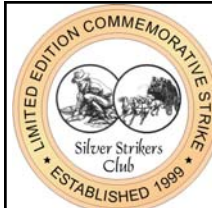


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President's Remarks by Pam Martin

Winter is here and the holidays are fast approaching, looks like a busy winter for silver strikers ahead. There are many new strikes coming out in the next few months so maybe a Vegas trip is in order.

The Palms have their new set of Playboy's and Slots A Fun has their new red cap.

New York New York is getting ready to have a set of Nine Fine Irishmen which represents one of their restaurants. They are hoping to start out with a set of three then later on add 3 more and then the final three. Sam's Town has a set of 6 which goes along with the Mystic Falls Park. They are also planning on putting 2 in first with 2 more to follow and then the last two.

It's great to hear Mandalay Bay is putting strikes back in their casino. Wynn is the greatest surprise but it sure is nice to see a new casino added to our list. But that is only the beginning of the list.

The Four Queens will be overwhelmed with strikes for December and January. The month of December The Fremont Experience will be celebrating their 11th anniversary and the Four Queens will have a new \$200 celebrating this event. There will also be 2 new red caps for Christmas, Season Greetings, Polar Bear and Merry Christmas, Snowman.

In January the Four Queens will be having a slot tournament with a tournament token commemorating the Four Queen's Hugo Cellar's Restaurant. There will also be new \$10's and a \$200 Hugo Cellar's Restaurant to play for. Now that's what I call a complete set. The tournament is at the Four Queens January 5, 6, and 7, 2006. They will have 6 silver strike machines to play in the Four Queens casino during the tournament. In addition there are four new red caps for January, Ace of Hearts, Ace of Diamonds, Ace of Clubs and Ace of Spades. The Four Queens has always been a great supporter of Downtown as well as Silver Strikers. Sounds like a great time to me.



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President's Remarks Continued

The board would like to welcome our newest board member, Judy Barton as Treasurer. We called for nominations in a special October mailing and Judy received quiet a few nominations. There were no others nominated. We are looking forward to having a full board once again. The board would also like to thank Neil Willman for stepping up and helping us take over the treasury, and completing the necessary audit.

We are in need of a newsletter editor, if anyone is interested please let us know. John has spent a great deal of time on our newsletter and has done a wonderful job with his creative ways. John has the newsletter format perfect which makes the job quite easy. It would be a great way for a new member to learn about the club, increase your computer knowledge, and share some of your ideas on making our newsletter and club even better. Please let us know if you are interested. You will find its fun and a great way to keep up with things.

We have two fairly new members joining the group, Mike Hennessey, who is working on making the trade sessions better for all members and Jeff Gaffke, who is our new Historian, hopefully some other's will take an interest in working for the club. Remember the club is only as good as its members.

Time is running OUT for our club coin contest, we are getting to a very busy time of the year, get your drawing in now. Deadline is December 20, 2006. To all of you who entered last year please submit your designs again. Please share your ideas. Its great fun and we would love to see everyone's ideas. Our January newsletter will announce a call for nominations for all officers for the club as our term ends at the next year convention. It's time for some new ideas and new people to take

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Classified Ads

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President's Remarks Continued

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over and once again move the club forward. We are constantly increasing our membership and growing strong. Please take time to check out www.silverstrikers.com and read over the duties of each of the officers, maybe you will find one that interests you. Our next newsletter will not be out until January 2007, so the board would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays and a very Happy New Year. Hope to see you in Vegas at a silver strike machine

Pam

Membership Update: 2006-2007 Drive

By Kevin Pyles

The membership drive is picking up steam. We have doubled the number of new members signed up since our last newsletter. We now stand at 20 new members signed up. We are 1/5 of the way to our goal for this year-100 new members. Keep those new members coming! Welcome to our newest members, who are listed below. We need all our members to participate. Here are the guidelines for the membership drive:



Dates for Drive Qualification: August 1, 2006 to July 31, 2007

For sponsoring 3 new members, you will receive a **free roster and one year's free membership.**

For sponsoring 5 new members, you will receive a **free roster and two year's free membership.**

For sponsoring 10 new members, you will receive a **free roster and three year's free membership.**



In the newsletter, as in the past, we have inserted a Silver Strikers application for you to pass on to a prospective new member. **Make sure to put your name on the application so we will know you are the sponsor.**

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Welcome to our Club!

