



# DUNYAN'S CHIPS



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PLEASE FEEL FREE TO  
CONTACT ANYONE LISTED  
ABOVE WITH ANY  
CLUB-RELATED BUSINESS.

Well – Central States is a wrap. 2,400 miles is a really long road trip. Next year I'm looking forward to flying and even if the TSA lines are long, it will still be fine. So glad we had a chance to stop in to visit Larry White (OH) on our way back from Chicago. Larry was happy to see us woodies for he hasn't been able to attend any shows over the last few years due to declining health. We were glad to put a smile on his face and I was especially glad to meet one of the legends of wooden money. Larry has issued many a personal wood over the years and the Maryland Crab is one of my favorites. Thanks Larry for keeping wood alive! Our return trip was uneventful except Al and I kept true to our 'not being able to find our way' and it took us an extra couple hours to get to Ashtabula from Liberty Center. Oh well – Al and I have enough stories and memories for a lifetime and then some.

As I reported last month, Al and I traveled up to Wisconsin one night during the show to stay at Darrell's and get a look at the massive Bob Brown Collection. All I can say it that is a lot of wood! Literally stacked throughout the house were piles and piles of wood. The Canadian stack was almost to the ceiling. The Sambo's stack by itself was waist deep, which included lots of Sambo's related memorabilia. Last month's mail bid kicks off the selling of Bob's hoard. I'm looking forward to future mail bids to see what other of Bob's items appear. Sure the Alaska woods will bring record prices, for as I've stated before, AK seems to be red hot over the last couple years. I may put in a bid or two on them myself.

Talking about collections, I still have a few states left from the Saitta Collection. If FL, GA, IL, NY, OK, PA or SC interest you please drop me a line. The Pearson Collection – Don reports he is out of officials and still has about 7,000 coin club woods available. If coin clubs are your focus take a minute to drop Don a line. He is letting them go for reasonable prices but keep in mind the postage from Canada to USA is somewhat costly. No JOW pieces left – Jan?

One last shot at asking for information on the Niles, California Charlie Chaplin wood collection. Come on members – especially those in California, help me find the supporting Chaplin information to go along with my woods. I'll put a picture of the woods in next month's Chips.

Wood is Good!



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Larry White, Al Schubert, and Bob Fritsch at Larry's house in Ohio. Picture courtesy of Robert Gabriel.

THIS IS A CLUB SPONSORED MAIL BID CLOSING JUNE 30, 2016

**This month's mail bid has a little bit of everything from the collection of Bob Brown. Minimum bid is as stated.**

1. Endangered Species, complete set of 60 total rounds (MB \$15.00)
2. Great State Seals of the United States, complete set of 52 wooden flats (MB \$13.00)
3. Bicentennial Stamps on Wood, 24 wooden flats (MB \$2.40)
4. PA/Railroad Boro, 1971, Centennial, Series III through VII complete, rounds (MB \$5.00)
5. MA/Framingham Coin Club, 1980, Complete set of 20 rounds (MB \$2.00)
6. OH/ Complete set of 50 train locomotives, Pat Whalen, rounds (\$12.50)
7. OH/Bellevue, Bob and Pearl Booker, 74 all different rounds (MB \$7.40)
8. PA/Boothwyn, Bill Morphet Voodoo/Scrooge wooden nickels, 73 all different (MB \$18.75)
9. Trains, 133 rounds, 62 flats and 1 envelope (MB \$19.60)
10. **Printing errors, 119 rounds (1.5" and 2") (MB \$6.95)**
11. Lions club woods, 35 rounds and flats (MB \$3.50)
12. Masonic, 17 rounds (MB \$1.70)
13. Kiwanis, 15 rounds (MB \$1.50)
14. Elks / BPOE, 24 rounds (MB \$2.40)
15. Hand-painted, 34 rounds (MB \$3.40)
16. Police, 18 woods (MB \$1.80)
17. Election, 70 (1.5", 2" rounds, flats) (MB \$7.00)



I know this is a short mail bid but I'm still sorting Bob Brown's collection. By next month's mail bid we should be ready to start running the states.

