Silver Striker



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PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

I want to wish Seasons' Greetings to all of my fellow Silver Strikers out there across the United States, Canada and beyond. I hope it has been a bountiful year for all of you and that you are anticipating a wonderful 2001.

My husband, Clayton, and I have recently concluded some trades and even bought a few items from eBay. We hope all of your collections are growing. It has been a great year for strikers as so many casinos have gone "whole hog" on the Millennium issues. Since there was such a controversy about the actual start of the Millennium, do you suppose we will have as many new strikes this coming year? We shall see!!

Being a senior citizen, I was absolutely delighted with Jackie Gaughn not being afraid to show himself as a super football player, basketball icon and other characters in sports. We needed a laugh and got it with the new Las Vegas Club issues. The two new Caesar's, Las Vegas, were also a refreshing change.

On a personal note, both Peter Van der Kar and I found out two truths: Act your age and walk carefully on the ice. Peter discovered that roller skating can be dangerous to one's health and he has a fractured elbow to show for it. I fell on some ice and slammed my head into the concrete. My husband is afraid the service station will sue us for breaking their concrete.

It is not too early to start thing about the Convention. If you are planning on having a display, it does take more time than you might think to put it all together and you will need to contact the person in charge to see if there is still available space. More news will be coming out in the next CC>CC magazine. A thought to tuck away, both the Silver Strikers Chapter and the Club will be needing volunteers to work the host tables.

Both CC>CC and the Silver Strikers will be electing officers this year. Please do not forget to vote so there will be no need for a recount.

Your President, Mary Lou Waterbury

BIRTHDAY JACKPOT

From Ida Turner, CHSS-107 - she reports: "On November 14, we were having dinner at Boulder Station in Las Vegas, celebrating Gary's birthday. After dinner, as we left the restaurant we passed the silver strike machine. We decided to put \$5.00 in the machine just to see if we could get one silver strike before going home. We hit the single bars on the top line plus the TRIPLE RED SEVENS on the third line. We received one silver strike plus the progressive jackpot of \$1,116.00. Were we excited, since we had never seen one of the silver strike machines hit the big JACKPOT, and after only 3 pulls." Way to go Ida and Gary, and what a great birthday present. Welcome to the TRIPE RED SEVENS club.

ATTENTION MEMBERS

Has your mailing address changed? Has your email address changed? Please notify our Treasurer, Evelyn Grosklaus immediately if any of our current information for you has changed. Send to:

SILVER STRIKERS

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* * * RARE - SCARCE - WOW - LOOK - HTF - RARE * * *

There certainly has been a lot of discussion recently about the above words and phrases used in advertising Silver Strikes. Primarily the discussion has been on private web pages but mostly in reference to eBay and other auction sites that we use to buy and sell strikes.

The interesting thing is it has really brought out the author in a lot of people. I only wish they would contribute as much to our newsletter as they have to this topic. However, it is a good topic for an editorial and I will take this time to address it.

Firstly, for those who use these terms indiscriminately one does have to grant them their 1st Amendment Rights. If we are offended or disagree with "RARE" then we need not look at the item, our own individual rights. Secondly, auction sites are business sites and although we utilize them to find items for our collections they are business offerings and if the seller wants to use a Television sales approach it is his choice. Remember, it only takes one bid to make him successful. Lastly, the term "RARE" is used in many of the catalogues we use as guides and yet they are not produced by a group of collectors but individuals, so although something may be SCARCE or even HARD TO FIND, in many cases RARE is a judgment call.

Dennis Finn, one of our esteemed members and a big contributor to our Chapter had a wonderful comment regarding the "MISLEADING HYPE" we are experiencing and I quote: "My oh my. This sounds like a discussion among the owners of the sports franchises dealing with escalating salaries for free agents. If the price is too high, sit still, don't bid. But no, you've just got to have it and don't want someone else to have it when you don't. Like Pogo said: "We have met the enemy and they is us."

Finally I would significantly add that "RARE" is an anagram for "REAR". So, next time you post one of your treasures try not to make a "REAR" of yourself when describing a strike that is "RARE".





WEB SITES

(Jack Haddock)



There are a number of our members that have some great WEB sites. They have lists; general information and several have strikes for sale/TRADE. Here's the deal! Put a blurb about the Silver Striker Chapter On YOUR WEB site and send me YOUR WEB address and it will be listed in all future issues of this newsletter. This can help us get new members, assist existing members find strike information, and get YOU some more WEB site visits.

MARV WEAVER	www.members.home.net/sptokens	CHSS-100
DENNIS FINN	www.pe.net/~dmfinn	CHSS-071
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RANDY MORIMER	www.silver-strikes.com	CHSS-125
MIKE LANZA	www.tokens.net	CHSS-04

DID YOU HEAR?

Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas is finishing up the artwork for a \$5 silver strike machine were one can win a highly prized \$200 face/ 1 pound of silver. That's not all, how about a \$40 strike too!! Both new strikes are to be the "winged victory", gold plated but not antiqued. Two new machines are also being added which will dispense the same 2 - \$10 designs now in play.

The Comstock Hotel and Casino took its silver strike machine out of play in mid-November when the casino permanently closed.

