 Millennium
- Boomtown, Biloxi  
\$5 Millennium
- Copa Casino, Gulfport  
\$5 Millennium set of 6  
\$25 Millennium
- Gold Strike, Robinsonville  
\$5 Millennium

- Grand Casino, Biloxi  
\$5 Chipco with satin finish  
\$5 Millennium  
\$25 Millennium
- Grand Casino, Gulfport  
\$5 Millennium  
\$25 Millennium
- Grand Casino, Tunica  
\$5 Millennium  
\$25 Millennium
- Harrah's, Vicksburg  
\$5 Millennium 4 piece set
- Hollywood, Tunica  
\$5 Millennium
- Imperial Palace, Biloxi  
.25 table chip
- Isle of Capri, Tunica  
\$5 Grand Opening
- Sam's Town, Tunica  
\$5 Millennium  
\$25 Millennium  
\$100 Millennium
- Sheraton, Tunica  
\$5 Millennium
- Treasure Bay, Biloxi  
\$5 Millennium  
\$500 No Cash Value

## Missouri

- Harrah's, Maryland Heights  
\$5 Millennium 4 piece set
- Harrah's, North Kansas City  
\$5 Millennium 4 piece set
- Station Casino, Kansas City  
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## SILVER STRIKES & OTHER NEWS

Last month I told you about the Santee Indian Casino here in Nebraska and the trouble they were having with the State and the US Government. The latest news is that one of the Nebraska State legislature members has put forth a bill to allow gambling on Indian Reservations only. Keep watching this spot for additional news.

E-Bay is a great way to get strikes to add to your collection, but! I beg of you when you are told again and again that a strike this person is putting up is rare and this is possibly the only chance you will have to get it, sew your billfold or purse shut! We had an instance of San Remo putting out a strike with the .999 on the brass instead of the silver. I am starting to hear from different people around the country who won that strike and hadn't noticed the error. My advice is not for people who have all the money in the world and can buy what they want at the price asked. I am talking to the people who want to build up their collection and yet not fall for "scarce" "rare" "last chance" or any other catch phrases that are going around.

Education has been one of the goals that our Chapter has aimed for. We need to learn as much as we can about this wonderful hobby of ours. Only when we are aware of the facts can we make the intelligent decision of deciding whether a strike is as valuable as it is advertised.

If in doubt of a value, E-mail or call another trader whose judgement you trust. Although we do not have very much yet in reading material, there is some out there. Marv Weaver has so much information along with his price guide. Gary Stathatos and Randy Mortimer, to name a couple, have web sites where there is also a lot of knowledge to be

gained on silver strikes. On some of the web sites are pictures of strikes that we may never have in our collections due to their rarity or cost, nevertheless, it is nice to look at them and enjoy their beauty. Who knows someday you might run across one at a swap meet, etc., and at least you would know what it was

Just heard from Les Hassel who toured some of the casinos in Minnesota. Sad to say he reported that Jackpot Jct. at Morton, MN took out their machines about two weeks ago. He asked why and was told, "It was only a promotions thing."

Have been told that Deadwood, South Dakota has four new strikes. On the front of the strike is "Deadman's Hand" in the center, at the top is Deadwood and on the bottom, "You Bet." The back features different colorful characters from Deadwood's past such as Wild Bill Hickok, Calamity Jane, Poker Alice and Deadwood Dick.

I am writing this on February 28, and at this time we have 188 members in our Chapter, but I happen to know that there are more people who are in the process of signing up.

Again, there may be a problem in getting the silver strikers together at the trading session. Our friend, Ray Moritz is making up some signs as he did last year so that at least some of the strikers can be sitting at the same table. It would be nice if we could be given an allotment of tables.

Have you made your reservations yet to attend the convention? Time is flying by and those decisions need to be made. See you there!

Mary Lou Waterbury  
CHSS-001 and R-3262A

Former Splash Casino Owners  
Re-open at Mhoon Landing  
Tunica County, MS

by Christine Marsalis Waters

Part I: The Investors

The last decade of the Twentieth Century ushered in legal gambling in Mississippi. When a New Orleans entrepreneur named Fernando J. Cuquet, Jr., dropped by in 1991 to assess Tunica's interest, the county board of supervisors not only helped him find a site but paved the road leading to it. Splash Casino, a converted barge trimmed with pink neon, opened in 1992 to such phenomenal success that its operators literally couldn't count the money fast enough. The owners recouped their original investment of \$21 million in 60 days and netted \$85 million in profit in the first year. In the casino industry, the success of Splash was akin to striking oil. The night Splash opened, huge Hollywood-style searchlights flashed into the black night sky, giving low-hanging clouds a peculiarly eerie glow. Splash folded in 1995, pushed out by the more upscale casinos that moved into Tunica.<sup>1</sup>

As their newest gambling venture in the Twenty-First Century, the original owners and investors in Splash plan to open Mhoon Landing Casino at a location of the same name in the spring of 2000 if the river water levels cooperate.

Heading up this project is Fernando J. Cuquet, Jr., the same pioneer that opened casino gaming on the Mississippi River near Memphis. Born in 1919 in New Orleans, he graduated second in his class from Tulane University Law School with a Juris Doctor Degree. Before being admitted to the Louisiana Bar, he was appointed law clerk to the Chief Justice of the Louisiana Supreme Court.

Cuquet's life has taken many interesting turns on his road to success. During World War II he was an FBI agent working in Iowa, West Virginia, Washington, D.C., New York, Miami, San Antonio and the Rio Grande Valley of Texas. He volunteered for the FBI Secret Intelligence Service and served abroad in that division as an undercover agent and spy until his return to law in 1946.

Shortly after that, Cuquet acquired a sizable and valuable part of metropolitan New Orleans with a substantial interest in 50 oil wells in southwest Louisiana, losing both in an attempt to rival Texaco. He then became one of the larger contractors in America moving industrial plants from the northern rust belt to the sunny South. Acquiring and operating three million square feet of warehouse space in New Orleans, Houston and Beaumont with four ocean-going bulk carriers plying the waters from New Orleans to South and Central America and from Hawaii to the West Coast, Cuquet moved forward.

Not wanting to miss any financial opportunities, he became the controlling stockholder (52%) in one of the largest banks in the New Orleans area, established an international transmission business, acquired an office building in Los Angeles, and participated in obtaining one billion, eight hundred million dollars of financing to acquire the All American Pipe Line extending from Los Angeles to Houston.

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<sup>1</sup> Parker, Laura. "The Big Payoff." Civilization Online. December 97/98.

These successes brought Cuquet to Mississippi to establish the Splash Casino, more profitable than Monte Carlo and the billion dollar palaces in Las Vegas and Atlantic City, making him the catalyst in creating 20,000 jobs in the poorest county in the poorest state, transforming Tunica County into the nation's third gambling Mecca after Las Vegas and Atlantic City.<sup>2</sup>

He now lives at the Belmont Plantation, 8 miles south of Greenville, Mississippi and has just finished his 524-page autobiography to be published next year. In this new Mhoon Landing enterprise, Mr. Cuquet will act as a consultant, just as he did with Splash.

The marketing manager for the Mhoon Landing Casino, Marguerite Berrigan, a 37-year old native of New Orleans, now resides in Tunica County, MS. She is married to Joseph J. Berrigan, a graduate of Notre Dame and the University of Georgia Law School with licenses to practice law in Georgia and Mississippi.

Marguerite received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Centre College in Danville, Kentucky after spending her junior year abroad at the University Paul Valery in Montpellier, France, and received her Masters Degree in Business Administration from the A. B. Freeman School of Business at Tulane University in New Orleans.

While serving as marketing manager for Splash Casino, Ms. Berrigan earned in a single great coup 10 million dollars for the casino. This happened when another corporation offered to buy the casino for eighty million dollars; but upon further inquiry, this offer proved to be self-serving for the corporation and not the casino, causing the Splash partners to reject their offer. The offeror then returned with a new proposal to pay more than a 100 million dollars, and in advance, placed with Splash a ten million non-refundable deposit. After this offer was accepted, the offeror failed to pay the balance of the purchase price and therefore forfeited the deposit. Marguerite's business savvy had once again proved invaluable to the investors in Splash. She will serve in that same capacity for the new Mhoon Landing Casino.

Serving as the CEO of the Mhoon Landing Casino will be Matthew Boykin Walker, a native of Mobile, Alabama and a member of the most prominent family, socially, financially and politically. Being a very shrewd operator, he amassed a fortune with very little help. Buying inexpensive houses and rebuilding them for sale, Matt and his wife earned enough capital for even larger and riskier ventures. Placing this profit in real estate near the airport, he patiently waited until the city of Mobile moved in that direction, making his investment worth millions. Matt and his extended family own 6,000 acres of timberland just north of the city. This tract has been the basis of their international lumber business that Matt runs for his family.

But because of his love of boats and the sea, Matt created in the 1980's an offshore supply vessel enterprise to service the oil industry in Brazil. In March, 1996 he sold the business to *Marine Operators* at a handsome profit.

As a partner and owner Matt financed the highly successful Splash Casino which netted 85 million dollars in 1993. In 1994 and 1995, as an owner, he financed and ran the Cotton Club Casino which earned over 14 million dollars at Greenville, Mississippi in the location where Jubilee Casino now docks. Later the casino was moved to Lakeshore, MS.

The fourth person to re-join this casino venture is Douglas McCarlie, a native of Pike County, MS where he now resides. Doug graduated elementary and high schools in Las Vegas, Nevada and attended Arizona State University at Tempe

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<sup>2</sup> Parker, Laura. "The Big Payoff." Civilization Online. December 97/98.

where he graduated in 1976 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in General Business Administration.

Reared in a gaming casino family, Doug and his brother followed in their father's footsteps. Working as an operator and owner in Mississippi, Nevada, and the West Indies for over half a century, he immersed his sons in every aspect of the profession. Doug's older brother, Gene, ran the Horseshoe Casino in Las Vegas for more than 20 years for and under the owners Bennie and later Jack Binion.

