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# of the Casino Collectibles Association





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Guest Contributors this month:

Bruce and Mary Ann Massey, Mark Lighterman, Trey Warren, Ken Hallenbeck, Shawn Webster

# PRESIDENT'S CORNER



Greetings to all our readers.
The excitement is building for our Convention.
Despite the ever changing protocols, I

believe we are going to have a great time. All of our previous events are planned, as well as a few new ones. The thought of seeing old friends and acquaintances is exhilarating, to say the least. Please contact me if you have any concerns at: vergatos@msn.com.

The CCA Election is heading down the home stretch and it is important to make sure you **VOTE.** The direction of the Club is in your hands and your participation is needed. There are Candidate Statements in this edition of the CCA Newsletter; in the Election Section. Please take the time to read them and contact the

candidates to get specific answers to questions you may have, and also to express your concerns.

Volunteers are needed to ensure we have a great Convention. Please contact Scot Parriott at: hkp4@icloud.com, our Volunteer Chairman for more information. Our extremely popular Raffle has many great items and is well worth the cost of the tickets. Contact Doug Smith, our Raffle Chairman, at: msmith310@aol.com for more details Until our next issue Please stay Safe and Healthy

Jerry Vergatos LM-8093-241 President

# ON THE DOCKET...

# CCA Board Actions through March, 2021 Presented by David Spragg, CCA Secretary

#### **CCA 2021 Convention**

Numerous discussions have taken place to ensure we can comply with predicted protocols in order for the Convention and associated events to go ahead this year, as outlined elsewhere in this and the last interim newsletter.

**Action:** All in favor of Convention going ahead.

#### **Independent Financial Review**

An independent financial review of the club's financial statements at 31 December 2021 has now been completed and the report will be posted on the Club website shortly.

**Action:** No action required

#### **Website Revision**

The new Club website remains in the process of being written.

Action: No action required

#### **Claims**

For info only, a previously submitted Claim is not yet resolved.

**Action:** Pending

# SUGGESTION BOX

The purpose of this Section is to allow all of our viewers a chance to speak up about what they feel may help our Club become even greater. All are welcome to submit to Chuck, any ideas and thoughts. Submissions will be shared here, but they must be sent to Chuck via email to: <a href="mailto:ccasuggestionbox@gmail.com">ccasuggestionbox@gmail.com</a>. This is done so that they can be meticulously organized and implemented, or, forwarded, to the Club's President for appropriate assignments. Please feel free to offer your assistance in implementing your suggestion. This will ensure that your suggestion can be accomplished much sooner than expected and offer the Club a new benefit. When listed here, Suggestions will be anonymous, so please feel free to express your ideas openly. The suggestions listed will have a disposition to show progress.

#### **New Items:**

**Suggestion:** With increasing eBay fees and other problems, the CCA should look into purchasing on line auction software. The fees collected would be labeled as donations. Members could use Venmo, a free money transfer service for your phone. Which is free in most cases.

**Follow up: Richard Huber -** Willing to help with this endeavor.

Email: hubeedoo@aol.com

**Suggestion:** Change of venue for the Convention.

Follow up: Joseph Dakuras - Would be happy to help!!!

Email: josephdakauras@aol.com

#### **Prior Items:**

**Suggestion:** Reach out to the owner "Tommy" of www.pokerchipforum.com. There may be an opportunity to recruit new members.

Follow up: Referred to Roy Nelson CCA Membership Director

**Suggestion:** The ChipGuide should only be available to CCA members. Because that would add value to membership.

Follow up: Referred to Charles Kaplan for comment.

### Suggestion Box (continued)

#### **Response** - Charles Kaplan, MoGH Acting Chairman

The heritage of the ChipGuide is from Greg Susong, who made it a free resource to the Casino Collectibles hobby. Through the ChipGuide we have recruited many new members to the CCA and it continues to be the lightning rod that draws new collectors into the hobby. Some of the new advanced features, like My Collection and Trade Maker, have been restricted to members of the CCA and MoGH. My Collection allows users, that are logged on to the ChipGuide, to track items on the ChipGuide that are in their collection, on their Trade list or their Want list. Trade Maker matches collector's Trade lists to others Want lists to facilitate trades. My expectation is that advanced features will continue to be introduced as restricted to Club members only, to provide added value, while the basic ChipGuide function is available to the general public.