Lots of New Strikes Coming from the Four Queens

Special thanks to the Four Queens for sharing the artwork of their upcoming strikes with us. We welcome all casinos to share upcoming artwork with the club and we are happy to put in in our newsletter.



Obverse

Reverse



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Secretary's Corner –Collections

by Bill Jollie

Someone asked me how I got started collecting. Since it was a silver striker I knew that he was talking about silver strikes but it took me back to my younger years, (between 16 & 19 years of age) when I collected cars. Before I left for Vietnam, I had collected a 1959 two door Cadillac El Dorado, 1948 Plymouth, 1951 Ford two door station wagon, 1950 Cadillac Limousine, and a Tear drop trailer among others.

So the answer is I've been collecting something all my life. When it comes to silver strikes, I started collecting long before I realized it. I had at least 100 strikes before I knew that I was collecting them. Then I tried to make a decision on what I liked best, 10's, 20's, 40's, sets or 200's.

After more than 8 years I still can't decide which silver strikes I enjoy collecting most but upon reflection, I think the greatest collection I have, is the number of friends I've made since joining the club. I hope this collection continues to grow because it gives me the greatest pleasure.

New SS Club Historian

by Jeff Gaffke

Hello! My name is Jeff Gaffke and I have volunteered to be the historian for the club. I live in Greenfield, Wisconsin, a suburb of Milwaukee, and have lived in the Milwaukee area all of my life. I have been married for 31 years, my wife's name is Diane, and we have two grown daughters, Jennifer and Stephanie.

My interest in silver strikes has developed rather recently, probably back in 2004 or 2003. I won my first strike from one of the machines at New York, New York. Since then, I have been trying my luck at any of the Las Vegas casinos that have a silver strike slot machine.

I would like to express a sincere thank you to Mary Lou Waterbury for getting me started on this endeavor. She has sent to me a history of the club that I would like to present here starting in the next newsletter. From reading this history, I can see that she took a very important part in getting the club started.

I am looking for any ideas that the membership may have for this little corner of the newsletter. Besides our own club history, I will like to include some gambling history, information on casinos, stories, quotations, and anything else that might fit. Please email me with any suggestions. All things will be considered.

As a start, here is a quotation from one of the more famous gamblers:

"Nobody is always a winner, and anybody who says he is, is either a liar or doesn't play poker" --- Amarillo Slim

Diane and I hope to meet many of you at the next convention.

Locations with Silver Strike Machines

Special thanks to IGT

Casino	City	State	Qty.
Aladdin Resort & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	3
Bad River Bingo & Casino	Ohdanah	Wisconsin	2
Barbary Coast Hotel and Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	1
Bellagio	Las Vegas	Nevada	3
Bill's Lake Tahoe Casino	Stateline	Nevada	2
Black Oak Casino	Tuolumne	California	1
California Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Casino Morongo	Cabazon	California	2
Delta Saloon	Virginia City	Nevada	1
El Cortez	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Freemont Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Four Queens Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Gold Coast Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	1
Golden Eagle Casino	Horton	Kansas	1
Golden Nugget	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Gold Ranch	Verdi	Nevada	1
Hard Rock Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Island Resort & Casino	Harris	Michigan	1
Las Vegas Club Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
MGM Grand Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	4
Mirage	Las Vegas	Nevada	5
Monte Carlo Resort & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	1
Mr. B's Casino - Mill City	Imlay	Nevada	1
New York New York	Las Vegas	Nevada	4
Orleans Hotel & Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Palms Casino Resort	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Plaza Hotel and Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Reno Tahoe Airport	Reno	Nevada	4
Sam's Town Hotel & Gambling Hall	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Sands Regency	Reno	Nevada	1
Sierra Sid's	Sparks	Nevada	2
Silver Legacy Resort Reno	Reno	Nevada	2
Slots A Fun	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
South Coast Hotel and Casino	Las Vegas	Nevada	1
Treasure Island (LV)	Las Vegas	Nevada	2
Wynn Las Vegas	Las Vegas	Nevada	2

Total Silver Strike Machines

71

Last Call for Submissions for the 2007 Silver Strikers Club Coin Contest

Fellow club members we are ready once again for what I believe was one of the highlights that helped make last year such a success. A function that we hope will become a tradition. Forty three drawings were submitted for our 7th anniversary and first ever member designed strike. Those that submitted last year are encouraged to resubmit your drawings. As you know Peter Van der Kar had the winning design.