After graduation from college, Doug worked as a craps dealer at the Royal Inn Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas; as a dealer at the High Sierra Casino in Sparks, Nevada; as executive supervisor at the Aruba Concorde Casino in Aruba, Netherland Antilles; as a shift boss at the Gold Club Casino in Sparks; as a 21 supervisor at the Golden Nuggett Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas; as an assistant pit manager at the Tropicana Hotel and Casino; and as an assistant casino manager at the King International Casino, Holiday Inn Hotel in Aruba.

In 1991, he, his brother, and father selected the casino supervisors and trained all the dealers for the Splash Casino at Mhoon Landing. Doug, as casino manager and part owner, became the sole manager and had complete control of the casino operations, winning about 150 million dollars in one year and from that earning a net return of 85 million dollars, making this the most successful operation in the world. He will serve as casino manager in the new Mhoon Landing Casino. (Part II: The Vessel)

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## **NOTES ON SOME "ORIGINAL" DOLLAR SLOT TOKENS** **by Ken Hallenbeck, Colorado Springs**

Many of us who collect chips, silver strikes, and slot machine tokens today either weren't around or weren't involved in collecting them in the mid to late 1960's. There were probably only a hand full of chip collectors, silver strikes as we know them today were virtually non-existent, and any slot tokens were few and far between. Slot tokens were coin of the realm. Everything from cents to silver dollars were used in slot machines. Even today, nickels through half dollars are extensively used. But not silver dollars. In the mid 1960's silver and gold prices went sky rocketing upwards with gold going over \$800 per ounce and silver topping \$50 an ounce. The rise in silver prices resulted in gamblers keeping the silver dollars they got in the casinos. Many casinos ground off the dates on silver dollars in a futile attempt to thwart collectors and keep the coins in play. But it wasn't collectors as much as it was silver hoarders/speculators that caused the silver dollars to disappear.

Dollar slot machine tokens came into prominence around 1965-66-67 as a substitute for the silver dollars. This has been a boon to our hobby. It has also provided cheap souvenirs to gamblers and tourists as well as a bit of a profit for casinos. Since it costs considerably less than a dollar to produce dollar slot tokens, for every one that walks away as a souvenir, a profit goes to the casino. Even higher profits come with higher denominations.

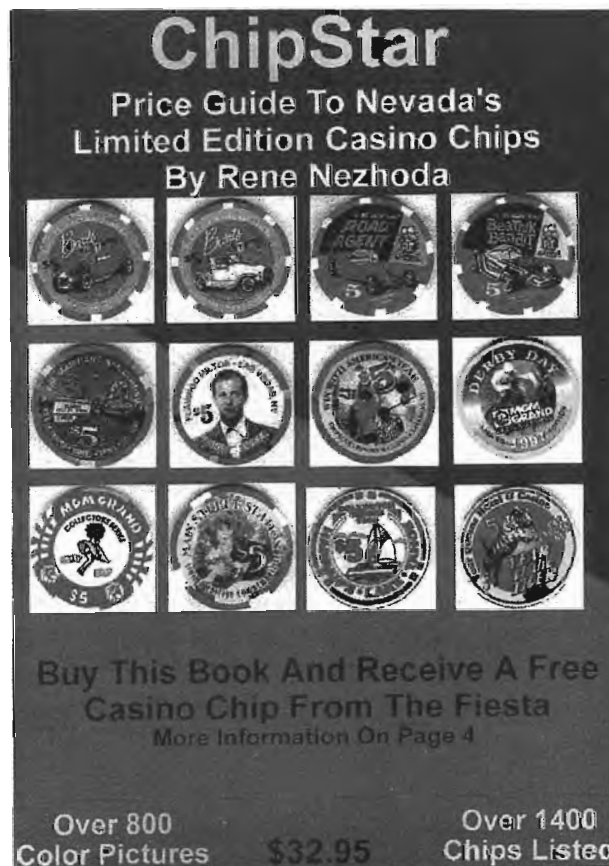
Bit back to the silver dollars. Awhile back a lady came into our coin shop with a lot of coins for sale, including a large number of silver dollars which we purchased. In a separate little bag were eleven (11) silver dollars pictured in this article. I bought them as ordinary silver dollars. The lettering and numbers on the coins is obviously nail polish. I seriously considered using nail polish remover, lacquer thinner or acetone to remove the nail polish. Then it struck me that these were pretty neat souvenirs and possibly winnings from slot machines. They may be "original" dollar slot tokens. They're interesting and make a nice little collection.

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After careful consideration, I have come to a decision to sell parts of my collection at this time. I am offering to sell each of 6 categories of my Chip Collection in their entirety.

The categories which I am interested in selling are:

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Finally, I want to thank all of my friends and chip family for all the good times we have had... you have truly made my life better and more meaningful. I look forward to seeing you all in July.

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# Harrah's "Official" Movie Props

by Howard W. Herz (LM3-85)

A number of gaming chips have been made for movies that have scenes in casinos. Most of the chips that we have seen have been named for fictitious casinos. One of the only exceptions that we know of occurs in the 1982 movie "Jinxed" starring Bette Midler with Ken Wahl, Rip Torn, Val Orey and Jack Elam with Don Siegel as director. In this instance, the chips state the name Harrah's where the film was made. This rare exception provides collectors with a unique opportunity to have an "Official" unofficial chip. The following letter indicates the unique nature of the chips used in the movie.

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Fr: Carole Hogsett  
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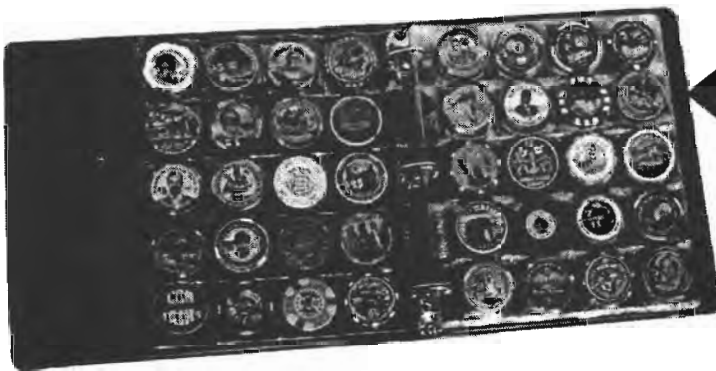


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# The Mapes

by Howard W. Herz (LM-85-3)

THE MAPES Hotel in Reno began its existence on December 17, 1947 with a grand opening that brought the elite and curious of Reno out in force. Charles Mapes had built Reno's first high rise hotel and the town was intrigued. With a show room and casino on the top floor, the Mapes was the new hot spot in town.

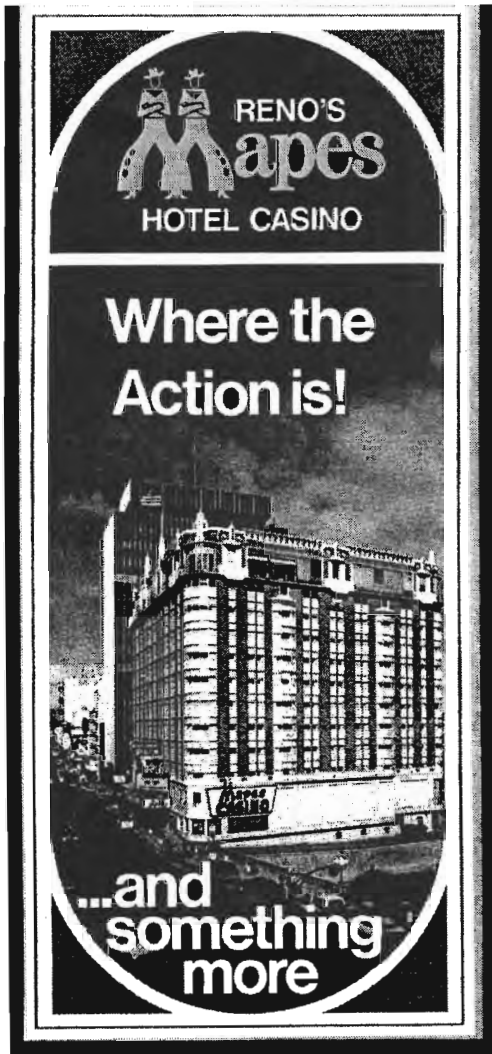
Featuring entertainment, food and gaming on both the street level and the top, the Mapes soon became the best hotel in town. As a child I recall seeing Edgar Bergan and Charlie McCarthy in the Sky Room at the Mapes. My parents attended a number of shows that were for older folks and I would get a post card or a program from the nights show.

The Mapes was THE hotel in town and featured a coffee shop, fine dining in the Sky Room and a fully equipped casino. The popularity of the Sky Room became a problem when the limited number of elevators could not handle the flow of people. As a solution, the lobby that originally had shops and the registration desk was converted to a casino at street level.

With a location on the river, the Mapes competed with the center of gaming two blocks north on Virginia Street. Featuring golf tournaments and unlimited class boat races, the Mapes sponsored events that began to draw a large number of tourists to Reno. Their famous logo featured two cowboys standing together with their legs forming the letter "M".

Over the years the Mapes hosted events and celebrities. Divorcees seeking freedom from the bonds of marriage could be found in the lobby and in the casino - frequently finding a new partner before they had dispensed with the last one.

In 1950, Lou Wertheimer operated the Sky Room casino for the Mapes family while his brother Mert operated the competition in the Riverside Hotel. Because gaming was legal in Nevada, the RFC (Reconstruction Finance Corporation) had loaned money for the hotel operation and was the object of an inquiry by a senate group headed by William Fullbright. Interested in some of the RFC lending practices, the senate committee questioned the loan to "known gamblers". Defending the loan, RFC director Harvey Gunderson contended that where gambling is legal, as it is in Reno, it is no more wrong to loan money to a hotel with a gambling casino than it is to loan money to a hotel with a bar.



Over the years, celebrities visited the Mapes and earned the hotel a reputation for high society events. Marilyn Monroe visited while filming "The Misfits." Shirley Temple sought refuge during her divorce and Ava Gardner visited during her divorce residency before splitting the sheets with Frank Sinatra.

