

Silver Striker



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PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Can you stand the excitement? As I write this we have just two months to go and we will be walking into that wonderland of the Tropicana convention rooms. We Silver Strikers will be eyeballing all the tables that are displaying strikes and deciding which one to go for first. Some of us already have our traders set aside along with our high hopes of filling all those empty spots in our collections.

There is so much going on this year for our Chapter. We will have an auction, all the trading sessions we can handle and our very own seminar. We are now nearly 300 members strong. Because we are growing, more issues are coming to the front and you really need to attend the business meeting on Thursday night.

Here are a few thoughts on the subject of on-line auctions. It is a great place to locate some of those difficult to find strikes and a connector to many sources otherwise not available. Though the Silver Striker Chapter is not connected in any way to these sites, it's very comforting to be doing business with buyers and sellers who are Chapter members. The connection should mean you're dealing with someone who is reputable and dependable. I hope all our members will live up to the highest of standards, as well as, take the opportunity to spread the word about the Chapter. Sometimes the price seems to high, but it is the opportunity to get that elusive strike. Sometimes there is very keen competition for a strike. Sometimes there is "sniping" going on. Always enjoy the experience and savor your victories and be good sports about your losses. We share a terrific hobby and should never lose our collector relationships over an auction.

I will get off my soapbox and return to a more pleasant subject. During the last few weeks, my husband and I have made trades with fellow members in Michigan, Minnesota, Texas, Missouri and Nebraska. Nothing beats having the postal carrier coming to your door with those brown padded envelopes or the priority mail boxes.

The banquet and first trading session will be on Wednesday, May 30th. We hope to see and meet many of you during the convention.

Your President,
Mary Lou Waterbury

CONVENTION PARTICIPATION

We need your help at Convention 2001. Our Convention is right around the corner. We have a few time slots left to fill for the Silver Strikers Chapter Table. We want to promote our Chapter as much as possible. We will be signing up new members, collecting membership dues, selling tee shirts and taking orders for rosters. In general, help anyone we can in answering questions they may have about the Silver Strikers. The time slots left are:

Thursday, May 31	12:00 noon til 4:00 p.m.
Friday, June 1	12:00 noon til 2:00 p.m.
Saturday, June 2	12:00 noon til 3:00 p.m.

We are requesting that members of the Chapter volunteer to take a turn at the Club Table. This allows everyone to walk around, make purchases and trades, and enjoy the Convention like everyone else. This will also enable you to meet existing and new members who wander by to say hello. We are only asking two hours of your time. The table should be operational from opening to closing of the Convention, all three days. Please let me know which days and what hours you would like to take your turn to support our Chapter. As time is running short I am requesting that you email me at gag1or3@gateway.net. Thanks for your cooperation.

Treasurer,
Evelyn Grosklaus

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CHAPTER POLO SHIRTS are on SALE !

You can now order a gray polo shirt with the Silver Striker Chapter logo in black on the breast pocket. All shirts will be given out at the CC>CC Convention unless you want it mailed directly to you for an additional fee of \$3.50. We urge you to support our Chapter and order early by sending your \$15 per shirt and you size requirements (S-M-L-XL-XX-XXX). Please send payment and information to Treasurer, Evelyn Groszklaus.

WEB SITES

There are a number of our members who have some great WEB SITES. They have lists, general information and many have strikes for trade/sale. Here's the deal! Put a blurb about the Silver Strikers Chapter on your web page 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.

Our current supporters are:

GARY STATHATOS	www.collectorville.com	CHSS-031
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✓ www.thechipboard.com/cgi-bin/tsp/tsp.pl

SILVER STRIKERS TO HAVE \$10 SILVER STRIKE IN PLAY AT LAS VEGAS CONVENTION

Another reason to go to Las Vegas this year is to get a silver strike for your collection that will have your club and/or chapter logo is on. The Union Plaza Casino will have in play 2 silver strikes: one in honor of the Silver Strike Chapter and the other recognizes CC>CC. The strikes go in play opening night of the convention at 9pm. Conventioneers will have two machines especially set up just for there play at the Plaza. Each member of the two organizations will be allowed to win up to 5 strikes before the next member will get a chance to play. The coupon good for this opportunity will be available at the Wednesday night dinner and then on Thursday at the convention. There are only 1500 on each made so they will be gone by the end of the convention. The casino will have two other machines available for open play and there will be no trading with the casino – just among your fellow collectors.



IT'S BEEN A GREAT TWO YEARS

It is hard to believe that this will be the Silver Strikers third Convention as a Chapter. In the last two years we have grown from a membership of 60+ to over 300 and expect to increase that number significantly at Convention 2001.