Again thank you Peter and everyone else who worked so hard on their designs.

This years contest starts the moment you receive this notice and ends on December 20, 2006.

- Must be a member of the Silver Strikers club
- Entries must be received by December 20, 2006
- Six finalists to be chosen by the board on an anonymous basis
- Six finalists will receive our 2007 club coin
- Winner's initials will be on club coin

Mail all entries to:

Jeff Bitzer, Committee Chair
1585 Freeman Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60192

Our January newsletter will include a ballot with all 6 finalists drawing and details for membership voting for their 2007 club coin.

Please Note: The six finalists will be published in the newsletter since they are all winners to us! All entrants need to know that there is no way to protect the six final designs.

Important Note!

LAST CALL!!! If you submitted designs last year and did not win, please consider resubmitting them.

None of the current board members have ever seen those designs so they are all new to us! We know there were many great ones and you just might win this year.



Life Membership in the SS Club

By Don T. Nesbitt, Jr.

How many of you would be willing to cough up the funds to be a Life Member in the Silver Strikers Club? I am and hope every one is in agreement with me.

I think it is a great time for the Board of Directors to allow those of us who would like a Life Membership the opportunity to purchase one. The Money raised would be put into an endowment fund and start generating funds for our Clubs future. Our Clubs treasury is on solid ground now and we should think about doing something like this. The Club would continue to receive revenue from the endowment funds long after the members have gone on to meet our Great Creator. Several nationwide organizations do this very thing and operate solely on the funds generated from their endowment fund and never spend the capitol they have invested in the fund. As the Club grows our endowment will grow. The positives of an endowment are well known and this is a positive way for us to secure our future. Just think of the members that have in the past joined our rank and file and for some reason or another left this great hobby. If they would have been able to purchased a life membership in the club, the club would still be receiving funds from their investment to this very day and would be from now on. Every life member would save the club money that is currently being spent to retain that member. For example the membership officer would no longer be required to mail out a dues notice to the member or mail out a new membership card when the member sends in his dues every year. Lets get this done and secure our future for generations to come.

Life Members: are members in good standing who apply for permanent membership status, and whose applications are accompanied by a payment of an amount equal to 15 years' dues. Life Members are relieved from paying further annual dues.

Silver Strikers Club Board Meeting Minutes

By Bill Jollie

On November 6, 2006 a board meeting of the Silver Strikers Club was held via conference call. Thanks John for setting it up.

All board members were present along with Judy Barton and Neil Willman. The meeting was called to order by Pam Martin with the first order of business to install Judy Barton as Treasurer. Once Judy was sworn in a discussion of the transfer of duties and documents to Judy was held. Neil agreed to send all documents directly to Judy by UPS ground. Also a discussion was held regarding tax forms, the club checking account and banking.

A round table discussion about the newsletter was held that included timing, the cost of ads, acceptable ads and how and what articles will be approved for publication. Additionally the California and Sam's Town will be added to our newsletter circulation.

Other topics discussed:

Coin Contest to rerun in newsletter

Post Card mailing was cost effective and a great success

The possibility of Mike Hennessey having a table at the trade session

Finally we would like to thank Neil Willman for all of his work as interim Treasurer. He'll never know how much he is appreciated. We would also like to thank Emily, his wife, for all the time that he was on loan to us.

Striking Differences Feature of the Month

With special thanks to Lisa Jung

Lisa Jung has graciously allowed us to bring you this feature from her book called "Striking Differences".

The sheer number of strikes issued by this casino and the pretty designs, has made collecting these strikes popular. I will just highlight 3 of the many N.Y., N.Y. strikes; the following are higher-priced: (Newsletter Editor Note: More recent auction values are in parenthesis).