## 300 Room Mapes Hotel Opens In Reno

Under construction for over two years, the spectacular new Mapes Hotel in Reno officially opened December 17, 1947, it was announced by the owner, Charles W. Mapes, Jr.

Completion of the twelve-story building marks the realization of a three-generation dream of the Mapes family, pioneer Reno residents. Originally the First and Virginia street site on the north bank of the Truckee river, was the location of a feed store operated by George W. Mapes. Many years later it was purchased by his son, the late Charles W. Mapes, Sr., as a future hotel site. Accomplishment of that dream has been carried out during the past two years by Charles W. Mapes, Jr., who supervised the construction of the new structure in the heart of Reno's business section.

The basic elements of the hotel are its 250 rooms and 40 apartments, but the seven shops, numerous concessions, casinos, cocktail lounges, and dining rooms make the hotel virtually a "city within itself."

From the walnut-hued thick-carpeted lobby to the Sky Room's fabulous casino, cocktail lounge and dining mecca on the 12th floor, the hotel is a symphony of design, and skill in workmanship. Experts said it was "impossible," that a first-class metropolitan hotel could not be built in the midst of today's shortages and lack of materials, but endless searching and tireless effort decried the challenge to produce one of the finest metropolitan hotels on the coast.

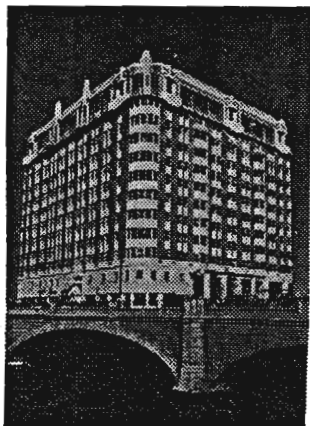
In the downstairs cocktail lounge and casino, is a curving bar of fine walnut. It is backed by huge wall covering mirrors. The room is a harmonious blend of color, indirect lighting, mirrored pillars, carpeted floors, and modernistic design. The entire south wall is ceiling high glass looking out on the famous Truckee River which flows by the foundations of the structure. The room has three entrances, two from the lobby, and one from Virginia Street.

The lobby is trimmed in natural walnut woodwork, mirrors, and blending colors. Located in the lobby are the cigar and newsstand, travel bureau, and florist

shop. A row of gleaming automatic floor leveling and door opening elevators are situated just opposite the desk.

The coffee shop with an entrance from First Street, as well as the lobby, will handle over 180 customers at any one time. On opposite walls are room length murals which depict contrasting western and ocean scenes. On the west is a sea-shore view with sail boats and expansive beach, while on the east is a typical Nevada sagebrush mountain panorama. A long counter extends nearly the full length along the east wall and a red leather cushioned row of booths along the west. A double row of similar booths runs down the center.

Three complete and separate kitchens are installed, one for



Mapes Hotel

the coffee shop, one on the mezzanine floor to handle the banquet room and the other on the top floor to take care of the Sky Room and Prospectors Club. Ultra-modern stainless steel fixtures, electric ranges, charcoal broilers, the latest in modern dish washing and sterilizing equipment make each a culinary dream.

Barber shop facilities, a turkish bath, drive-in garage, and valet service quarters are all to be found in the basement. Cars can be driven into the garage for parking and patrons may take an elevator to the upper floors.

The banquet room on the mezzanine floor is capable of seating 400 persons. Smooth inlaid hardwood floors make it readily changeable into one of Nevada's largest ballrooms. Separate kit-

chen facilities insure ideal service. An arching ceiling and steel constructed roof leave the main floor clear of pillars. Also on the mezzanine floor will be a beauty salon, featuring the latest in equipment and technique. The operator comes direct from Antoinettes of New York City.

Each of the 250 rooms and 40 apartments are equipped with a shower and bath. Inner-spring mattresses, matched dresser sets and thick carpets are common to each room. Every room features outside exposure. Apartments are composed of kitchenette, dinette, living room, bed room, tile bath, and as many additional connecting bed rooms as desired.

On top of all is the beautiful Sky Room, destined to become one of the must night spots of the nation. Not like so many of the rooftop clubs, which were installed after the hotel itself was in operation, the Mapes Sky Room was designed from the outset to be just what it is, a masterpiece of designing and planning skill.

On the north end is the dance floor, dining room and band stand. An inset sky-blue ceiling with indirect lighting casts illuminating shadows on the inlaid, hardwood floor.

A curving bar similar to the one on the ground floor, but much longer, extends along the Virginia Street side. Instead of facing a back bar, patrons are treated to an unexcelled view of the winding Truckee, countryside, and mountain background.

The ceiling to floor length windows encompassing the entire twelfth story gives unobstructed view of the whole Truckee Meadows. The snow-capped Sierras, color-changing foothills and mountains, and a great western panorama awes the daytime visitor; at night the dazzle of Reno's "white way," Virginia Street, blinking colorful miles of neon signs, a giant Nevada moon illuminating the countryside into fluorescent shadows reflecting from the turbulent Truckee gives an entirely different view.

The Sky Room casino with all types of games is located in the southwest corner. The glass-enclosed southeast corner is reserved for Reno's exclusive Prospectors' Club.

The Mapes reigned as Reno's premier hotel through the 1960's and into the 1970's. As competition and age began to trim the hotel's profits, the Mapes slowly declined. In the early 1980's the Mapes family faced financial problems and on December 17, 1982, exactly 35 years to the day after its opening the Mapes closed. For years the building sat vacant as Reno's gaming fortunes declined in the downtown area. A group of local citizens proposed various uses for the hotel in an attempt to save this Reno landmark. After a prolonged period of time when numerous developers failed to reopen the Mapes, a condemnation action prevailed. With a blast of dust and brick, the Mapes fell on Super Bowl Sunday - January 29, 2000.

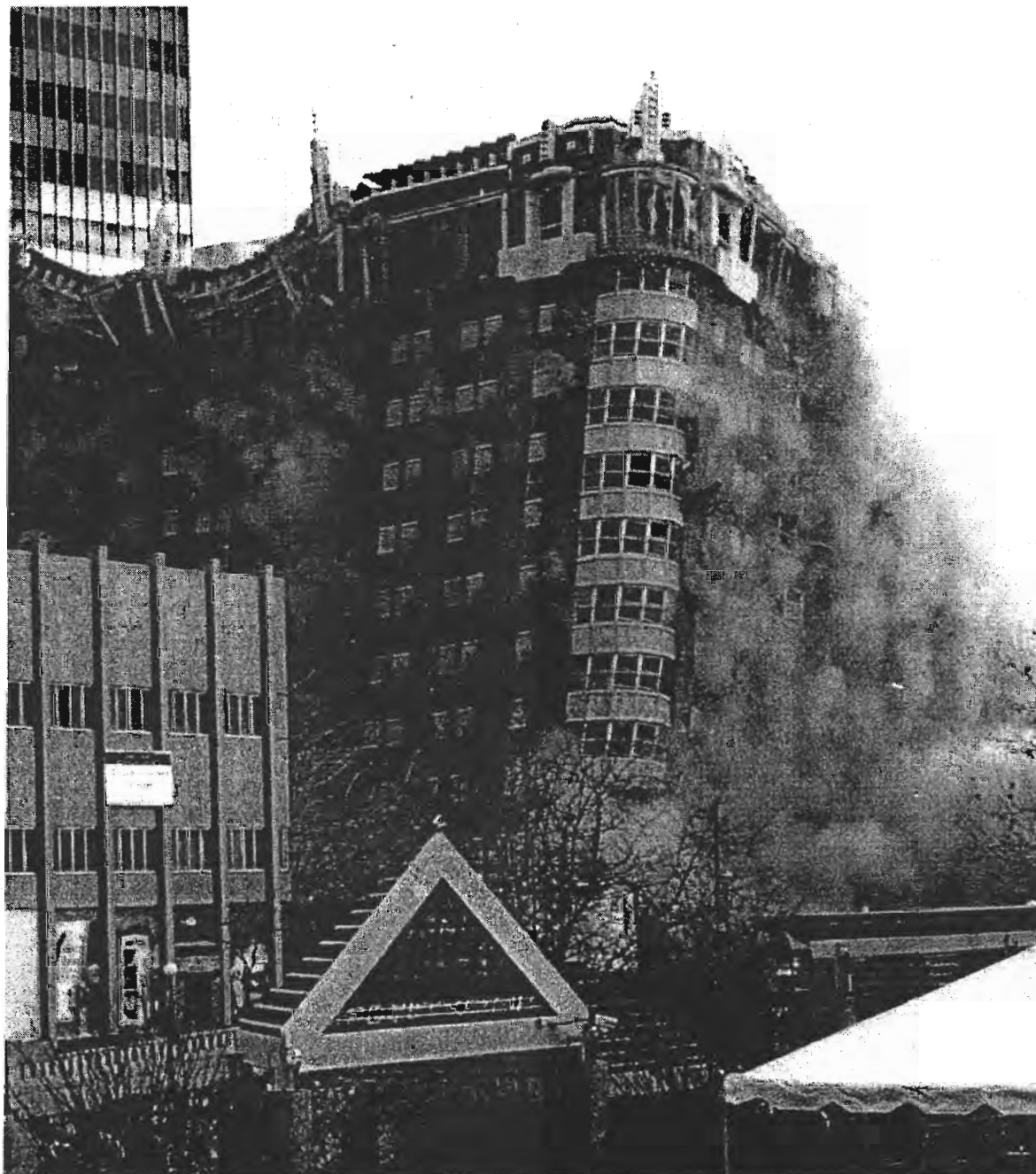


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# ATLANTIC CITY REPORT

By Archie A. Black HLM-001

It would be safe to say that Atlantic City's casinos have slowed down the new issues pace for awhile. The burst of year-end activity of Millennium issues has faded real quickly and not too much has happened since the flip of the calendar to 2000.

Claridge continues to be the leader of the pack with eight chips issued since my last report. Atlantic City's smallest casino continues issuing the bulk of A.C. chips. A \$5 Swiftwater Bill Gates and \$5 Tom Horn issue finished up the Gambling Legends series in early December, which was followed by FOUR (two \$5's and two \$10's) "Seasons Greetings" chips later the same month and a \$5 and a \$10 Millennium issue in January. Plus, two more on the way in mid-March for St. Patrick's Day.