All bids must be received by 9:00pm (Eastern Time Zone) on June 30, 2016. Mail to: Darrell Luedtke, 9957 W. Margaret Lane, Franklin, WI 53132; Phone: 414-427-0391; or Email: dluedtke8@wi.rr.com.

- 1) Bid by lot numbers. Bidders responsible for their errors. Tie bids decided by earliest postmark. The club reserves the right to accept or reject any bid.
- 2) All bids and payments to be in U.S. funds. Make checks payable to Darrell Luedtke.
- 3) Postage will be paid by the buyer in this mail bid. Insurance costs will be added to your bill if you desire insurance. All lots will be mailed first class.



Bob Gabriel, President, at right, and Darrell Luedtke, Acting Recording Secretary at the annual meeting.

Members who attended the annual meeting. Not pictured was John Wilson who took the photograph.



## Editor's Report

First and foremost, you'll see that this issue of Bunyan's Chips has a new look. Judy Blackman, one of our Canadian members, is the editor of Timber Talk the newsletter for the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors. She uses a software program called Microsoft Publisher and puts out a terrific newsletter. I will continue to pull together articles for Bunyan's Chips and forward them to her as the layout editor. After she puts together the newsletter she would forward it back to me for printing or e-mailing to members. Thank you so very much Judy.

We want to thank member Judy Blackman for her generous donation of wooden nickels to the club. I received 284 woods from Bob Gabriel at the Central States convention. These woods will be mixed with the lots from Bob Brown's collection and sold to members with all of the profits going to IOWMC.

Some of you were very observant and noticed that the postage on the envelope to send last month's Bunyan's Chips was 49¢ even though the postage rate had decreased to 47¢. Do not be alarmed. We are not wasting money. About 6 months ago I made a large purchase of stamps that cost 70% of face value. That means that the actual cost of postage for the past 6 months was not 49¢, but only about 35¢ per issue, a savings to the club of 15¢ per issue. (127 copies x 15¢ per mailing x 11 mailings per year saves the club \$209.55 each year). I had to use up the last stamps of the previous purchase at 49¢ because the new batch of stamps, totaling 47¢, had not yet arrived. I now have them in stock and will be using them in the future. With the foregoing in mind, if you don't already know it, postage for first class domestic stamps decreased from 49¢ to 47¢ on April 10<sup>th</sup>. Also affected was the rate for postcards, which decreased from 35¢ to 34¢ and international postage which decreased from \$1.20 to \$1.15. These rates will be in effect for 2 years in an agreement between the Postal Service and the US Congress.

A note or two on the procedure for bidding on the monthly mail bid. You can submit a bid to me by snail mail, e-mail, telephone or, if you're loud enough, just yell. I will take bids up to 9:00pm (Eastern Time Zone) on the last day of the month. A few members will call me after 8:00pm on the last day to see if they are still the high bidder on a lot and bid accordingly. Note that no matter whose woods we list in the mail bid, IOWMC makes 10% of the final sale price. I hope this clears up any confusion and helps those new members who are bidding for the first time.

Happy hunting.

Darrell Luedtke, Editor



## Secretary's Report for May 2016

We had some membership activity as a result of the IOWMC table at Central States. Welcome to our NEW MEMBERS:

Harold Eckardt  
5234 W. Fletcher Street  
Chicago, IL 60641  
Sponsor: John Wilson  
Interests: Harold collects club woods.

Welcome Harold!

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Dennis Coughlin  
5400 Northwest Highway  
Chicago, IL 60630  
Sponsor: Bob Gabriel  
Interests: Dennis collects Illinois and Kansas.

Welcome Dennis!

Spence Sunderland  
2420 Advanced Business  
Center Drive  
Columbus, OH 43228  
Sponsor: Marlene Caldwell

Welcome Spence!

