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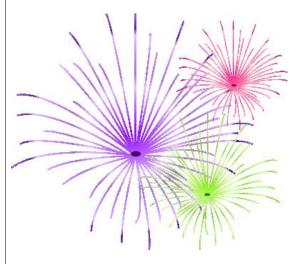
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Greetings to all Club Members and participants in the Four Queens Slot Tournament to be held on January 27-29, 2012

The Silver Strikers Club will sponsor a party to be held on Saturday, January 28, 2012 at 5:00 pm in the Royal Room, 2nd floor at the Four Queens. Trade session will follow after everyone has eaten their fill of the food.

We will also have a bartender for approximately 2 hours PLEASE COME!! We would like to see everyone that is signed up for the tournament and is in town for coins.

SEE YOU THERE!!!

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Classified Ads

Ed's retirement sale!

Liquidating inventory of Nevada casino gaming chips and tokens, all at their face value plus postage. Slot cards-room keys-dice (pair)-cash out vouchers-etc. at \$1 each. Lists available via email at: edhoffman54@gmail.com

Lists available via USPS at: Ed Hoffman, PO Box 8027, Spring Creek, NV 89815-0001-27.

Any questions, please call Ed at 775-753-2435 anytime for voice recorder.

Place Your Ad Here!

Advertise in the Silver Strikers Club Newsletter COST of the Ads: \$15 per newsletter or \$50 per year (4 newsletters) DEADLINE for ads in the next newsletter is March 31, 2012 Send your Ad via Email to Becky Bottemiller: moresunplz@aol.com Mail Payment for the Ad to Judy Barton: 3917 Cartist Drive, Ft. Worth, Texas 76116-7703 Ad will be published in the issue following receipt of payment.

Upcoming Gaming and Coin Related Events

1/17/12 7:30pm	Meeting So Cal Casino Collectors Club Jim Nool jenca@pacbell.net http://www.freewebs.com/scaclub	Hollywood Park Casino 3883 W Century Blvd, Inglewood, CA (310) 330-2800 (800) 888-4972
1/27 - 1/29/12	Four Queens Silver Strike Tournament (800) 634-6045, (702) 385-4011 Rod, Alba, or Arlene	Four Queens Casino Las Vegas, NV
2/21/12 7:30pm	Meeting So Cal Casino Collectors Club Jim Nool jenca@pacbell.net http://www.freewebs.com/scaclub	Hollywood Park Casino 3883 W Century Blvd, Inglewood, CA (310) 330-2800 (800) 888-4972
3/20/11 7:30pm	Meeting So Cal Casino Collectors Club Jim Nool jenca@pacbell.net http://www.freewebs.com/scaclub	Hollywood Park Casino 3883 W Century Blvd, Inglewood, CA (310) 330-2800 (800) 888-4972

Editor's Note

If you would like to submit articles or pictures for future newslet-

ters, please send to moresunplz@aol.com. Deadline for the next

newsletter is March 31, 2012.

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Locations with Silver Strike Machines

<u>Casino</u> Delta Saloon El Cortez	City	State	Qty
Delta Saloon	Virginia City	Nevada	1
El Cortez	Las Vegas	Nevada	1
Four Queens Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	5
Johnny Nolon's	Cripple Creek	Colorado	1
Johnny Nolon's Mirage	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Sam's Town Hotel & Gambling Hall	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Total Silver Strike Machines 12			

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Welcome New Members

Date	Name	Member #	Sponsor
October 2011	Dillard, Richard	SS-1129	Club Webmaster
	Donatelli, Michael	SS-1300	Returning Member
November 2011	Huffer, Gregory L.	SS-1301	Returning Member
	Tomlin, Allen	SS-1302	Club Webmaster
December 2011	Rolley, Brent A.	SS-1303	Keppner, Charley
	Mondragon, Theresa	SS-1304	Keppner, Charley
	Cook, Tammy	SS-1305	Chambers, Bob
	Williams, Mark	SS-1305-A	Chambers, Bob
	Haglund, Ronald E.	SS-1306	Club Webmaster
	Haglund, Sharrol J.	SS-1306-A	Club Webmaster
	Bergiel, Alan J.	SS-1307	Club Webmaster

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Mirage still has their \$300 with Terry Fator and all his characters available. They should have all the characters in the \$10 strike available in the Silver Strike machine.