Six other properties in town also got on the Millennium bandwagon with issues of their own. A \$5 Hilton; a \$5 and a \$10 from Sands; a combination 20 year anniversary on one side and a millennium commemoration on the other side was issued by Bally's Park Place. Taj Mahal also issued a \$5 Millennium chip and Tropicana did a beautiful \$100 Millennium chip that featured a neat hologram center inlay. Caesars issued two \$25 chips to close out the year.

A Cher chip was issued to celebrate Cher's New Year's Eve headliner performance at Caesars and then a \$25 Millennium issue which "borrowed" the same reverse design of the Cher chip was also put into play.

In January, Trump Marina did a \$5 issue of Alice Cooper's R&R Tour. The following month, Tropicana put out a \$5 Year Of The Dragon chip.

As this report is being written, Atlantic City collectors are awaiting the issuance of Claridge's \$5 & \$10 St. Pat's chips and Trump Taj Mahal's \$100 Millennium chip with The Donald's photo and a \$5 Year of the Dragon chip from Taj. Showboat continues to be the only A.C. casino that has never issued a commemorative chip. Never! I wonder why that is???? Perhaps with Harrah's now owning Showboat that will change.

Sorry, but there is no news for Atlantic City token collectors in this issue.

If anyone hears of any new A.C. token activity, please pass it along to me.

# California Chips

By David Moore

R-4214

Few California chip collectors don't know this is the Year of the Dragon on the Asian calendar as the number of card rooms and Indian casinos issuing commemorative Asian New Year chips seems to increase every year.

In the far south, Viejas again issued a series of five \$5 chips to win the prize for most dragon chips. San Manuel in Highland came out with a very attractive yellow dragon Chipco. The Commerce Casino issued a \$25 dragon chip, using a different Paulson mold on each side. The Bicycle issued \$25 and a \$100 dragon chips. Some of the most sought after annual Asian New Year chips, the bi-metal Hollywood Park trio, were late and did not arrive at the casino in time for the holiday.

Artichoke Joe's in San Bruno came out with a Year of the Dragon medallion which looks exactly like most silver strikes, complete with protective case. The medallion doesn't have a face value and was given to players enclosed in the traditional "lucky" red envelope at midnight on February 5. Lucky Chances in Colma issued a Chipco plaque which commemorates the Year of the Dragon on one side and the Millennium on the obverse. Although it is marked \$8 and was sold briefly for that price plus tax in the gift shop, the plaque is not redeemable at the cage. Many of the 2,000 plaques were distributed to customers and employees free, again in a red envelope. Lucky Chances also replaced their regular \$20 and \$100 chips in early February while keeping the lower values the same for now.

The Los Angeles area added still another card room, The Club Caribe Casino in Cudahy, which opened in mid-February with a rack featuring their logo of two palm trees and the sun. No word yet on the opening date for Larry Flynt's Los Angeles-area casino, or whether the name of it will be changed from Hustler Casino to placate his neighbors.

Two Bay Area card rooms changed their racks in December: The Outpost in San Ramon and the venerable Garden City in San Jose. The Wagon Wheel in Mountain View closed on December 31st under political pressure. Their last chips were Chipcos from the closed Queen's Casino in Petaluma. Spotlight 29 issued a \$5 chip marking the Third Annual Tribal Gathering in December.

If I've missed a new chip issued in the last three months or if you know of upcoming California chips, drop me an email and I'll include them in the next issue of the club magazine. Contact me at: moored@pacbell.net or write David Moore, 1750 San Luis Road, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

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# PHIL'S FORAYS

by Phil Jensen

## -PARTING SHOTS-

When I began writing my memoirs in the summer of 1998 I promised a short series of articles on my chip collecting adventures in Nevada. I've attempted to do this by either writing about individual towns or several places strung together. In doing so I've covered most of the state except for a few places which I'll touch on now.

One of those was Tonopah which was actually one of my favorite spots. In the late '60's and early '70's the two main joints in town were the Mizpah Hotel and Tonopah Club. They both had live gaming and were a rich source of chips both for the ones in use and obsolete issues which turned up over the years.

The Tonopah Club was an old-time place which, I imagine, didn't change much over the forty or so years it was in business. There was an old bar, probably built by Brunswick, and a neat cashier's cage with ornate brass bars and fancy hardware. There was a 21 and crap table which was one of the longest I'd ever seen. In the back was a Keno game that featured a huge board and a lot of old-fashioned equipment. It was quite an operation. Unfortunately, the joint was destroyed by fire and eventually torn down. Nothing remains today except a parking lot.

Across the street was the Mizpah Hotel which has been through several different owners over the years but at the time was owned by Lester Short. One day he took me into his office and gave me an old yellow twenty five dollar chip from the Mizpah the likes of which I'd never seen before or since. I was real proud of it. Lester also offered to sell me the whole operation for \$400,000. I liked the place so much I probably would have bought it except I didn't have the money. In fact I was lucky to have enough to stay in one of the rooms overnight which I did on several occasions. Later on the place was bought by Frank Scott of the Union Plaza in Las Vegas and remodeled extensively.

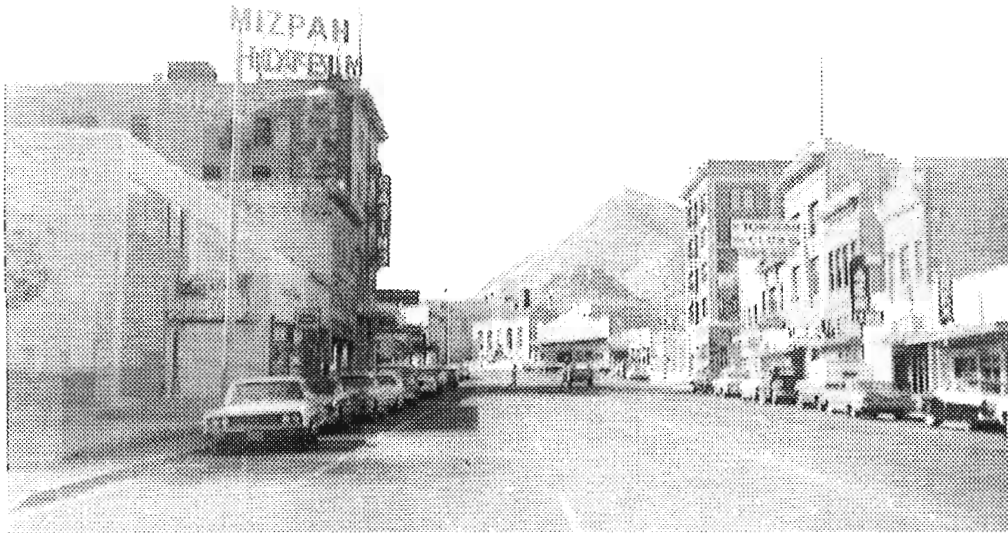


There were a couple of other places in town with live gaming. One was the Tonopah Belle which was the Ace Club a couple of years earlier. It had a 21 and crap game and was owned by Bob Perchetti. The chips were pretty plain with only his initials - RWP.

The Rex Bar also had a 21 game with chips stamped REX. Bob also owned this place and I was able to get an assortment of old Tonopah Club chips from him after much pleading.

Next door was the Pastime Club and although the 21 table was still there the live gaming had ceased around 1969. Luckily the bartender was able to scrounge up an errant chip from a drawer in the back bar and I was happy to get it.





I took this shot of Tonopah in the Summer of 1966 on my first trip through town. Visible are the Mizpah, Tonopah Club, Ace and Rex bars.



This picture shows Tonopah Lil's Big Casino which was either someone's idea of a joke or a casino owner who ran out of money after the sign was painted. Anyway, it never existed. The place was a bowling ally and later used as the Mizpah casino while the hotel was being remodeled.

Another of my favorite small towns was Beatty, which was a couple of hours south of Tonopah. The main place there was the Exchange Club which still exists but has been drastically remodeled. There was a 21 and crap game there and they used a blue hot-stamp dollar chip with a picture of a burro on it. Every time I'd go in I'd buy a couple. They were always a favorite of mine.

Directly across the street was the Beatty Club, which is still open, but it was owned by a gentleman by the name of Ray May then. It have live gaming for years but by the early '70's all that remained was a roulette table that served as a display rack for some bottles of wine. I asked Ray if he had any of the *Beatty Club chips around and he led me to a small room off the bar.* Stacked on a shelf were maybe a dozen boxes of chips and he said I could look through them and buy, at face value, whatever I wanted. I picked out a five, two ones and four twenty-fives centers, handed him eight dollars and left-happy to have added to my small town collection. Sometime after that I had talked a couple of people into collecting so I thought I'd better pick up a few extras. The next time I was in Beatty I asked Ray if he'd sell me a few more of the Beatty Club chips. He told me that he had burned them all and there were none left. I was disappointed and a bit skeptical so I figured I'd give it some time and ask later.

It was probably a year and a half later that I strolled back into the Beatty Club. There was Ray, behind the bar as usual. I ordered a beer and looked for a sign that he might remember me. I saw none. Then I popped the question- any Beatty Club chips around? As soon as I did I knew I had make a mistake. Ray's eyes narrowed and he yelled - **I TOLD YOU I BURNED THEM ALL!** Embarrassed, I slipped out of the bar convinced that there were no more chips. At least the ones I had were rare!

Up the road from Beatty was the turn-off to Death Valley and Scotty's Castle. There was an old bar called Slim's Place and one day I stopped to check it out. As I sat at the bar I noticed a shrine-like structure in the corner. There was a poker table and a lot of pictures and old newspaper clippings about Death Valley Scotty. There were also about twenty boxes of chips stacked on the poker table and on close examination turned out to be old roulette chips from Wilbur Clark's Desert Inn. There were about 20 different colors and varieties and the bartender let me have one of each. I wasn't too thrilled as I didn't really care for roulette

chips much but I figured they were better than nothing.

