

# Casino Chip And Token News

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## *1995 Chip & Token Design Winners!*

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The winning 1995 medal designed by Kevin Norris will be issued in bronze and .999 fine silver. Ordering information inside



The winning 1995 chip design by David Rusyn which will be produced by Chipco. Ordering information inside

# WANTED

## "THE MINT" Memorabilia

My name is Neil J. Teixeira and I am a collector of casino memorabilia from "THE MINT" that was at 210-214 North Virginia Street in Reno Nevada.

My Grandfather owned and operated "THE MINT" from June 1, 1941 thru Feb. 1, 1942. World war two forced him out of business. Prior to it becoming "THE MINT" it was known as "The Block N Club".

I am especially looking to buy original gaming chips and checks and any other memorabilia from when my Grandfather owned "THE MINT". We believe there are dice, matches, menus, cocktail coasters, etc....

The gaming chips and/or checks I believe have the square-radial diamond pattern or a horseshoe pattern or Crest & Seal pattern, I am not sure.

If anyone can help me either locate the above items or know anything about "THE MINT" from the 1941-1942 era, I would greatly appreciate it.

I also collect chips and/or checks from "The Block N Club" and "Black out Bar", both of Reno, Nevada.



'The Mint'—Attractive Cocktail Lounge

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# Collecting Observations

by Dave Harvey R-182

I write this from my hotel room in Las Vegas. I am ten days into my annual stay (this year 21 days) in Las Vegas. Collecting today is far different than it was years ago. From little Indian reservation joints to super casinos. Every one sap far has been just great. Read on.

We left Florida June 18. On to Chicago to visit old friends, then into northern Wisconsin to visit Mom & Dad's grave. Now there are casinos up here.

First stop Oneida Casino in Green Bay. We get a couple of rolls of dollar tokens and get all we need from these two rolls except a '91 token. Two more rolls and still no '91, so I ask a nice lady at the cage. No, she does not have one, but she directs me to see Marie at the original casino (about a block away); well, Marie is not working this day, but pretty soon I have 2 ladies looking for a '91 token. No luck, but what cooperation for a collector. So we move on to Keshena, Wisconsin, to the Crystal Palace Bingo & Casino (Ed. note: the casino at Keshena is called the "Menominee Nation Casino", there is a "Palace Bingo & Casino" at Walker, Minnesota.) More of the same cooperation. On to the Northern Lights Casino at Carter, Wisconsin.

My mom and dad are buried five miles from this casino. I started coming to northern Wisconsin in 1938. Every year it was three weeks vacation up here. What fond memories of fishing and roaming these woods. Now there is a casino with a nice looking hotel under construction. Again full cooperation from any collecting needs. On to the Grand Royale at Crandon, Wisconsin, then on to the Lake of the Torches at Lac du Flambeau. Believe it or not, after cracking 2 rolls of dollars I find a '91 Oneida Bingo Casino Token. At several of these casinos I found tokens from the Milwaukee casino and Black River Falls, so did not have to go to them. In fact at Carter in one of the rolls I found an Imperial Palace Las Vegas token. Boy do we get around or what. Last stop in Wisconsin is at Nekoosa, and the Rainbow Casino. Just like anything in Las

Vegas. Had some great deals on sweatshirts in the gift shop, and seeing as how we are going to Alaska in September, picked up two. Again full cooperation on any collecting needs.

On to South Dakota. I passed up two casinos in Minnesota that were a little ways off I-90 because of time, aw time.

So many casinos, so little time. At Flandreau is the Royal River Casino. After getting what we need in dollar tokens, we go back to the cashier to get a five dollar token. "Sorry", the lady says, "they took the five dollar machine out." "Well", I ask, "do you still have any tokens around?" Yes they do, and she sells me some. How about that?

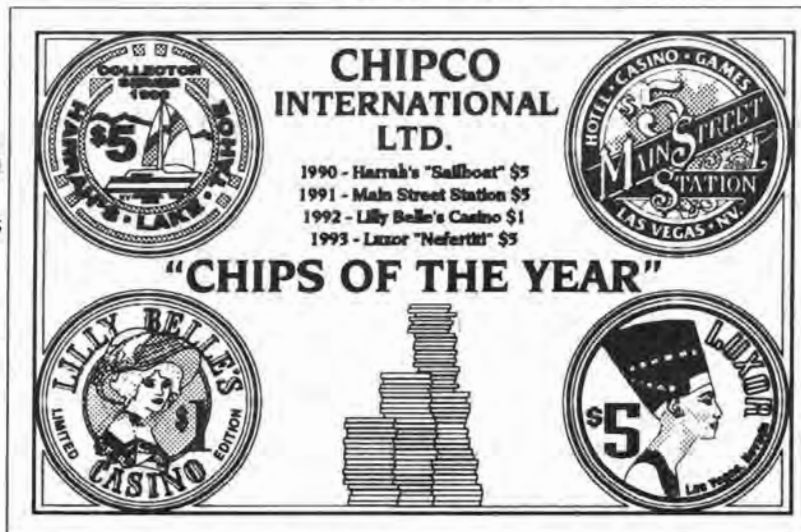
Hang on, someone's knocking at the door. OK, I am back. Sorry for the interruption. That was Earl Donley, retired club Recording Secretary. Had a nice visit and did some trading. So now it's on to The Golden Buffalo Casino. Again more cooperation for the collector. If you go to this casino it's way away from everything. So now it's on to Las Vegas.

First serious collecting site is the new MGM. After cracking dollar rolls to get the set we ask at a change booth for a five dollar Super Bowl token. She does not have one. Try in the high limit slot area she says. Over there they say yes they are around, but very few. Try some of the other cashiers. So we do but no luck. So I pay a high premium and buy one in the gift shop. The point I want to make is, here is this extremely busy mega casino and the people are doing everything they can to help the collector. I go across the street to the Tropicana. I need one five dollar token to complete a set. At a change booth I ask for the token. This nice lady walks to the far end of the booth and starts to search racks of tokens. Finding one she starts back towards me. She looks at the token and says, "No, this one's no good, it's got too many dings in it. Let me try for a better one." And back she goes to the racks. Finding one that pleases her, she sells it to me. Needless to say, I tipped her a buck. And so it went at all the new joints: Luxor, Treasure Island, etc. Everyone gave me, the collector, all the help they could. One last story. I am at the Luxor with 40 one dollar chips. I have my black lite and I am running it over the chips. A security guard stops by.. "What are you doing?" he says. I show him. He says, "I'll be darned. I didn't know that." So I don't get arrested and we go over the 40 chips together. Happy Collecting.

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Got a question or a problem? Listed below are the names and addresses of the CC&GTCC officials and volunteer contacts to whom your requests should be mailed.



Stephen Piccolo of Bayonne, New Jersey addresses Atlantic City Chapter members at Caesars Atlantic City meeting. Mr. Piccolo's topic was "on-line chipping via E-mail."



CC & GTCC Booth, Detroit A.N.A. Convention, August 1994

Left to right: Dr. Avram Eskin, Ft. Collin, CO, Jerry O'Neal, Howell, MI, Bill Miller, Ft. Thomas, KY, Janice O'Neal, Howell, MI, Howard Herz (back to camera) Minden, NV

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## President's Report



By Archie A. Black

Well, what did you think of the last issue under Tom Dirnberger's Editorship? Quite an improvement, I thought! A few "bugs" that have been eliminated should make this issue an even better one.

Convention Chairman Mike Skelton has been very busy making preparations for our 1995 convention... and even looking toward our 1996

event in some areas. We hope that you've made your travel plans already for the Aladdin Las Vegas this April. Hotel reservation cards were inserted into the last issue of the club magazine. If you didn't receive one, contact Secretary Harpp and he will send you one. If you call the Aladdin directly, please refer to our group code "CHIPS 95" when making your room reservations so that you get the convention rate and that the club gets credit for the room occupancy.

Yes Santa, there will be an auction at our 1995 Las Vegas convention. It will be considerably different from what was presented last year, but our Auction Chairman, Bruce Landau, assures us that it will be equally as exciting for those in attendance. See the announcement published elsewhere in this issue for details.

To those of you who receive your magazine via 3rd class bulk mail, this will probably be the last issue of the club magazine you receive before the club convention begins. I again urge those of you who can't wait for the delivery of our 3rd class mailings to consider switching over to first class for only \$8 per year. It makes it easier for Tom Duffy and myself preparing each mailing, and you will be much happier not receiving returned checks from advertisers saying, "sorry, all sold out" by the time they receive your late order. Contact Secretary Harpp if you wish to change.

In this issue of the club magazine you will find the announcement for our annual "Chip Of The Year" and "Token Of The Year" nominations. I hope that everyone of you will sit down and send in your choices. Only those who nominate a chip and/or token will receive an election ballot.

Nominations for 1995-96 club officers have been completed. The only contested office was for Corresponding Secretary. Charles Rodgers refused the nomination leaving no other qualifying challenges to the incumbents according to Elections Chairman, Robert Maisch. The current board will be re-installed at our 1995 Las Vegas convention.

I'm advised that a winner has been selected from the designs submitted for our Annual Medal contest, but I was not told who the winner was before press time. I guess when I see this issue of the magazine in print I'll find out. Congratulations to the winner! Your award will be awaiting you in Las Vegas this April.

I hope I'll see YOU there as well.

Happy collecting in the New Year!!

## Letters to the Editor

December 1, 1994

Dear Editor:

What would have happened if the Luxor \$100 chip (which finished 6th last year) was the 1993 "Chip of the Year". If the Luxor goes out of business and there are quite a few around, your \$110 investment is now probably worth \$15. Most people want to collect the chips and tokens of the year.

My suggestion is that any denomination chip or token can qualify, but if the chip or token has a face value over \$10.00, the next highest point value that has a face value of \$10.00 or less would also be named chip or token of the year. For some years you would have two chips or tokens of the year but at least everybody could afford one.

If that was done in 1993, both the \$28 Aladdin and the \$1 Treasure Island would have been "Tokens of the Year".

Please keep the hobby affordable.

Thank you.

Doug Hoyt  
R-1908







By Archie A. Black CH-001

Early October brought two new issues for collectors out of the vaults of two Atlantic City casinos. Actually, it was six new issues: a series of five new tokens from TropWorld and a new CHIPCO from The Grand.

Trop has duplicated its \$2 and \$5 tokens series by placing the same five designs on a set of \$10 gold colored tokens. Lucy the Elephant, Miss America, Boardwalk, Lifeguard, and Taj Mahal are the same five subjects continued on the \$10's.

Two days later, next door at The Grand, a limited issue of 2,500 \$5 CHIPCOs were released. The theme; "Celebrating Greece".

Around mid-October (14th to be exact) Taj Mahal issued a Marla and Donald Trump wedding portrait chip. The center insert is the first of the new oversized inlays that Paulson has manufactured for use in an Atlantic City casino. Newspaper reports say that 10,000 were issued and all have been snapped up by as many non-collectors as collectors due to the heavy TV, radio and newspaper publicity.

In mid-November, another Trump property, Trump Plaza, completely replaced all of their regular issue clay Paulson \$1 & \$2.50 chips with CHIPCOs. The clay Paulson issue \$1 & \$2.50 chips are now obsolete. Hope that all of you had the foresight to pick up some extras while they were available, as they are all gone now.

On November 26th, Harrah's issued a \$5 "Party Island" CHIPCO. This chip is primarily found in the non-smoking "Party Island" BlackJack/Caribbean Poker pit. Those few chips that eventually migrate to the other craps tables and BJ pits, and occasionally the big six wheel, seem to be segregated out from the metal insert chips and returned to the Party Island pits with new chip fills.

Finally during this busy quarter, only days before the A.C. Chapter meeting on December 4th, it was learned that The Grand had issued a new \$2 slot token. See opposite page for pictures.

More new chips are on the horizon. The Grand is planning a New Years, Chinese New Year, Super Bowl and Italian new issues. TropWorld is finally coming out with their first chip set in February. I'm told that they will mirror the token set.... that each denomination will be represented by a different A.C. scene that appears on the TropWorld tokens. Trump Plaza is to issue a \$25 Donald Trump portrait issue. Sands, it is rumored, is to come out with a commemorative Sinatra chip. Stay tuned.

## ATLANTIC CITY CHAPTER NOW 120 STRONG AND STILL GROWING

By JERRY BIRL R474

At the last regular meeting of the Atlantic City Chapter of CC&GTCC which was held in the Mardi Gras Showroom of the Showboat Casino in Atlantic City on Sunday December 4, 1994 the total count of members and associate members had reached 120. The growth of this Chapter has been phenomenal and applications keep coming. Since the last article on Chapter activities which appeared in Volume 7 #3 we have held three meetings. The meetings were held on June 26th, October 2nd and December 4th. The Chapter has not found a permanent meeting place, but the last two meetings were held in Caesars Casino and the Showboat Casino. Both Casinos provided spacious and luxurious meeting rooms where the Chapter could conduct it's business in a setting which provided both comfort and privacy. Guest speakers covered a wide range of topics which were of interest to Chapter members. John Kalikow spoke at the June meeting on "investment aspects of chip collecting". Steve Piccolo gave a very informative presentation at our October gathering on "Electronic Chip Hunting", the use of Prodigy and other computer networks to correspond and spread the word on chip collecting via electronic bulletin boards. Bruce Landau, one of the founding members of the National Club gave a very well received speech on "Collecting Nevada Chips" at our December meeting. Some of the experiences and stories that Bruce shared with the group were truly unbelievable and showed how far the hobby of chip collecting has come in the last 7 or 8 years. A regular feature of all the meetings is the swap session and an auction of chips from Atlantic City as well as other areas.

National Club Officers Archie Black, Janice O'Neal and Chuck Tomarchio have attended Chapter meetings and reported on National Club activities.

The Chapter welcomes members from all parts of the country who have an interest in collecting Atlantic City chips and tokens to join the Chapter. Anyone who wishes to join the Chapter should write to: Recording Secretary, Atlantic City Chapter, C.C&G.T.C.C., P.O. Box 1396, Atlantic City, NJ 08410.



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## Nominations Committee Report

Nominations received for the offices of The CC&GTCC for the 1995 election were as follows:

- President - Archie Black (7)  
Vice President - Janice O'Neal (8)  
Treasurer - Charles Tomarchio (8)  
Recording Secretary - James Harpp (8)  
Corresponding Secretary - Michael Knapp (3)  
Charlie Rodgers (3) Declined  
Robert Maisch (2) Declined

There is a full slate of officers with no seats being contested. The President should direct the Secretary to cast one ballot in favor of the individuals listed above for the respective offices.

## 1994-95 CLUB OFFICIALS

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# 1995 CC&GTCC CONVENTION MEDAL & CHIP DESIGNS SELECTED

Lee Barry, Peg Barry, Deborah Barry and Bob Lowry served as judges to select the designs for the token and chip to be issued by the Casino Chips and Gaming Token Collectors Club in conjunction with the club's third annual Convention to be held at the Aladdin Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada on April 27-29, 1995.

David Rusyn of Las Vegas, Nevada designed the winning entry for the chip which will be a Chipco.

Kevin Norris of Louisville, Kentucky submitted the winning entry for the convention medal which will be issued in bronze and .999 fine silver.

Judge Lee Barry is a teacher at Bret Hart School in Cherry Hill, New Jersey and has been teaching for 31 years. His artistic interests include Early American/Country stenciling and cross-stitch.

Judge Peg Barry has spent 21 years as a teacher and is currently with the Haviland School in Audubon, New Jersey. She has an artistic flair for interior decorating.