Mike Dennany  
8536 Milo Road  
Delton, MI 49046  
Sponsor: Bob Gabriel  
Interests: Mike collects Frankenstein and Graveyard, MO.

Welcome Mike!

Duane Foster  
3100 Sunrise Road  
Cheyenne, WY 82001  
Sponsor: Darrell Luedtke  
Interests: Unknown

Welcome Duane!

Welcome to IOWMC.  
Respectfully Submitted,  
Maurina Schmidt, Secretary



## Treasurer's Report for June 2016

CHECKING  
Previous Balance \$7,099.33

INCOME  
Dues \$157.50  
Donations \$ 8.50  
Interest \$ 0.00  
Total Income \$ 166.00

EXPENSES  
Bunyan's Chips Feb-Apr (\$232.70)  
Total Expenses (\$ 232.70)

Balance Forward \$7,032.63

LIFE MEMBER SAVINGS  
Previous Balance \$2,726.82  
Interest (no statement rcvd) \$ 0.00

Balance Forward \$2,726.82

MEMBER SAVINGS  
Previous Balance \$2,657.48  
Interest (no statement rcvd) \$ 0.00

Balance Forward \$2,657.48

Respectfully submitted,  
*Robert F. Fritsch*



## PHOTOS FROM CENTRAL STATES

The IOWMC table on the bourse was busy. Some members pose:



Al Schubert, President of POWMC and a member of IOWMC helped man the table on the bourse.



## Endangered Wildlife Wooden Nickels

By Darrell Luedtke

There is one set of wooden nickels that is very hard to complete and that is the Endangered Wildlife series. I forget who issued them, but they are rarely encountered in IOWMC mail bids or on eBay. I suspect that very few sets were ever printed and circulated. For those of you who have some in your collection, I am including a list of all 60. (The numbers are not on the woods, but it was on a list that I received a long time ago.) Note that I found a complete set in Bob Brown's collection and they are in the mail bid.

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|-------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| 1. Galapagos Tortoise   | 8. Loder's Gazelle            | 15. Texas Blind Salamander             |
| 2. Godeldi's Marmoset   | 9. Blunt-Nosed Leopard Lizard | 16. Tiger                              |
| 3. Monkey-Eating Eagle  | 10. Utah Prairie Dog          | 17. Snow Leopard                       |
| 4. Blue Whale           | 11. Kirtland's Warbler        | 18. Cheetah                            |
| 5. Giant Otter          | 12. Hawaiian Hoary Bat        | 19. Orangutan                          |
| 6. Vicuña               | 13. Mountain Gorilla          | 20. Blue Pike                          |
| 7. Eastern Timber Wolf  | 14. Morro Bay Kangaroo Rat    | 21. Ivory-Billed Woodpecker            |
| 22. Arabian Oryx        | 35. Eastern Cougar            | 48. Salt Marsh Harvest Mouse           |
| 23. Sonoran Pronghorn   | 36. Red Wolf                  | 49. Pileated Gibbon                    |
| 24. Shortnose Sturgeon  | 37. Brown Pelican             | 50. Red-Fronted Lemur                  |
| 25. California Condor   | 38. San Joaquin Kit Fox       | 51. Swain's Hartebeest                 |
| 26. Everglade Kite      | 39. Moapa Dace                | 52. Arctic Peregrine Falcon            |
| 27. Florida Manatee     | 40. Tana River Red Colobus    | 53. Santa Cruz Long Toed Salamander    |
| 28. Indiana Bat         | 41. Mediterranean Monk-Seal   | 54. Attwater's Greater Prairie Chicken |
| 29. Key Deer            | 42. Przewalski's Horse        | 55. Unarmored Threespine Stickleback   |
| 30. Florida Panther     | 43. Aleutian Canada Goose     | 56. Delmarva Peninsula Fox Squirrel    |
| 31. Masked Bobwhite     | 44. Devil's Hole Pupfish      | 57. Paiute Cutthroat Trout             |
| 32. Black-Footed Ferret | 45. Houston Toad              | 58. Mississippi Sandhill Crane         |
| 33. Whooping Crane      | 46. Southern Bald Eagle       | 59. San Francisco Garter Snake         |
| 34. Eskimo Cudew        | 47. Maryland Darter           | 60. Jaguar                             |