Anyway, as it turned out, the bartender told me that Death Valley Scotty had died in that bar. I was skeptical so later I did some research and found that on January 5, 1954 Scotty was experiencing severe internal bleeding at the castle. They loaded him in a car and headed for Las Vegas which was 185 miles away. They only got to Slim's Corners which was what the junction was called in those days-today its called Scotty's Junction-and Slim Riggs, the proprietor and good friend of Scotty carried him in the bar where he laid him on the floor to await the undertaker. I don't know if Slim built the shrine to Scotty but I imagine old Scotty hoisted a few in that bar. It wasn't long after my stop that Slim's burned to the ground-memorabilia and all. I still have a matchbook from there and whenever I drive by I think of that old bar and Death Valley Scotty.

Lovelock was a welcome stop along interstate 80 and Felix's Bank Club was the main joint in town. I got to know Felix pretty well and although I didn't get much in the way of old chips out of him he was always good for a story or two. He liked to talk about his father who operated the old Northern Club in Reno. Unfortunately for Felix authorities found evidence of creative dealing at his club and closed him up around 1977. Felix attempted to sell the place but it never reopened. I sure do miss old Felix's!



I never did get to see the Big Meadow Hotel in Lovelock. It closed in 1963 and burned years later. I was able to buy most of the chips however.

Gerlach is 112 miles north of Reno and not on the way to anywhere, in fact the pavement ends just outside of town. The main place there was Bruno's County Club, which was a very unlikely name. It had a 21 and roulette game and Bruno Selmi was the owner and bartender. He was a pretty crabby old guy but he did give me a set of his roulette chips that had a picture of a bulldog and his initials, B.S. on them. His wife was the 21 dealer and there was a five dollar maximum limit on the game. One day I was rat-holing some chips and accidentally let a four dollar bet ride. She got real mad at me and threw the money back at me. I have no idea what she would have done if she had caught me taking chips!

Bruno's brother, Joe, owned the joint next door called Joe's Gerlach club. For some reason, which I never did find out, the two brothers hadn't spoken in twenty-five years but they still operated side by side. Joe had one 21 table which I never did see open. Luckily, Joe's wife, Ann, was really nice and gave me some of the chips. They were just hotstamps and had JOES in large letters. There was a 50¢, \$1, and five with the square-in-circle mold that I really likes.

The Desert club was located next door but I don't remember too much about it as it closed in the early '70's. The owner took his 21 game to Gabbs and used the Desert Club chips at the Keystone Club there for a while.

One day I met a lady by the name of Vera Cross who, with two other people, owned the Miner's Club in Gerlach. She told me that one day she went to work and found one of her partners had left town with the bankroll. That was pretty much the end of the club she said. She gave me a pink one dollar chip with the initials RVW and said the V was for her, the W stood for Walt and she couldn't remember what the R stood for. I didn't ask but I've got to think that Walt was the one who took the bankroll!

I was also able to find some Capooch Club chips which, like the Miner's Club, closed in the mid 1950's. I always longed to be there twenty years sooner!

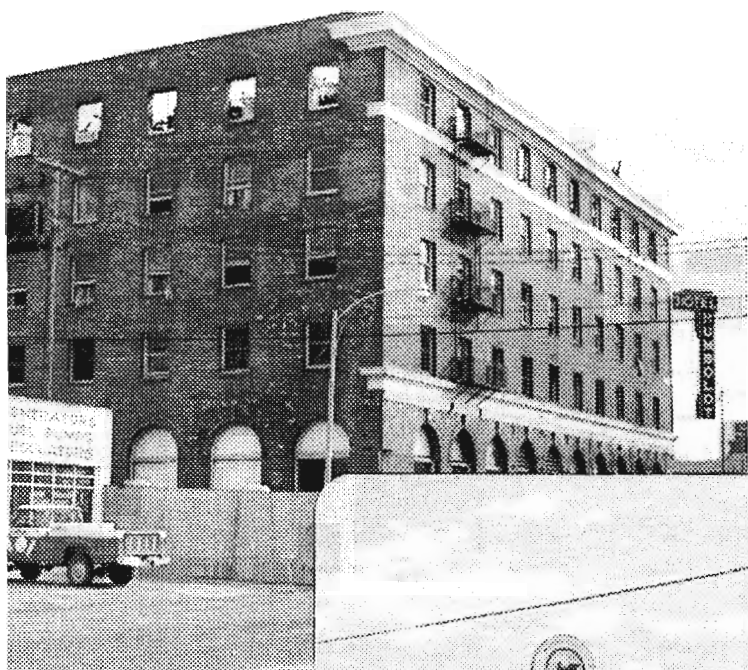


Here's one I took of the Desert Club with Joe's Gerlach Club next door.

I previously wrote about Winnemucca and here's a shot of the Humboldt Hotel after it burned. It was later torn down.

Also shown is a picture I took of the Ironhorse Casino in Winnemucca. It was built by Joe Mackie's son-in-law and later changed to the Cattlemen's. The building was later demolished.





Cactus Pete's as it appeared in 1969. Today it looks like a Strip Hotel.

The Golden Club in Austin owned by Clara Williams and the bar part of the Austin Hotel when they were in business. If you won any money in here Clara would cash you out from a "weasel-sack" she kept in her apron. She was one of my favorite Nevada people.



The now-closed Bank Club in Ely was quite a place in its day.



Here's a photo showing the Montgomery Pass Casino when it was on the opposite side of the road from where it is now. I remember slot machines in here from the Golden Bubble in Gardnerville and a crap table that barred ace-duece on the dont.



A shot of Whiskey Pete's taken around 1978 shortly after it took over the Bordertown Club in what is now Primm, Nevada.

Well that about wraps it up. I know I've omitted a few things, but you get the idea. For twelve years I travelled the hiways and back roads of Nevada indulging in a hobby that was mostly ignored. I tried to persuade others to collect but it was a tough sell and I got a lot of funny looks.

Anyway, I was on a fantastic run of luck although I didn't realize it at the time. I guess I thought the good times would never end - I was young and there was no stopping me. Then, on August 9, 1981, it all came to an abrupt end. Someone broke into my house and stole all my precious chips! I was decimated to say the least. For fifteen years I blocked out the memories and tried to ignore chips in general.

Then at the 1996 chip convention in Las Vegas I was browsing through a dealer's stockbooks-not looking to buy anything-but just reminiscing. Then I began to recognize a lot of familiar stuff-REAL familiar stuff. In the old days I used to buy drilled chips on keychains and plug them up and paint them. The exact same chips were in the book! In fact I had collected every chip there. It only took a few minutes to realize what I was looking at-my missing chips! I walked away not knowing what to do. Eventually, I told my friend Howard Herz about my discovery. He knew the dealer who turned out to be Steve Passalacqua. I didn't know him but that was about to change. Howard and I went over to Steve's table and we told him the story. I pretty much stood around and let Howard do the talking and I'm thinking to myself that I've got about as much of a chance of getting my stuff back as a busted out crapshooter getting his bankroll back.

Anyway, the details of what took place have already been told in a story that Steve wrote later on so I won't go into that. In a nutshell, Steve came over to me and said that he would return the chips! At first, I didn't think I heard right but he said yes, that was true.

Anyway thanks to Steve, I was able to write this series of articles. I enjoyed doing it and sharing my memories of the good times I had prowling the towns of Nevada. The hobby has grown tremendously and the chips I bought for face value have increased beyond anything I ever dreamed of. I don't collect old chips anymore but I remember them all with great fondness and emotion. Anyway, thanks for reading my stuff and thank-you Steve Passalacqua!

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**<sup>1</sup>Collecting Casino Chips and Memorabilia:  
Advice for New Collectors**

by Christine Marsalis Waters

Beanie babies, teddy bears (this year there is a limited edition Mardi Gras bear on the Gulf Coast), and Shirley Temple dolls. War memorabilia, stamps, and coins. Family heirlooms, antique photographs, and baseball cards. Rocks, art masterpieces, and Disney memorabilia. Sea shells, antique hat pins, and casino chips. What do these many varied groupings have in common? They, along with innumerable categories, are collectibles. Some people spend years of their lives aggressively collecting items, objects, and memorabilia and hours scrutinizing each piece for variations and flaws. Others just pick up items as the objects of desire cross their paths. But according to Gene Trimble<sup>2</sup> most people collect something in their lifetime, describing this burning desire as the pack-rat syndrome.

People understand why I have my father's WWII medals and citations framed or why I showcase old photographs of our family that date back to the turn of the 20th Century. But when I display my books of casino chips for close scrutiny and appreciation, people look puzzled. Who are these people and why do they collect casino chips for a hobby? The following information resulted from my survey on the web site *www.thechipboard.com*.

The collectors are as diversified as the chips they collect, coming from many backgrounds: University professors, public school teachers, antique dealers, self-employed businessmen, the ministry, engineers, the computer industry, skilled workers, real estate developers, lawyers, chefs, gaming magazine writers, casino employees, and many other walks of life. The list is endless.

When asked why they collect casino chips, better known in casinos as cheques, collectors respond with the following: the enjoyment of traveling to the casinos and collecting firsthand; as an investment in current chips that immediately converts to cash; the camaraderie with other collectors either on-line or at chip shows; participation in a new-enough hobby to still be interesting and not overcrowded; chips and other casino memorabilia provide souvenirs and memories of vacations and cruises; the love of gaming; the history behind the chips, documenting both illegal and legal gaming in this country as well as abroad; some collect simply because the chips have beautiful graphics; and there can even be a romantic twist--memories of a particular person with you at the time you acquired the chip.

Another point of interest, particularly to new collectors, is how to find those "hard to get" chips? Albert Scalzo takes a humorous, even if truthful, approach when answering, "Pay enough money and it is not that hard to find them." John Long, specializing in cruise ship chips, finds his in many places: auctions; flea markets; antique shops; trade with other chippers; pawn shops; coin shows; and from friends who take cruises. Travis Lewin of NY follows eBay, an on-line auction

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<sup>1</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Trimble, Gene. "A Profitable Hobby." *Poker Digest*. Vol. 1, No. 5, October 9-22, 1998.



house, and shops through gaming magazines like *Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club's Casino Chip and Token News*, a magazine representing and published by collectors of all kinds. If you are interested in becoming a part of this collector's club, mail your inquiry to CC & GTCC Membership Officer, James Steffner, P.O. Box 368, Wellington, OH 44090. Dues are \$20 a year.

