

What's In A Chip?

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Behind the scenes is always a term that seems to pop up in the world of gaming. Take a look at the original artwork for the Silver Slipper \$25 and what do you see? A great classic Las Vegas gaming check with lots of nostalgia and history from the romantic days of the strip.

The Silver Slipper began as the dance hall for the Last Frontier in 1951. At one time it was the Golden Slipper Gambling Hall, but the name was changed in 1951. Using the large silver slipper from the Silver Slipper Club that was originally in Henderson, the outside of the building was decorated in a western dance hall theme.

Originally under the ownership of Beldon Katelman and Jacob Kosloff, the Slipper went through a number of ownerships. Operating both slots and table games, this small strip operation eventually became the property of Howard Hughes. The last ownership before Hughes included a 26.317% interest by Shelby Williams who was listed as the executive vice president of the company. The original artwork for this gaming check however reveals some interesting information that confirms that this issue for the Silver Slipper was the last before Hughes Suma Corp took over the operation. Check out the lettering that is found in the wreath (highlighted in the artwork at the left).