Judge Deborah Barry is a Marketing Representative for Financial Concepts. Rubber stamp embossing, counted cross-stitch and stenciling are her artistic interests.

Judge Bob Lowry is a Machine Tool & Diemaker by trade learned in the family business.

Medal and chip ordering information can be obtained from: Richard Allard, 3151 N. Rainbow Boulevard, Box 220, Las Vegas, Nevada 89108.



The winning 1995 medal designed by Kevin Norris



The winning 1995 chip design by David Rusyn

## **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION** **CASINO CHIPS AND GAMING TOKENS** **COLLECTORS CLUB**

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# New standard catalog from Krause covers seven categories of U.S. tokens

The first reference on U.S. tokens to combine the Early American, Hard Times, merchant, patriotic Civil War, Civil War store-card, trade, and Gay Nineties categories is available from Krause Publications.

The 824-page *Standard Catalog of United States Tokens, 1700-1900* by Russell Rulau combines the author's previously published separate books on each topic with updated pricing to form a thoroughly revised one-volume reference.

"It is a joint publishing venture of Krause Publications and the Civil War Token Society," Rulau writes in the book's introduction, "not intended to replace the individual texts but rather to provide a 'librarian's choice' type of reference."

"My collaborators, publishers and independent contributors have spared no effort to update, revise, re-price all basic line listings and to add large numbers of new listings, new and clearer photos, and condensed type — both easier to read and taking up less space. Result: You get more for your money per page throughout the volume."

In the Civil War patriotic and store-card sections, the types most likely to be in collector hands are listed. In other sections, the coverage and background notes are as complete as today's research can make them.

"The two Civil War token sections are deliberately incomplete so that a catalog could be produced which was not dominated by more than 11,000 pieces issued in the 1861-1865 period," Rulau said. "The three sections which cover the years 1700 through 1860 are as complete as public exposure over more than a decade and three or more editions can make them."

The author estimates the U.S. trade token section increased by 600 percent over its previously published separate volume and the Gay Nineties section by 150 percent.

More than 2,500 photos complement the text. Each listing contains the piece's catalog number, its date of issue (either known or estimated), metal, size

in millimeters, notes on obverse and reverse legends and designs, and value in up to four grades of condition.

"We feel fortunate to have as contributors all of today's best professional token dealers and many veteran collectors," Rulau said. "A good many of the quoted valuations are what has actually been paid out of pocket for a particular piece, either at auction or in private sale."

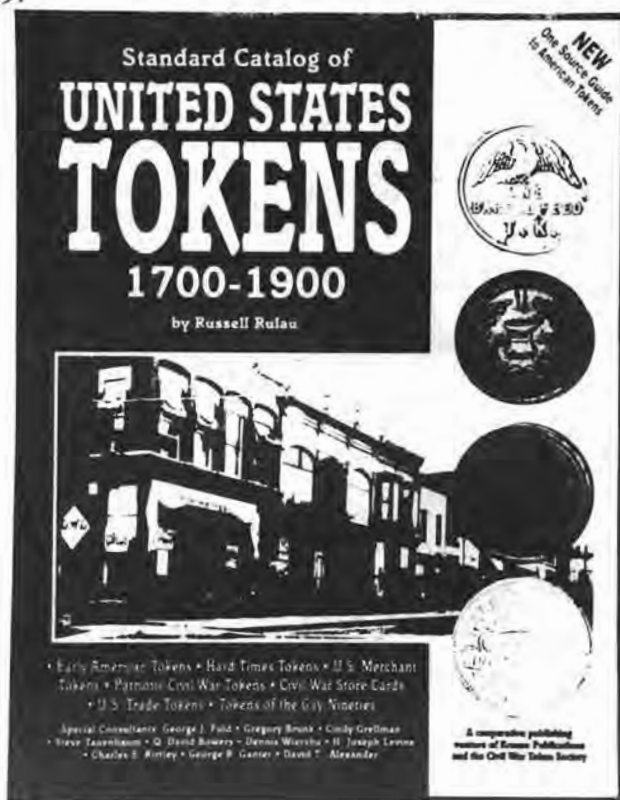
Rulau wrote his first article on tokens in 1958. In 1960 he coined the term "exonomia" to describe token and medal collecting.

He has since become the field's most prominent writer and researcher as author of *Latin American Tokens*; *Early American Tokens*; *U.S. Merchant Tokens, 1845-1860*; *Hard Times Tokens, 1832-1844*; *U.S. Trade Tokens, 1866-1889*; and *Tokens of the Gay Nineties, 1890-1900*. He is co-author, with George Fuld, of *Medallic Portraits of Washington*.

In his new book, Rulau acknowledges over 4500 expert consultants and other sources who contributed information.

The soft-covered *Standard Catalog of United States Tokens* (8 1/2 inches by 11 inches) can be purchased from numismatic book dealers or directly from the publisher for \$45 plus \$2.50 shipping. Wisconsin residents, add 5.5 percent sales tax.

Write Krause Publications, Book Department NR, 70000 E. State St., Iola, WI 54990-0001, VISA and MasterCard customers can order toll free: (80000) 258-0929.





## A. N. A. EXHIBITORS FUND GOAL MET!

Thank you.... thank you.... thank you!! As of a result of a last minute push; accomplished primarily by Charlie Rodgers and our West Coast CC&GTCC club members during the recently concluded Jim Minding's Bellflower show. The club has reached its \$3,000 goal to fund a "GAMING" classification for competitive exhibits at the annual American Numismatic Association conventions.

The ANA has acknowledged receiving our \$3,000 check and has indicated that approval for the new "GAMING" category will be taken up during the ANA Board meeting scheduled during the F.U.N. convention this January in Orlando. Hopefully, this "Gaming Classification" will be approved in Orlando in time for the 1995 summer ANA convention scheduled for Anaheim, California this August.

CC&GTCC members have coughed up over \$1500, which was matched by the club treasury, to fund in perpetuity, First, Second, and Third place awards to be placed in competition in a special "GAMING" category at ALL future conventions of the American Numismatic Association.

Hopefully, the "Gaming" category for exhibitors will be approved by the ANA Board in time for the 1995 ANA Convention in Anaheim, California this August.

If approved, ANA will place the \$3,000 in a special investment fund and the interest generated from the fund each year is enough to pay for the annual ANA exhibitors awards sponsored by CC&GTCC.

## EXHIBITORS WANTED/NEEDED

NOW THAT THE "EASY" PART HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED, THE NEXT STAGE WILL BE THE MOST DIFFICULT.

If ANA approves the new classification, we will need some casino chips and gaming token exhibits set up by our membership this August in Anaheim. How 'bout it Californians? This show is right in your own back yards! Also needed will be some volunteers for judging the competitive displays. Please write to Archie if you are volunteering to judge. Write to ANA for an Exhibitor's application if you have plans to exhibit.

## DONATIONS TO DATE:

C.T. COINS .....	\$229
ARCHIE BLACK .....	\$100
HENRY GARRETT .....	\$100
HOWARD HERZ .....	\$100
MARK LIGHTERMAN .....	\$100
LARRY LUBLINER .....	\$100
JIM MUNDING .....	\$ 60
RICHARD L. CONRAD .....	\$ 50
ROBERT HOADLEY .....	\$ 50
FORD JENSEN .....	\$ 50
GAYLORD LaPLANTE .....	\$ 50
C.T. RODGERS .....	\$ 50
CHUCK TOMARCHIO .....	\$ 50
ALVIN BEATTY .....	\$ 25
SCOTT BRODSKY .....	\$ 25
JOHN B. CARSON .....	\$ 25
RUSSELL DIAZ .....	\$ 25
MARK FREITAG .....	\$ 25
HENRY GARRETT .....	\$ 25
SUSAN KOBYLARCZYK .....	\$ 25
JANICE O'NEAL .....	\$ 25
JERRY O' NEAL .....	\$ 25
FRANK SECATORE .....	\$ 25
BILL SCHMIDT .....	\$ 25
DALE SEYMOUR .....	\$ 25
JAMES CAMPIGLIA .....	\$ 11
ROBERT MAISCH .....	\$ 10
BILL MILLER .....	\$ 10
VINCE MOWERY .....	\$ 10
BILL PAYNE .....	\$ 10
ART SANDERSON .....	\$ 10
MURIEL SANDERSON .....	\$ 10
BILL AKEMAN .....	\$ 5
JACK BOBERG .....	\$ 5
CAREY BURKE .....	\$ 5
KEN CRAIG .....	\$ 5
WALTER DIRZULAITIS .....	\$ 5
CHARLES HENDRICK .....	\$ 5
HOWARD HERZ .....	\$ 5
JEFF LAUDEMAN .....	\$ 5
STEVE PASSALACQUA .....	\$ 5
ARMIN PFAENDER .....	\$ 5
DOUG SAITO .....	\$ 5
RALPH STRANDWOLD .....	\$ 5
JODI SONES .....	\$ 5
ERNIE WHEELDEN .....	\$ 5
STAN/BETTY WILKER .....	\$ 5
TOTAL PLEDGED: .....	\$1500+
CLUB PLEDGE: .....	\$1500
TOTAL: .....	\$3000

## BELFLOWER WAS A BIG HIT



Armin Pfaender

The Bellflower Chip & Tokens show in Calif. is held twice a year by Jim Munding.

Dealers & Collectors both look forward to this event. Some of the items offered at this show will not be seen again. This past Oct. Show found Dealers out at six in the morning ready to set up. Collectors were in line well before the Nine AM opening. Collectors were here from Washington, Oregon, Nevada, Utah, Ariz, Colo, and N.J.



T.D.S & Howard Hertz



Mr. Bruce Landau

Most of the dealers said they had a good show and look forward to the March 25th 1995 show.

Information was giving out on the C.C.& G.T.C.C. big show coming up in April for Las Vegas, I know most of us feel like kids in a candy store at these convention.

If you would like information on the two shows in Calif. Please Write

Jim Munding  
P. O. Box 4007  
West Covina, Ca. 91791



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## Checks & Chips



Collecting chips from different gambling casinos is one of the fastest growing hobbies around, if not *the* fastest. And why not? The chips are colorful, artistic, and relatively inexpensive to collect. You can buy the chips from the active casinos at face value if you go there, or at a small premium from a third party. Many collectors will trade only, and their chips cost face value plus postage. You can have a lot of fun on a limited budget. Some of the obsolete chips, however, are very valuable and highly desirable.

I'm a novice collector, and therefore refer to all checks and chips as "chips." This is technically incorrect, as a check has a value on it and is used at face value. A chip does not have a value on the piece itself, and trades at a value determined at the time of play. So, forgive me for referring to them all as "chips" in this article.

Pre-1930 chips are very scarce. Up until that time, gold and silver coins were generally used for gambling. However, after the 1930s, when individuals could no longer own gold coins, a money substitute was needed for the higher denominations.

The first form of chip manufacture,

however, was invented in the 1880s. The chips were made of clay and were molded, not minted. This composition was later changed and the chips were referred to as "composition" chips. The edge markings were inserted, rather than painted on. These "clay" or "composition" chips were used heavily beginning in the 1930s, and are still used today.

In the 1960s, "Injection-molded" plastic chips were made. However, because they could be easily counterfeited, they were usually used only for smaller denominations. This injection-molded type was improved upon in the 1970s, so that they had a metal center. They were called "coin inlay" chips. The metal center provided the security features missing from the injection-molded chips of the 1960s.

A "slug core" chip was also developed. This chip was injection-molded over a metal core. Some of the metal was left exposed in a desirable shape.

The latest chip is the "chipco" type. The chipco chip is a variation of the old clay chip, and offers lots of color and detail in the design. The aesthetic qualities of Chipco chips have helped spur collector interest.

As I said, I'm a novice in this field, but I'm having a ball collecting chips. Since there are so many different types (thousands), I would suggest that a beginner limit himself or herself to a specific collecting interest. I've recently joined the *Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club (CC&GTCC)*, and I've learned a lot from the people there. If you are interested in gambling checks or chips, I strongly suggest that you join also. To do so, write: *CC&GTCC*, P.O. Box 63, Brick, NJ 08723. Dues include a subscription to *Casino Chip and Token News*, a large quarterly publication (the last one was 112 pages!) containing good articles about collecting chips and tokens. Good luck, and as always, have FUN! ■



Above: This \$2 check is of the "chipco" type, from a casino in Ft. McDowell, Arizona.

Far Left: A \$50 check from O'Dwyer's illegal casino in New Orleans, which operated from 1928-1950.

Immediate Left: An example of a \$1 "coin inlay" or "metal inlay" check. This is an injection-molded plastic check with a metal center and incused lettering. The metal is probably a nickel alloy.



# A PARTIAL LISTING OF FLORIDA'S ILLEGAL CASINOS CIRCA: 1898 - 1950s

by John Benedict

Though slot machines could be found in most hotels and race tracks in South Florida during the 1920s through 1940s, major hotels and clubs offered live games as well. The majority of these establishments were in the Miami and Ft. Lauderdale area. I've made some notes next to some of the clubs which I think you will find interesting, and I listed the dates of operation on several of them where I was able to confirm such.

Definite records from manufacturers and distributors note the dates and quantities of chips produced for some of these casinos, and extensive research has been done in the last fifteen years by some of the pioneers of our hobby.

If anyone has any further information on other casinos in Florida, or knows of chips that were used at these casinos, please drop me a note so I may update my records. Or, better yet, you can share your knowledge with other collectors by writing THE INFORMATION BOOTH. Thanks!

BEACH CLUB - Palm Beach, 1898-1946.  
BEACH & TENNIS CLUB, 1920s  
BACCHUS CLUB - St. Augustine, 1920s.  
BALI  
BISCAYNE YACHT CLUB, 1920s and 30s.  
BROOK CLUB, 1920s and 30s.  
CARTERS HOUSE, 1930. *(Al Capone had a 50% interest).*  
CLUB DEAUVILLE, 1920s and 30s.  
CLUB GREENACRES  
EMBASSY CLUB, 1922-1929.  
FLEETWOOD  
FLORIDIAN CASINO, 1929-30, *(Al Capone had a 25% interest).*  
FROLICS  
GOLDEN SHORES  
ISLAND CLUB - 1920s, *(Al Capone had a 25% interest).*  
LA PALOMA  
LATIN QUARTERS - 1930s - early-40s.  
LINCOLN HOTEL - 1919-1924  
LITTLE NAPLES CLUB - Naples, FL - 1923-1928.  
LITTLE PALM - 1930s, *(operated by A. Childers of the Floridian).*  
OLD FORGE PALM ISLAND CLUB - 1920s.  
PLANTATION CLUB - 1920s.  
RONEY PLAZA - 1920s and 30s.  
SEMINOLE CLUB  
SMITHS CASINO - 1920s. *(Al Capone had 75% interest and later purchased the property under the name of A. Acosta).*  
TEA HOUSE - 1920s. *(Al Capone had 75% interest)*  
TURF CLUB - Hialeah, 1932.  
VILLA VENICE - 1920s. *(Al Capone had 75% interest in this operation. He used the name of Al Brown, another alias of his).*  
86 CLUB  
240 CLUB

## GAMING TOKENS - COMING INTO THEIR OWN

BY: DON & JEAN (R-190 & R-193)

Gaming tokens have been looked down upon by many, along with slot machines and their players, who for many years were looked upon with disfavor. Only in recent years have casinos recognized slot revenue far exceeds all other forms of gaming. Even the so called "high-roller" can be a slot player. Some long time casinos have removed their tables completely or reduced the size of their pits to make room for slots.