Greg Susong attributes his finds to his large presence on the web. He maintains the web site [www.thechipboard.com](http://www.thechipboard.com), an on-line interactive message board read daily by hundreds. You can pose or answer questions, advertise a sale/show, buy ads for business interests, and converse with other collectors. *Greg Susong's CyberGuide to Casino Chips* contains nearly 4,000 color photos of chips organized by state and casino. The *Chip Links* section lists hundreds of other chip collectors along with their collecting interests and links to their personal home pages and email addresses.<sup>3</sup>

Collectors have very definite and different plans for their collections. On the serious side, Mark Leighterman, who researches and specializes in Florida illegals, plans to donate his collection of chips, representing years of hard work, to a museum. Some have left provisions for the sell of their collections in wills and still others will pass it down to heirs. John Long hopes to leave his legacy in the form of a book about cruise ship chips that displays his collection. Others take the subject lightly. Jeffery Amoroso from Connecticut, who claims his wife thinks he and his collection are crazy, says he plans to collect 'till the day he dies. But fifty years from now when his children's children inherit it, they will be glad he was crazy! And Jim Kruse figures that when he dies his wife will sell all the chips at a garage sale.<sup>4</sup>

Still people ask what sparks a person's interest in collecting casino chips? Several men from the web survey say they began by just looking for a hobby, and this one seemed like fun. Some admit that while gambling, they noticed chips that were different from the regular house chip. Curiosity led them to explore further and a hobby was born. Others found a chip or two in their pockets on returning home from casinos and threw them into a drawer; from their the early beginnings of a collection took shape and later turned into a hobby. Travis Lewin went looking for a good set of clay design chips for his local small-stakes poker game. He kept finding interesting designs and got hooked. Albert Scalzo reminisces about finding an old \$10 sterling silver Sahara token that belonged to his dad; from that one coin his collection grew to an amazing 2800 chips. I personally began to collect when a friend's vast collection caught my eye; when asked to help him collect chips from MS, I decided I could get one for myself too. And now I am downsizing my collect to include only Mississippi riverboats and Indians both current and obsolete. (Watch for later articles on obsolete riverboats.)

If you are a new collector, don't despair! Casinos, riverboats, Indian reservations, Las Vegas nights, race tracks with poker rooms, or some other form of legalized gaming exists in 48 states. A new collector can start anywhere and build an impressive collection of chips in a short time. Begin your hunt at the casino cage. A small tip to a casino cashier will, in most cases, get you all current chips in the best condition. Many new collectors begin by specializing in just riverboats,

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<sup>3</sup> Susong, Greg C. *An Illustrated Guide to the Casino Chips of American Riverboats*. 1999.

<sup>4</sup> Waters, Christine Marsalis. Survey. [www.thechipboard.com](http://www.thechipboard.com). 2000.

Nevada, Atlantic City, or specialty chips: grand openings; anniversaries; holidays such as Christmas; special events, such as the Copa Harley chips in Gulfport, MS; those honoring celebrities (check Harrah's Millenniums) who have performed within the casino, including boxers, singers, comedians, TV and Hollywood movie stars; and historical events such as the Bi-Centennial and Millennium chips. Many casinos issue these as limited editions and number the chips, making them valuable when they are no longer available at the casino cage.<sup>5</sup> And then collectors enlarge their collection as they gain confidence as well as an area of interest and expertise.

Another resource for collectors new and old is attending chip shows. If you have the time and means, a collector can browse chip shows all across the country. In Southern California, Jim Munding's Casinorama (the first casino collectibles show in America) displays his and other dealers' collections twice a year. This year's events occur March 25, 2000 and later October 21, 2000, both at the Arcadia Masonic Hall in Arcadia, CA. For more information on this regional show, call Jim Munding (626) 919-0603 or email him at [MUN3335@aol.com](mailto:MUN3335@aol.com). Bill Neal of Illinois produces a similar showing Saturday, March 18 at the Holiday Inn (Holidome) in Elmhurst. Hotel reservations before March 3 offer discounts and can be made by calling (630) 279-1100; dealers and collectors call (708) 562-6060 for more information about the show. And of course the club representing collectors all across America, *CC & GTCC*, meets annually in Las Vegas with the first show of the new millennium July 20, 21, & 22, 2000 at the *Tropicana Hotel & Casino*. Collectors share their pride in the hobby all across the country by continually opening new chapters of the *CC & GTCC* and producing outstanding shows.

Collecting chips isn't the only advantage to attending a show. Not only can you meet wonderful people who share your hobby, but a collector can glean a good deal of information by attending showings. Consider the one Bob Gabel annually produces on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. This year the *Third Annual Blast From the Past: Then and Now Casino Chips & Collectibles Show & Sale*, hosted for the second year by the Imperial Palace, Biloxi, MS the weekend before Thanksgiving, promises to be of equal quality with shows in the past. The *Blast From The Past Chip Show* features dealers from California to Pennsylvania to Florida with a variety of chips including Indians, Riverboats, and Casinos, both legal and illegal. The show sets aside one night prior to opening to the public for dealers to look over the collections and make purchases and trades. Also appearing and speaking the past two years have been club owners such as Rip Poulos from the illegal days of Mississippi gaming, who authenticated illegal Mississippi chips. Another speaker, Fernando J. Cuquet, opened the first legal casino, *Splash*, in North Mississippi, and plans now to re-open the closed *Cotton Club* from Greenville, MS as the *Mhoon Landing Casino* in Tunica, MS. Also represented are the chip collectors' club *CC & GTCC*, Greg Susong's web board, magazine publishers and writers, special interest speakers on Indians, riverboats, ivories, state illegals, and a collection of chips and memorabilia from all over the world. To find out more about the *Mississippi Blast From the Past*, email the producer at [GABELS@prodigy.net](mailto:GABELS@prodigy.net). Attending shows and club meetings makes adding to one's collection easier by putting hard-to-get chips in one location at a relatively smaller cost than traveling the country and picking them up

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<sup>5</sup> Trimble, Gene. *Ibid.*

firsthand.

Even though the hobby of chip collecting is predominantly male-oriented, men welcome and encourage women to participate. Women have served as officers on the board of *CC & GTCC*, and the current editor of the club news is female. In addition, ladies publish many of the top gaming magazines found in casino poker rooms. The current collectors and organizations look forward to assisting new members in forming the basis of what can become an impressive collection of chips and casino memorabilia.

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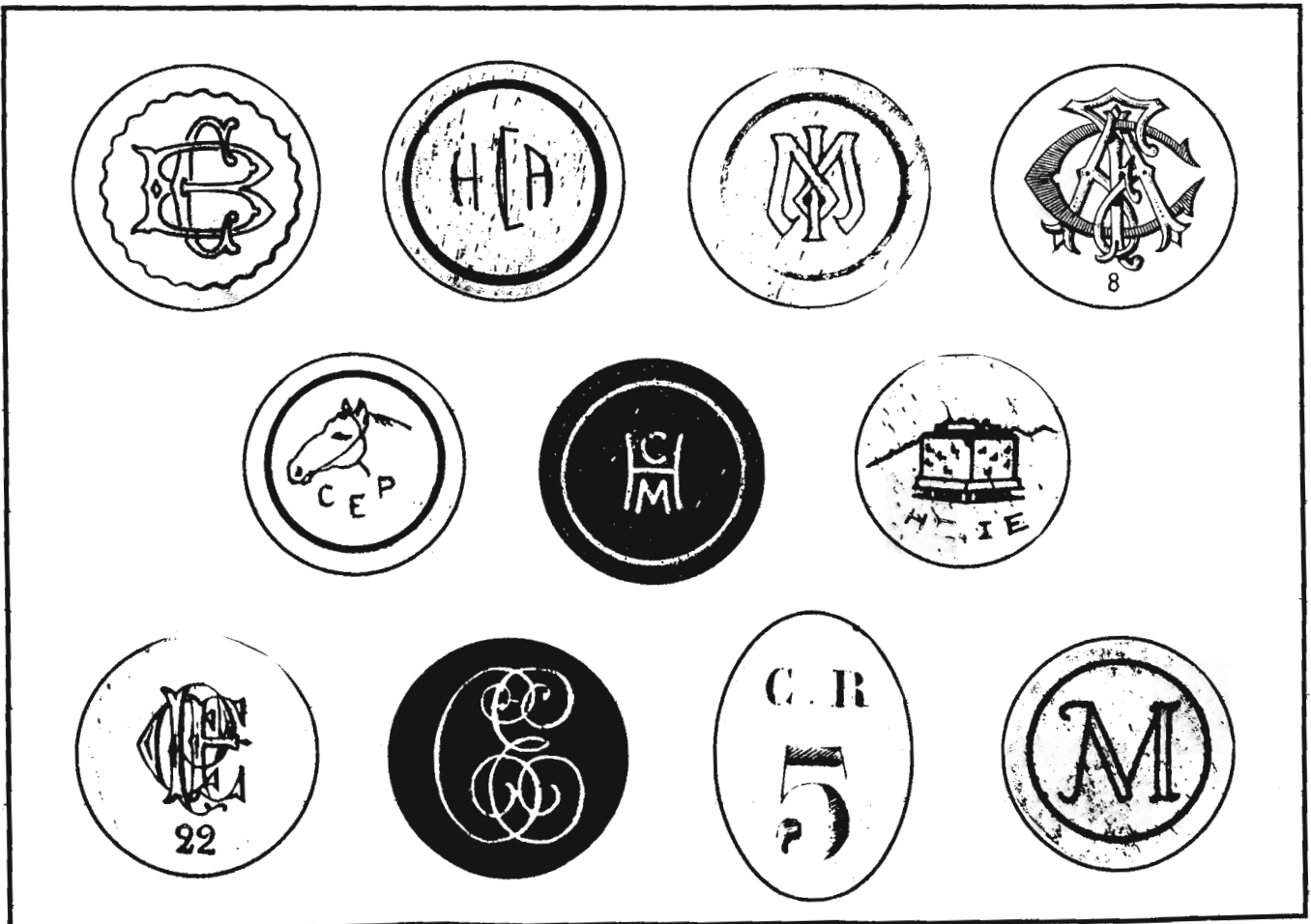
# ANTIQUÉ COLLECTIBLES