**Suggestion:** Contact Manufacturers of casino-related items such as chips, key cards, holders and slot cards, etc., for advertising the CCA.

**Follow up:** Referred to Nate Pincus, Advertising Chairman.

**Advertising** -Solicitation from Casinos for our Magazine and Convention Program.

<u>Action</u> -Suggestion was referred to Nate Pincus for consideration and implementation. Outcome pending.

#### **Suggestion**

Would like someone who has a complete understanding of the relationship between the CCA and the MoGH (including the financial aspects) to write an article for the monthly newsletter and maybe the magazine.

#### **Response -** Charles Kaplan, MoGH Acting Chairman

The CCA is the parent organization. The Museum of Gaming History (MoGH) is the child. The MoGH is part of the CCA, it is not a separate organization, that was set up to Preserve Gaming History. The MoGH has raised a significant amount of money that is accounted for separately from CCA funds, although the funds may be in the same accounts. The MoGH has a board of directors that governs its activities, board members are nominated by the MoGH to the CCA for approval. Routine MoGH expenditures are made without approval, while larger expenditures require prior CCA authorization.

I think it is easiest to think of the MoGH as a department within the CCA that conducts its activities under the supervision of the CCA. The current structure works well for now. If the MoGH where to open a physical location, changes would be necessary to allow for successful day-to-day *operations*.

The suggestions listed above, do not necessarily include all that were submitted. If your suggestion was not listed please resubmit to Chuck. Closed items that are suggested will be deleted from this section. Posts on the websites may be overlooked and are not to be construed negatively in any way if they are omitted in the Suggestion Box.

# Recent "New Releases"...

We thank Paul Schaffer and Tim Pierce for all the work they have done for this Section of the Newsletter.

However, they have decided to go on to other matters and we are now in need of a volunteer to pick up the reins. Paul advises that he will be happy to train a replacement.

If anyone is interested in being our New Releases Wrangler, please contact Jerry Vergatos at: Vergatos@msn.com.



# You are Wanted for the



# CCA 2021 Raffle



# CCA will once again be conducting our annual Raffle at the 2021 Convention at South Point Casino in Las Vegas

We are looking for all types of donations of items to be included as part of the raffle – chips, dice, slot cards, silver strikes, tokens, postcards, matchbooks, ashtrays, swizzle sticks, room keys – ANY type of casino memorabilia that is good condition, that you would like to have in YOUR collection. Thanks to the great participation in the past from our wonderful members in the way of ticket and raffle donations, this a successful event for both the club AND for the winners.

Ticket donations are \$10 for one, or \$25 for three raffle tickets. You need not be present at the convention to win. Those not attending will have their winnings shipped to them at no additional cost after the convention.

Raffle Tickets and raffle donations can be made via mail by sending to your check payable to CCA to

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

Thank you for all of your past support and we look forward to your continuing support for the 2021 Raffle.

# Win 1 of 8, \$25 Scrip Plaques with pre-Registration!...

Those that pre-Register for this year's Convention will have a coupon in their package that has one (1) Special Raffle Ticket, as shown.

Per the instructions on the card, put <u>your</u> name on the back of the ticket and place it into the Special Raffle drum located at the Raffle table.

We will be drawing 8 tickets during the course of the Convention, to win one each of these brand new, \$25 Scrip plaques.

Each plaque is uniquely numbered and only 50 were produced. Serial #'s 1 and 50 have been placed with the MoGH and #s 10 - 17 will be given out at this year's Convention to the individuals named on the 8 drawn tickets.

As in previous years, with the first issue that was a huge hit, these can be redeemed at any Dealer's table for \$25 in credit towards a purchase at that Dealer. However, not one person turned them in in the past years, as to most winners, the plaques are worth quite a bit more than the \$25 credit. We have even seen these sell on eBay for a \$100 or more !!!!!