Looks like a great way to welcome the year with plenty of strikes to play for. Hope to see you there.

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many states in the United States," he says.

Warren regrets that the clad strikes and the one-half pound \$300.00 strikes have hurt the hobby. "If more casinos would get back on board with a strike program with a .999 silver chase strike and a \$300.00 strike the hobby may survive. If only the silver strike program could go back to early 2001. It sure was a lot of fun playing the strike machines in those days," he says.

Warren's wife, Nora, frequently joins Warren at the tournaments and, when she is not playing a tournament machine, you'll find her playing on a Video Poker or Keno machine, or chatting with striker friends.

Warren's mother, La Verne, is 88 years young and a Las Vegas resident and avid Bingo player. "She just can't believe that all four of her children are retired," adds Warren.

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Warren Schaefer: Silver Strike Pioneer

by Bill Metten



Fourteenth in a series of articles about club members who started collecting strikes in the early days and have contributed to the club's success.

"On a trip to Las Vegas in 1995 to see my mother, I won my first strike at Sam's Town. I can't recall which one. All I remember is that I went back to Chicago with about ten different \$10.00 silver strikes from Sam's Town and the Las Vegas Strip," says Warren Schaefer (SS185), who now resides in Henderson, Nevada with his

wife Nora.

The experience marked the start of his silver strike collection, first with \$10.00 issues, and then \$200.00 Nevada strikes.

"When Nora and I first moved from Chicago to Las Vegas in 1998 I really caught the silver strike bug. We would hit the Strip or downtown Vegas every weekend looking for silver strike machines. I would feed the strike machines one dollar at a time and hope I would win a strike before spending \$10.00 as I did not want to spend more than that for a strike. Three times I hit the three red 7's on my first pull and won five \$10.00 strikes for \$0.75 – two times at the Orleans and once at the Monte Carlo. In 2001 the Plaza came out with the first chase strike (Your Place in Town, Ltd. 100 – 2 for 1) in a yellow case and that started a string of silver strike tournaments, chase strikes in yellow, blue and then red cases and a lot more \$200.00 strikes," Warren says.

"I played for all newly released strikes in Las Vegas and traded them for strikes I needed in Reno, Laughlin and Las Vegas as well. I started selling my extras on eBay in February 2000 to help support my habit, and I'm still selling on eBay today," says Warren.

Warren was helped in those early days by Art Becker's first strike catalog and web site. "I would find out how many Nevada \$10.00 strikes were out there and inventory the strikes I already had and identify those that I needed. Two of my most exciting finds were the Trolley and Golden Gate Bridge strikes from the Golden Gate Casino," he says.

Warren joined the Silver Strikers Club in December 1999 and has attended all of the tournaments since the first one at the Flamingo/O'Sheas in 2001. He finished in third place at the Palms tournament in 2009. "I was forced into retirement almost nine years ago and, regrettably, I started selling off my collection at that time. I am still a member of the club because of the great friendships I've made through the club and my hobby. It sure is a great bunch of people," Warren says.

Now Warren helps other collectors build their strike collections, primarily by selling strikes on eBay that he plays for or sells for others who want to sell their collections. "You would be surprised how eBay has expanded interest in and collectors of silver strikes from people all over the world. "I have mailed strikes to collectors in Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, Spain, Hong Kong, England, Australia and many other countries plus

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The bylaws were changed this year in an attempt to streamline the voting process that results in the final 6 entries. Regrettably I was out of town most of the 15 days allotted for this elimination voting. Consequently I was not able to get the voting done. We are reverting to the system used in the past for this year only.