Let us explore the existence and evolution of the gaming token. When coinage changed from silver to clad in 1965, the federal government struck only the commonly needed coins, pennies, nickels (their metal content did not change), new clad dimes, quarters, and half-dollars. Silver dollars had not been produced since 1935, and there was no provision for clad dollars under the Coinage Act of 1965. They were big, bulky, and not in everyone's pocket. Gaming establishments in Nevada were the majority user, and gambling was a distasteful area of society, therefore manufacture of dollars was not a priority.

Early gaming tokens were to be short lived. The federal consent to Nevada's gaming industry was like giving candy to shut up a noisy child. You know, the annoying small one you are stuck with and really do not want around. Tokens were only to be used until the federal mints could produce enough dollar coin.

Gaming tokens had to be the proper weight and size in order to fit into the dollar slot machines, but little consideration was initially given to their quality or appearance. Mints stamped and cast standard cheap looking, poor quality, tokens from various metals for immediate use. Other than Franklin Mint's tokens, whom incidentally really got off the ground and in business with gaming token production, early tokens left much to be desired.

In 1979, gaming tokens were again produced for temporary usage. The federal government was trying to establish the smaller sized dollar coin, and casinos could not afford to retrofit their machines. Most tokens were once again struck with little emphasis on quality or appearance.

Thank goodness for society's acceptance of gaming, instead of gambling. Nevada's gaming industry had become popular and grown into big business. New Jersey recognized the need to attract tourists and keep the easterner's money on that coast. Nevada type gaming became a reality in Atlantic City, and the eyes of the nation were upon its success.

# The Nevada Gaming List

Earl Donley  
R-0380

The Nevada Gaming List is a monthly list of all the chips and tokens that have been approved for use in the State of Nevada. On the first of each month I obtain a list of the chips and tokens that received final approval during the previous month. Some of these items may have been proceeding through the approval process for the previous three or four months. When the final approval is received the chip or token usually is put into play within three weeks. I mail this list out as a free service of the Club to anyone that sends me a self addressed stamped envelope. I include the updated lists for the previous four months. These lists have proven to be an invaluable help to the collector or dealer visiting Nevada.

To receive your free copy send a self addressed, stamped, (.55 cents) envelope to :

NEVADA GAMING LIST  
P.O. BOX 80572  
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, 89180

I also send out a complete list of all the Premium Gaming Tokens that have been put into play across the entire country. This list now is over ten pages long and growing. To receive the Premium List, please send your S.A.S.E. (55 cents) to "PREMIUM TOKEN LIST" at the above address. To receive both lists please send a larger envelope with \$1.01 postage and make a sure to mention that you want both lists. In Nevada I know what Premium Tokens should be coming out and I have friends that let me know when the tokens are actually put into play. In the rest of the country I'm relying on the membership to keep me updated on what is in their part of the world. The Atlantic City casinos should be getting Premium Tokens this next month. The accuracy of the Premium Token List depends on everyone's input. Let me know what you find.



## *t* *ravelin'* *t* *he* *with* **Sandersons**

### A Sad Farewell

Sanderson R-171

4 Nov 1994

To the Editor:

Because of Sandy's ill health "The Travelin' Sandersons" will pull over to the curb and turn off the switch.

Writing the travel articles and seeing them in print (25 since July 1989), was almost as enjoyable as ding the travelin'.

We still intend to be active members, and contribute to the club whenever possible.

Just Maybe

"Hey kid - yeah you! Have you looked at your room lately? I mean really looked at it? Paint is coming off the ceilin' - crayon scribbles all over the walls - both windows are cracked - the door is hangin' off the hinges - and the rug, it's ripped to shreds.

"The whole place is dilapidated and decrepit, and besides - it's a mess.

"Now I'll tell you what I'm gonna do. I'll put the word out that maybe, just maybe, your old man (with permission of the family) might let you have a casino there.

"Soon the big boys will be around with all kinds of offers to fix up the place - for a piece of the action.

"If you play your cards right they may offer to Regular Checking account-model the whole house, or even the entire neighborhood.

"Just maybe - now, just maybe."

## 1994 "CHIP & TOKEN OF THE YEAR" ANNUAL CONTEST

Well boys and girls; it's that time of the year when each member gets a chance to select a pair of the club's most prestigious awards.

The rules are quite simple... For those newcomers to the hobby, and to the club, all of the 1994 chips and tokens have now been issued from all over this planet and it's time to pick the best. Each member will be entitled to nominate up to five of their favorite chips and five of their favorite tokens. In order for a chip or token to be placed on the Election Ballot, it must receive a minimum of ten (10) nominations from the membership. A Nomination Ballot has been inserted into this issue of the club magazine. Only those club members who submit nominations will serve as an Election Committee and only those members will receive an Election Ballot in March, 1995. If you don't send in the nomination ballot, you will not receive an Election Ballot. Suitable awards will be presented to the winning casino representatives during our annual convention in Las Vegas. We had some great participation last year. Let's continue the trend!!



COLORADO AND DEADWOOD SPECIAL PREMIUM TOKEN LIST

9 Sept., 1994

GENERIC, \$ 7

	<u>Reeded*</u> <u>Brim Hat</u> <u>Neck Halter</u>	<u>Part reeded</u> <u>Brim Hat</u> <u>Neck Halter</u>	<u>Part Reeded</u> <u>Brim Hat</u> <u>Nose Halter</u>	<u>Part Reeded</u> <u>Small Hat</u> <u>Neck Halter</u>	<u>Part Reeded</u> <u>Fur Hat</u> <u>Nose Halter</u>	<u>Part Reeded</u> <u>Fur H. Ripples</u> <u>Clear</u>	<u>Frosted</u>
Bison, no grass (Type 0)				O__	O__		
Bison, short grass (Type 1)				O__			O__
Bison, long grass (Type 2)	O__	O__	O__				
Bison, no grass, frosted					O__		
Deer, antler over (Type 0)	O__	O__	O__				
Deer, frosted, (Type 0)					O__		
Deer, antler under (Type 1)					O__		
Deer, antler on (Type 2)				O__		O__	O__
Eagle, no mark (Type 0)			O__		O__		
Eagle, mark (Type 1)	O__	O__	O__	O__			
Eagle, 2 marks (Type 2)				O__		O__	O__
Eagle, frosted (Type 1)					O__		
Horses, strait grass (Type 0)	O__	O__	O__	O__			
Horses, bent grass (Type 1)			O__		O__		
Horses, Bookcliffs (Type 2)				O__		O__	O__
Horses, frosted					O__		

SPECIAL WILDLIFE SERIES  
\$ 7

	<u>Colo. Central</u> <u>Station Tower</u>	<u>Colo. Central</u> <u>Station Locom</u>	<u>Glory Hole *</u>	<u>Teller House</u> <u>Reeded</u>	<u>Teller House</u> <u>Part Reeded</u>	<u>Deadwood</u> <u>Clear</u>	<u>Frosted</u>
Bison, no grass (Type 0)	O__		O__		O__	O__	
Bison, short grass (Type 1)	O__	O__			O__	O__	O__
Bison, long grass (Type 2)			O__	O__	O__		
Deer, antler over (Type 0)	O__	O__	O__	O__	O__	O__	
Deer, antl. under (Type 1)	O__		O__		O__	O__	
Deer, antler on (Type 2)	O__				O__	O__	O__
Eagle, no mark (Type 0)	O__		O__		O__	O__	
Eagle, mark (Type 1)	O__		O__	O__	O__		
Eagle, 2 marks (Type 2)	O__	O__		O__	O__	O__	O__
Horses, strait grass (Type 0)	O__		O__	O__	O__		
Horses, bent grass (Type 1)	O__		O__		O__	O__	
Horses, Bookcliffs (type 2)	O__	O__			O__	O__	O__

HISTORIC COLORADO MINING, SPECIAL SERIES, \$ 7

GLORY HOLE \*

	<u>Slotted Skirt</u>	<u>Filled Skirt</u>	<u>Large Letters</u>	<u>20g wt. F.S.</u>	<u>TELL. HOUSE</u>
Assayer	O__	O__		O__	O__
Rider, no clouds		O__			
Rider, clouds	O__	O__	O__	O__	O__
Stage, 4 horse		O__			
Stage, 8 horse	O__	O__		O__	O__
Train	O__	O__		O__	O__

DEADWOOD\*, \$ 7

	<u>Calamity Jane</u>	<u>Deadwd Dick</u>	<u>Poker Alice</u>	<u>Wild Bill Hickok</u>
Large heads, fine silver	O__	O__	O__	O__
Small heads, no inner ring	O__	O__	O__	O__
Pure Silver, 25g wt	O__	O__	O__	O__
Pure Silver, 20g wt	O__	O__	O__	O__

\$ 10 PREMIUM TOKENS

	<u>Genenc</u>	<u>C.C.S. Locom</u>
Chief Medicine Crow	O__	O__
Chief Ouray	O__	O__
Geronimo	O__	O__
Red Cloud	O__	O__
Sitting Bull	O__	O__

\$ 2 PREMIUM TOKENS. SEVEN WONDERS OF THE WORLD

Deadwood

Eiffel Tower, 1994	<input type="radio"/> _
Empire State Building, 1994	<input type="radio"/> _
Great Wall of China, 1994	<input type="radio"/> _
Parthenon, 1994	<input type="radio"/> _
Roman Coliseum, 1994	<input type="radio"/> _
Sphinx, 1994	<input type="radio"/> _
Taj Mahal, 1994	<input type="radio"/> _

\$ 28 PREMIUM TOKENS

Generic

C.C.S.

Deadwood (Saloon No. 10)

Gold eagle, part reeded	<input type="radio"/> _		<input type="radio"/> _
Gold eagle, reeded	<input type="radio"/> _		
Gold eagle, feet, reeded			<input type="radio"/> _
Gold eagle, center reverse, brim hat, part reed.	<input type="radio"/> _		
Gold eagle, feet, branch, center rev, pt reed., water tower		<input type="radio"/> _	
Gold eagle, feet, branch, center rev, pt reed, locomotive		<input type="radio"/> _	
Gold eagle, feet, branch, center rev, brim hat, pt reed	<input type="radio"/> _		
Gold eagle, feet, branch, center rev, fur hat, pt reed	<input type="radio"/> _		
Gold eagle, feet, branch, center rev, small hat, pt reed	<input type="radio"/> _		
Gold eagle, feet, branch, center rev, ripples, pt reed	<input type="radio"/> _		
Gold eagle, feet, branch, center rev, pt rippled, pt reed	<input type="radio"/> _		
Gold eagle, feet, branch, center rev, pt reed			<input type="radio"/> _
Gold eagle, Colo. Gold Rush, (error), pt reed			<input type="radio"/> _

Note regarding the  \_ symbol: When you get an item, fill in the . A blank  means that you want that item for your collection. If you have extras for trading or selling, enter the number in the space beside the . When used in this way, this list gives you an easy visualization and record of the status of your collection.

\* Obsolete

Ben Krieger, 492 Ord Drive, Boulder, CO 80303

## *New Las Vegas History Booklets Available!*

Jim Gellette, club member and Las Vegas historian, has published three more booklets in his Las Vegas history series, and has made a limited number of copies available to the club. Jim's booklets contain photographs of the casinos since, and sometimes during, their construction, and some of the pictures have never been seen before. They're fantastic glimpses into the origins of the casino hotels we know today.

Jim's newest booklets are the Dunes, Hacienda, and Tropicana Hotels—the tenth, eleventh and twelfth Strip hotels. Each contains eight pages of photographs and captions with information about the hotels' origins and development.

We still have a few copies of some of Jim's previous booklets as well: El Rancho Vegas, the Sands, the Royal Nevada, and the Riviera.

The booklets are \$3 each, 4 for \$10, 5 for \$12, and 6 for \$15. Because Jim has kindly donated the booklets to the club, the sale proceeds go to the club treasury to help provide additional and improved benefits for members.

For your copies, send a check payable to CC&GTCC, along with a request for the specific booklets you would like, to: Michael Knapp, Corresponding Secretary, P. O. Box 340345, Columbus, OH 43234.

# THE TEN RAREST COLORADO CHIPS - AS WE ENTER 1995

by

BOB GAARDER R -304

It has been a year since I first listed the Colorado top 10 chips, there have been many changes and it is time for anew listing. The list is, in my opinion, the rarest of the rare as we enter 1995.

1. **GREGORY STREET** Black Hawk, CO. \$1

An issue of only 100 with a great design by Chipco. It is a key chip in any collection.

2. **RICHMAN CASINO** Black Hawk, CO \$1

A club chip given out by management to high rollers as identification. Collectors can not buy this chip, casino management has a strong stand on this.

3. **ASPEN MINE** Cripple Creek, CO. \$1

Another issue of 100 and not all of these have been released. The Aspen Mine was recently sold, what this might mean to collectors is anyone's guess.

4. **BLACK DIAMOND, TYPE 1**, Cripple Creek, CO. \$5

The Black Diamond, Type 1 chip ( with Ace of spades and Jack of hearts on both sides ) was in use for only 3 weeks when it was replaced by the Type 2 without the cards. The Type 1's were returned to Chipco. A beautiful and scarce Colorado chip.

5. **MINERS PICK**, Central City, CO. \$1 and \$5

This casino was open for only a few months, a great design by Chipco adds a double meaning to "Miners Pick" this makes it a conversation piece as well.

6. **TELLER HOUSE**, Central City, CO

First anniversary special \$5 issue.

The Teller House made this chip available during the month of October 1992 only. The remaining chips were then supposed to be destroyed. I think they really were! Try to find one.

7. **ORE HOUSE**, Cripple Creek, CO. \$1 and \$5

The first Colorado obsolete chip! They were forced to rename the casino Lucky Lola's after a few weeks of operation as some one else had the name Ore House registered with the state.

8. **GOLD RUSH**, Cripple Creek, CO. \$1

Casino management took the \$1 chips out of circulation after only a few days of play, I estimate that only about 250 are available to collectors.

9. **BONANZA**, Central City \$5 Chipco

For some unknown reason, the Bonanza ordered an issue of only 200 \$5 chips from Chipco, many collectors do not know of this small issue. The Famous Bonanza has another \$5 issue from Paulson which is plentiful. A sleeper.

10. **WILD HORSE**, Cripple Creek, \$5

The Wild Horse opened 7-3-92 and closed unexpectedly 12-31-92, these chips have almost disappeared. It is a real tough find.

Again I must include the **BOWL OF GOLD** error chips with the Bowl of Gold on both sides and the Walking Liberty on both sides only 13 known total and very collectable.

I enjoyed making this list and I hope you enjoyed reading it. I plan to up date it once a year and I would appreciate your input. - Bob Gaarder, 2 Ridge Road, Colorado Springs, CO. 80904



# THE TURF CLUB HIALEAH RACE TRACK FLORIDA

CIRCA: 1932

By John Benedict

Hialeah race track had reopened in January of 1932, after Joe E. Widener, millionaire art collector, purchased the once failing and run-down operation from the original owner. A Grand Opening was held at its private and posh Turf Club with fanfare celebration, and such guests as the Vanderbilts, Whitneys and Huttons were present.

Widener used money; energy and intelligence to improve the operation of the race track which was originally built in 1925, but the conditions during the Great Depression caught even Widener unprepared financially at one point, and the race track was faced with the possibility of having to interrupt its schedule which was at the height of Florida's tourist season.