The Reno airport has a new design – "First Man on the Moon" – the first one in a potential series if this one proves to be popular. Three of the "1999" series will remain in play.

The Union Plaza will offer a \$200/1 pound of silver - silver strike for the trade in of 20-\$10 strikes by early 2001. Gone to Gaming for approval as of this time.

Primm Valley awaiting art work approval on their logo and then will use same designs as Whiskey Pete's on their silver strikes.

There will be no more Arizona Charlie shows: the show room has been converted into a bingo room. Taking its place for Superbowl is the Palace Station show on January 26 & 27, 2001.

The Imperial Palace in Las Vegas will offer a 25th anniversary \$200 strike in 2001. Trade 20-\$10 to get one. Start saving!

Flamingo Hilton in Las Vegas will remove the name "Hilton" from all their strikes be January 1, 2001. A new variety is born!

Caesar's Tahoe \$200, yes, THE KING, was for sale on ebay! Item #514070971 – closed Des. 6. Sold for \$3,660.22 but because of the obscure listing, only a very few were bidding.

DOES THE UNION PLAZA LIKE "COLLECTORS"?

(Jack Haddock)

Is this a tough one to answer or what? Took all of 10 days to pay out the 100 special issue "2 fer 1" silver strike. One of these for every 50 strikes won – you figure it out! There were 12 of these strikes sold through ebay for prices ranging from \$450 to \$775. They like us so much they are going to have a \$200 silver strike available for those who would like to trade 20 regular \$10 strikes for it. Are you saving up? Now then, not intentionally, but they had an error on one of the first shipment of new strikes. "#2 of 3" had a missing "I" in "gaming."

<u>MILLENNIUM WATCH</u>

(Jack Haddock but YOUR input is welcome)

NEW SINCE LAST LIST (NIP) = NOT IN PLAYReno/Sparks Las Vegas **Others** Eldorado **Barbary Coast** Flamingo Hilton, Laughlin Bellagio Fitsgerald's Pioneer, Laughlin **Boulder Station** Flamingo Golden Nugget, Laughlin Mr. B's, Mill City California Nugget Peppermill Eureka Casino, Mesquite Four Oueens Harvey's, Lake Tahoe Gold Coast Silver Club Golden Gate Silver Legacy Riverside, Laughlin

Imperial Palace Comstock
Las Vegas Club Sundowner
Luxor Sierra Sid's

Mirage

Silverton

Venetian

Flamingo

Main St. Station

Mandalay Bay

San Remo

Union Plaza

Monte Carlo New York New York
Stratosphere Treasure Island

AUCTION STRIKES WANTED for 2001 Silver Strikers Chapter Auction

McCarran Airport

Slots-A-Fun

Fiesta

The Chapter will hold an auction on Thursday night in conjunction with our annual meeting. Consignments are wanted and need to be committed to the event by Jan. 30, 2001. Use the enclosed submission form. NOTE that there is a 10% seller fee (you get the rest). This will be a 50 strike auction so get them in early and depending on the response, a limit may be established.

I am looking for those who would be interested in helping with the auction and now is the time to volunteer.









GROWTH IS OUR OBJECTIVE

"PLUS 101 is our goal"

The drive to increase our membership has begun. We have set a very high goal for our chapter, however, we know we are capable of meeting it. As you can see from the list below, our membership since last issue, has increased nicely. We want all members to participate. Here are the guidelines for the membership drive:

DATES for drive qualification: AUGUST 1, 2000 TO MAY 1, 2001 For three members you sign up you will receive a free roster. For five members you sign up you will receive one year's free membership. For fifteen members you sign up you will receive two years free membership.

Now that we have your attention. In each newsletter we will list our new members and who their sponsors are. This will let you see for yourself who is out promoting our chapter. Keep in mind, growth to the chapter, means growth in talent. Our chapter can always use more talent and helping hands. In the newsletter, we have placed for your convenience, a SILVER STRIKERS application for you to pass on to other prospective members. Put your name on the application so we will know you are the sponsor of our new member.

NAME	MEMBERSHIP #	SPONSOR
Rudsenske, Stanley	SS-249	Moritz, Ray
Aron, Todd	SS-250	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Marcal, Gerry	SS-251	Moritz, Rav
Laskowski, Thomas	SS-252	Nesbitt, Don T. Jr.
Rogers, Don	\$8-253	Weaver, Mary
Quinn, James J.	SS-254	Weaver, Mary
Johnson, James	SS-255	Nesbitt, Don T. Jr.
Kvarn, Robert	SS-256	
Linn, Leonard	SS-257	Nesbitt, Don T. Jr.
Pyles, Barbara L.	SS-258	Pyles, Kevin
Martin, Marty	SS-259	Weaver, Mary
Martin, Kenneth	SS-260	Nesbitt, Don T. Jr.
McQuiston, William	SS-261	Weaver, Mary
Buntin, Robert	SS-262	Weaver, Mary
Trewartha, Jay	SS-263	Jung, Lisa
Thompson, Wayne	SS-264	Weaver, Mary
Harrison, Linda	SS-265	Web page
Harrison, Roger	SS-266	Web page
Godines, Carter	SS-267	Van der Kar, Peter
De Vree, Roger	SS-268	Nienhuis, Neison
Chick, Donald E.	SS-269	Chick, Ron
Morris, Felix A.	SS-270	Pate, Norman
Ballou, Murray S.	SS-271	Web page
Hanley, Marlene	SS-272	Hassel, Les
Nakao, Dave	SS-273	Pamperin, Sharon & Ted
Krintzman, Jeff	SS-274	Haddock, Jack
Moor, Chyrel	SS-275	Moor, Ron
Rasmussen, Wesley	SS-276	Cosby, Don
Cohenour, William	SS-277	Jung, Lisa
Chaffin, Bob	SS-278	Weaver, Mary
Chaffin, Kathy	SS-279	Weaver, Mary
Kimbel, Burt	SS-280	Weaver, Mary
Billings, Rick	SS-281	Hassell, Les
Gunderson, Karoll	SS-282	Brochure