Voting for the 6 finalist's will be done at the Four Queens January Tournament, towards the end of, or after the trade session Saturday night. Anyone interested in being a judge, shoot me an e-mail. In order to get the voting done as quickly as possible, I'm asking everyone else to please leave the judges alone. This way we can get back to the really important stuff, playing for Strikes!

Sunday morning, pictures of the six finalists will be available for viewing at the Tournament. Ballots will be provided for members in good standing to vote for their choice of the 2012 Club Coin design. Good luck to all of the entrants and thank you for participating in the 2012 Silver Strikers Club Coin Contest



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AI Lukacs

IN MEMORIAM

RUTH DUNN, Member #SS-1211 January 5, 1910 – December 13, 2011

The Board sends their sincerest condolences to the family and friends of the above "striker." She will be missed.

If anyone has news on a previous or current member that has passed away, please forward that information to Cheri Jollie at membership@silverstikers.com so we can acknowledge those members and send condolences to their families.

Remembering . . .

From AI Lukacs -

Mrs. Ruth Dunn passed away on December 13, 2011--less than a month shy of her 102nd birthday. Ruth will be dearly missed and remembered by members of the Club for her love of Silver Strikes. Most often she could be found at the Silver Strike machine by the Four Queens cage. Ruth had the distinction of being the Club's oldest member, and there was an in-depth article about her in the Summer 2011 newsletter (Issue 63, page 9). She was a wonderful woman who touched the hearts and lives of many a Striker.

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Recent and Upcoming Releases



May we publish the above information in the Club Roster?	•	Yes No
Do you want the Club Newsletter e-mailed to you (no extra	a cost):	Yes No
I have enclosed my payment for:		
Annual Membership	- \$10	\$
Optional Spouse Associate Membership Fee	- \$10	\$
Name:		
SS Club Roster	- \$10	\$
TOTAL ENCLOSED (payable to: Silver S	Strikers)	\$

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Pam's Corner By Pam Martin

Its the New Year and there is no better way to start it off than the Four Queens Silver Strike Slot Tournament - January 27, 28, and 29, 2012.

Friday, January 27, 4:00-6:00 pm Welcoming Cocktail reception with Hors d' oeuvres and Slot Tournament registration

Saturday, January 28, 9:00 am Slot Tournament 1st Round 1:00 pm Slot Tournament 2nd Round

Sunday, January 29, 9:00 am Slot Tournament 3 Round 2:00 pm Slot Tournament Awards Ceremony with Cake and Champagne

Saturday Night is the Silver Strikers Club party and Trade Session Thanks to all at the Four Queens, our event will be held in the Royal Pavilion Room on the second floor.

The Four Queens will have a red cap .999 silver, blue cap colorized and \$300. All tournament players will be awarded a Silver Strike Tournament coin at the awards banquet. The Four Queens \$300 will be available Saturday, January 28, after the last Slot Tournament Round



El Cortez will have two \$10 strikes and a \$300 available. The El Cortez is celebrating their 70 anniversary this year and they have a \$10 strike celebrating this event. Welcome Back Rick!

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings Wachovia-7084	18,519.92
Undeposited Funds	10.00
Total Current Assets	18,529.92
Other Assets	
Deposit To Nevada	154.84
Total Other Assets	154.84
TOTAL ASSETS	18,684.76
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Current Liabilities	
Total Accounts Payable	-131.55
Sales Tax Payable	40.64
Total Current Liabilities	-90.91
Total Liabilities	-90.91
Equity	
Retained Earnings	21,444.23
Net Income	-2,668.56
Total Equity	18,775.67
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	18,684.76

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SILVER STRIKERS CLUB MINUTES

12-15-11

Members:	Absent	Present
William Jollie, President		Х
Cheri L. Jollie, 1 st Vice President		Х
Rebecca Bottemiller, 2 nd Vice President		Х
Al Lukacs, Secretary		Х
Judy Barton, Treasurer		Х
TOPIC DISCUSSION NOTES		

Convene - Board meeting convened at 12:00 p.m.

Follow-Up Items from Previous Meetings

No Old Business (Action Taken, none required.)