Widener had called upon Colonel Edward R. Bradley, a prominent casino operator in both Palm Beach and St. Augustine, Florida, for some financial help to keep operations up and running, and Bradley sent an armored truck with sufficient funds to make sure the horses would continue to run as usual, along with payoffs being quick. At that time few knew that it was Bradley that saved this recently opened track from an otherwise embarrassing situation. It is said that the favor was duly returned by Widener in allowing Bradley to operate a private casino at the Turf Club for the duration of the ten-week season.

Prior to Hialeah race track being purchased by Widener, betting of all types was illegal in Florida. In order to bet on a horse at the track, the "certificate method" was adopted to circumvent the law, and a bettor had to purchase shares of stock in the horse he favored and was issued a certificate on the spot. If the horse was in the money, a "dividend" was declared immediately. This legal curve-ball was only a stop-gap at the time. Widener, with huge sums of money being invested in Hialeah, saw a most urgent need for a pari-mutuel law, and through quick and skillful juggling, and money, was able to convince Florida's State Legislator, and a bill was introduced and passed in a few days!

I located the following chips in South Florida, about a twenty-five minute drive from Hialeah race track, and I'm going to assume that these chips were from the private operation Colonel Edward R. Bradley ran at the Turf Club until a better explanation comes along. If anyone has additional information on the Turf Club at Hialeah, or these chips, I would greatly appreciate knowing about it, especially if there are other colors and molds, because I would like to complete a set. Thanks!

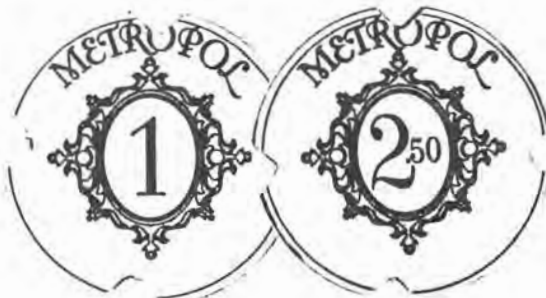
The chips I found are of the following mold designs: Dots, Diamond & Squares and Circle of Rectangles. The colors are: red, yellow, blue and white, with the blue and white chips reading TC. A total of fifty-one pieces.



## WHAT'S NEW FROM CHIPCO??

This past quarter's issues have been primarily foreign in nature.... always nice to illustrate the foreigners as we seldom see these issues in the United States.

A few interesting new pieces from Florida, Nevada, Atlantic City, South Dakota, Colorado, and others for you folks to check out. Too bad we can't publish them in color as the black & whites do not do proper justice to the attractive CHIPCO products.



# More Chipcos





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# Last of the Chipcos (for now)



# THE INFORMATION BOOTH

**Michael Knapp**

Yes, you're right: you haven't seen *The Information Booth* in a while. The pressures of business travel, and the few days we were able to spend at home over the past few months simply didn't leave time for us to write the column. As you may suspect, it's a time-consuming task. And although we'd love to be able to earn our living researching and writing about chips and casinos, it doesn't seem likely that it will support us in the style in which we'd like to become accustomed!

Hopefully, we'll be able to write the column on a more regular basis again. Assuming, of course, that we receive the input of members who have not only questions, but answers as well. This time, there are plenty of both, and we think you'll find more answers in this column than you've seen in the past several.

Remember, *The Information Booth* is a place for you to exchange questions and answers with other members. It's a clearinghouse of information, not merely a research job on the part of your columnist. In order for the column to work, all members must participate. If you have questions or if you recognize chips you see here, please write to us at P. O. Box 340345, Columbus, Ohio 43234.

For those of you who have submitted material, we will publish as much as we can each time. On occasion the questions greatly outnumber the answers, and we try to balance the column by saving some questions for the next issue. So long as the photocopies or chips we receive for publication are legible enough for us to illustrate, be assured that they will find their way into the column at some point.

Let's start with some answers to previous UFC's (Unidentified Flying Chips) published in past issues of *Casino Chip and Token News*. This time, we go all the way back to our second column, in Vol. 2, No. 2! As

has been our custom, we will show the original UFC numbers in boldface type, and will describe the chip briefly for those of you who may not recall it.

**Q. 15:** This chip bears the hotstamped numeral **181** on a cord-rim chip. Northern Kentucky expert Larry Trapp has found that it was used at The Avenue Club, an illegal casino in Newport, KY.

**Q. 55:** Hotstamped **T/M**, this chip was used at the County Line Club, Lancaster, CA.

**Q. 75:** Another hotstamped chip, bearing the initials **TED**. They were ordered in 1956 by Theodore Gray in Gardena, CA, but we're not sure at which club they were used. It is possible that they were private-issue chips.

**Q. 76:** The **JB** hotstamped on this chip probably were the initials of the owner of the Del Monte Club, Seaside, CA.

**Q. 79:** **DJG** was used at the Gold Coast Bar, Antigo, WI. The initials stand for Donald J. Griffith, who ordered the chips in 1941. Because there has never been legalized gambling (except for the recent Indian reservation casinos) in Wisconsin, we suspect that the Gold Coast had illegal games operating at the time.

**Q. 85:** There was originally speculation that the **Lucky Club** hotstamped on these chips might have been the club in Reno or Henderson or Searchlight, Nevada. All are wrong. This Lucky Club was located in San Jose, CA.

**Q. 104 and 105:** 104 is hotstamped **Marv's**, and 105 is hotstamped with the initials **MR**. Both were used at Marv's Club, Madera, CA.

**Q. 117:** The **Dixie Club** at which these large crown mould chips were used was located in San Jose, CA, not in Henderson or Reno, NV, as some first suspected.

**Q. 126:** A hub-mould chip with a **P** appearing within a **semicircle**, this chip was made for the Premier Club in Kansas City, MO. We do not know whether the



Premier Club was an illegal club or a businessmen's club. Perhaps someone from the Show Me state can tell us.

**Q. 182:** We do not know whether this chip was made for an illegal club, but we suspect it was. Hotstamped **Marcell's**, the chip was ordered by H.N. Weaver of Beverly Hills, CA, in the 1930's.

**Q. 195:** This chip shows a drawing of a **wheel**, with the letters **CLUB** within the spokes of the wheel at the bottom. It was shipped in 1951 to the Mizpah Bar, Tonopah, NV.

**Q. 204:** The initials **WR** appear within a circle on this hub-mould chip. They were shipped to Billy Reams in Tucson, AZ, in 1936. Although we do not know where they were used, it seems unlikely that they were made for home use, because the order consisted of 1200 chips. We suspect an illegal club.

**Q. 205:** One of several different varieties of **Turf Club** chips. This one is hotstamped with an art-deco style of lettering, and was used in Jeffersonville, IN in the 1930's, perhaps into the 1940's.

**Q. 239:** The **EPI** on this chip stands for Elbert's Pass Inn, in Arnold, CA.

**Q. 242:** This chip says **Arizona Club**. There was speculation originally that it might have been used at the Las Vegas Arizona Club, one of the early casinos in downtown Las Vegas. We now have authoritative information that it was made for the Arizona Club in Phoenix in 1946. Again, we suspect an illegal club.

**Q. 243 and 244:** Bearing three initials, we did not know in which order the initials should appear. It was clear, however, from the monetary denomination, that the chips were made for a club in England or a British Crown Colony. We now have the real story, from member Ian Sutton, forwarded by John Benedict. The initials are **NBT**, which stand for New Brighton Tower, the company which opened the Golden Nugget in London in 1965. The same company also owned the Victoria Sporting Club, which later became the London Playboy Club, and which is now the Victoria Casino.

**Q. 288:** This chip is hotstamped with a **clover** inside the initial **C**. It was made for the Colony Club, an illegal casino in Chicago, in 1938.

**Q. 310:** This chip is hotstamped with a **TT** on one side, and the numeral **47** on the other. We do not know the significance of the letters or the number, but the chip was made for the Improved Order of Redmen in Houston, TX. We have no idea what the Order of Redmen may have been, nor how it may have been improved, and perhaps one of our members from Texas can enlighten us!

**Q. 312:** Jack Boberg, who first sent us this chip, hotstamped with an **X** over a **C**, suggested, with his tongue planted firmly in his cheek, that the chips were probably made for Xavier Cugat, the bandleader (and husband of Charo, who needs only one name). Sorry, Jack. The real answer is a bit more pedestrian. The chips were made for the Exchange Club, San Clemente, CA.

**Q. 331:** This chip is hotstamped **YOC**. It turns out that it was made for an Officers' Open Mess in San Francisco, but we have no other information: we don't know which branch of the service, or at what base the chips may have been used. Perhaps our resident expert, Al Zaika, can help us with some research on this one!

**Q. 385:** **Club 620 Almont** was a card room located in Los Angeles. We suspect that 620 Almont was the address.

**Q. 390:** The initials **JC** are stamped on this chip, manufactured for J.C. Clark in Boise, Idaho.

**Q. 398:** The **RVD** hotstamped on this large crown mould chip are the initials of Raymond V. Dorsey, to whom the chips were shipped in Stockton, CA in 1962. Perhaps someone from California can tell us who Raymond Dorsey is, and where the chips may have been used.

**Q. 414:** We don't know what the initials **JML** stand for, but these chips were sent to the Hawaiian Club in Chicago in 1938. We suspect it was an illegal club.

**Q. 415:** If you read Archie Black's article in the last issue of the magazine, you will now know that the **Tuna Club** was an illegal club in Atlantic City.

**Q. 424:** These chips, hotstamped with only the word **Poker**, were used at the Poker Palace in Ridgecrest, CA.

**Q. 469:** This **Chief** chip is from Bakersfield, CA, not from Ely, NV as first speculated.

We have more answers to previous UFC's, but it's time to publish some new questions and UFC's. More answers will appear in the next issue of the magazine.

**Q. 654:** A member has asked when CHIPCO first started manufacturing casino chips, and what was the first CHIPCO actually to be used in a casino. It's a question we thought other members might be interested in as well.

CHIPCO is one of two companies that grew out of The Burt Company, which manufactured the majority of casino chips for many years. In fact, at one time, both Paul-Son Dice & Card Co. and Bud Jones Co., now manufacturers themselves, were Burt Company distributors.

Part of The Burt Company was purchased by CHIPCO in 1985, the other part becoming Atlantic Standard Molding, which is also still in the casino chip business. Two years later, El San Juan in Puerto Rico became the first casino to use CHIPCO's then-new full graphic design chips. Their appearance on the tables there in 1987 has resulted in an explosion of innovation in casino chip design, as well as tremendously increased interest in the hobby of casino chip and check collecting.

**Q. 655:** Laughlin, Nevada is an extremely interesting area, historically, and a discussion at the 1994 club convention has brought us some information we thought we should share through this column. Member Bob Kubach has done substantial research into the history of succession of Laughlin casinos, and was kind enough to send it for publication.

Of the existing Laughlin (originally, South Point, NV) casinos, five remain as they were built. The oldest, the Riverside Resort, opened in 1966, and eventually owner Don Laughlin put in the first post office in the area. When he did, he was given the option of naming the town because South Point was an unincorporated, customary name although no town actually existed. Mr. Laughlin must be an extremely humble person—the name he chose for the town was...well, Laughlin!

The Regency Casino (1980), the Edgewater Hotel (1981), Ramada Express (1988) and the Flamingo Hilton (1990) are the other four original casinos. All

others had predecessors. The second casino in what was then called South Point, NV was the Bobcat Bar, which opened in 1967. In 1969 it was purchased and became Odie Lopp's Nevada Club, which was open from 1970-1976. For the next two years, the club was known as the South Point Nevada Club. In 1978, the Del Webb Corporation bought the club and it became Del Webb's Nevada Club, which lasted until 1988 when it was purchased and became the Golden Nugget.

The present Colorado Belle opened in 1987, but the original Colorado Belle was open from 1980-1984. The Pioneer Hotel (1982) was built on the site of the Colorado Hotel (1979-1980). Gold River Resort (1991) was originally Sam's Town Gold River (1984-1991), and Harrah's (1992) was originally Harrah's Del Rio (1988-1991). Apparently Harrah's is the only one of the casinos which changed its name without changing its ownership.

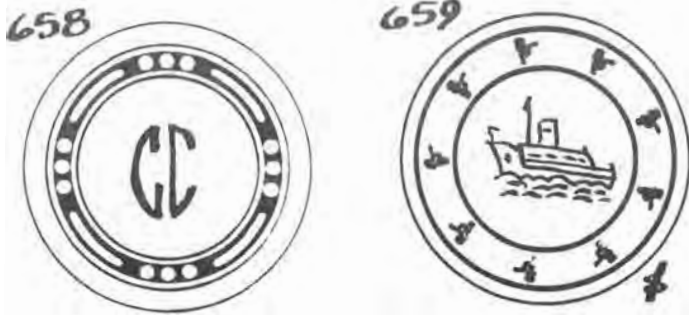
There are two casinos missing from the list: the Crystal Palace (1977-1985), which was originally the Monte Carlo Casino (1968-1977). The Monte Carlo/Crystal Palace is not open currently under any name, having closed for good in 1985.

Those who have tried to track the history of Las Vegas casinos (especially those downtown) or Lake Tahoe casinos can appreciate the relative simplicity of tracing the ancestry of current Laughlin casinos!

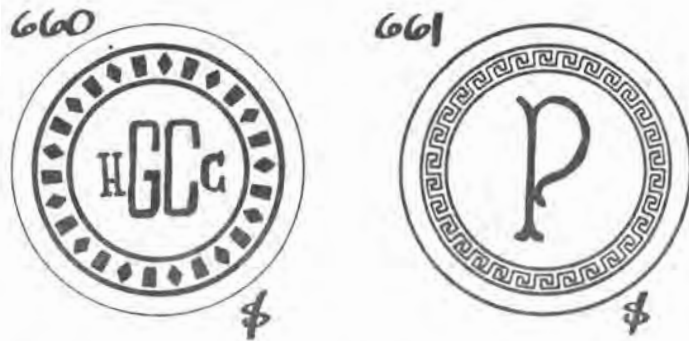
We begin our chip illustrations in this issue with some identified chips. As is our custom, we rarely show both sides of the chips we illustrate. Most are identical on both sides. Those that have only a denomination on the reverse side are denoted with a \$ beside the illustration. The first two chips were submitted by Steve Roy, and **No. 656** illustrates, as do some of the other chips in this column, the difficulty of deciphering initials on chips!



Despite the AC, it's from the Westward Ho card room at the Best Western Hotel in Grand Forks, ND. We have no explanation for the initials! We assume that 657, which is used at the Ramsby Lounge in Grand Forks, ND, is from a card room operated by a company called Boxing, Inc.



No. 658 was sent in by Bob Bickford, who says that he purchased the illustrated chip from an elderly gentleman who said that he believed the chip had been used at an illegal casino called "Two Brothers" in Cottage Hills, IL. The initials may be those of the brothers. Ken Hair sent No. 659, which we have been able to identify as being used on Oceanic Cruise Line ships. The jockey mould design is European in origin.