## Sherlockian Woods

By Judy Blackman, F.O.N.A., IOWMC / CAWMC

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's famous detective has been played by at least 75 actors in more than 200 films, as well as TV series, and appearing in 4 novels and 56 short stories. True Sherlock fans, visit London (England) for a pilgrimage which should start with a visit to Baker Street. Next up The Sherlock Holmes Museum just over on Devonshire Place. Holmes has a section at the nearby Madame Tussauds with realistic wax figures. Next go to Speedy's Café used to film the TV show Sherlock. Onto the Langham Hotel - a frequent stay for Doyle - and where Doyle and Oscar Wilde often shared dinners. Go to Charing Cross and walk to the Sherlock Holmes pub where Holmes tracked down Moulton. Wander up The Strand to see the Lyceum Theatre and Royal Opera House (Freemasons Hall), both favourite haunts of Holmes.



Now if you are a diehard Holmes fan, but cannot fly over to the U.K., don't worry, there are plenty of Sherlockians in North America.

A combination of ten Sherlockians and numismatists turned out for the Numismatic Friends of Sherlock Holmes (NFOSH) Dinner held March 3, 2016 at the Green Door Public House in Dallas (Texas, U.S.A.). This event was held in conjunction with the American Numismatic Association's National Money Show. As is traditional for this group, 100 souvenir wooden nickels were issued to commemorate the dinner and given out at the National Money Show. The obverse of this 38mm round (printed in red ink) is the logo of The Fourth Garrideb; and the Reverse, is the ANA National Money Show / Numismatic / Friends of / Sherlock Holmes / Dinner / March 3, 2016 / Dallas, Texas.

The weekend of January 16 and 17, 2016, more Holmes fans converged on New York City for the BSI Weekend coming from around the world (Japan, France, Canada, England, Switzerland, Spain and more). This is a souvenir wood handed out by Greg Ruby, and is similar to the wood issued the previous year. There were 300 of this 38mm round wood (with black ink) made, and the obverse is Greg Ruby / (Mr. Boh caricature, facing left, wearing a deerstalker cap and with a pipe) / The Sherlockian Coin Collector; and the reverse is BSI Weekend 2016 / (Logo of The Fourth Garrideb) / Greg@FourthGarrideb.com. BSI stands for Baker Street Irregulars. They will be meeting again Jan. 4-8, 2017, once again in New York.

The Fourth Garrideb (TFG) organization was founded in 2014 after preliminary organizing discussions in the Spring, and then the inaugural meeting was at the American Numismatic Association's World Fair of Money in Chicago on August 14th. IOWMC / CAWMC member Bob Fritsch (in the maroon shirt) was one of the members at the organization's first official meeting.

[Above group picture is courtesy of the ANA / TFG]



It was Bob who suggested the club be called The Fourth Garrideb, after *The Adventures of the Three Garridebs*, and recounted how Ed Rochette referred to himself as Nathan Garrideb, the only numismatist in the Sherlockian Canon. It was unanimously decided to use this as the name. Officially it is The Fourth Garrideb – Numismatics of Sherlock Holmes A Scion Society of The Baker Street Irregulars and a member of the American Numismatic Association. Bob aka "PORLOCK" issued this Sherlockian wood in 1995 (although the contact information has changed since) – it was one of few Sherlockian woods issued at the time.