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## 19th Century Bone Gaming Counters

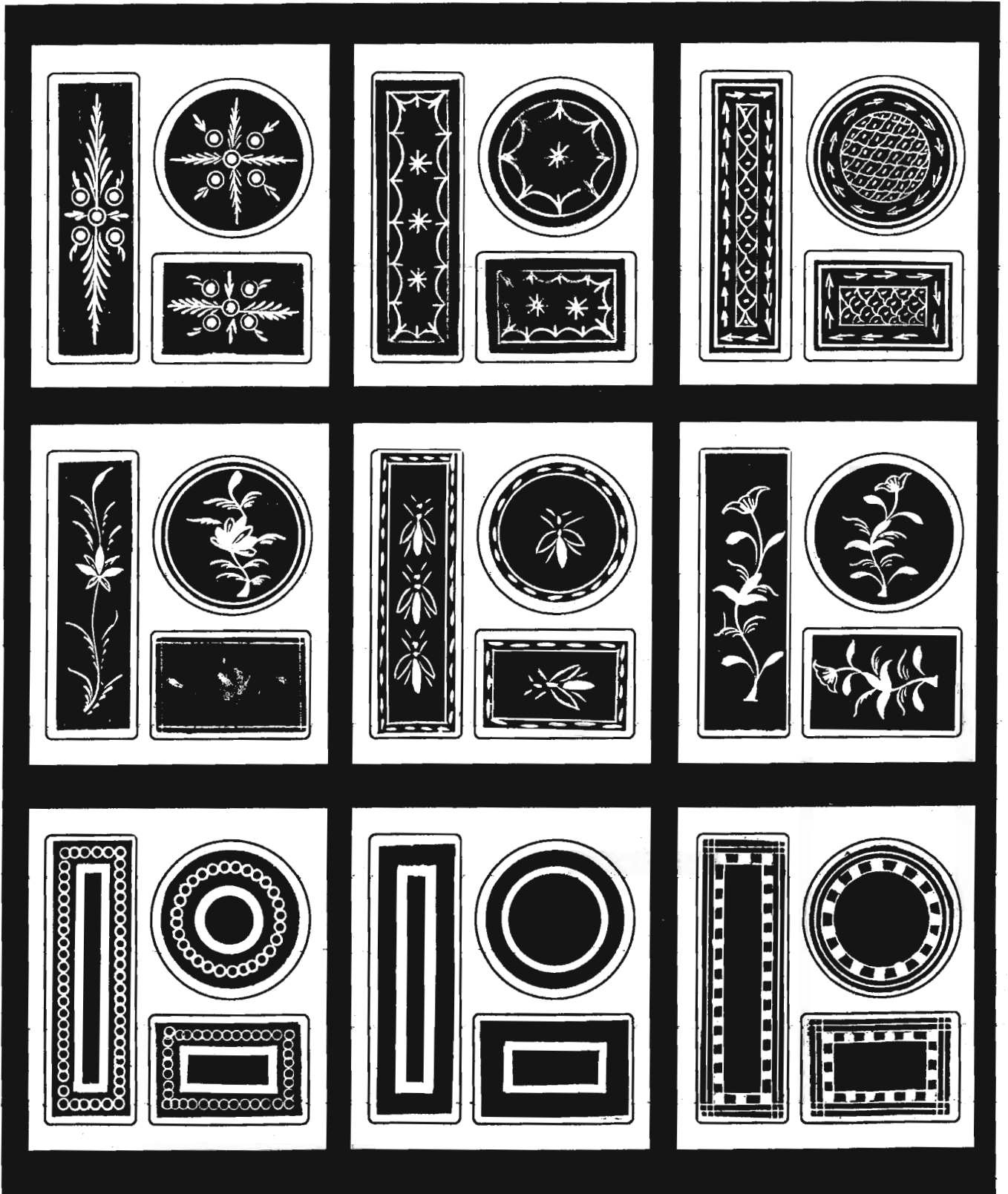
Animal bone was the most common material used to manufacture gaming chips or counters in the nineteenth century. Clay chips first appeared about 1890 and were used mostly in America, while chips made of ivory were too pricey for the average game player. Wealthy European gamblers played with chips made of mother-of-pearl. Metal counters were nearly as common as their bone counterparts, but have seemed to generate little interest among chip collectors.

Bone counters can be classified into the following categories: plain, numeral, monogram and design. Monogram chips were custom made for a few clubs or casinos as well as individuals. The most common sets were dyed in four colors and contained no engraving. Each set usually contained square, rectangular, and small and large circular counters. Some early sets were all fish carved of bone. Photos on the following pages show examples of the various types of bone gaming counters.



Nineteenth Century Monogrammed Bone Counters

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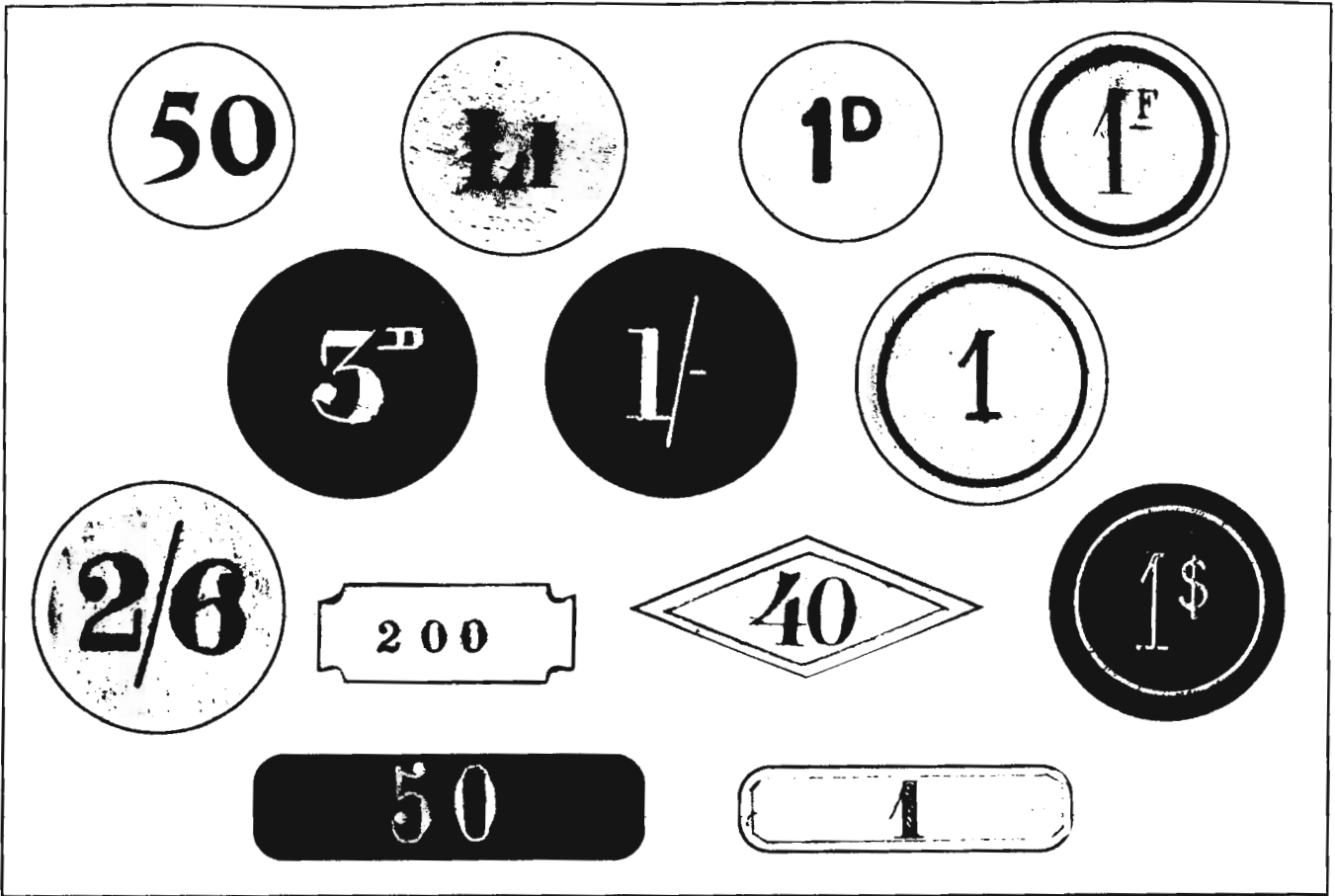
Nine examples of sets of fancy bone game counters. Each set came in quantities of four different colors. Counters are 85% of actual size.