Our Chapter began with two collectors, Mary Lou Waterbury and Jack Haddock presiding over our first meeting and creating this organization, which at this Convention will have, not only its' own auction and seminar, but a significant presence. At that first meeting Evelyn Grosklaus took on the monumental task of collecting money and volunteered as our first Treasurer and Membership Chair and what a job she has done. Along with the tasks of organization, we have managed to publish 11, counting this one, issues of our Chapter Newsletter. Many of you have contributed information, personal experiences and assistance with this task, which also began with a blank page and an idea. Thanks to all who have participated with growing this Chapter and our Newsletter. Your efforts have been appreciated and responsible for our continued success.

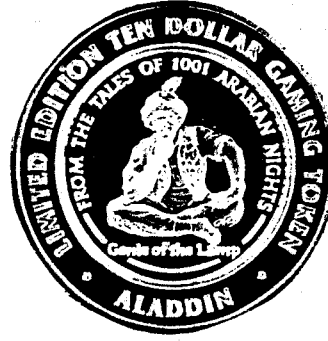
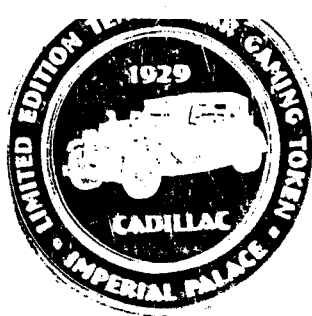
Jack Haddock, 2nd VP, and I have been working together for two years as coordinators of this Newsletter and so far have managed to publish an issue every two months. As we have gotten older, we have gotten better. But the real purpose of this Newsletter is to stay in touch with the membership, as we are so spread out, and continue to carry the message of our Silver Strikers Organization.

It is now time for one of you, there are 300+, to be inspired to volunteer to help with the Newsletter. To raise your hand and offer to participate in an important aspect of our Chapter. I will be leaving as Editor and Jack will need someone to assist in this task every two months. The requirements are, a computer and the desire to participate and have a lot of fun being part of our Chapter's growth. It has been my privilege to have been part of the Newsletter Team and if you are interested in a great opportunity to assist our Chapter, please contact Jack Haddock or Mary Lou Waterbury, or myself. I will be available at the Convention to assist a new volunteer with format and scheduling. Jack and I will be sharing a table at the Convention, so please stop by to say hello and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have regarding the Newsletter. Thanks for all your support during the last two years.

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NEW ISSUES SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER





"COPPER" RIMS APPEAL TO "COLLECTORS"

On some of the casino orders in early 2001, the outside rims appear to be copper. This was caused by a processing problem with the supplier to Global Mint. Global decided to use the delivery though not the normal color. It has caused a stir among several collectors and some have brought nice premiums. Most are hard to come by at this point and have been replaced by the normal brass rims. If you know of one not listed, please let us know.

Northern Nevada

Reno, Hilton - #1,2,3,7,8,9

Eldorado - Building & Brew Brothers

Flamingo - Hour Glass & Egg

Reno Airport - Skier, F-16, Bull Rider

Man on Moon

Fitzgerald's - Mr. O'Luckey

Nugget - Millennium

Gold Country - Train, PE, Cougar, Ram

Southern Nevada

Bally's, Bellagio, Boardwalk, Buffalo Bills, Flamingo-Laughlin, Golden Gate, Golden Nugget, Hard Rock, Hilton, Imperial Palace, Las Vegas Club, Luxor, Main Street Station, Mandalay Bay, McCarran Airport, Monte Carlo, New York New York, Plaza, Primm Valley Resort, Treasure Island and Westward Ho (The actual strikes are too numerous to list - however, not all issues from these casinos have the copper colored rims).

Peppermill - Y2Play

Harvey's - Pinecone

Mr. B's - Cowboy

Boomtown - Boot

Sundowner - Bareback, Bear Hunter

Calf Roping

Jack Haddock - 2nd Vice President

Ebay RESULTS

These results are from recent eBay auctions. Not always a perfect reflection but offering an opportunity to reflect on recent prices of your strikes in the open market. Bid results are approximate and most in the last 30 days.

\$7 Aladdin in Las Vegas - Ali Baba	\$ 43.00
\$7 Stardust in Las Vegas - with Stars	\$ 38.00
\$7 Riverside in Laughlin - Don w/NO DATE	\$ 64.00
\$10 Gold Ranch in Verdi - Elk	\$205.00
\$10 Silver City in Las Vegas - Puffless Pete	\$188.00
\$10 Bellagio in Las Vegas - Chinese New Year	\$ 86.00
\$10 Plaza in Las Vegas - #2 error, missing 'I'	\$ 61.00
\$10 Las Vegas Club - NHL Hockey with logo	\$ 50.00
\$10 New Isleta Casino	\$ 38.00
\$20 Trumps Castle in AC - Lighthouse	\$ 61.00
\$40 Harvey's - 50th Anniversary - small	\$250.00
\$40 Harrah's in Las Vegas - Sax w/Alligator	\$159.00
\$40 Flamingo in Reno - Bowling Flamingo	\$140.00

(Jack Haddock - 2nd Vice President)

CLASSIFIEDS

SILVER STRIKES FOR SALE.

