

Guide to the Chip Chat Newsletters and Catalogues

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Saito, Douglas
Title:	Chip Chat Newsletters and Catalogues
ID:	MS-00774
Date [inclusive]:	1994-2011
Physical Description:	0.58 Linear Feet (1 box)
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Chip Chat Newsletters and Catalogues date from 1994 to 2011 and contain Chip Chat issues 1, 2, and 4 through 49. Chip Chat was a newsletter produced by Douglas Saito and circulated throughout the gambling chip collectors' community. The newsletters were self-published by Saito. Generally three copies were produced a year, in some years there was more content, in others less. The newsletters focused on selling chips between collectors, tips for becoming a successful collector, the history of chips, and the state of the hobby.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Note

Chip Chat was originally a sales catalogue produced by Douglas Saito. In 1994, Saito, in apparent response to readers' needs and a lack of success in the sales catalog, converted the catalogue into a newsletter about chip history and collecting. The newsletter was originally offered through a pay-per-issue system but over time it began to allow subscriptions. Besides providing collector information *Chip Chat* also held chip auctions. Generally the auctions were held when an older collector died. Through *Chip Chat*, their collections were auctioned to active collectors. *Chip Chat Newsletter* has a total of 49 issues; though issue number 49 claims there will be two more final issues produced, it is believed these final issues were never made.

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Arrangement Note

Materials are arranged chronologically.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2015 by Stephen P. Alpert; accession number 2015-101.

Processing Note

Materials were processed by Hana Gutierrez in 2015. Subsequently Hana Gutierrez created the collection description in compliance with current professional standards.

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Names and Subjects

- Collectibles as an investment
- Gambling

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Chip Chat Newsletters and Catalogues, 1994-2011	
, 1994	box 01
, 1995	box 01
, 1996	box 01
, 1997	box 01
, 1998	box 01
, 1999	box 01
, 2000	box 01
, 2001	box 01
, 2002	box 01
, 2003	box 01
, 2004	box 01
, 2005	box 01
, 2006	box 01
, 2007	box 01
, 2008	box 01
, 2009	box 01
, 2011	box 01
Chip Chat Sales Catalogues, undated	box 01