Ready! Set! Let's GOOOOOOOOO!!!!!!!!!!

CLASSIFIED ADS

SILVER STRIKES FOR SALE

Large inventory, fair prices, good service! See on the WEB at

"www.roadhousesilver.com" or send for your free price list: Roadhouse Collectibles, 1939 Prater Way, Sparks, NV 89431 Dennis Owen CHSS-122

VOTE ** VOTE JIM STEFFNER for PRESIDENT VOTE ** VOTE

As your present membership Officer, I am running for President of CC>CC. I promise to listen to, and respond promptly to all members' questions and concerns. I will promote present and future Chapters and our WEB site. I promise to represent ALL members in voting for issues involving club operation. Please give me your VOTE in January and your support so WE can work together to improve our club. Thank you!

LARGE VARIETY OF SILVER STRIKES FOR SALE OR TRADE:

Visit my WEB site at www.laughlin.net/walker or contact me at walker@laughlin.net
Valerie Walker, 2996 Palo Verde, Laughlin. NV 89029

CHSS-010

YOUR AD HERE!!!!!!! One time is \$5.00 or 6 consecutive issues for \$20.00. Send copy to Jack Haddock, P. O. Box 7544, Reno, NV 89510

NORTHEASTERN NEVADA SILVER STRIKES AND CHIPS

Send for my list of casino material. Chips, *strikes* and tokens are all available for those places you just can't get to. Call me at: (775) 753-2435 Ed Hoffman, P. O. Box 6039-N, Elko, NV 89802-6039 CHSS-103

MARV WEAVER'S "NEVADA SILVER PREMIUM GAMING TOKENS 2000 PRICE

GUIDE", 5TH EDITION: \$30 (plus \$3 postage)

Lisa Jung's "Striking Differences: The Stories Behind the Strikes": \$10 (plus \$2

postage)-----buy both/postage is \$3.00

WEB page: http://ourworld.cs.com/chippermel

e-mail: chippermel@cs.com Lisa Jung, 1285 Idylberry Rd., San Rafael, CA 94903-1071

phone: (415) 472-2869

CHSS-102

SASE GETS YOU A LIST OF SILVER STRIKES FOR SALE

\$7 - \$10 - \$28 - \$40 STRIKES

Jack Risio, 30 Winesap Point, Rochester NY 14612

CHSS-019

HELP ME COMPLETE MY COLLECTION (one strike from every known casino)

Trump's Tropicana, Atlantic City, NJ; Star Casino, Lake Charles, LA; Frontune Bay Casino, Tower, MN; and Casino Masquerade, Aruba.

Clayton Waterbury, 10284 Saratoga St., Omaha, NE 68134

(402) 493-8255 mlwaterbry@aol.com

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NOMINATIONS FOR CHAPTER 2001-2003 OFFICERS

There is a form for nominations included with this newsletter. Be sure that any one you nominate agrees to serve. Send to: Nancy Nicklas, 143 Autumn Drive, Butler, PA 16001-3291

SILVER STRIKE OF THE YEAR "HALL OF FAME" NOMINATIONS

The category of "token/strike of the year" has been divided into separate awards for 2001. The silver strike category is for the Silver Striker Chapter to have fun with. Hence, we need all members to nominate the silver strikes that they would like to see in the Hall of Fame. Ones that you feel are all around great strikes. You may select three since that is how many we add each year. The strike may be the most unusual, the most artistic, most beautiful or just one that you like and will stand the test of time. It can be any denomination. Please give some thought and vote. Nominations are to be sent to: Jo Riefer, 2283 Panoramic Dr., Concord, CA 94520

MOST RECENTLY ISSUED SILVER STRIKES

SILVERTON (2), LAS VEGAS RENO-TAHOE AIRPORT (1), RENO

2001 CONVENTION INFORMATION

On May 30 - June 2, 2001 at the Tropicana the 9th annual convention of CC>CC will be held. The Silver Striker Chapter is planning some great events just for Silver Strikers at this convention. There will be an educational meeting focusing on silver strikes. On Thursday night, after 7:30, the Silver Strikers will start with the annual business meeting followed by a silver strike auction and then a trade session. Watch for more information on this in issues to come.

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