#### ONLY ONE RULE.... YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!

Tickets will be drawn at 2:00 on Thursday and 2:00 on Friday and a winner will only have 5 minutes to claim their prize or we will draw another ticket.

So the ONLY way you have a chance to win is to pre-Register for the Convention AND be in the room if your ticket is drawn.

Do not miss your opportunity to win one of these AWESOME plaques.





Images at left show both sides of the \$25 Scrip Plaque and the Special Drawing Ticket and carrier that pre-Registration participants will find in their pre-Registration envelopes. (Note: carrier and ticket colors may vary.)

For further information visit this post by Raffle Master, Doug Smith, MSMITH310@aol.com on the Club's Message Board:

**CLICK HERE** 

#### CCA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

#### BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP:

- · Quarterly magazine Casino Collectible News
- Access to dozens of books in the club Library.
- Superior trading status as a member of the CCA, people will be more trusting in their trade transactions with you because they know you're bound by the Code of Ethics. Additionally, members prefer to trade with other members, and in fact, some people will only trade with club members.
- Ability to vate for the Chip Of The Year, Silver Strike Of The Year, Token Of The Year, and Card/Key Of The Year.
- You can pre-register for the convention and get one of the famous goody bags.
- . You can attend the Early Bird Banquet before the convention.
- You can be listed in the public, online Club Directory (along with your email and website URL) for others to learn about you and your collecting interests
- You will develop life-long friendships with other club members.
- You receive a membership card and are entitled to use the dub logo on your business cards and web pages.
- You get to have a vote in the direction of the most influential organization in the hobby.
- You have access to the full Club Directory that contains many names and addresses not available in the public, online directory.
- You have the honor of belonging to an organization that takes its ethics and codes of conduct very seriously.
- You have the honor of belonging to an organization dedicated to the preservation of part of our nation's history.

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Annual dues will be renewable in the same quarter in which the membership application was processed. Check our address labels for your membership expiration dates.

Mail your completed application with your check made payable to CCA to:

Foreign mailings are at First Class rate. All other mailings are via third class mail.

CCA Membership Officer

#### **Roy Nelson**

4338 Grey Spencer Dr Las Vegas, NV 89141

Or apply anline with your credit card at www.ccgtcc.com

### 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.



# A WELCOME to our newest CCA Life Members from Roy Nelson, CCA Membership Officer...

**David Kountz - LM 5999-288** 

Doug Balduini - LM 8917-289

Carla Balduini - LM 8917-289-A

David, Doug and Carla,

Welcome Aboard! The Club appreciates your decisions to become Life Members, and looks forward to your continued support and involvement with the Club. These additions have been announced on the Club's Message Board, and readers are encouraged to visit and express Congratulations to Doug and Carla. CLICK HERE

Any Club member interested in becoming a Life Member, should note the following qualifications as excerpted from the Club's Constitution:

E. Life Members: members in good standing <u>age 25 or</u> older who apply, after completion of their third full year of membership for permanent membership status, and whose applications are accompanied by payment, according to the following schedule. Life Members are relieved from paying further annual dues, but must pay any magazine mailing charges above bulk mail, if the Life Member desires such mailing enhancement:

Age 25-39: then-current dues times 25

Age 40-55: then-current dues times 20

Age 55+: then-current dues times 15

After 10 years of continuous completed membership the following rates would apply:

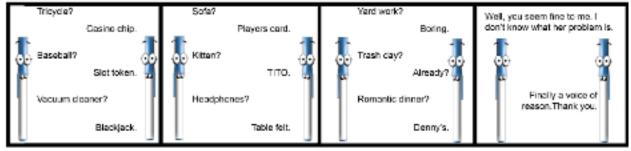
Age 56-75: then-current dues times 10

Age 76+: then-current dues times 5;

E (i). Dues Changes Impacting Life Members: if the Board of Directors raises the organization's annual general membership dues, thus impacting the Life Membership cost to someone who at that time has been a member for less than three years, the Board of Directors may, in its discretion, grandfather in all those members who have been members for less than three (3) years, so that those members, once they have completed their third year, may become life members by paying the multiplier times the annual dues in effect when they first became a regular member. The member must pay the increased annual dues until the completion of the third year. At the completion of the third year, the member has a one-time only, two month window to apply for Life Membership at the grandfathered lower rate.