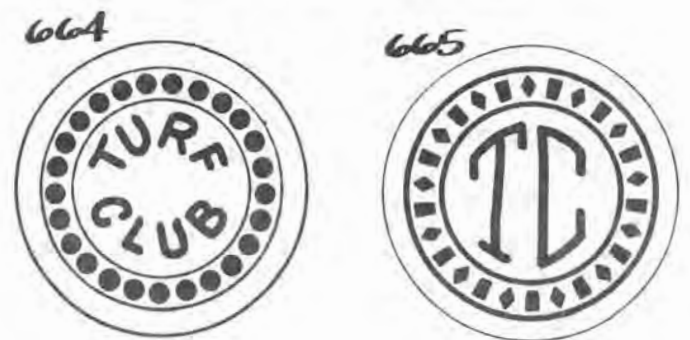
Charlie Sandes sent us a copy of 660, which he believes was used at Harold's Gun Club outside Reno. Certainly the initials seem to bear out his speculation. Is anyone familiar with this particular chip? Bill Penn sends us the information that we had previously misidentified No. 661 as having come from the Primrose Club in Newport, KY. Actually, it was used at the Pettibone Club, which operated in the late 1940's near Cleveland, next to the Bainbridge Race Track. It opened in 1946 and was only open for a short time,

although the closing date is unknown. Originally it had been the Arrow Club, also an illegal casino, which opened in 1938 and closed in 1942.

The mistaken attribution to Northern Kentucky is somewhat understandable, since illegal casinos in both the Cleveland and Newport/Covington areas were operated by the same group.



No. 662, Packer's Club, is from a card room in Bell, CA. No. 663, we believe, is also from a CA card room, although we do not know which one. Ralph Pollack tells us that he has the chip in 5¢, 25¢, 50¢, \$1, \$5, and \$50 denominations, which tend to indicate their use in a card room rather than in a casino. Does anyone recognize the Chinese character?



There were many "Turf Clubs" throughout the country, and although some were legal, most were illegal clubs. John Benedict may have determined the origin of one set of Turf Club chips, which appear as Nos. 664, 665, and 666. He has found that there was a Turf Club at the Hialeah Race Track in Florida. Originally built in 1925, Hialeah fell on hard times during the depression and was purchased and refurbished by Joe Widener, a millionaire and art



collector. The grand opening of the remodelled race track was held at the Turf Club in January, 1932, and included guests of financial, social and artistic fame, such as the Vanderbilts, the Whitneys, Lily Pons and Barbara Hutton.

Widener owed a favor to longtime Florida gambling figure Col. Edward Bradley (owner of the Beach Club casino in Palm Beach), and granted Bradley the concession to operate the casino at the Hialeah Turf Club. John Benedict believes that these chips, all of which were found together, came from that club.



As for the remaining chips illustrated, we have been unable to identify them adequately, and if you recognize any of them, we would appreciate your letting us know!



# What's It Worth?

By Frank Mauro R-1103

## "What's it Worth?"

Invariably, this question comes up when chip collectors get together to trade or sell casino chips or tokens. Having been a real estate appraiser and antique dealer for many years I have written this article as sort of a "tongue in the cheek" attempt to apply some of the techniques commonly used in those fields to this new and exciting hobby. While I personally feel that some of these techniques have merit, I would strongly advise readers that these opinions are my own, and are not to be construed as "expert" in any way, rather as an interesting insight into relative value principles and their applications to another field.

## "Market value"

Market Value is generally defined as "The MOST PROBABLE price an item should bring in a competitive and open market under all requisite to a fair sale, the buyer and seller, each acting prudently, knowledgeably and assuming the price is not affected by undue stimulus. Implicit in this definition is the consummation of a sale or trade of an item from seller to buyer under conditions whereby: (1) buyer and seller are typically motivated; (2) both parties are well informed or well advised, and each acting in what he or she considers his or her own best interest ; (3) a reasonable time is allowed for exposure in the open market; (4) payment is made in terms of cash in U.S. dollars or in trade of comparable items. Now how's that sound? Try it: the next time you are trying to get that \$3.00 Wyatt Earp chip for your \$.50 Nero's token. I tried it once and I can still see the funny look on that chip dealers face. However if the reader would read the above a couple of hundred times, it might begin to make a little sense. That is just the problem. It makes too much sense. Everybody knows that chip trades never make sense. So read on.

## "Cost vs. Value"

I can hear the boos already. It's obvious from the onset that this will never work. The only thing that makes any sense at all in this approach is that "cost and value are rarely the same". It could be more or it could be less. There; that taught you a whole bunch. Except for one important fact. A \$1.00 chip might be worth \$3.00, but a \$25.00 chip might only be worth only \$2.00. Hmm, gotta think on that a little. Let's put this aside for a moment and try something else.

## "Supply and Demand"

Here it is. This is it. I finally got it figured out. Combine supply, demand, rarity, condition, and you got "Value". I feel like Isaac Newton. History has shown time and time again that when

there are more buyers than sellers the prices should increase. This is fine when you have one of the only Buffalo Bill \$1.00 tokens, but what if you have a trunk full of Circus Circus \$1.00 tokens? Every collector in the world might have a Circus Circus token, but how many collectors would have a Buffalo Bill? One way to get around this is by having a trunk full of Proof Circus Circus tokens. Is this worth the same as the one rare Buffalo Bill? I don't know. Do you? The "Market Value Theory" already applied above says that "Buyer and seller must be well informed, or well advised". Obviously, anyone who would trade a trunk full of Proof Circus Circus tokens for one rare Buffalo Bill must be whacky. Or is he? I guess I am not as well informed as I thought.

## "Pizza Theory"

Try this one. You like pizza. You know of a pizza shop 10 miles away that makes the best large foot pizza in the area. And it is cheap. But you have a pizza shop across the street, not as big a pie (called a mini foot), and a little more dough. (pardon the pun). Which would you choose? If you went the 10 miles to get that large foot, would you trade it for 2 mini foots? I wouldn't.

## "Tulip Theory"

You mean you never heard of the tulips that once were selling in Holland for hundreds of dollars? It's true. Ask your stock broker about a stock and if he says it's a tulip, you better put your money in the nearest piggy bank. Some people also call this the "Greater Fool Theory". I have found that this theory works to your benefit most of time as long as you do not become the "Greatest Fool", because then you would own all the chips in the world with no one left to sell or trade to.

## "Let's get Serious theory"

Ultimately, you will find that an item is only worth what someone else will pay. One of the best ways to realistically test the worth of something is through the auction process. A well attended, well advertised auction will establish market value about as fairly as any technique I can think of. If it is not well advertised, and well attended, then anything can happen. While emotions and egos abound at auctions, selling prices usually establish a bench mark price for just about anything. The only real problem with this theory is that it makes too much sense and is no fun. I like the other crazy theories much better.

Happy Chipping:

Frank R. Mauro R-1103



# Let's Talk Tokens: Trains

by Dave Harvey R-182

Besides collecting tokens, my other hobby is trains. (This summer I rode BC Rails Caribou Dayliner from Vancouver to Prince George.

I am always delighted to find a token with a train on it. Here for your enjoyment I hope are some nice train tokens.

Photos 1, 2, & 3 are from the Ramada Express in Laughlin, Nevada. There is a fourth token in this series but it was too late to photograph. Also for your information the Ramada Express has a great G scale model train running around one of their cocktail bars. They also have many historic railway photos and artifacts scattered around the casino. In fact, this is the best railroad theme casino in my opinion.

Photos 4 & 5 from are from Colorado, the C&S being Colorado & Southern narrow gauge.

Photo 6 again from Colorado and photo 7 from Fallon, Nevada. Nothing special, just trains.

Photo 8 is a seven dollar premium token from Harvey's Resort Lake Tahoe.

Photo 9 is a ten dollar token (not premium) from the Ramada Express. Note that the same die with some small changes was used for both tokens. May you always find what you are looking for.







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# Chips 'N Tokens Update

by Janice O'Neal CH-008 V.P./Club Historian

As usual months continue to whiz by and it is time for another update. Time to let you know, in some cases, about chips that have come and are already gone! It is becoming quite amazing how fast some "new" issues are disappearing completely in such a short time from a casino. Either due to there being that many new collectors or chip dealers stocking up for the future. It is no longer a wise decision to think, "Oh, that one just came out I'll pick one up next trip!" very likely "next trip" it won't be there. Case in point: MGM Grand Collector Series Bud Jones chips. \$5 Betty Boop came and went in the blink of an eye, then \$5 Ty Murray didn't even last until the rodeo came to town! MGM could be considered an exception because there are so many "MGM" collectors, but there are other casinos and other areas where chips are disappearing just as fast.

Sheraton Desert Inn LV changed out their entire h&c chip series for all new Paulson "house mold". Colors are the same on each denomination as the first series. Arizona Charlie's has all new Chipco chips; Debbie Reynolds Casino added two 21 tables, \$5-\$25 Paulson picture chips with full color picture of Debbie; Luxor very colorful Paulson picture chip for first anniversary 1994. And from Chipco there is a "\$5" chip at the Tallyho Las Vegas. This is not a gaming chip and the establishment is listed as "a unique gentlemen's cabaret"

There are two types of Las Vegas Club .25 chips, both are h&c wht—hs, type i—small letters, type ii—large letters. Had enough varieties yet? Here we go again—check out .25 Golden Gate LV h&c dull yellow—hs; type i—"downtown-Las Vegas", type ii—"Las Vegas, NV", type iii—(found in Oct 1992) "downtown-Las Vegas" very heavy hot stamp as compared to type-i. Now found Oct 1994 type-iv "downtown-Las Vegas, NV"

In Reno, Bob Cashell's Horseshoe has \$1 h&c dk blu—hs chip for Caribbean stud table. Harrah's Reno \$5 Chipco "Reno Air Races Sept 15-18, 1994" and \$5 Chipco "1994 Grand Opening Planet Hollywood". Variety found on Fitzgerald's Reno \$1 type-i top of "\$1" is close to "Fitzgerald's", type-ii there is a considerable space between "\$1" and name; John Ausauga's Nugget Sparks now has two types of \$1 chip also type-i (1992) regular h&c, type-ii (1994) wide graphic center h&c. Colors are the same.



Cactus Jack's Carson City released 4th in their series of "historical Carson City" Chipcos. 1995 commemorates Corbett vs Fitzsimmons boxing match in 1895; Carson Valley Inn Minden \$5 Chipco tenth anniversary. New Gold Country Inn Elko has added .50 Bud Jones 8 suit prp/wht—hs chip; Cactus Pete's Jackpot, NV \$2.50 Bud Jones yel 8blu—metal center chip has just surfaced. We don't know, at this time, if this is a new issue or an older one that we had not heard of before. Could someone please let us know if this is a new issue or not? We also have on our list that Cactus Pete's had plans for new 1m \$1 & \$5 tokens, anyone know if these have been released yet?

Boomtown Verdi \$5 variation with "Verdi, NV" at bottom of ci has now been found. The Flying J Truck Stop in Wells now has the Lucky J Casino with one 21 table using \$5 & \$25 h&c chips. At this time there are no \$1 slot machines, but there are \$1 (1994) 1m tokens on the 21 table. The chips are a bit unusual in the fact there is an "1m" mark on one side. Since chips are same design as \$1 token, could it be same art work used for chips that was used for token?

Tokens are a little bit slower this time, but watch out after the first of the new year! No end to "boxing match" tokens at MGM Grand LV! All are \$1—1994 gdc: Chavez (again) sept 17, 1994; Meldrick Taylor Sept 17, 1994; George Foreman 11-5-94; Michael Moorer 11-5-94; Oscar de la Hoya 11-18-94; Roy Jones, Jr 11-18-94; & James Toney 11-18-94. It looks like MGM is the only "casino" to add tokens this quarter unless we've missed something!

We never seem to run into that problem with bar tokens, although even those are a little slower this time around. In Las Vegas: First & Ten Sports Pub (was Big Bear, was Brass Monkey!), Kelleez Bar & Grill, a new Kilroy's at 310 S Decatur, Keg Room, Port Tack, Stagedoor. Bully's 1945 LV Blvd S is now "Ye Irish Porker" (if you guess token has a pig on it, you are correct!!) Buggy's has new (1994) ct United coin and Moose McGillycuddy's is another issue with two mint marks, gdc obverse/ ct reverse.





In Reno: Adele's, Cork Room Lounge, The Good Times Co, Malone's, Mr D's Backstage and Watering Hole (not to be confused with Water Hole in Las Vegas). Bar M Bar in Verdi and Gold Country Elko has two types of \$1 token: type-i straight lines under ore car both sides. Type-ii slanted lines under ore car one side only (other side is still straight lines). McCarran Airport in Las Vegas new \$1 gdc 1994.

By the time you read this, Fiesta in North Las Vegas will be open and most likely Harvey's Hard Rock in Las Vegas. With several more either in the process of building or on the drawing board. The year ahead looks great for collectors of current material!

And so on around the U.S.A.—

Colorado: Blackhawk: Gilpin Hotel \$1 Chipco, "second Anniversary Oct 1, 1994". Same design as last year's \$5 First Anniversary; Pick-a-dilly closed 11-1-94, building to become part of Gilpin Hotel.

Central City: Tollgate re-opened 10-21-94 under new ownership—name now spelled with no space between "Toll" & "gate". \$1-\$5 chips (new chip company? We need information on this. Can anyone help?) Chips have narrow plain edge, \$1 wht 3 dk blu/blu/dk blu—blk blu wht ci, \$5 red 3 wht/blk/wht—blk wht red ci. Also a second \$5 same colors that has "1994 Limited Edition" (grand opening??) in small print at top on inlay. (how many missed this one?) \$1-\$5 no date (1994) tokens. Opm mint mark on \$5 only; Long Branch, CNCY is closed; Harvey's Wagon Wheel opened 12-2-94, \$1-\$5-\$25 h&c chips, \$1-\$5 (1994) gdc tokens.

Cripple Creek: Brass Ass closed 8-94 due to death of owner; re-modeled Elk Creek open 11-1-94 (now includes Turf Club building) using original Elk Creek chips & tokens; Long Branch Cripple Creek now known as Legends at Long Branch under new ownership. No change in chips & tokens; Loose Caboose closed for winter; Silver Palace closed to re-model (rumor says new name will be "Crapper Jack's")!!

Deadwood, South Dakota: Hickok's new \$1 Chipco yel blk wht same design as \$5; there was an error last time in reporting the Gold Dust \$5 Bud Jones metal center chips as obsolete when \$5 Chipco were put in play. \$5 BJ is used on 21 tables, \$5 Chipco on poker tables, so both chips are current.

Indian casinos: Foxwoods Ledyard, CT again heads this list with a \$10 Paulson picture chip. This time-Frank Sinatra (yesterday's rumor says #3 is either there or on the way, and will be Ray Charles, and both will probably have come and gone by the time you read this!)



Cypress Bayou Charenton, LA tables are now in play. \$1-\$5 h&c chips. A variety in the \$5 token has been found here also, type-i ct mint mark, type-ii no mint mark. Viejas Valley Alpine, CA has changed name (again!) to Viejas Casino & Turf Club. Chips are Paulson wide graphic centers with rim colors same as before, only center inlay design and color has been changed. The new .50 chip is hs, all others have center inlay (ci). Cache Creek Bingo & Casino Brooks, CA \$5 Paulson picture chip—"1st Anniversary Oct 1994"; Jackson Indian Casino Jackson, CA added \$2.50 chip, Lang plain dk yel 3 off wht—hs, rest of chips here are hrs hds rt—hs (as far as I know this is the only \$2.50 chip in California so far.)

Casino of the Sun Tucson, AZ opened tables 8-12-94. Chips are \$1-\$2-\$5 Bud Jones with decal center inlay; Apache Gold Casino open at San Carlos, AZ. We have no information yet on what is there; also Isleta Gaming Palace open near Albuquerque, NM where there must be chips and possibly tokens? Help!

