Hello again to my fellow Club members. Welcome to another issue of the CCA Newsletter. In our last issue we recapped the 2019 Convention. Plans are already in the works for the 2020 Convention. Steve Palumbo our Convention Chair has started the process of organizing and planning our next great event.

I feel the need to share with you something that is very important to the Club concerning the Convention. There are many costs involved in putting on a show of this magnitude. Club members don’t always realize just how expensive items cost the Club. For instance, the Club loses money on the Early-Bird Banquet at approximately $16 per person. We absorb that loss and make it up in other ways. There is a minimum of 100 attendees for the event, without which, we must absorb the costs even further. The cost of refreshments provided at Educational Seminars is horrendous at $4.00 per can of soda and juices.

The cost of the room alone is $5,000. This year we were able to cut $1,400 from past videographer costs, as required as an educational stipulation for our 501©3 designation, with the volunteer services of Club member Ron Gaudette.

In efforts to offset these high expenses, without cutting some of the activities, we look for ways to generate additional income for the Club, both before and during the Convention. The two largest money makers for the Club are the Club Raffle (administered by Doug Smith) and the Bruce Landau Memorial Auction (administered by David Spragg and Jay Sands).

The Club Raffle has been a great success due to the tireless, year-round efforts of Doug, and every year it gets bigger and better. The value of the raffle bags are sometimes astonishing. So please remember, it is not too early to start contacting Doug to get your donations in now. Doing so will surely prompt some early sales of tickets. Doug can be emailed at: msmith310@aol.com at your convenience to arrange the delivery of your donation. Continued support from long time donors and prospective new donors is greatly appreciated.

The Bruce Landau Memorial Auction, run by David Spragg and Jay Sands, is THE largest money maker for the Club. However, over the past few years, submissions and, in particular, DONATIONS are way down. A little-known fact is that David has donated a large amount of lots so that the Club could expect a certain return to help offset Club expenses.

To my knowledge he has never been required to do this and it shows his commitment to the Club. Thank you, David!

This is also a year-round activity, and the "Call for Material" comes very early. In fact, he is accepting items NOW, for next year’s Auction. Consider selling some of your collection through this event (or even donating material) to help the Club. You can contact David at david.spragg@zen.co.uk or Jay at: jaychip@sbcglobal.net.

I am circulating a survey to this year’s dealers to see how we may improve the Convention experience. I will share those results in the September issue of the CCA Newsletter. Please contact me with any questions/comments and suggestions.

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Important Magazine (CCN) Deadlines

Summer Issue: May 10, 2019
Robb McPherson

Fall Issue: July 31, 2019
Steve Miller

Winter Issue: November 15, 2019
Robb McPherson

Spring Issue: January 31, 2020
Steve Miller
Robb McPherson robb4640@outlook.com
Steve Miller lvsteve@gmail.com

Legal Committee is announced.

Michael Siskin and Christine Smith have been appointed as CCA Legal Committee members. We thank them for their willingness to help!
ON THE DOCKET...

CCA Board Actions through July, 2019

The Board discussed an expansion of the “Volunteer List”, as used during the Convention, to include year-round volunteers, for purposes of inclusion in magazine and newsletter. Jim Follis to inform Scot Parriott, Volunteer Chair.

Action: Discussion and implementation agreed-upon. No vote needed. Volunteer Chair notified.  

A “MoGH Structure” proposal was submitted by MoGH Chair, Mike Quinlivan.

Discussion followed and vote taken.

Action: Proposal was approved 4 to 1.  

A “MoGH Mission Statement” was submitted by MoGH Chair, Mike Quinlivan.

Discussion followed; no action was taken on the content. Proposal was approved on the ability of the MoGH Board to adequately determine the Statement. Statement entered in the CCA record. Proposal referred to Mike for implementation.

Action: Proposal was approved 4 to 1  

A MoGH Funding Proposal was submitted by MoGH Chair, Mike Quinlivan, to contract with Sandra Harris to create a Business Plan for further guidance in outlining the direction of the MoGH.

Action: Proposal was approved—Unanimously  

Convention attendance info submitted by Ron Gaudette for analysis.

Ron submitted a graphical representation outlining the trend of attendance over the past several years.

Discussion was opened and information was shared with Convention Chair, Steve Palumbo.

No further action was taken and the Board thanks Ron for the input.  

MoGH Chair, Mike Quinlivan, submitted a clarification statement regarding MoGH Board member voting rights, stating that, "ALL MoGH Board members are able to vote and ALL issues, but can choose to abstain on 2 issues: appropriations over $1,000, and approval of MoGH Board members. These 2 issues must go to the CCA Board for approvals."  

Club Member Suggestion:

Bob Touts submitted a list of suggestions to President Vergatos on ways to increase membership and fundraising. Suggestions was passed along to Roy Nelson for further consideration.

No action taken at this time.  