#### **Associations**

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#### **CALL FOR EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS - COMPETITIVE and NON-COMPETITIVE**

With the Convention just around the corner, we are in need of more Exhibits. If

you are planning on going to the Convention please think about doing consider doing an Educational Exhibit.

Basically, to participate, just sign-up (send me an email), bring your "stuff" and the Club

will provide display cases and table space. Exhibit set-up is Wednesday only, 9 am to 1 pm. Please contact me by email at; <a href="mailto:Exhibits@CCGTCC.com">Exhibits@CCGTCC.com</a>. I can also be contacted at; 520.971.7909.

The Club provided display cases are about 22" x 32" and are about 1" inch high. A slightly deeper case (3") is available for display of items with a little bit more height. I will need this information:

- 1. Exhibit content or theme,
- 2. Number of cases needed, (maximum of 5)
- 3. Your name,
- 4. Your member number, and
- 5. Title of the Exhibit.

Exhibits must be casino related in some way, in keeping with the nature of our Club. If any of the Exhibit will include slabbed chips, special permission must be received from President Vergatos. You need to ask the President, not me.

The deadline for submissions will be May 15th, however, I can accept late submissions but they will not meet the deadline for inclusion in the Convention Program, but will be eligible for the People's Choice Award and/or one of the 3 Judged Awards.

Thank you,

Jim Follis MoGH Exhibit Chairman

# Recognize this webpage?...

ChipGuide - A Catalog of Casino Chips and Collectibles

# The ChipGuide



Quick Select - Region: United States ▼ State: Alabama ▼ Go

Total Items on the ChipGuide = 269,307 as of 1 April 2021

You can help the MoGH achieve greater success in our efforts to add more content. This recent screen shot shows 269,307 images are currently on ChipGuide. But we have plenty of room for more. Do you have scans of casino memorabilia and collectibles that could be added? If so, please visit the site and offer your scans by clicking on "SUBMISSIONS."

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## Did you know?...

The National Atomic Testing Museum, 1 of 7 Milestone Markers along the Trail of the MoGH, also publishes a Newsletter. Follow this LINK to visit their site and subscribe to their Newsletter. The MoGH will have complimentary passes to the available to CCA/MoGH members attending the Convention in June!





The National Atomic Testing Museum is adding Mondays to our schedule beginning March 29th) We will then be open Thursday through Monday, 10am to 3pm.

The NATM is currently open to the public on a strict, reservation-only basis, so be sure to plan your visit to the museum today. You can pre-purchase tickets here.

### **Museum of Gaming History Membership Report**

Our MoGH Membership upgrade program continues to grow. The Board of Directors of the Museum of Gaming History wishes to thank the following members for their financial commitment in helping to support our many ongoing and new projects.

#### **Life Members**

Jerry Vergatos	Tom Lopez	Don Priff
Malcom McNeil	Steve Palumbo	Chris Carlson
Robert Pardue	Ron Gaudette	Steve Miller
Michael Gersie	Mike Spinetti	David Loriso
Ann Gersie	Doug Smith	Fred Bergman
Tony Kreusch	Chuck Sikora IV	Jim Steffner
James Love	Mike Skelton	Mike Quinlivan
Gary Kruehl	Neal Silverman	Jim Kruse
Wayne Thompson	Charles Kaplan	Andy Hughes
Jonathan Ullman	Geoff Schumacher	Barry Hauptman
Steve Kuska	Mike Nawrocki	Alex Cilento
Brad Smith	David Sarles	

#### **Gold Members**

Ken Kendra	Eduardo Estabanez	Erik Isackson
Alan Schuyler	Nate Pincus	Terry Vaughan
Rich Burgel	Ross Poppel	Rick Peterson
St <mark>eve Lauber</mark>	Paul Liscio	Eric Dauplaise
Michael Blishak	Tom Pleau	Carey Burke
Dennis Lee	Roy Nelson	Jay Sands
Dennis Page	Ted Whiting	Jim Follis
Sharon Cox	George Dmitrevski	Donald Durnin
Bud Myer	Allan Anderson	James Hogg
Sharon Nickson Cox	Michael H <mark>ennessey</mark>	Herman Rush
Jim Dalzell	Tom Dyer	

## Please Join Us....

Your support is needed for the MoGH to continue to grow and succeed in our quest to someday have an actual museum. One that will carry our name forward, and one that we can be proud of.