New Items

- Winter Newsletter - Discussed layout and content. (Becky will follow-up on items needed. Bill, Cheri and Judy will submit items.)

- Membership - Membership is up, as of November 2011. Cheri to include stat's in Newsletter . (Cheri to forward states to Becky.)

- Hall of Fame and Silver Strike of the Year - Discussed format and timing for voting. (Bill will followup with committee chairman.)

- Club Coin Contest - Secretary to write article for Newsletter. (Al will write article.)

- January Events - Reviewed events in January at the Four Queen's. (Action Taken None required.)

- Treasurer's Report - Judy reviewed end of year profit / loss statement and balance sheet. (To Becky for Newsletter.)

- Memorial Notice - Write memorial statement about Mrs. Ruth Dunn. (Work in Progress.)

- Membership Due Dates - Motion made for a 1 time realignment of dues due date for couples with different dates.. (Motion made by Cheri, second by Bill, passed unanimously.)

Adjournment- Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m. (None required.)



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year !!

SILVER STRIKE

Room Package & *\$10,000 SLOT TOURNAMENT January 27, 28, & 29, 2012

Package Includes

- Ø Three night stay at the Four Queens Hotel & Casino
- Ø Welcome Cocktail Reception-Open Bar
- Ø Awards Ceremony with Cake and Champagne
- Ø Limited Edition Silver Strike Token
- Ø Entry into the *\$10,000 Slot Tournament
- Ø 3 ROUNDS

*With 1st Place taking home \$4,000

Schedule of Event

Royal Pavilion

Friday, January 27, 2012

4:00pm – 6:00pm

6:00pm Welcome Cocktail Reception and Hors d'oeuvres Slot Tournament Registration

Saturday, January 28, 2012

9:00am 1:00pm 6:00pm

Slot Tournament 1st Round Slot Tournament 2nd Round

Free trading session

Sunday, January 29, 2012

9:00am

2:00pm

Slot Tournament 3rd Round Slot Tournament Awards Ceremony with Cake and Champagne

Space is limited so call Room Reservations today at

(800)634-6045 (press #1) OR (702)385-4011

Ask for Rod, Alba, or Arlene.

*Slot Tournament prize money is based on 150 participants and will pay 20 places.

Prize money will be adjusted based on actual entries.

Based on space availability. Prior reservations required. Package price is per person and based on double occupancy. **Single and No Room Needed Packages Available—please call for details**. Packages cannot be split. Tournament entry is non-transferable. Must be 21 years of age or older to enter. Offer may be modified at anytime. Tournament rules available at Welcome Party. Management reserves all rights.



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Profit and Loss July 2011 - December 2011				
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Income				
Convention Auction				
Auction Sales	630.00			
Total Convention Auction	630.00			
Total Income	630.00			
Member Dues & Fees				
Membership Dues	2,775.00			
Membership Processing Fee	100.00			
Membership Roster	140.00			
Total Member Dues & Fees	3,015.00			
Sale of 2006 Club Strikes	35.00			
Sale of 2006 Other Club Strikes	238.00			
Total Income	3,918.00			
Expense				
Coin Production	1,983.00			
Bank Service Charges & Fees	40.69			
Postage	40.11			
Nevada Dept of Taxation	8.33			
Total Chapter Membership Dues	5.00			
Convention Expenses				
Entertainment	31.37			
Officer awards	49.37			
Total Convention Expenses	80.74			
Newsletter Expenses	100 50			
Postage	496.50			
Printing	277.23			
Total Newsletter Expenses	740.73			
Office Supplies	307.06			
Postage Supplies	146.78			
Office Supplies - Other	54.41			
Total Office Supplies	508.25			
Sales Tax Paid	8.35			
Silver Strike Tournament	1.903.35			
Telephone	90.10			
Total Expense	5,408.78			
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Net Ordinary Income	-	1,490.78		
Net Income		1,490.78		
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IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN - MEMBERSHIP CONTEST!!

Membership is still our greatest asset! Last year, the Membership Contest brought in 33 new members. Let's beat that total and grow our club in 2012!!

