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PROUD TO BE HONORARY LIFE MEMBER #001

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!



BOOOOO!!

After a false start from their preannounced release date, this spooky pair of chips from SHOWBOAT, to mark Halloween 2005, was released on October, 29th.

500 nickels and 200 quarters were issued.





SHO-5i & SHO-25e

We bid our fond farewell to Chris Block, former table games supervisor, at Showboat. Chris has accepted a promotion to Games Director for Harrah's in Las Vegas. Chris will be remembered for developing and maintaining a "chipper-friendly" house at Showboat during the year he was there. We certainly hope that someone at Showboat will pick up their LE program where Chris left off.

It's unfortunate that Chris took some cheap shots from a disgruntled chipper on the A.C. message board recently. Sometimes we don't know how good we've got it until we lose it and don't have it anymore.

BOOOOOO #2!!

TRUMP PLAZA issued this \$25 Halloween chip on the morning of October 31st. 300 quarter chips were produced. The usual warm hospitality greetings prevailed at Trump Plaza under the watchful eye of Joe Gontowski and his crew.



TRUMP PLAZA "ANTHING GOES" SLOT CARD

Trump Plaza has certainly kept the A.C. collector interest at a high level with their innovative slot card issues commemorating their Broadway Show program. I hope that they will continue issuing these Limited Edition colorful cards in the future ... as the chip programs around town seem to be slowing down and we can forget about new tokens.



AN ELUSIVE SLOT CARD



This scarce card was issued to celebrate the 25th reunion of the 1980

Philadelphia Phillies at Trump Marina on Sunday, October 16th. While the autograph session event was well publicized, the issuance of this card was not and caught most slot card collectors by surprise. 10,000 cards were supposedly distributed over a 3 day period preceding the event. Most card collectors that I know of had to rely on orphaned cards being left behind waiting to be picked up days following the event.

Sorry, but I do not have ample supplies to provide to all those who are requesting them.

A 20th Anniversary card was issued at Trump Marina, but I understand that most of them were returned to the manufacturer because of some defect in reading the card. Only one out of five cards worked in the card readers. A very few cards wound up in collector's hands. Sorry, but I don't even have one to illustrate.

PULLEEZE RETURN INVOICES WITH YOUR PAYMENT!!

2006 ATLANTIC CITY PLAYING CARD CATALOG

Anybody collect casino playing card decks from Atlantic City?

Brenda and I are currently putting together a reference catalog that will be donated to the CC>CC Library and not sold commercially. If anyone has a deck of A.C. cards that is not illustrated in the catalog, I'll provide them with a free copy of the catalog and will acknowledge their name in the published roster of contributors in exchange for giving up their deck of A.C. cards.

A preliminary draft of this catalog will be available for viewing at the October 20th meeting of the Atlantic City Casino Collectibles Club at Trump Marina.

Bring along any of your duplicate card decks that you would like to trade for mine.

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UPCOMING NEW ISSUES

A set of four \$5 chips to mark Veterans Day is to be released at Trump Plaza on November 11th. Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines will be the featured designs. (Sorry Chuck, no Coast Guard I'm told).

Showboat has a couple of chip issues scheduled to be released before year's end that Chris Block was working on before he left Showboat for Las Vegas.

Trump Taj Mahal also has a couple of irons in the fire.

Still no word on the 25th Anniversary chip from Sands. I understand that the chips are on the property. I have NO idea when they will be released.

Trump Marina still has their LE chip program temporarily suspended according to Todd Moyer.

Where else do you get all this good information for free?



"NO, I'M NOT RUNNING FOR ANYTHING!"

Archie

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