## Monroe, Wisconsin Wood—1964

By Unknown Author, *Timber Lines*, January 1977 (originating from journalist James R. Polk)

### Wooden Nickels Confiscated



Edward Adam, president of First National Bank of Monroe, Wisc. ponders enormity of appeal of bank's wooden nickel promotion, in which these were offered to residents in order to relieve shortage of conventional copper nickel piece. Bank gave wooden nickels *illegal status as tender* when it offered to redeem them at any time, causing Secret Service to impound remaining 450 of 20,000 pieces. Adam said short-lived promotion, carried as news by wire services, brought mail bags full of responses from collectors as far away as West Berlin, and also succeeded in freeing change stored in piggy banks.

Monroe, Wisconsin wood printed in 1964 is the most publicized, most inflated *illegal* piece of wood of these days. I recall in 1968, Paul Harvey, a well-known news commentator out of Chicago, telling about this piece of wood in his news broadcast. At that time he indicated the price of \$4.00 was ridiculous. The first article I read about this came from *Coin World* back in 1964. Cur thanks to Margo Russell and *Coin World* for permission to print sections of the story.

“The Treasury department reminded that manufacture and distribution of tokens by private individuals for use in lieu of U.S. coinage is illegal.” The statutes prohibit in general “the making, issuing, or passing of any object intended to be used as money.” It is important to note, that these statutes as applicable to “coins” which are of original design and not in resemblance to coins of the United States or other countries, as well as “coins” which have such a resemblance. Spelling out the Treasury department's opinion regarding the violation of these statutes, it is necessary to ascertain the intended use of the coin to determine if it is “intended for use as current money.”

The yardsticks the department uses are these: Does it purport to be redeemable in cash, or only in trade? If redeemable only in trade, at how many business establishments is it redeemable? The department does not consider a token redeemable only in trade and only at a single business establishment in violation of the law. However, if there is any element of either whole or partial redeemability for cash, or of usability in lieu of cash at a number of business establishments, or for widespread purchases of goods or services, there may be a violation of the statutes listed above. Such violation attaches to the manufacturer of the coin as well as the sponsor.

Still another section of the United States Code is quoted by the Hint Director, to emphasize the narrow confines of token and 'trade coin' use. It is section 336 of title 18, which provides: “Whoever makes, issues, circulates, or pays out any note, check, memorandum, token, or other obligation for a less sum than \$1, intended to circulate as money or to be received or used in of lawful money of the United States, shall be fined not more than \$500 or imprisoned not more than six months, or both.”

None of these provisions, Miss Adams stresses, prohibit the manufacture of such things as tokens to be used solely by city transit companies for fares, or to gain admission to fairs or amusement parks, or for other such purposes. Neither, she says, is there any objections to the manufacture of commemorative medals in metals other than gold, which are not designed to and do not circulate as money. This also includes wood.

The following was taken from the Fort Wayne News Sentinel in 1965. “Monroe, Wisconsin—Take all the wood-en nickels you can get. They are worth up to \$5, each here.” The market for hardwood cash has been booming ever since the U. S. Treasury Dept. decided that wooden nickels issued by a Monroe bank to ease a local coin shortage were illegal.

Private coin collectors pursue the wooden nickels even more eagerly than do Treasury agents. A bank official says the nickels are believed to be the only coins ever issued by a federally chartered bank. The Treasury Department recovered 450 a week after the First National Bank of Monroe issued the nickels in May 1964. That left 19,550 missing.

“We are still redeeming them for a nickel apiece but we have had none brought in” said John W. MacInnis, assistant bank cashier.”

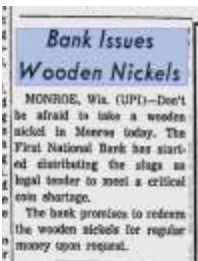
A Monroe antique dealer recently sold 180 wooden nickels for \$360.00 MacInnis said, “I know personally of many that have been sold for up to 5.00.”

Dale Alexander, operator of a bar, used the wooden nickels as an opening promotion last year and wound up with a rich cache because, he said, “some people wouldn't take them as change at first.”

As soon as the coins were declared illegal tender, Alexander found the price at 50 cents, \$1.00 and still climbing. Now he asks and gets \$35.00 each for his dwindling supply.