Please contact me if you wish to upgrade your already existing membership at <a href="mailto:vergatos@msn.com">vergatos@msn.com</a> for further details

Jerry Vergatos MoGH LM-0001 Membership Director

**ATTN: Gold Members.** Your annual dues are likely due now as the majority of you renew during and at, the Annual Convention. Be on the lookout for a reminder email. Thank you

# A Special Election Announcement:

# As noted last month... THERE HAS BEEN A CHANGE TO THE OFFICIAL BALLOT!

In as much that the Secretarial position is no longer contested (Richard Huber has withdrawn his Nomination) the Ballot was changed to only reflect the Presidential contest.

Additionally, a change to the Club's Constitution has been added to the Ballot, which needs to be voted on. The Ballot, a 2-sided .pdf, is available for downloading at the Club's Homepage website, and is also reproduced here as 2 separate pages.

Please follow the instructions on the Ballot to vote. If you have already submitted a ballot, and wish to use the newer version, simply recast your Ballot to the Election Co-Chairs. To invalidate the previously submitted Ballot, be sure to add "02/04/2021" under the name(s) and member number(s) on the reverse side of the envelope.



## The Casino Collectibles Association 2021 OFFICIAL ELECTION BALLOT

REVISED: 2/4/21

Cast my vote for the following CCA Member in Good Standing for a 2-year term to the office as shown. [One vote per position.]

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☐ Mark Lighterman	Jerry Vergatos
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TURN SHEET OVER.

# BALLOT CONTINUES, AND VOTING INSTRUCTIONS, ON REVERSE

#### 2021 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT BALLOT

#### CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PRESENTED BY CCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In order to reflect the recent change in the Club's State of registration from New York to Nevada, the following Constitutional Amendment must be passed.

The Casino Chip and Gaming Token Collectors Club, Inc.
A Not-For-Profit IRS-approved §501(c)(3) Corporation
Fed ID: 11-3193244
Toll Free: 877 4CC-GTCC
www.ccgtcc.com

Member Club of the American Numismatic Association

#### AMENDED AND RESTATED CONSTITUTION - CASINO CHIP & GAMING TOKEN COLLECTORS CLUB

#### ARTICLE TWO: PLACE OF BUSINESS

The principal place of business of this organization shall be listed as 2950 Hempstead Turnpike, Levittewn, New York-11756 5466 Jacobs Field St., Las Vegas, NV 89148

#### ARTICLE SIX: ALTERATIONS OR AMENDMENT; Section 2

The Board of Directors shall have the power to make such prudential Bylaws and regulations as they deem proper for the management and control of the business and affairs of the organization not inconsistent with the laws of the State of New York Nevada, and the Constitution of the United States.

Cast my vote for following Amendment to the CC&GTCC Constitution: Articles 2 & 6: Wording changes as above.

☐ YES		NO
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PLEASE RETURN BALLOT TO: BRUCE & MARY ANN MASSEY, ELECTION CO-CHAIRPERSONS 9705 WHITE CLOUD DR., LAS VEGAS, NV 89134

IMPORTANT: On the rear of the envelope put the name(s) and membership number(s) of all Members and Associate Members whose ballot(s) are enclosed. Failure to do so will void the ballot(s) contained in the envelope.

NO E-MAILED BALLOTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Postmark Deadline: Saturday, May 22, 2021 (Received by Saturday, May 29, 2021)

# **ELECTION CAMPAIGNING SECTION**





#### Experience

I have extensive experience serving on the board of other clubs for over 25 years. I have served as a board member and Past President 1993 to 2007 of the Florida United Numismatists, a coin club with over 3000 members. I am also currently the Vice President of CONECA after having held the presidency for 8 years and a past officer of the Token and Medal Society having held the position of Secretary. Most importantly I am a Special Officer for the American Numismatic Association.