Caesars Entertainment/Rio: A proposal was submitted to the Board of Directors for consideration of having the 2021/2022 Convention at the Rio.

Discussion followed and the proposal has been tabled pending a proposal that was submitted to South Point. South Point negotiations are still ongoing.

Action proposal tabled until further notice for now.  

Legal Committee

Christine Smith and Michael Siskin have agreed to be a Legal Committee for the CCA while we continue our search for Legal Counsel.
The Bruce Landau Memorial Auction...

The Club Auction is our largest money maker at the Convention. Our Auction Co-Chairs, David Spragg and Jay Sands, have put the auction together, by accepting and validating Lots, creating the Auction Catalog, and other related activities.

Alex Cilento organizes things on the Convention floor. Steve Wilson and Mark Russell do a lot of work helping at the tables, showing potential bidders the Lots and tracking pre-auction bids.

Tyrus Mulkey, of course, is our distinguished Auctioneer. Altogether these Club members run the auction very efficiently.

It should also be noted that as the years go by, we have been receiving fewer and fewer consignments from members; in particular, donated Lots.

Gratefully, David Spragg has seen fit to donate quite a few Lots, to make sure that we have an adequate number of items to sell.

Thank you David!

Everyone is asked to donate items for next year's Auction, now. Please contact David or Jay by email to get your items in early.

For, more information please contact David Spragg at: davidspragg@zen.co.uk or Jay Sands at jaychip@sbcglobal.com

Is Your CCA Membership Due for Renewal?

If your CCA Membership expired in June of this year you received a yellow postcard renewal reminder from me. Don’t put it aside and think, ‘I’ll get to that later’. Make a point to renew right away via our website (www.ccgltcc.com) under the membership tab or right out a check and send it my way. Don’t be one of those who put it aside, forgets and misses your next issue of our great club magazine.

However you choose to renew, we appreciate your membership.

Roy Nelson - CCA Membership Officer
CCA Raffle Returns for 2020...

The CCA will be running a raffle once again at the 2020 Convention in June and we're looking for donations – chips, slot cards, hotel room keys, silver strikes -- anything casino-related that's in good shape that you'd want in YOUR collection (no items that are in really poor condition, please).

These donated items will be raffled off at the 2020 Convention (June 18th through June 20th at the South Point in Las Vegas). If you'd like to help, please gather up your donatable items and send them to the the address noted below.

The Annual Convention Raffle is an important part of our Club's fundraising efforts and proceeds from this event help keep Membership and Convention costs down and allow us to do all the things that we want to keep our Club and hobby enjoyable.

Now, with regards to raffle tickets – Tickets are a donation of $10 each or 3 tickets for a $25 donation. All funds raised for this event will go to the Club's General Fund. You do not need to be present at the Convention to win (but it would make it a whole lot more exciting ). There will be drawings on Thursday and Friday during the Convention. The number of drawings as well as the number of winners per drawing per day will be determined by the number of donations received. If you want to purchase raffle tickets, please mail payment (payable to the CCA) to me at:

Doug Smith  PO Box 691085
Raffle Chair  Houston, TX. 77269-1085

I already have a few donations pledged, and, as usual, I will be adding items weekly as they come in.

Thank you 2019 Donors!!!!.....

The entire Board of Directors would personally like to extend their gratitude to the following people who made donations to the 2019 CCA Convention Raffle.

Travis Lewin
Doug Smith
A Friend of the CC&GTCC
Eric Miller
Chuck Sikora
Ron Leis
Jerry Vergatos
Archie Black
Michael Knapp
The SNCCC
Walter Dibeler

David Spragg
Robert Reno
Doug Baldun
Dennis Lee
Estate of Gene Trimble
Estate of Michael Richter
Reggie Gummer
Cary Burke
Mike McCarty
Gary Kuehl
Pete Lowell

Jerry Birli
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Alan Borenstein
Ed Hertel
Chad Siebert
Chuck Gajewski
Paul Liscio
David Sowell
Alan Schuyler
Trey Warren
Mary Smith

Without the support of these donors along with all the people who made ticket purchases we could have never made this years raffle the huge success that it was.

THANK YOU ALL !!!!!
Join the CCA today!

Tap or click the membership application on the left to download a printable Membership Application form.

Or, do the same HERE to immediately visit the CCA's online Membership Application page and join right now!

Are you a Member of the CCA? Want to learn more? Please use the QR Code, at right, with your hand held, to visit the CCA's Membership Application Page.
CCA Member Paul Schaffer advises us that based on data extracted from ChipGuide, these are recent new releases. Thanks Paul and Thank You to the ChipGuide Submitters!!!
The MoGH joins the Nevada Museum Association

Mike Quinlivan, MoGH Chair, has enrolled the MoGH with the Nevada Museum Association (NMA). The below article was published in the NMA's Summer Newsletter. For more about the NMA, visit here: http://www.nevadamuseums.org/nma/

The Museum of Gaming History, (MoGH) is an Educational Project of The Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club, Inc. (CC&GTCC) d/b/a Casino Collectibles Association (CCA), an IRS-approved 501 (c) (3) Tax Exempt not-for-profit Corporation. The MoGH Advisory Board includes professionals from the gaming industry, museums, libraries, corporations and various other walks of life. The Advisory Board provides advice on a number of issues relating to the establishment of a permanent brick and mortar museum. The MoGH was established to be a world class resource and reference center for research regarding the study and preservation, of Gaming History.