Just sold on eBay for \$3.66 USD.



10—Sarasota Journal Friday, May 22, 1964

Federal law prohibits a person from passing any object in lieu of a U. S. minted coin.

MacInnis estimated 5,000 nickels remain in the hands of residents of this southern Wisconsin city of 7,000 persons after purchases by outside collectors.

The following is a letter received from Mr. William Bryant which explains what happened to the dies for the Monroe wooden nickels. This letter was received in 1966. "There is a story behind that particular order, but before we get on to that let me first say that we do not know procedures followed by other manufacturers, but our wooden nickel

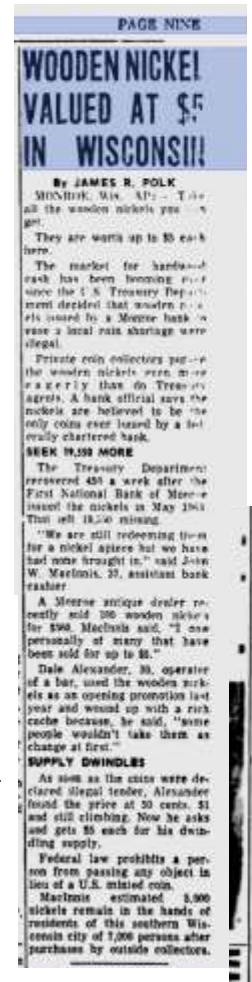
dies are attached to the production order itself, and then filed numerically to correspond with our invoice number. Thus, in order to find a wooden nickel die we have to know who placed the order, along with the customers purchase order number of the date shipped, or the date on which the order was entered so that we can't go to our files to locate the dies. At times, we get inquiries as to whether or not we produced an order for a certain town or a certain company and we have no way of knowing for sure unless we have an actual sample which we recognize as being our product or the information indicated above. Accordingly, the normal answer to a person's question would be that the dies would be attached to the production order and in our files.

The specific order for the Monroe, Wis. wood was placed with us by a distributor in Southern Minnesota. Then the bank started distribution of wooden nickels to "help alleviate the coin shortage", they received national publicity over full wire coverage. Press clippings were sent to us from several of our customers scattered throughout the United States and we also received long distance calls asking for more details on the program. Some of our distributors thought that this was such a marvelous idea that they wanted to go out and sell to banks in their own territory!

We then ran off 50 samples this order to send to those who had inquired about the program and these samples were still on my desk a day or so later when the Secret Service called on us! We were told that the Treasury Department considered the bank's usage of wooden nickels as "interference" with the coinage of the United States.

The Secret Service first contacted the bank to tell them to cease distributing them, asked where they had been purchased and the day previous had traveled approximately 100 miles from Minneapolis to the jobber in Southern Minnesota who had placed the order, only to find that they were made by us! When the Secret Service man first asked me if I was familiar with the order, I said that I was and that I had, in fact, a bag of samples right on my desk. At this point he told me that one of his duties was to confiscate not only the samples but also the dies that were used to produce the order. Everything was pleasant, of course, but ever since then we have tried to alert our office people and our production people to recognize the kind of order that might be frowned on by the Treasury Department. We don't like to have to function as a policeman, but it's just one of those things.

It would be necessary to check with the Treasury Department in Washington as to the whereabouts of the First National Bank of Monroe, Wisconsin's wooden nickel dies!"



THE CITY JOURNAL TIMES, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 1966

WANTED TO BUY

All non-official (common) woods from the State of Indiana. All veterans wooden nickels, including VFW, Legion, military-related but don't want large quantities. If they have different values, designs or colors multiples are welcome but in small quantities. Contact me to see if I need what you have, price for shipping, etc. Harley Bissell, 301 N. Market St, Delphi, IN 46923-1038 or email me at: tozh46923@hotmail.com.