The 2012 Membership Contest will be conducted between 1-1-12 and 5-31-12. There are two criteria for new recruits: 1) They must be <u>new</u> members (if they were previous members that had a lapse in their membership, they are not eligible for this contest), and 2) they <u>must</u> list the sponsor's name on their application for the sponsor to receive credit. Prizes will be awarded as follows:

For

Receive

3 new members 6 new members 10+ new members Free Roster Free Roster and 1 year free membership Free Roster and 2 years free membership

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In addition to the above awards, if there are members who recruit 10 or more people, the top recruiter will be recognized during convention for their contribution to increasing membership and will receive a plaque commemorating their outstanding efforts.

Again, help us make the club bigger and better – <u>START RECRUITING TODAY</u>!

Cheri Jollie, #SS-0537 1st Vice President/Membership

Message from Ralph to the Webmaster about the need for new board members for the Silver Strikers Club.

For several years members of the Silver Strikers Club have stepped forward to make this club an excellent club. Many members donated their time and effort to assure that the club would continue to move forward and excel. Even with the decline of participating casinos and the increase of the price of silver, the club was able to increase membership.

Thanks to many members, especially the current staff that is doing a great job holding this club together. These staff members (including the Publicity and Promotions, the Webmaster, Grievance and the Hall of Fame Coordinators) have done a tremendous job. Mr. Shaun Webster is doing a fantastic job in maintaining the silver strike program.

However it has now come time that the club is in dire need to have other members step forward. President Bill Jollie and his staff have served the club well over their time limit and wish to have other members take over the helm. With the current membership well over four hundred members, I'm sure there are others who could help the club continue to move forward.

In order to maintain a non profit club, there must be a minimum of three officers. If no one steps forward, the club will fold and all assets would be turned over to the IRS. I'm sure that there are many great members that would be able to do a great job for the club.

Ralph Fajardo

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Membership Update

Reminders were sent to 29 members that were due 11-1-11, 32 members that were due 12-1-11, and 58 members that are due 1-1-121. To date, 40 of those members who received the reminders have renewed their memberships. As of 12-31-11, including new/returning members and removing members that have not renewed, the current roster is now at 469 members.

The following members will be due for renewal during the January - March quarter

JANU	ARY	JAN	IUARY	FEBF	RUARY
Last Name	First Name	Last Name		Last Name	First Name
Anthony	Whitney	Secord	Edmund	Moser	James
Ashway	David	Secord	Lynn	Mosley	Roosevelt
Bagdriwicz	Don	Simmons	Darrel W.	O'Dell	Eric N.
Best	James H.	Slack	James J.	Petersen	Scott E.
Bloxham	Keith	Slack	Shirley	Quint	Erik
Bloxham	Sandi	Smith	Gary E.	Scheffler	Terrence N.
Burghart	Paulette	Spear *	Kathleen M.	Steele	Dan
Carr	David	Spicer	Donald	Ulinski	Raymond
Cartonia	Joseph F.	Tiny Treasures			RCH
Chong	William V. L.	Udarbe	Rusty	Bak	Dennis W.
Cotter	Stephen	Udarbe	Hedv	Baum	Stuart
DeLangis	Maria	Waltrip	Paul E.	Bhatia	Kawaljits (Jit)
Diliberto	Gloria F.	Webb	William A.	Butler	Marc A.
Dupuy	Craig	Webster	Shaun	Chambers	Robert
Durenda	Gerry A.	Wood	Ramona	Chavez, Sr.	Robert A.
Ezell	Barbara P.		RUARY	Clinton	Ron
Godines	Carter	Anderson	Richard B.	Copeland	Kenneth
Gutwiler	Patrick	Bergman	Janet	Courter	George E.
Harrison	Bill	Bottemiller	Rebecca	DeLaCruz	
	Samuel J.		Dana C.		Leza David D.
Hays		Boyer		Dunn	
Hefflefinger	Todd Peter M.	Brady	Candi	Dunn	Judy William J.
Hudik		Bryant	Ted	Fisher	
Jannisch	Douglas	Chlebowski	Joyce	Fitzgerald	Bob
Jones	Gary A.	Chlebowski	Michael E.	Hennessey	Mike
Kessler	Gene E.	Chrzanowski	Carol	Highet	Colin
Kinard	Brian K.	Chrzanowski	Norman	Kalwarczyk	Robert J.
Kupihea	Geraldine	Clem	Dale Norman	Lee	Helen C.
Lawson	Larry T.	Clements	Joseph	Lee	Joshua A.
Mahon	Ed	Clements	Shirley	Likes	Robert W.
Mancuso	Frank	Corry	Pamela Jo	McDonough	James R.
Martin	Gloria	DiPietro	Thomas	Naumann	Carl Thomas
Martin	Robert	Eagen	Dan	Newman	Luellen
Merlino	Warren F.	Gendreau	Michael	O'Dell	Anny
Moon	Belinda	Gold	Rachael	Parsell	Richard L.
Nicholson	William H.	Hassel	Dennis J.	Rey, Jr.	Louis
Nicklas	Terry L.	Holtz	Kathleen R.	Sextro	Robert L.
Oki	Donna	Jollie	Linda	Sheldon	Katherine J.
Oki	Howard	Jollie	William	White	David
Respicio	Rocky	Kerns	Delton W.	Yancoski	Lorraine
Richardson	Ivan	Marcobal	Jose F.	Yee	Gary
Romans	Melvin O.	Miller	John F.		-
Ruma	James A.	Miller	Ronald L.		
Even though we are continuing to get new members, the club is not growing because					
existing members are not renewing their memberships. Please remember it is our					