#### 501c3 tax exempt status

Protect our 501c3 tax exempt status. This is special and there are many rules that need to be followed and that is what each of the boards that I have been on has taught me.

#### Transparency

Transparency is one of the first things I would like to see happen. Most of the other clubs I have served on hold open board meetings. ANA which has a monthly board meeting holds both open and closed sessions. We should be doing the same. The membership needs to be informed.

#### **Advisory Committees**

We have a lot of past officers who in their own right have been in the trenches and are willing to help. Other clubs have advisory committees made up of those individuals willing to continue to help. They have seen what has been tried before and either worked, failed or was not feasible at the time they were suggested. Let's learn from them to build on what they themselves help build.

#### History

Outside of our magazine and small exhibits setup throughout only the Las Vegas area we are not educating those in the rest of the country about the history they are holding in their hand. Bring the education to them and they will surly come to us for more.

#### Membership

Membership and the growth of the club is the key to our survival! Every Club, not just ours, are seeing a decline in membership. Why? Our membership is designed around a hobby that most youth can not easily collect without help from others. Thus we are in a unique position. The general trend is that most collectors who start out as youths, drop out, then pick up collecting later in life. Our membership is drawn from a different pool. They are drawn from those who are old enough to enter a casino or card room. This should be our target area.

# **ELECTION CAMPAIGNING SECTION**

## Jerry Vergatos - Re-Election Statement

Hello Again to all CCA Club Members

Heading down the stretch in this exciting election I want to express the importance of this election. I believe it is the obligation for all Club members to express their wishes in who will lead, and the direction of, our great Club, by casting your vote.

The deadline is May 22 so there is still time to read through all the statements made by the candidates and contact them to get answers to your questions and concerns.

I believe I am the best candidate for this election and ask for your vote. Listed below are some of my achievements and projects I am currently working on.



**Convention -** With the unfortunate passing of Steve Palumbo, our Convention Chair, I have assumed most of the duties involved with getting the Convention to proceed. I felt there was no other option as I was involved with Steve in many of the areas of putting on the previous Conventions. It is a daunting task, but I feel it is a very necessary one to get the Convention open this year. I have currently negotiated many items for this year's Convention, at no cost, to make this a much more enjoyable experience. I have successfully negotiated the Convention Contracts for previous Conventions and have received many upgrades at no cost to the Club

**CCA Website Revision** - This has been mentioned many times, but I can assure you that it will happen soon. I was at the forefront of getting this to fruition as it has been bandied around for many years. All the impediments have been resolved and we are proceeding full speed. I host weekly Zoom Meetings with the Board and the website developer. We are very motivated at this time. Contrary to many thoughts on this subject the revision is somewhat complicated due to the massive amount of information that must be transferred, as well as the new features being developed.

**CCA Newsletter -** I brought this to its present state with a readership of over 2200 contacts, double our current Club membership. It is important to inform our members

# **ELECTION CAMPAIGNING SECTION**

and friends of what's happening on a monthly basis. We have many Club members involved in its publication and has been received well by all.

**Participation -** I am involved in some degree through volunteering in many facets of our Club. I enter a Competitive Educational Exhibit every year, I am on the tear down and set up crew, I co-Chair the Poker and Blackjack Tournaments, I help at the MoGH Table, and whenever I am asked for assistance, I gladly get involved. I have always been hands-on and cannot imagine being President of this great Club while not being involved in these ways.

**Projects -** I will be attempting to renegotiate our Nevada State, Tax Exempt status so that we may be able to save up to \$4,000 annually on Convention and other expenditures in Nevada.

Contacting and coordinating the requests for additional Museum Passes for our members. Those Museums are The Mob Museum, Neon Museum, and the National Atomic Testing Museum. Previously having negotiated over 1200 passes worth over \$25,000. Those passes were given exclusively to our Club Members.