Large inventory, fair prices, good service!
"www.roadhousesilver.com" or send for your free price list: Roadhouse Collectibles,
1939 Prater Way, Sparks, NV 89431

See on the WEB at
Dennis Owen CHSS-122

\$10 SILVER STRIKES WANTED.

Buy or trade! Need: Sierra Sid's Logo 2 Jake (.999 on silver) and horses dated 1997
Aladdin, Las Vegas, Sinbad - 3 dots; Bally's Running 7 (BALV-2b); San Reno error; and
Sam's Town error Pony Express. Email: grc71873@uswest.net
1597 West 9775 South, So. Jordan, UT 84095 Gary & Robyn Curtis CHSS-118

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

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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

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MARV WEAVER'S "NEVADA SILVER PREMIUM GAMING TOKENS 2001 PRICE GUIDE"

6th EDITION: \$30 (plus \$4 postage) AVAILABLE AT CONVENTION AND AFTER

Lisa Jung's "*Striking Differences: The Stories Behind the Strikes-2nd Edition 2001*":

\$10 (plus \$2 postage)-----buy both/postage is \$4.00 phone: (415) 472-2869

WEB page: <http://ourworld.cs.com/chippermel> e-mail: chippermel@cs.com

Lisa Jung, 1285 Idylberry Rd., San Rafael, CA 94903-1071

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SIERRA SID'S JACKPOT - "EAGLE & BUFFALO" - SPLIT WINDOWS OR NOT

Bought a small hoard of each of these pieces and can sell at LOW prices:

Buffalo - split window \$60/solid \$300 Eagle - split window \$40/solid \$425

limited to those in stock. email jackhaddock@mindspring.com (775) 358-1132

Jack Haddock, P. O. Box 7544, Reno, NV 89510

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BUY * SELL * TRADE ALL SILVER STRIKES

Over 800 strikes to sell or trade - sorry, no \$7.00 strikes

Please send for my trade and want lists

Les Hassel - 202 Caldor Dr., Bellevue, NE 68005
402-293-1400

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DID YOU HEAR ?

Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas has approved for the highly prized \$200 face/ 1 pound of silver, silver strike, as well as, a \$40 strike. Both new strikes are to be the "winged victory", gold plated but not antiqued. The two new machines which will dispense these strikes needs to be built, hence, it will be several months before they are in play.

The "LM" mintmark on the Gold Country "Train" and "Pony Express Rider" is a legal mintmark since Global Mint bought the "LM Mint" and is the way it must stay until the casino approves the artwork change authorizing the "G" mintmark.

Some machines are being removed: Eureka Casino; San Remo and Riverside on the list.

Oshea's Casino will have a silver strike utilizing the CC>CC logo during the convention.

The big jackpot on a silver strike machine occurs when the player lines up 3-7's. Generally, that means \$1000. There have been \$2000 jackpots reported and a high on a progressive of \$4,390. Watch for the big jackpots but remember, you don't get strikes with all that money!

CONGRATULATIONS!!! Over 1/3 of the Silver Striker voted in the recent elections. A total of 113 votes were counted and have selected a "Strike of the Year" and elected 3 strikes to the Hall of Fame. You definitely want a message board and would like to have info directly emailed to you in a timely manner. The chapter officers are working on it.

New strikes put in play during May: Barbary Coast; California snake (2001 series); Pioneer in Laughlin (2001 series); Binion's; and 4 at the New Frontier.

The Reno Hilton will use the normal brass rims on #4, 5, & 6 and then return to the copper colored rims for # 7, 8, & 9. This will keep your display balanced!

Reno-Tahoe Airport working on two new strikes.

Sierra Sid's has approved two out of a series of six \$10 strikes. Not sure when they will go into play as they may wait for all 6 to be ready. New 1-pound round is about to be released.

CONVENTION SPEAKERS – 4 PM THURSDAY

Your 1st VP and education officer, Ray Moritz, would like to extend a special thanks to member Dennis Finn for obtaining two great speakers for the Las Vegas Convention. You will hear Tom Power, Production Manager, Sunshine Mint and Rick Ronca, Slot Manager for the Union Plaza.

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