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membership that provides your Board members with the leverage they need when talking to casinos and trying to convince them to reinstate their Silver Strike Programs. WE NEED YOU! Please help to keep

Thanks for Striking,



Cheri Jollie, #SS-0537 1st Vice President/Membership

our club strong and renew today.

Club History by Jeff Gaffke



January, 2011:

Some events of 2011:

The new \$300 Silver Strike was approved by Nevada Gaming, a 6 ounce center with a copper ring which is gold plated. The first new \$300 Silver Strike was released the weekend of the Four Queens Silver Strike Slot Tournament.

Sam's Town had six new strikes available for play, four were from the original 12 cars which were approved last year. 70 Firebird, 71 AAR Cuda, 71 Formula 400, 71 Roadrunner.

The membership roster as of January 2011 had 472 members.

The Four Queens Silver Strike Slot Tournament was held at the Four Queens Casino and Hotel.

February, 2011:

Sunshine Mint has all rights to the Silver Strike program. As the El Cortez starts celebrating their 70th anniversary in May they planned on having two silver strike machines with four new house strikes and a red cap by June 2011 for CC>CC convention. Sunshine has been talking with the Mirage and Circus Circus about the installation of Silver Strike machines.

It was announced that the Four Queens will have two red caps and two strikes to be available the Wednesday before St. Patrick's Day.

To be continued......

Las Vegas history:

In 1855, members of the Mormon Church choose Las Vegas as the site to build a fort halfway between Salt Lake City and Los Angeles, where they would travel to gather supplies. The remainder of the Mormon Fort can still be seen at the intersection of Las Vegas Boulevard and Washington Avenue. The fort was abandoned several years later. The site is now a state historic park.

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Hi Fellow Strikers.

The Hall of Fame (HOF) & Strike of the Year (SSOTY) Committee has identified the finalists for the 2011 HOF and SSOTY coins. Pictures of the four finalists in each category are shown below. Ballots will be sent out in the April newsletter for voting. The voting period will be April 10-30, 2012. All ballots must be received/postmarked during those dates. Thanks for your support, Sue Cohenour

2011 Strike of the Year Nominations



Four Queens. Queen of Halloween



Four Queens. Halloween **Clown Pointy** Hat 2011



Mirage, Winston



Mirage, **Terry Fator** with Puppets

2011 Hall of Fame Nominations



Roulette Woman





O'Sheas. Christmas 2001