I Love N.Y., N.Y. – This strike was pulled because of lack of authorization. Estimated value: S mint, \$175 – 200 (~~\$100 – 150~~); G mint, \$200. (~~\$130- 180~~)



Key to the City, G mint – This strike is scarce; a small number were made for the casino's 1st anniversary in 1998. Estimated value: \$200. (~~\$150 -180~~)



Babe Ruth sitting down and holding a bat with no "N.Y." on his hat, G mint – The "N.Y." on his hat was a trademark and was unauthorized, so it was taken off of the hat. Some of the strikes have Babe Ruth's signature on them. Estimated value: with "N.Y." on his hat, with or without his signature, \$75; without "N.Y." on his hat, with or without his signature, \$100.



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Recent Auction Results

By Bill Cohenour



Item	Description	Final Bid
\$10	Bally's-Running 7 Error	\$457
\$7	California-Hawaii Full Reeded	\$200
\$7	California-Oahu Full Reeded	\$200
\$200	Sierra Sids-Jackalope	\$316
\$10	Golden Gate-Golden Gate Bridge	\$174
\$10	Stardust-Dusty Draw	\$122
\$10	Stateline-2D Race Car	\$85
\$40	Trump Castle-Boardwalk	\$81
\$10	Flamingo Hilton/Laughlin-Tiger no mint mark	\$76
\$28	Rio-Ri Rita	\$71
\$200	Palms-Marilyn Monroe	\$305
\$10	Plaza-Twin Towers	\$100
\$40	Aladdin-Taj Mahal	\$77
\$7	Stardust-Slot Machine NCM one side	\$60
	Reno Hilton-2001 Linda Seidl's 10th Slot	\$51
\$10	Slot's A Fun-Miner in Nevada State (Red Cap)	\$50
\$10	Monte Carlo-MC Logo	\$45
\$10	Paris-Eiffel Tower	\$44
\$200	Sierra Sids-Reno Arch	\$293
\$10	Mesquite Star-Complete Set (4)	\$394
\$10	Stardust-New Years 2006	\$250
\$10	Reno Tahoe Airport-F-16 Copper Colored Rim	\$209
\$10	Delta Saloon-Railroad Coin Aligned	\$300
\$10	Treasure Island-Crossed Swords	\$40
\$7	Gold River-Panner	\$33
\$7	Harrah's/Laughlin-Cactus LM mint mark Full Reeded	\$40
\$200	Imperial Palace-Walking Liberty 1995	\$356
\$10	Silver City-Pony Express G mint mark	\$32
\$10	Suncoast-Pentagon	\$19
\$10	Golden Gate-Since 1906 Copper Colored Rim	\$35
\$10	Fortune Bay-Patriotic Eagle w/Crest	\$22
\$20	Sam's Town/Las Vegas-Coyote Howling Limited	\$40
\$10	Flamingo Hilton/Las Vegas-Rockettes	\$425
\$10	Hacienda-Matador and Bull	\$56
\$10	Gold Strike Inn-Hoover Dam	\$24