The MoGH Board and The MoGH Advisory Board met on June 17th, 2019 at the MOB MUSEUM and later that day, the MoGH Board met at Encore Executive Suites, Las Vegas in furtherance of its mission to increase the awareness, knowledge and understanding of the evolution of Gaming History and its unique impact on society. The purpose of these meetings was to review and evaluate the progress that the MoGH is making as it moves towards its ultimate goal of a free-standing brick and mortar museum.

Myriad items were discussed, including fund-raising, grant writing, possible permanent locations for the Museum, discussion of the current MoGH website and its future re-design, the status of the current MoGH Exhibits and Displays around Las Vegas and a comprehensive discussion of the ChipGuide, which provides a virtual, on-line experience, hosting over 230,000 scans of casino collectibles, a large part of which is available to the general public. The future looks very bright for the MoGH!
MoGH Mission Statement
The Museum of Gaming History (MoGH) exists to increase the awareness, knowledge and understanding of the evolution of Gaming History and its unique impact on society.

MoGH Vision Statement
Create and operate a dynamic museum experience in Las Vegas and online that provides an accurate progression of gaming over time.

Key Tenets of this Mission Include:
Advance the public's knowledge and understanding of the history of gaming, through the preservation of relevant artifacts and public presentations.

Provide accurate storytelling that portrays the roots and evolution of casino gaming, in an authentic and entertaining manner.

Present the stories, accomplishments and impact of the pioneers, leaders and other important historical figures relevant to gaming history.

The preservation and presentation of artifacts, objects and digital records to serve as educational resources connecting both the academic community and the general public to the people and events of historical significance.

The MoGH...
Always moving forward!
The National Atomic Testing Museum

and

The Museum of Gaming History

We have expanded the Exhibit at the National Atomic Testing Museum, our 7th Milestone Marker along the Trail of the MoGH. While not completed, we have added material from Club members:

Mike Quinlivan       Revived Slots       Steve Clark
Travis Lewin          Robert Eisenstadt   Charles Kaplan
Casey Focazio-Follis

Thank you to our current and future donors.

National Atomic Testing Museum - Milestone Marker #7 on the Trail of The MoGH
Interested in becoming a MoGH Life Member???

We are now offering an easy installment plan. You can make 5 easy payments of $50 each, for 5 months. This is in lieu of the onetime fee of $250. The MoGH is on the move and we need your support. Your Life Membership will go a long way in helping us achieve the many great goals we have started. If you would like further information please contact me at vergatos@msn.com.

Jerry Vergatos MoGH LM-0001
Membership Director
Museum of Gaming History

MoGH Life Member Plaque
The Trail of the MoGH...
The MoGH is pleased to offer this series of 6 chips (octagons) and 7 plaques, commemorating the “Trail of the Museum of Gaming History”. Each set commemorates the opening dates of each of the first 6 Exhibit locations, along the Trail of the MoGH. Please show your support of the Museum of Gaming History by purchasing a full set of the chips and/or the plaques. These are limited in quantity and newer issues are planned. Contact the MoGH Membership Director, Jerry Vergatos, at vergatos@msn.com for payment and shipping.

**Pricing**
- Plaque Sets (7*) - $75
- Chip Sets (6) - $30

Our sincere THANKS to Kevin Norris for this wonderful artwork!

Common Reverse

Visit the MoGH online. Scan this QR Code with your hand held.
Do You want a Free pass?????

That is to go to a couple of Museums. I have a limited number of Free passes to the Neon Museum and the Atomic Testing Museum. The Neon passes will expire on June 1, 2020 and the Atomic Testing Museum passes will expire on December 31 2019.

If you are traveling to Las Vegas and would like to see the MoGH Exhibits up close at these locations, then please feel free to contact me at vergatos@msn.com.

The MoGH... Always moving forward!
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Picking Up Badges

Entering The Bourse!

Cheaters Seminar

Brenda Riemer - Seminar

Poker Tournament

WINNER! - James Love (C)
Hall of Fame Members

Jim Steffner, Wayne Thompson, Mike Skelton, Archie Black, Belinda Hixon, Brenda Black, Charles Kaplan, Roy Nelson, Mark Lightman, Phil Jensen, Steve Passalacqua, Doug Smith

Competitive Exhibitors


Photos by Jim Whobrey, Mark Lightman and Quintin Kamm.