WANTED – TO COMPLETE MD SET OF 273

MARYLAND - Cecil County, 1974 (Tricentennial) wooden nickels:  
 Series III – CECIL ELKTON MARYLAND TRICENTENARY  
 K Mar-Del Fuel 1¢ Red/Black  
 Series XI – NORTH EAST CECIL COUNTY MARYLAND 300  
 E Weaver's Liquors 1¢ Red/Black  
 email at [j\\_burford@powerconcorp.com](mailto:j_burford@powerconcorp.com) or [joeburford@aol.com](mailto:joeburford@aol.com) or write Joe Burford, 331 S Gilmore St, Baltimore, MD 21223-3103

WANTED TO BUY

The woods needed are:  
 SD-145 1992 UNBC Convocation Ceremony;  
 SD-146 1994 New Civic Center Clock Tower; and  
 Any SD issue after 2010— which is only one, the very last one issued in 2011 PGCC 100 Yrs SD-161  
 Please contact Larry White at 102 Briarcliff Drive, Liberty Center, Ohio 43532-9304 USA, Phone: 419-533-5142 (after 5 p.m. CST), and note no e-mail available.

## CC & GTCC 23rd Annual Convention Wood

By Judy Blackman, F.O.N.A., IOWMC / CAWMC



The 23rd Annual CC&GTCC 3-day Convention was held June 24-27, 2015 at South Point Hotel, Casino & Spa in Las Vegas (Nevada) as explained on the reverse of this multi-colour wooden token. The obverse says Let The Good Times Roll! With slot machine, roulette table, and dice pictured.

This event is advertised as the World's Largest Casino Collectibles Show, and it's sponsored by The Casino Chip & Gambling Tokens Collectors Club, Inc. (founded in late 1987, official inaugural held 1988) which is a 501(c)(3) educational organization with the mission of preserving gaming history. The club has created a resource for information and history on gaming memorabilia – chips, tokens, dice, slot cards, playing cards, wooden nickels, etc. The club has the largest archives of gaming manufacturer records where you can see which chips are being sold today as real and which ones are fantasy.



The 24th Annual Casino Collectibles Convention is being held June 23-25, 2016 at South Point Hotel, Casino & Spa. The design of this year's wood has not been shown but the convention flyer has a circus theme.



## WANTED – WOODS FROM NEVADA PLUS

Willing to buy outright collections or singles. I am also up for trading and corresponding with club members. I am collecting and interested in: Idaho, Washington, Oregon and other western states with a special focus on Taverns and Pubs. From Canada I collect all British Columbia woods. Please email me at: davidbyard@hotmail.com or write: David Byard, 77-610 Katherine Road, Kelowna, B.C. V1Z 3G2, Canada.



## NEW OFFICIAL WOOD



Gary Beckstrom reports that Renovo Borough (PA) has issued a wooden nickel to commemorate their sesquicentennial. Specially numbered (#1 through #150) will be available for \$5.00 each. Unnumbered woods will be available for \$1.00 each. Shipping is extra. Contact Marsha Davis, Renovo Borough Council, 128 5th Street, Renovo, PA 17764. Tel: (570) 923-2612. They also offer T-shirts and \$10 commemorative booklets.

## COIN CLUB OF GREATER NEW BEDFORD



The Coin Club of Greater New Bedford held their coin show January 31, 2016 and issued a wooden nickel. The obverse has the club's logo and the reverse depicts "Ride To School" with the show date. The wood is printed in black ink but the scarf of the puller and the hat of the person on the sled are colored in red. The wood is available for 50¢ each plus a large SASE or bubble mailer with postage from: C.C. GRTR. N.B., PO Box 2991, New Bedford, MA 02741. Their website is: ccgnb.com and their telephone number is 508-451-9591. Remember to ask about past issues.

## NEW OFFICIAL



Stroudsburg, PA Bicentennial 1815- 2015 wood. 1 or more just send \$0.50 each and a self addressed stamped envelope to: Jim Grim, 126 Walnut Street, Kunkletown, PA 18058.