Recent Approval Lists

Sierra Sids	SPA	8/8/06	10	Gen Robert E. Lee, Confederate Flag
Sierra Sids	SPA	8/8/06	10	Gen. U.S. Grant, American Flag
Harveys	STA	8/11/06	200	WSOP, Pocket Rockets vs Cowboys
Harveys	STA	8/11/06	40	WSOP, Big Slick of Clubs
Four Queens	LV	8/13/06	200	11th Anniversary of Fremont St. Experience
Harveys	STA	8/15/06	200	Heavenly Lake Tahoe w/ run Map
Harveys	STA	8/15/06	40	Heavenly Ski Resort w/ Snowboarder
Mandalay Bay	LV	8/18/06	10	"Concerts On The Beach", LTD. ED.
Mandalay Bay	LV	8/18/06	10	Ivan Kane's Nightclub and Burlesque, Forty Duece
Mandalay Bay	LV	8/18/06	10	Manadalay Bay, LTD. ED.
Mandalay Bay	LV	8/18/06	10	Morea Beach Club, LTD. ED.
Mandalay Bay	LV	8/18/06	40	"Concerts On The Beach" LTD. ED.
Mandalay Bay	LV	8/18/206	40	Ivan Kane's Nightclub and Burlesque, Forty Duece
Mandalay Bay	LV	8/18/06	40	Manadalay Bay, Las Vegas Towers, LTD. ED.
Mandalay Bay	LV	8/18/206	40	Morea Beach Club, Girl BY Pool, LTD. ED
New York-NY	LV	8/22/06	10	Nine Fine Irishmen / John Mitchell 1815-1875
New York-NY	LV	8/22/06	10	NFI / Thom Darcy Magee 1825-1868
New York-NY	LV	8/22/06	10	NFI / Thomas Francis Meacher 1823-1887
New York-NY	LV	8/22/06	10	NFI / Patrick O'Donohue 1815-1854
New York-NY	LV	8/22/06	10	NFI / Richard O'Gorman 1826-1895
New York-NY	LV	8/22/06	10	NFI / Terrence Bellew MCManus 1823-1861
New York-NY	LV	8/22/06	10	NFI / William Smith O'Brien 1803-1864
Harvey's / Bills	STA	9/13/06	10	Heavenly Ski Resort, Ltd. ED.
Harvey's / Bills	STA	9/13/06	10	2006 WSOP, Ltd. Ed.
Palms	LV	9/20/06	10	Playboy Cover 1960, Ltd. Ed.
Palms	LV	9/20/06	10	Playboy Mansion, G.O. Ltd Ed
Palms	LV	9/20/06	10	Playboy Cover August 1960, Ltd. Ed
Palms	LV	9/20/06	10	Hugh Hefner in Brown Coat, G.O. Ltd. Ed.
Palms	LV	9/20/06	10	Playboy Butterfly August 1976, G.O.
Palms	LV	9/20/06	10	Pamela Anderson November 2006, G.O.
Sam's Town	LV	9/20/06	10	Mystic Falls Park, Great Horned Owl, Ltd. Ed.
Sam's Town	LV	9/20/06	10	Mystic Falls Park, Bald Eagle, Ltd. Ed.
Sam's Town	LV	9/20/06	10	Mystic Falls Park, Bighorn Sheep, Ltd. Ed.
Sam's Town	LV	9/20/06	10	Mystic Falls Park, Grizzly Bear, Ltd. Ed.
Sam's Town	LV	9/20/06	10	Mystic Falls Park, Wolf, Ltd. Ed.
Sam's Town	LV	9/20/06	10	Mystic Falls Park, Beaver, Ltd. Ed.
Palms	LV	9/28/06	200	Marilyn Monroe / Hugh Hefner, Ltd. Ed.
Four Queens	LV	10/13/06	10	'Seasons Greetings, Polar Bear
Wynn	LV	10/13/06	10	Ravenwith Lady W/Doves, Ltd
Wynn	LV	10/13/06	10	Logo
Four Queens	LV	10/31/06	10	'Merry Christmas, Snowman
Four Queens	LV	10/31/06	10	Ace of Hearts
Four Queens	LV	10/31/06	10	Ace of Diamonds
Four Queens	LV	10/31/06	10	Ace of Clubs
Four Queens	LV	10/31/06	10	Ace of Spades

Northern Nevada Update

by Jack Haddock

Peppermill is the latest casino to remove their silver strike machine recent removals includes the Eldorado, Reno Hilton, Fitzgerald's, and Harrah's. All that's are left are Silver Legacy, Sands, Atlantis, Airport, Gold Ranch and Sierra Sid's in the Reno Area. Mr. B's, Bill's and the Delta Saloon count for the rest of northern Nevada.

The third in Sierra Sid's Civil War Series will be released by year-end. The \$200 is still scheduled for first half of 2007.

The Reno Airport has a new set of 7 endangered species to release after the first of the year. The chase strike will be the grizzly bear.

Harvey's at Lake Tahoe has 2-\$40 and 2-\$200 strikes approved but the most recent information indicates that these will not happen.

Harvey's and Harrah's at Tahoe each have a \$10 strike approved and there is still some question as to whether these will happen but they have a chance.

With the price of silver at \$12, the casinos are now paying \$9.95 per strike from IGT. This could be a reason for the casinos losing interest in the game

Artwork for Upcoming Strikes in Northern Nevada

by Jack Haddock



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