Questions: \$1 token Kaibab Paiute Pipe Spring Casino 1994 gdc—anyone know where this is from and do they have chips? Another \$1 token-Spokane Tribe, Washington and a \$1 chip-Double Eagle Casino Chewelah, Wash hrs hds rt bge 2 dk grn—grn blk red wht ci. Could both chip & token be from same place? Or two separate casinos in Washington we have no information on—help!!

Seminole Indians have opened casino at Brighton, FL. Chips are used in lightening bingo game. No amount elephant & crown mold (.25)-prp (\$1)-grn. Gold hs Indian head on each side (no casino name).

Grand River Casino Mobridge, South Dakota open 7-94. \$1-\$5 plain edge insert chips with center inlay, \$1 (1994) ct token. No \$5 tokens here; Dakota Sioux Casino Watertown, SD new \$1 token (1994) opm same design as before. There are actually three tokens here: 1.- (1991) jm reeded edge, 2.- (1992) no mint mark plain edge, & 3.- (1994) opm plain edge.

There are two Dakotah Sioux Casinos in North Dakota. One at St. Michael and one at Tokio. The St. Michael Casino is slots only, no tables and no \$5 slots. The Tokio Casino has 21 tables & five dollar slot machines. The previous chips reported from here were actually "error" chips. The spelling is "Dakota". New chips have been issued with correct "Dakotah" spelling, now both types are in play. We found new .50 & \$1, did not find \$5 with new spelling (unfortunately we didn't catch this until we got home!)



At **Prairie Knights Casino Ft. Yates, North Dakota** (not at Cannonball, ND as previously reported) there are .50 and \$2.50 chips on the 21 tables at the same time used to pay different money combinations for a blackjack! (this place has some of the strangest rules we have ever encountered!) .50-\$1-\$2.50 are bud Jones hot stamp chips, \$5 Bud Jones metal center. "Prairie Knights" one side/ "Seven Circle Resorts, Inc" other side. \$5 token is brass (\$1 token reported last time).

**Ojibwa Casino Baraga, Mich** new \$1 token (1994) ncm brass. All other tokens here are now obsolete; **Kings Club Brimley, Mich** installed a craps table and now uses the \$1 hrs hds rt prp—center inlay chip for use with American money that no one has been able to get. My "very rare-only two known chip" is now reduced to "current-in play" status! **Kewadin Casinos, Vegas Kewadin at Sault Ste. Marie, mich** has re-instated use of "Canadian money" chips. New set Chipco chips, same design as regular chips, .50 lt pch, \$1 dk brn, \$5 dk turq, and \$25 dk pnk.

Also for **Kewadin Casinos Sault Ste. Marie, Mich** 9th Anniversary celebration at Vegas Kewadin Chipco introduced a full color slot token that plays in machine with regular dollar tokens. Multi color design on white base. The promotion was Nov 14-19 and by the first of December they were already virtually impossible to be found.

**Black Bear Casino Carlton, Minn** has a no-amount (\$5) match play h&c lt blu—hs chip that says only, "Fond Du Lac Casino" (which was the name used before **Black Bear** opened); **Bad River Odanah, Wisc** slipped in another variety on their .50 chip, that makes three-type i initials only, square letters, type ii has casino name "Bad River" on chip, now type iii again initials only, this time script letters.

At **Hole in the Wall Danbury, Wisc** along with the new center inlay \$5 chip reported last time is a .50 h&c yel—hs; **Isle Vista Red Cliff, Wisc** has a small size ncv copper token (1994) ncm.

Then in the—"you just never know what might happen next" category—**Ho Chunk Golden Nickel Casino Baraboo, Wisc** has installed a \$5 slot machine and is temporarily using the \$5 token from **Rainbow Casino at Nekoosa** that was discontinued in 1993. Kiss another "rare" obsolete token good-bye.

Answer to question from last time—yes, there are two \$5 tokens at **Hollywood Casino Tunica, Miss** (1) building logo (2) fan logo; **Las Vegas Casino Greenville, Miss** added \$2.50 chip h&c Paulson picture chip; **Casino Magic Bay St. Louis, Miss** has had two new Chipco: \$5 collector series "Fats Domino July 14, 1994" and \$5 "2nd anniversary sept 1994".





In Louisiana: **Boomtown Belle** at Harvey, \$1-\$2.50-\$5 h&c chips, \$1-\$5 (1994) gdc tokens; **Treasure Chest** at Kenner, chips are .50 h&c dk pch 4 blu—hs, \$1-\$5 h&c Paulson picture chips, \$1-\$5 (1994) gdc tokens, after a very short time \$5 picture chip replaced by regular h&c mold chip with picture on center inlay only (another case of chips being too much alike and getting mixed together?); **Belle of Baton Rouge** at Baton Rouge at Catfish Town \$1-\$5 h&c chips, .25-\$1-\$5 (1994) gdc tokens.

As of 11-18-94 all chips and tokens from **Hilton Queen of New Orleans** are obsolete. New larger boat arrived to be called **Flamingo Casino** with all new h&c Paulson picture chips. \$1 wht 1 dk pink 1 dk blu full graphic picture is multi pink, \$5 red 1 each org lav turq full graphic picture is black (should be no reason for these to get mixed up!) tokens are \$1-\$5 (1994) gdc; at this writing **Crown Casino St. Rose, LA** still not open-so no **Chipco** token here yet.

**President on the Admiral St. Louis, MO** added .05 tokens (1994) gdc, same design obverse as other tokens, reverse has name and denomination; **Harrah's N. Kansas City, MO** is open. 50¢ h&c pink 2 lav, \$1 wht 2 lt blu, 2 gray. Also **Riverside Casino** open at Riverside, MO, \$1 h&c wht 3 purp & chartreuse

The last available riverboat license in Illinois is taken as the **Grand Victoria** opens at Elgin on the Fox River. Chips are .50-\$1-\$5 h&c, tokens are .25-.50-\$1-\$5 (1994) gdc; **Catfish Bend Casino Riverboat** open in Iowa (ex-Miss Belle II boat from Clinton). This boat will be in two cities: May-Oct in Ft. Madison and Nov-Apr in Burlington. Chips are .50 h&c yel—hs, \$1-\$5 h&c with center inlay, and \$5 h&c picture chip for “1994 Grand Opening”. Tokens are .05-.25-\$1 (1994) gdc. There are no \$5 tokens here at this time.

Moving cruise ships are becoming almost as bad as moving riverboats! **Savannah Lady of Savannah, GA** has moved to Dania, FL and has become **Casino Cruises of Fla, Vegas Express**. They are still using the **Savannah Lady** tokens. Chips are h&c Paulson picture chips: \$1 wht 1 org 1 dk blu, \$2.50 pink 3 grn/blk/grn, \$5 red 2 lt grn 2 blu, & \$25 grn 4 lt org 4 lav. Full graphic picture on all is red blk wht lav; **Key Largo, Fla** now has **Holiday Casino Cruises** \$1-\$5 Chipco, .25-\$1 slot tokens; **gold star** moved from Galveston, Texas to Fla to run cruises to the Bahamas for the winter and is scheduled to return to Texas in the spring.



We have found there is a whole group of charity casinos in the state of North Dakota. One is Progress Enterprises, Inc Jamestown, ND. Chips are Bud Jones .50 8 suit yel—hs \$1 wht 4 blu, \$2 pnk 4 spt lt blu, & \$5 red 6 wht, all with metal center inlay. Another at Fargo, ND is Prairie Public Broadcasting. Gaming is at the Holiday Inn, also Blue Wolf Casino Plains Art Museum at Fargo, and North Dakota Association of the Disabled (“NDAD” on chips). Gaming is at Ramada Inn Grand Forks, ND. The chips that we have so far are all Bud Jones metal centers. No idea yet how many of these places have opened across the state of North Dakota. The only game we saw them playing is blackjack.

Bladensburg Volunteer Fire Department Bladensburg, MD has \$2.50 Chipco. Fire engine on one side/ “Engine Company 9” other side. Old chips still in play have only “Co 9” on them.

And so another report comes to a close. We trust everyone out there had a great holiday season and we will all now start looking forward to Las Vegas in April.

“Thank you, thank you” to all who spared the time to let me know what you have been finding. Please keep up the good work. Many collectors enjoy (through this column) all that you let me know about.

Please note new mailing address: P.O. Box 706  
Howell, MI 48844-0706 until next time——  
Janice O’Neal



## PÓVOA DE VARZIM GAMBLING TRADITIONS

*by Carlos Pascoal (R-724)*

Póvoa de Varzim, a northern village with its own municipality, is comprised in Oporto district and situated right up northern Portugal.

Fishers village, Póvoa de Varzim has one of the most crowded animated competitive beaches of the northern area, highly populated during baths' season, featuring details going back to the 19th Century.

Póvoa, as a summer resort centre, as always been a gambling traditional zone, in spite of every interdiction around it.

According to Ramalho Ortigão words in "Portuguese Beaches"(1876): ... "In Póvoa, as well in Espinho, Foz e na Figueira, in short, in every portuguese beach, the competition around the green cloth is curiously diversified. Men of every social background, owners, State clerks, capitalists, teachers, literates, militaries in their uniforms, priests in their vests and crowns, every and all gathered around the gambling green cloth, fascinated by the gambling itself.

Once gambling is forbidden, and considering the fact that a gambling house is a secret place, with a misterious and secret entrance, each and every one is considered a notorious person just for the fact of going there and everybody gambles" .... "in every caffè there is a complementary room in which Roulette or "Monte" is gambled"...

2834 — POVOA DE VARZIM — (PORTUGAL) — Praia de banhos





In spite of its great and strong gambling traditions, Póvoa de Varzim was not contemplated, as an authorized zone for gambling practice, with By-Law 14643 dated 1927, December 3rd.

However, taking advantage of the fact that no one has submitted an inscription to Santa Luzia gambling area, a group of local authorities forwarded the idea of requesting a gambling permission for Póvoa, instead of Santa Luzia's.

In spite of all demands imposed by local authorities, including the constitution of a partnership with a capital share of 5.500 contos, the construction of a reversible Casino for the State and a Grand Hotel with a minimum capacity of 100 rooms, the "EMPRESA DE TURISMO PÓVOA DO VARZIM" was established with a capital raised totally by common funds of the municipality, being the City Hall its main shareholder, having 22.400 of the 25.000 available shares.

The effort of local people was rewarded by the awarding during a 30 years period of a Temporary Gambling Fortune Concession, attributed to Póvoa, according to a final order published in Official Newspaper in 1928, September 14th.

The first Managing Board of ETPPV has decided to subward, in exchange of an annual amount and during a not extensible 10 years period, the exploitation rights to a company, which associates were Mr. Joaquim Correia Leal and Mr. Artur António Bessa.

In 1928, gambling was functioning temporarily in the Póvoa Assembly and from 1929 until 1933 in the rooms of CAFÉ CHINÊS.

PÓVOA DE VARZIM—Casino Chinez-Sala de bilhares



In the meantime, the Casino construction has begun in 1930, February 28th, based upon a neo-classic design, to Garnier style, a man who created Paris Opera and Monte Carlo's Casino.

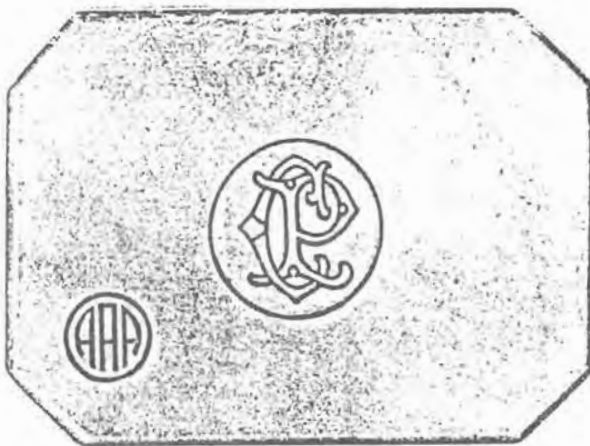
In 1934, the sub-renters transferred their shares to António Fernandes Salgueiro e ARTUR ADRIANO AIRES, being this last a gambling business man in several Lisbon gambling houses.

In 1st June 1934, traditional gambling house and Casino accesses were opened to general public, just to avoid the maturity date of established granted delay, foreseen in the gambling authorization agreement.

In 10th June 1934, the MONUMENTAL CASINO DA PÓVOA, was officialy opened, with a spectacular opening ball, being then present the War Minister in Government's representation.

In 1947, the local City Hall has decided to transfer its own shares within the partnership, thus loosing its characteristics of local share company, submitted to local control. The control of the said share was transferred to ARTUR ADRIANO AIRES & ASSOCIADOS ( some Casino's chips and plaques were even coined AAA - initials of their owner).

*Casino da Póvoa chips and plaques 1940's*



*1000\$00 beige 78x57mm*



*500(escudos) yellow 80x42mm*



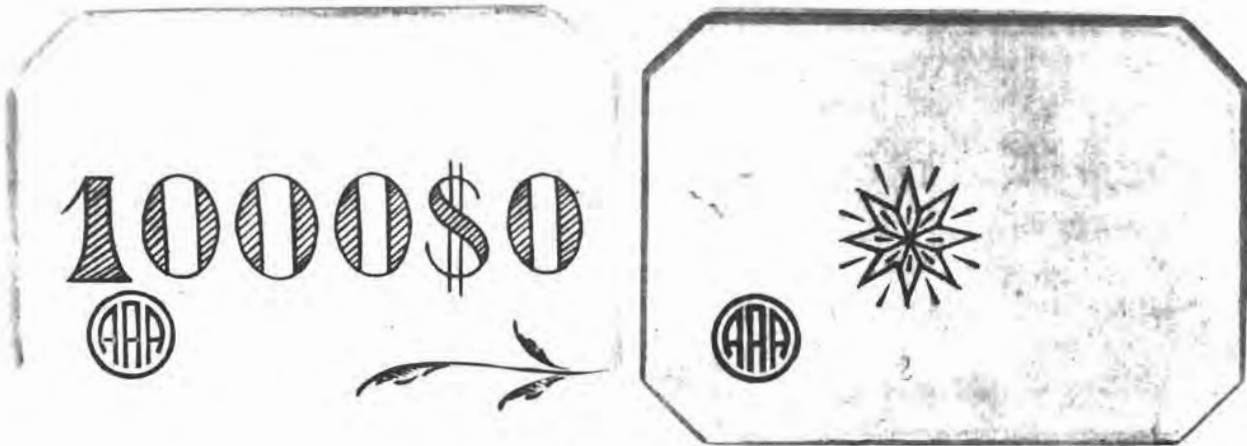
*10\$00 orange 40mm*



*2\$50 turtle imitation 36mm*



*100\$00 red 50mm*



*1000\$00 white 80x57mm*



*50(escudos) blue navy 51mm*



*1000(escudos) red 90x55mm*

In 1958, by the end of baths season, the temporary gambling concession for Póvoa de Varzim area, which has been granted for a 30 years period, has come to an end.

Póvoa was considered a temporary gambling area, being gambling in force only 6 months a year (between May and October).

Early next year, an Inquiry was submitted for gambling concession for a further 10 years period

Due to demand conditions imposed by the government authorities, the 3 concessionaires of Estoril, Espinho and Póvoa, by mutual agreement, did not submit their tender, thus preferring to await the submission of a more favourable Inquiry.

Contraly to the other two previous inquiries, in which other concurrent have presented their bids, the Inquiry for Póvoa concession registered no tenders.