Preliminary scouting of future sites for our 2023 Convention. I have been touring locations, with other Board members, to perform our due diligence.

This is by no means the full extent of my duties that I preform for our GREAT Club, but I am committed to making this Club the best it has ever been. I love what I do and accept the challenges that I face ever day with enthusiasm and a sense of determination.

I am experienced and bring my own sense of organization to this job every day.

I ask for your vote to let me continue to do what I have started and also seek new ways to make our Club even Better.

Thank You,

Jerry Vergatos LM-8093-241

**Presidential Candidate** 

The following is provided solely for educational and entertainment purposes and should not be construed as an endorsement of any person or entity of the Casino Collectibles Association and/or any related entity.

# **Local Club Activities....**

**SNCCC Meetings** have resumed!!!! However, the April Meeting has been cancelled, in lieu of a **Members-Only** Special Event to celebrate the life of Michael Spinetti, as offered by distinguished SNCCC member, Anne Spinetti, at their private residence.

#### The Sheldon Smith Report for 9 March, 2021...

The SNCCC has returned to conducting it's regular 2ndTuesday Meetings and the March 9thmeeting was... well... Fabulous!

In following the COVID protocols of the Governor of Nevada and enhancements of Boyd Gaming, our meeting kicked-off at 6 pm with 47 members and guests in attendance. 3 less than what the room size was permitted under the 35% usage rule. At 6:45 we started the Auction, for which there were 24 Lots. 22 Lots were advertised and two members brought along an additional Lot, with 100% of the proceeds going to the SNCCC.

Following the Auction, Club Member and Board Officer, James Hogg (as the Guest Speaker) presented on his Adventures to Nevada Mining Towns and Mine Sites. This presentation is available on the SNCCC's Facebook page, courtesy of 2 individuals that joined us that night, joined the Club and broadcast the meeting via Facebook Live. Thank you Trista and Theresa Caruso.

Following a brief break and settling up of Auction payments, the Business portion of the Meeting was Called to Order by President Vergatos at 8:10 pm.The Club Secretary (Jim Follis) read the minutes of the last, previous SNCCC Meeting of November, 2020. The Minutes were unanimously approved without objection. Club Treasurer (Terri Lonski) reported that the Club's Financial Balance as: \$6,401.94. Club Membership Chairperson (Pam Focazio) presented that paid Membership was at 168.

The Membership Officer also noted, and made thanks to, Club Member Walt Gonski's generous donation of 10, 1-year SNCCC memberships, along with offers for 3 more 1-year memberships by several other members in attendance (Jerry Vergatos and Francios Dejon).

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

The past arrangement to conduct a Monthly Meeting at the home of Mike and Anne Spinetti, in tribute to Mike, is now being discussed by the Board and Anne, to perhaps, happen on April 13th. This is NOT set and further developments will be passed to membership.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

The BoD will discuss the possibility of having the June Monthly Meeting concurrent with the CCA's Annual Convention in June, at the South Point Casino.

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SNCCC President Vergatos provided information regarding the CCA's plan to conduct the Convention in June.

It was noted that the Eldorado Casino, Henderson, was sold by Boyd Gaming to the current owners of the Railroad Pass Casino.

It was noted that the former Hard Rock Hotel and Casino will re-open as the Virgin Hotel and Mohegan Sun Casino on March 25th.

The Business Meeting portion was adjourned at 8:26 pm.

We then conducted the 50/50 and Prizes Raffle.

If anyone would like to be added to this Listing (membership is not required) please email a request to be added to Jim Follis at: SNCCC@GamingOre.com.

Accordingly, the next meeting of the SNCCC will be May 11, 2021.

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#### News from the Colorado Casino Collectors Club...

To all you faithful:

Our meetings of the Colorado Casino Collectors are at the American Legion Post 21, 500 9th Street, Golden, CO 80401 as usual.

Good news is that I've scheduled all the six meeting for 2021 at this same place. They are the 3rd Sunday of every other month.

Save the following dates:

May 16, 2021 July 18, 2021

September 19, 2021 November 21, 2021

Masks and social distancing are expected.

Hopefully we'll have another good meeting.