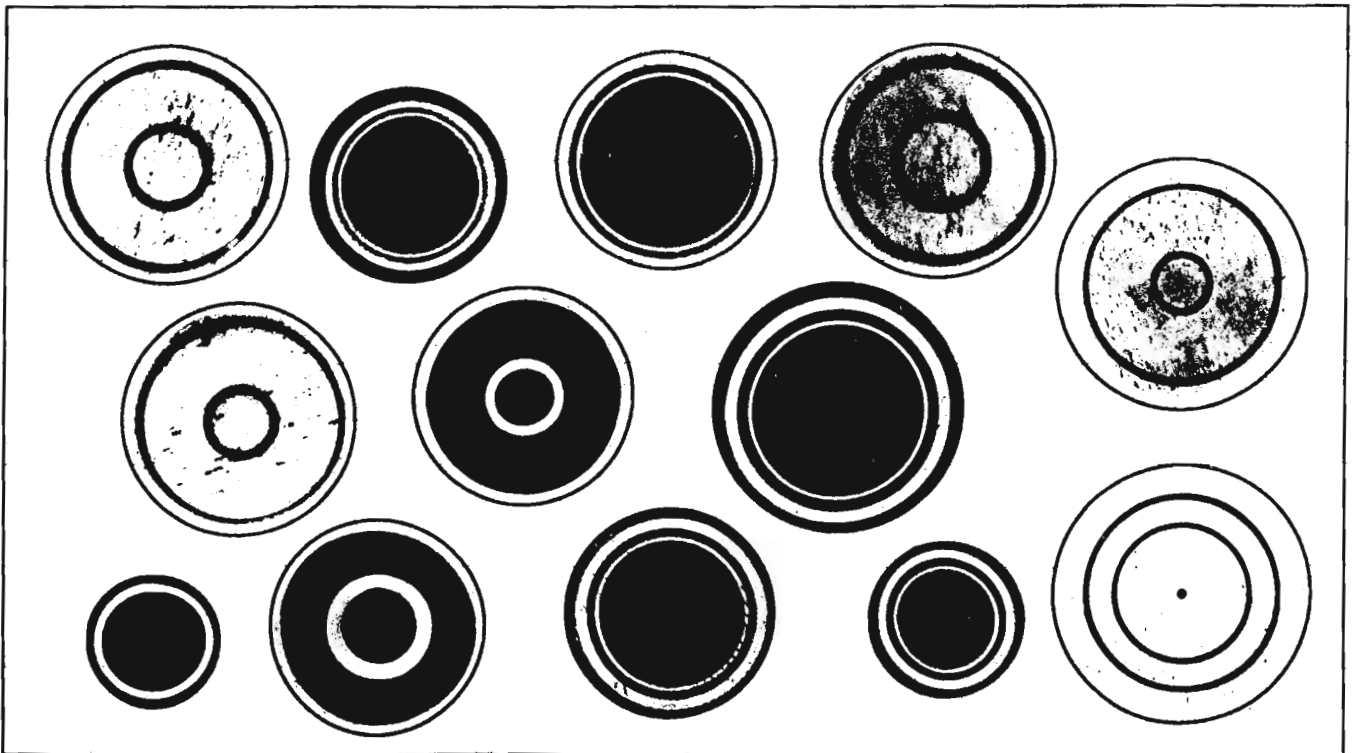
A variety of bone counters and bone trump indicators used in such games as *loo*, *quadrille*, *chemin-de-fer*, *Pope Joan*, *ombre*, *poque* and *brag*.

Occasionally a few bone chips or sets will surface in the states or Canada, but most of these chips are to be found in the antique shops, flea markets and auctions around London and Paris. The engraved, colorful chips are definitely old, interesting and collectible. One more reason to plan that trip abroad.





Bone Numeral Counters



Concentric Bone Counters

New Ivory Codes



IE-AX Four Leaves  
v:k



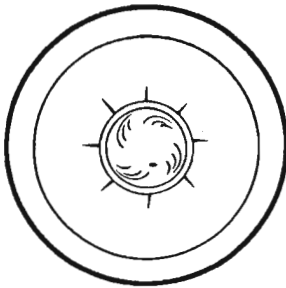
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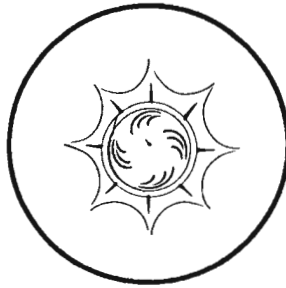
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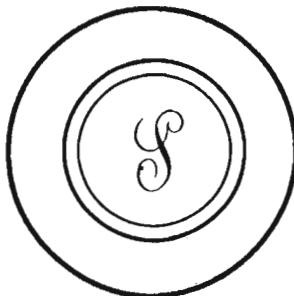
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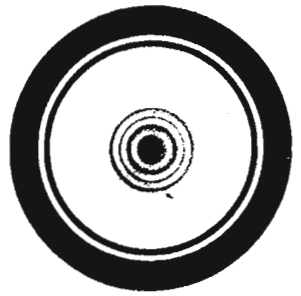
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v:m



IY-ER 5B 5W (37/30)  
v:j

Several ivory chip souvenirs were made around the 1920's. These commemorative chips most often were engraved with the names of Mississippi river boats. Many contained the initials "U.S.M.P." which stood for "United States Mail Packet". It is obvious on some of these chips that they were made from used ivory chips by shaving down the old engraving and then re-engraving the commemorative message. About two dozen different commemoratives have been found. A similar number have been counterfeited. A new find which is a legitimate twenties commemorative is shown below. The fact that the ivory chip contains a "\$50" on one side and a "\$20" on the reverse strengthens our conjecture that these chips were only commemoratives and never used for playing Faro or Poker.



IR-CM Grand Republic  
v:s

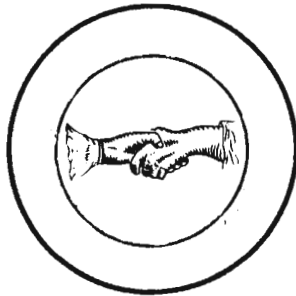


IR-CM Reverse

### New Clay Codes



PA-FC Elephant Head  
Engraved / v:h



PE-SL Clapsed Hands  
Engraved / v:h

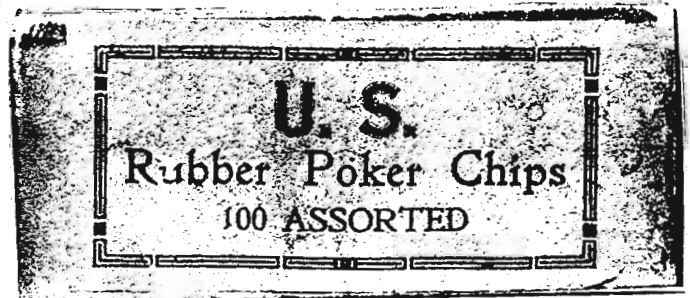


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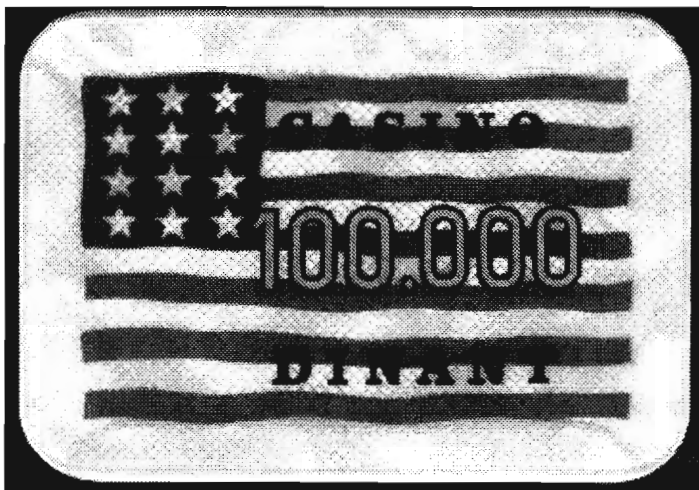
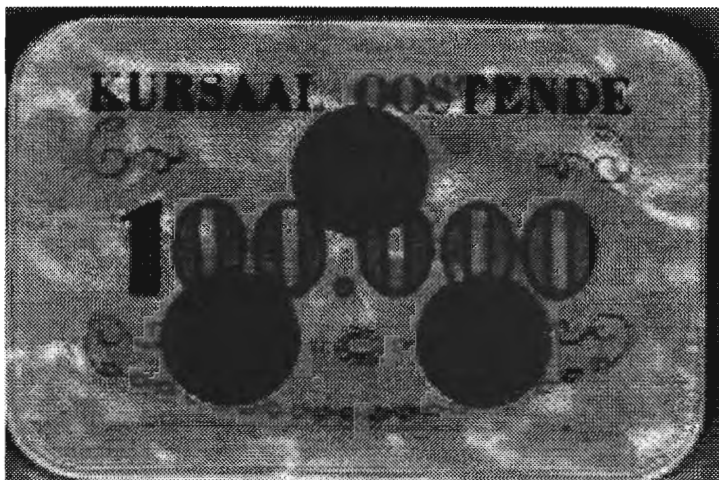
Ken Chopping, from Northern California, informs us that the California Historical Society has a boxed set of ivory chips donated by the daughter of an early, wealthy San Francisco business man, William Gerstle. The chips are a mixed set of 120 florals, 5's and 25's. The florals are a new code but Ken's photo was out of focus. The chips are not for sale.

Shown below are a few chip boxes from Don Lueder's collection:



Thanks to Robert Eisenstadt, Don Lueders, Ken Chopping and Michael Par for submitting graphics for this column. Happy Hunting! If you find something new, let's hear from you. Send information or questions to Dale Seymour, 11170 Mora Dr., Los Altos, CA 94024, tel: (650) 948-0949, fax: (650) 941-3695 or Ken Craig, 3927-H Waring Rd., Oceanside, CA 92056, tel: (760) 945-9722, fax: (760) 726-8904. If you are a beginning collector and want to know more about antique gambling chips, you may want to order the book, *Antique Gambling Chips* from Past Pleasures, PO Box 50863, Palo Alto, CA 94303.

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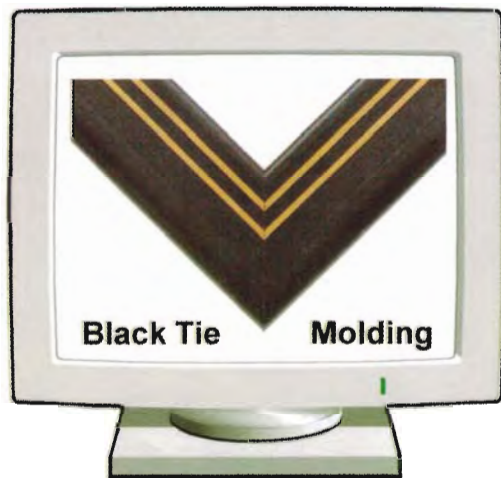
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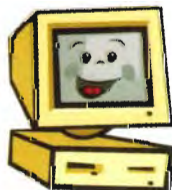
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