In June 1959, near baths season time, with no gambling concession awarded, people faced the eventual closing of their Casino, a severe and painful situation for Póvoa in social and economical terms.

The direct intervention of the Minister of Internal Affairs led to the acceptance of Mr.Aires for a further 10 years concession period.



Slightly after, Mr. Artur Adriano Aires, due to a severe disease, transferred his shares to the remaining two shareholders which, due to several misunderstandings, gave great contribution to Casino's decline and also the degradation of Póvoa's image as a touristic activity centre.

Once again, local power its arms and extended its influences, and in 1966 SOPETE-SOCIEDADE POVEIRA DE EMPREENDIMENTOS TURISTICOS was created : a company with a share capital locally raised by means of a local funds raise, amounting to the minimum necessary capital: 6.000 contos.

The correspondent agreement was transcribed in 1968, September 20th.

By the end of gambling concession period for Póvoa de Varzim in December 1968, a new inquiry was opened early next year, comprising a 5 years period between 1969-1973, a very short delay for mortgaging the requested investments of inquiry process.

SOPETE, among the three bidders, was chosen and has profoundly remodelled and redecorated the Casino. It also constructed a \*\*\*\* Hotel, two Inn's and a great habitational and touristic complex.



### *Monumental Casino da Póvoa*

With the end of gambling concession in 1973, a new Inquiry was submitted for a temporary gambling concession of 15 years period, to be ended in 1988, December 31st.

Among several bidders, the State, in 5.2.74, has decided to grant SOPETE the correspondent gambling concession, thus depending on financial capacity, effectively and practically demonstrated.

With this Inquiry in course, in 25th april 1974, a revolutionary rebellion knocked down the existing distatorship, in force for almost 40 years.

The 1st Temporary Government turned nul and void the previous Inquiry, authorizing nevertheless the extension of previous existing concession up to 31st December of that year.

In return, a fixed amount should have to be paid ; partially to Tourism Fund and partially to City Hall.

So, Casino opened again its doors, although temporarily.

In 11th March 1975, a public inquiry was submitted for the permisson of gambling temporary concession in Póvoa up 1988. Due to the revolucionary times in course, the inquiry specifications were too severe and precise, namely in what concerns amounts for social buildings.

Again Sopete has presented its tender and gambling concession was granted accordingly up to 1988.

As from 1980, Sopete introduced enormous magnificent alterations and remodelling to Póvoa's Casino.

In 18th August 1981, the gambling area of Póvoa de Varzim was finally,thus achieving a permanent regime, instead a temporary, which was however already opcional by that time.

In 1988, after the end of previous concession, SOPETE was granted a new concession period for a 20 years period.

In the modernized CASINO MONUMENTAL DA PÓVOA, with its restaurant and disco roomn a daily internacional show, two orchestras and a ballet group of dancers, besides the traditional gambling house, one can also find a Bingo room and a 300 slot machines room, suitable to every taste. In the traditional gambling house, there are 10 roulette tables, 2 american roulette tables, 2 black-jack tables ans 4 French Bank tables.

#### *Póvoa do Varzim' Metallic chips-Beginning of 20thCentury*



*Metallic chips from DINIZ VIANA ,owner of several caffés in Póvoa de Varzim. Value in CENTAVOS, 10 and 20.*



*Metallic chips from Monarchy period (before 1910). Value in REIS 100, 200 and 500. C P V monogram- C (CASINO ? ) P (POVOA) V (VARZIM).*

**MONUMENTAL CASINO DA PÓVOA - CHIPS AND TOKENS**



*Slot machine tokens . 10\$00 21mm brass \*\*; 25\$00 30mm nickel ; 50\$00 24mm nickel ; 100\$00 29mm nickel .*



*=50 ESCUDOS 44mm \*\*  
-blue rim,green center disk  
=100 ESCUDOS 45mm\*\*  
-white rim,black center disk  
=500 ESCUDOS 51mm  
-yellow rim,blue center disk  
-white rim,black center disk  
-red*



*=1000 ESCUDOS  
-orange  
=2000 ESCUDOS  
- green  
- light blue  
plastic chips*



*=5000(ESCUDOS) 50mm  
-green,dark yellow lunette  
-yellow,dark yellow lunette  
-white  
=10000 green  
=10000 yellow rectang. plaque  
=20000 red rectangular plaque  
=50000 black rectang. plaque  
=100000 green rectang.plaque  
=500000 rose rectang. plaque  
acrylic chips*

Notes: \*\*means obsolete.Monumental Casino da Póvoa is also singly named Casino da Póvoa.



## 1995 CC & GTCC CONVENTION UPDATE

The 1995 convention will be our largest and most exciting convention to date. As of December 15, 1994, ALL of the 54 available bourse floor dealer tables have been sold. Over 4 months prior to the actual convention and not a single table left. I would not hesitate in reserving your airline seats or sending in your reservation requests to the Aladdin.

You do not Want to miss this show! There are some changes and additions to the last few shows that we feel Will only enhance our annual get together.

First, the Aladdin Hotel and Casino was sold on December 8, 1994. I was in Vegas for a meeting with the hotel people when they received the news. The current management team WILL remain in place and the new owners Will act as a landlord. The management company holds the gaming license for the casino. The hotel was already in the process of remodeling the casino. It has all new carpet and a bright, fresh new look to it. The new owners have pledged millions of dollars to renovate the property and much of the improvements should be complete in time for our show. I would encourage anyone who may have been disappointed in the property in the past, to give them another chance and book your rooms at the Aladdin. Remember that the Club is able to negotiate for the convention space based on the number of rooms we book.

## OPEN HOUSE AT PAULSON GAMING

The fine folks at Paulson Gaming Supplies have graciously offered to host an open house reception for the Club at their showroom in Las Vegas during our Convention. Ms. Nancy Sims, Retail sales Manager, was instrumental in providing this opportunity for the Club members. The open house will be held on Friday, April 28, 1995, between the hours of 8:30 am to 10:30 am at Paulson Gaming Supplies, 2121 Industrial Road, Las Vegas, NV, 89102. Some of the officers and management of the company will be on hand to greet you and answer questions about Paulson and they Will serve refreshments that morning. The parking is very limited and I strongly suggest that you go in groups of 4-5 to a cab. The only requirement to attend this unique function is that you MUST RSVP BY MARCH 30, 1995, TO THE CONVENTION CHAIRMAN, 112 SIMMONS, COPPELL, TX, 75019.

## TWO DISTINCT AUCTIONS

\*Note-A letter pertaining to the Friday night Auction should have been received by all members prior to the mailing of this newsletter.

This year's auction will work a little different than in the past. The Friday night session will be similar to last year's in that lots will be consigned to Howard Herz and he will prepare a color catalog for the auction that will be mailed to all Club members. The Club is paying for this catalog and the mailing, the Club will collect and distribute all monies involved with this portion of the auction. The number of lots will be restricted to 175 and no duplicates will be accepted. Howard is preparing the catalog as a member of the Club, will utilize his computer to track the sales and help with the nightly auctions. He will not be participating in this auction as a dealer nor will The Coin Company be involved as a corporation. All the rules for this portion of the Auction will be listed in the catalog.

Members consigning lots to Session #1 will be paid by Club check and if you are in Vegas for the show, you will be paid before you leave town by our club Treasurer. If you consigned lots and are not in town for the show, the Club Treasurer will mail you a Club check after the conclusion of the convention. Mail bids WILL be accepted for this session only and any member, whether in attendance or not, may, if they wish, consign lots to this sale. All lots consigned for this sale will be available for viewing at table #3 on Thursday, April 27, once the bourse floor opens to the public. More news to follow!

## AUCTION #2- "ON THE SPOT AUCTION"

Next on the agenda is the change in the annual Auction. The second night of the Convention Auction will have an entirely new look. Here is how it will be conducted: Let's call it an "On The Spot Auction". With this format, only those members in attendance will be permitted to bid or consign lots to the sale. Bruce Landau will be coordinating the sale and as in the past, Jim Kruse will serve as our Auctioneer. Howard Herz will assist Bruce with the consignments for the 2nd night. There will be no catalog, but a listing of all chips/tokens consigned will be prepared and distributed prior to the Auction. This list will be for ALL chips, listed in alphabetical order and will be available on Friday, April 28, 1995, when the bourse floor opens. The lots for the Saturday Auction will be on display at table #3 beginning Friday, April 28, 1995.

## "CHIP WIDOWS EXCURSION"

We have put together a program for a LIMITED number of ladies (or gentlemen) who would like to get away from the chipaholics for a day. A chartered 20 passenger bus will pick up at the ALADDIN in the morning, proceed to the TROPICANA HOTEL for a back stage tour of the longest running show in Las Vegas, THE FOLLIES BERGERE. Then it is off to the glutony of shopping, THE FORUM SHOPS at CAESARS PALACE, for two hours of non stop shopping. Don't miss the statues! Then after the shopping frenzy, you will convene at PLANET HOLLYWOOD for lunch. Next, you depart Caesars on the final leg of this adventure, one hour of sight-seeing around Las Vegas. This package is limited to the FIRST 20 respondents and you must RSVP no later than March 20, 1995. The cost of this "DAY AWAY" is \$25.00 for everything listed above. It does NOT include any alcoholic beverages with lunch. Send your RSVP and check to 1995 CC & GTCC "Day Away" 112 Simmons, Coppell, TX 75019. Make all checks payable to CC & GTCC. Don't delay, the space will go fast.

**YOUR CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD IS YOUR FREE ADMISSION TO THE 1995 CONVENTION. YOU MUST PRESENT A CURRENT MEMBERSHIP CARD AT THE REGISTRATION DESK TO BE ADMITTED. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE YOUR CARD, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO PAY THE \$2.00 ADMITTANCE CHARGE. WE WILL NOT SEARCH MEMBERSHIP LISTS. DON'T LEAVE HOME WITHOUT IT!**

**YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD IS ALSO YOUR ADMITTANCE TO EACH NIGHT OF THE CLUB AUCTION. THESE AUCTIONS SESSIONS ARE FOR CC & GTCC MEMBERS ONLY!**

## ALADDIN TO ISSUE TWO "LIVE" CHIPS

MR. BILL ZENDER, VICE PRESIDENT OF CASINO OPERATIONS FOR THE ALADDIN HOTEL AND CASINO, HAS OFFERED TO ISSUE TWO SPECIAL "LIVE" GAMING CHIPS TO COMMEMORATE THE THIRD ANNUAL CC & GTCC CONVENTION. THESE CHIPS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE CAGE AND SHOULD BE ON THE GAMING TABLES DURING THE CONVENTION.

### ATTENTION 1995 DEALERS

Mr. Archie Black will be acting as Program Chairman for the upcoming convention and will be contacting you in regards to ad space in the program.

A letter will be sent to each of you requesting names for your dealer badges shortly. REMEMBER-2 BADGES PER TABLE! With the increased size of the show, there will be 150 PROPERLY CREDENTIALLED people on the floor during set up hours and prior to the floor opening to the public. Special request will be considered for young children that you cannot leave unattended. If you have a third or fourth person that you want to help you "man" your table during show hours, a credential can be issued for these people, but they will NOT be permitted on the floor before it opens. These procedures are for YOUR protection, do not abuse them. Any special requests for credentials can be made to:

Mike Skelton  
112 Simmons Drive  
Coppell, TX 75019  
(214)393-7106

### 1995 CC & GTCC CONVENTION SCHEDULE (TENTATIVE)

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26, 1995

- 2:00 p.m. Dealer Set up may begin. BADGES REQUIRED
- 3:30 p.m. Club Officers & Convention Committee Meeting
- 5:00 P.M. EARLY DEALER SET UP ENDS. FLOOR MUST BE VACATED.
- 5:30 p.m. "Early Bird" Membership Welcome. Wine & cheese reception, co-sponsored by dealer donations
- 7:00 p.m. Members swap session. Bring Lap traders. NO tables
- 8:00 p.m. Dealers with tables ONLY set-up. BADGES REQUIRED
- 11:00 p.m. Bourse floor must be vacated & secured

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1995

- 10:00 a.m. Dealers with tables ONLY set-up. BADGES REQUIRED
- Exhibitors may set-up displays. BADGES REQUIRED
- 12 Noon OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY CONVENTION OPENS TO MEMBERSHIP/PUBLIC
- Free admission with current CC & GTCC membership card
- \$2 admission Without current membership card CC & GTCC Table Promotions Sales Table #1 & #2
- 1:00 P.M. Saturday night Auction lots consignment begins with Bruce Landau/Howard Herz at Table #7
- 2:00 p.m. Friday Night Auction Lots on display at Table #3
- 4:00 p.m. Saturday Night Auction Lot consignment ends
- 7:00 p.m. One way traffic begins (exit only)
- 8:00 p.m. Bourse room must be vacated and secured

#### FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 1995

- 8:30 a.m. Two hour Open House reception at Paulson Gaming You MUST RSVP by March 30, 1995 to the Convention Chairman
- 10:30 a.m. Paulson Open House ends.
- 11:00 a.m. Dealers with tables only set-up. BADGES REQUIRED
- 12 Noon Bourse floor opens to membership/public
- All exhibits must be in place
- Free admission with current CC & GTCC membership card
- \$2 admission without current membership card
- Auction Lots on display
- 7:00 p.m. Bourse floor closes for the night
- 8:00 p.m. Session #1 of Auction begins. MEMBERS ONLY
- Your membership card is your admittance pass.

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 29, 1995

- 8:30 a.m. Annual Club Business Meeting. Annual Club Awards presentation.
- 10:00 a.m. Educational Forum with Mr. Will Hart, Creative Consultant to Paulson Gaming
- 10:00 a.m. Spouses "DAY AWAY" program begins
- 11:00 a.m. Bourse floor opens to dealers with tables only. BADGES REQUIRED
- 12 Noon Convention floor opens to membership/public Free admission with current CC & GTCC membership card
- \$2 admission without current membership card Saturday night Auction lots on display Table #3
- 2:00 p.m. Exhibitor Awards Presentations (Bourse Floor)
- 4:00 p.m. Exhibitors may begin tear down
- 5:30 p.m. All exhibits must be removed
- 6:00 p.m. 1995 Convention Closes to membership/public
- 6:30 p.m. All dealer tables must be vacated
- 8:00 p.m. Auction Session #2 begins. MEMBERS ONLY
- Membership card is your admittance

### PAULSON ISSUES NEW "Fantasy" CHIP SET

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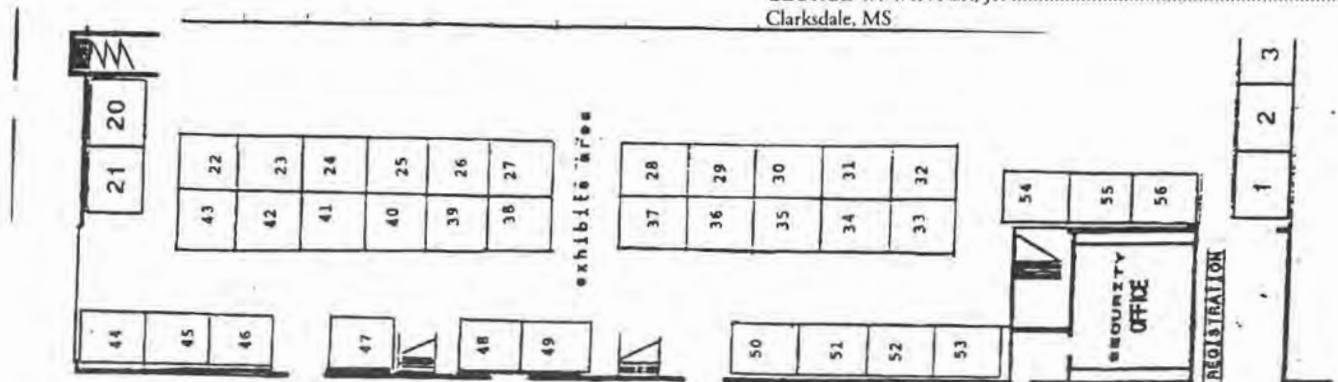
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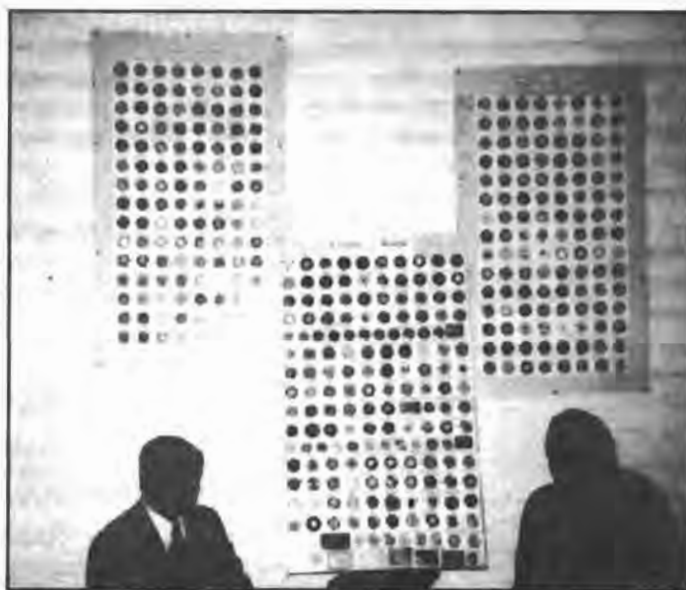
# DON'T WORRY — THEY'RE ONLY CHIPS

## A Brief Foray into the World of Chip Collecting

Bruce Harris

"Don't worry — they're only chips, not money."