Ken Hallenbeck

#### The Silver Strikers Club...

From the Four Queens: We just wanted to let all of you know that the Four Queens is putting everything together for a June Tournament. Due to all of the restrictions we are under, due to COVID concerns, this event is not finalized. At this time I can only give you the dates that we are looking at (June 25, 26 and 27, 2021). As I get more information I will post for all of you. I've got my fingers crossed and the artwork is at the mint.

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# CCA Members Only Quarterly Fundraiser Online Poker Tournament Result.

(dateline 3/29/2021) Thanks again to Richard Huber for organizing this fun event that turns into a very nice donation for our great Club!

It looks like we have 18 players registered on the site as of this morning, hopefully we have at least 2 more of you "on the fence" and will decide to join us tonight for the fun to get us to 20 players (and my bounty on Jerry will jump for \$25 worth of raffle tickets to \$100 worth of raffle tickets).

I am looking forward to seeing everyone on the felt later tonight. Good Luck!

-- Mike Nawrocki

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Place18=imalilslow (0) KO:xkmendl

Place17=G-man (0) KO:Lindy99

Place16=xkmendl (0) KO:hard8hoppin

Place15=dagwood777 (0) KO:Eslosh6

Place14=TOMDICE (0) KO:LuckyRocky

Place13=itchybun (0) KO:JamesLove

Place12=Robin (0) KO:hard8hoppin

Place11=pizzaman373 (0) KO:49erFaithful Roy Nelson gets \$25 in raffle tickets from Mike Nawrocki

Place10=49erFaithful (0) KO:JamesLove James Love gets the watch from Richard Huber - pick up in Vegas

Place9=ScrewyLouie (0) KO:The\_Wiz652

Place8=Eslosh6 (0) KO:LuckyRocky

Place7=hard8hoppin (0) KO:Lindy99

Place6=GoodGrief (0) KO:Lindy99 Bubble gets \$25 in raffle tickets from Mike Nawrocki

Place5=LuckyRocky (\$145) KO:Lindy99 Dave Lindblad gets Lunch from Jerry

Place4=Hubeedoo (\$160) KO:The\_Wiz652

Place3=The\_Wiz652 (\$260) KO:Lindy99Dave Lindblad gets Lunch from Jerry

Place2=JamesLove (\$375) KO:Lindy99

Place1=Lindy99 (\$500) Winner Dave Lindblat gets the One ounce silver card guard

# The Market Place...

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Prior Yr Pins (1997-2001 and 2003-2017) \$3.00 each	Year/Set Quantity Total
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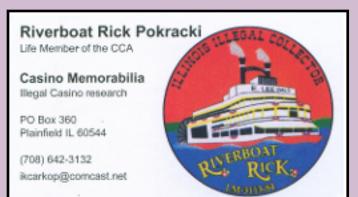








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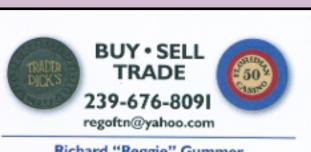
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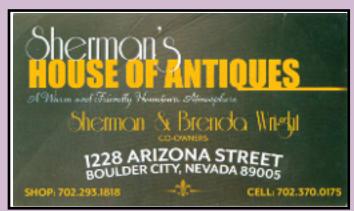


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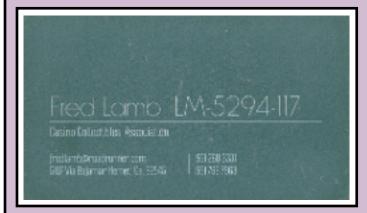




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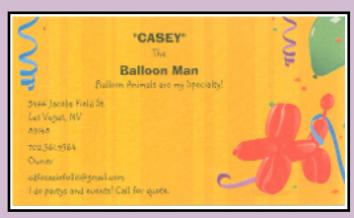
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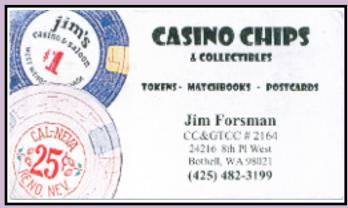
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