This common consolation at the table rings hollow when confronted with the entrance hallway of Petaluma's Sonoma Joe's Casino. Handsomely mounted and labeled in the fashion of fine numismatic display, you'll see hundreds of chips from Las Vegas, Lake Tahoe, and California casinos. These three 5 feet by 3 feet placards are only a foretaste of the larger, beautiful array inside the 12-table gaming facility, where prominent collector Mel Jung is in the process of sharing the fruits of his 30-year hobby with the cardroom public. With approximately 1,800 pieces gracing the walls, it is already the world's largest



**RICHES LEADING TO RICHES** — Chip collector Mel Jung (left) and Tom Gaehr, partner in Sonoma Joe's Casino, pose with a small portion of Jung's display that decorates halls throughout the club.

display of chips and gaming tokens from around the world, and Jung is adding to it regularly from his collection of more than 12,000 modern and antique examples of the chip-maker's art.

When it was founded nine years ago, the Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club (CC&GTCC) was a group of about 100 individuals who shared a common interest in the little bits of wood, plastic, clay, and brass which chronicle the history of public gambling halls. Today, the club boasts more than 2,000 members worldwide, and is a full affiliate of the American Numismatic Association. The club publishes a glossy magazine devoted to the hobby. Collectors also have

available a growing collection of catalogs, research material, and other books. There also is a Western Casino Collectors Club, founded just 18 months ago, with 300 members, mostly on the West Coast. The WCC also publishes a magazine, and hosts meetings and swapmeets in Southern California.

Like many of his colleagues, Mel Jung started collecting chips in the early '60s during gaming vacations because they were pretty, and he didn't want to leave any casino without something to show for it. A few years later, he met legendary gaming entrepreneur Bill Harrah at a Reno businessman's club. Harrah gave him a few old, discontinued chips and told him to "hold onto this stuff, kid, they're going to be worth something someday." Today, the 56-year-old retired real estate broker

and investment consultant estimates the value of his collection in excess of \$250,000. With specimens ranging from Siamese porcelain gaming tokens dating from the end of the 18th century to the most modern ChipCo international products, from cardrooms and casinos current and defunct, Jung's collection demonstrates how a casual hobby became an obsession, investment, and business. He conducts a never-ending search for new additions, actively buying, selling, and trading with fellow collectors around the globe. Jung estimates that there are perhaps 1,200 chipophiles he would consider "really serious," with more entering the pursuit every day.

There is no formal, universally-accepted system for grading chips, as there is for numismatists. Collectors place value by the scarcity of individual chips and possession of complete sets for clubs. Jung

prefers chips with some signs of wear. "I like a chip that's been in action," he says. "I don't even mind an occasional cigarette burn. It only adds to the sense of history."

Given the turnover of casinos and cardrooms in Nevada and California alone, collectors are constantly trying to track the provenance of chips from long-vanished gambling halls. For example, Jung has just come into possession of several examples, including an unusual \$4 denomination from the El Monte Club, and is actively trying to find out where and when this establishment operated. The most current edition of *The Gaming Table*, the collector's Bible, contains thousands of listings of casinos by name, country, state, and years of operation. "New" discoveries are still made regularly, not surprising when you consider that more than

300 cardrooms have closed in California in the past nine years, and many of those still in operation have operated under numerous names.

Mel Jung is an active recruiter for his hobby, and is hosting a regular Collector's Night at Sonoma Joe's. The event is scheduled the second Wednesday of every other month. The next event is set for March 9, 1994. You can stop by the Sonoma Joe's to buy publications, learn more about this interesting pastime, buy, trade, or swap chips, or to just enjoy the beauty of Mel's display. Poker and Asian games are also available.

For more information on the CC&GTCC, contact Earl Donley, Recording Secretary, at P.O. Box 80572, Las Vegas, NV 89180. The president of the Western Casino Collector's Club, Armin Pfaender, may be reached at 1100-8 Sepulveda Boulevard, Box 777, Mission Hills, CA 91345. ♦

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## COMPETITIVE EXHIBITS & EXHIBITING — PART III

by Robert R. Maisch #R-357

Since the numismatic information portion of exhibiting is so vitally important, I'll devote part of another article on this topic. In the event you were puzzled by the questions asked in the previous column see the side bar below right for examples. The answers to these question will provide the numismatic information you will need for your exhibit.

As a 'collector' you have already committed yourself to study the items you have accumulated. As a 'collector' you also know that you cannot collect all casino chips or tokens. How did you limit the scope of your purchases? What interested you more than other things? Did you like the items from an area near you or that you may have visited? Did you enjoy researching or studying about specific casinos? Are you keeping up or researching and studying the items from a specific manufacturer or denominations? I could go on and on.

Have you ever given any thought to what makes this hobby of ours go round and around? I call it the 'H-GEAR'. The letters stand for History, Geography, Economics, Art and Religion. The stories or themes you can develop and why you collect certain items are endless but all are encompassed in these five main fields of study. The study you have done is about to pay off in the quality of your exhibit story.

The mistake many exhibitors make is they seem to want to show their entire collection at one time and tell all of the stories they have gathered into the confines of one display. Don't you fall into this trap. Select a theme or story-line and stick to it. Remember the title must be specific and will help you limit the scope of your display.

I suggest you make a rough sketch of how you intend your exhibit to look. There is no need to be neat yet. You will be making numerous changes before you are satisfied. Make a layout of your display just using circles (representing chips or tokens) and squares or rectangles (representing write-ups). This is the time to begin breaking down your story so that it is told piecemeal — a small segment at a time as it is associated with each chip and/token in the display. Make your exhibit material flow. People are accustomed to reading from left to right or top to bottom in columns, your layout should do likewise. Do NOT put the entire story on one or two sheets of typed paper and the collectibles lying along side.

Now it's decision time for you. You have your information and stories, but to put together a first class exhibit will take between one and three months. Do not expect to begin a week before a show to put together a nice display.

If you do not want to put in the time you have another option. Just put in a non-competitive display. That way you can just type your information on 3 x 5 cards and still show your interesting material. Above all be sure to keep researching and sharing — that's what this hobby is all about.

Next issue will get into the Presentation of exhibiting.

**WHO** - Who issued them; who made them?  
**WHAT** - What is it (token, chip, cheque, etc.)? What is the composition: or metal; What is the diameter, weight, etc.)? What are the designs and what are their significance? (Remember there are three sides chips — obverse, reverse and side).

**WHEN** - When was it issued; withdrawn?

**WHERE** - Where was it used; Where was it manufactured?

**HOW** - How was it used in the casino? (tables, slots, roulette, etc.); how was it manufactured (hot, stamped, molded, Chipco, hand-carved ivory, etc.)?

**HOW MUCH** - How many were issued (seldom known for casino collectibles)? How much are they worth (denominations) and exchange rate to u. S. dollars (This does nor mean how much you paid for it.) How many are known to exist or are known to be in collections (if scarce items)?

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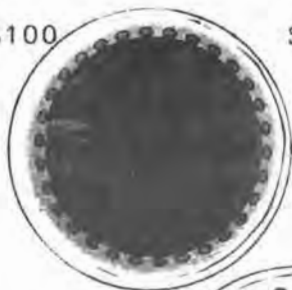
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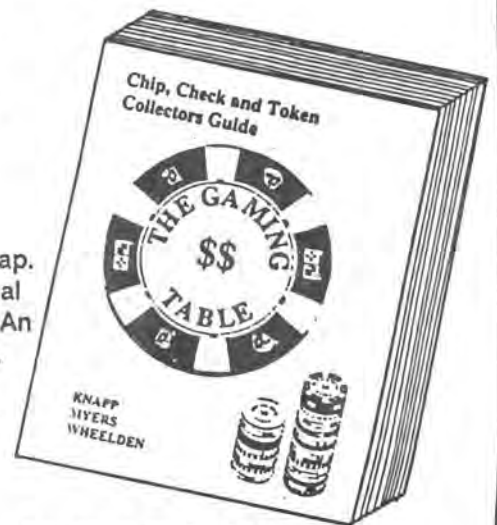
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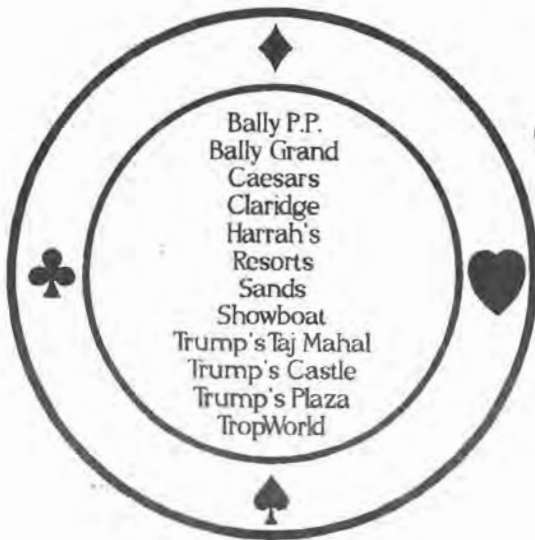
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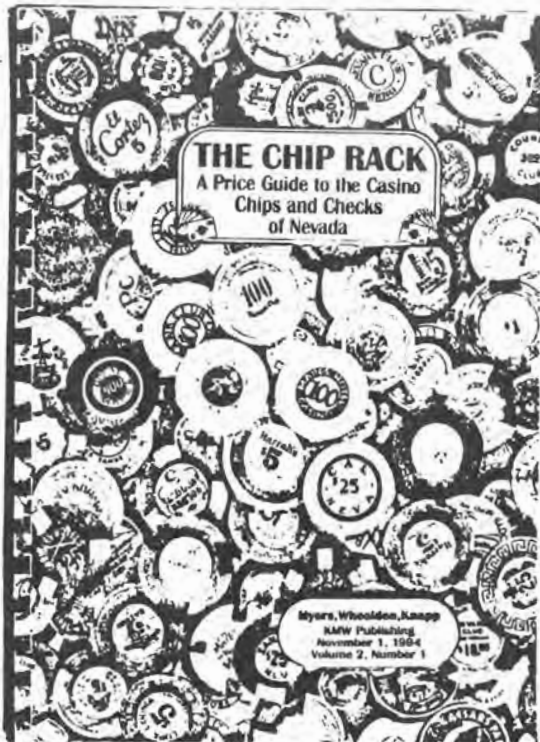
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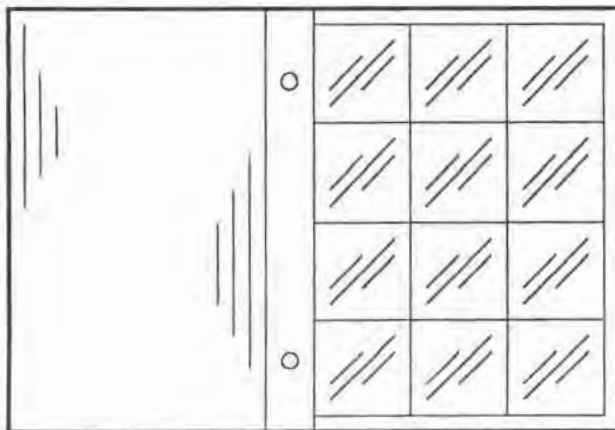
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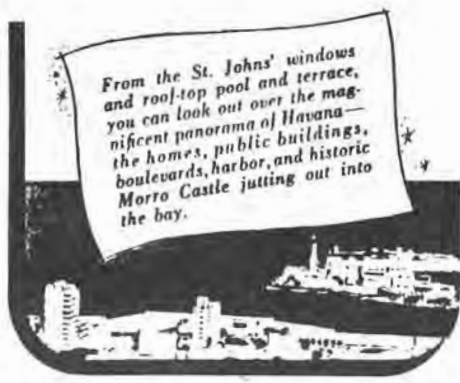
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The results of the last few lots in the mini-auction were as follows:  
The eight piece SBM Chipco roulette set realized **\$405**, and the Floridian Casino "25" realized **\$800**. Congratulations to the successful winners of all the lots! We had fun!

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1. \$5 BRIGHTON - Atlantic City.....	\$500.00
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8. 10¢ EL MOROCCO - Las Vegas. Brick-orange. Gld. hot stamp. (Slightly used)...	20.00
9. 10¢ MIZPAH HOTEL - Tonopah. Brn., Gld. hot stamp, sm. Greek key. (Used).....	8.00
10. 25¢ FORTUNE CLUB - Las Vegas. Brick-orange, Gld. hot stamp. H.C.E. (Used)	22.00
11. 25¢ LAS VEGAS CLUB - Las Vegas. Yel., Gld. hot stamp, X's. (Used).....	8.00
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13. TURF CLUB - [Hialeah, FL] Red, Gld hot stamp. DOTS MOLD. (Used).....	20.00
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15. \$1 MECCA CLUB - Newport, KY. (Used with rim nicks) "RARE".....	94.00

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Sands \$5 SAN-5a USED \$9  
Showboat \$1 SHO-1 SU \$4 USED \$3  
Showboat \$2.50 SHO-2.5 SU \$7 USED \$6  
Showboat \$5 SHO-5 SU \$10 USED \$9  
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Taj Mahal \$2.50 TAJ-2.5 USED \$7  
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5	Grand Casino	B.J.	Red	8 white	20.
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5	Great Bay	Lg. key	Maroon	3 cream	20.
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2.5	Pelican	H & C	Lt. orange	3 black	13.
5	Pelican	H & C	Red	8 white	20.
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