

The Guide to the Tony Wuehle Collection

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Wuehle, Tony, 1925-2012
Title:	Tony Wuehle Collection
ID:	MS-00522
Date [inclusive]:	1950-2007
Date [bulk]:	1980-2000
Physical Description:	4 Linear Feet (4 boxes)
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Tony Wuehle Collection documents the activities of freelance writer, college president, and poker expert Edwin "Tony" Wuehle of Michigan and Las Vegas, Nevada, between the years of 1950 to 2007. The collection consists of copies of Wuehle's regular columns, newsletters, and special articles as they were published in various journals and newspapers, especially those related to poker, the International Home and Private Poker Player's Association (IH3PA), education administration, and religious concerns.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Edwin "Tony" Wuehle (b. 1925) was an educator and superintendent of schools in Illinois and Michigan, and later the president of Bay de Noc Community College in Michigan. The son of a Lutheran minister, Wuehle found fascination with poker playing early on and throughout his adult life he played poker, organized home and club games, and wrote about the game's history. He founded and served as president for the International Home and Private Poker Player's Association (IH3PA), an organization that, at its peak, had approximately 400 members. An avid organizer of home poker tournaments, Wuehle was cited in 1985 for organizing a poker

fundraiser in Escanaba, Michigan. Under the pseudonym "Scotty Barkley" (also found under the spelling "Scotty Barclay") he wrote *Poker, the Small Limit Game* and *Poker, the Small Limit Game, Book 2* both of which were published by Las Vegas' Gambler's Book Club press under the aegis of Howard Schwartz. Under the pseudonym and his own name, he also wrote articles for various gaming publications such as *Gambling Times* and *Card Player*. He wrote articles concerning education administration, religion, poetry and fiction. A long time resident of Michigan's Upper Peninsula, he retired in Las Vegas, Nevada. On October 8, 2012, Tony Wuehle died at the age of 87 in L'Anse, Michigan.

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Scope and Contents Note

The Tony Wuehle Collection documents the activities of freelance writer, college president, and poker expert Edwin "Tony" Wuehle of Michigan and Las Vegas, Nevada, between the years 1950 thru 2007. The collection consists of copies, drafts and clippings of Wuehle's articles and books about poker; handwritten journals; player and game analysis kept by Wuehle; vertical files of clippings and articles on various poker subjects; newsletters from the International Home and Private Poker Player's Association; newspaper clippings about Wuehle, including coverage of his 1985 arrest for organizing a poker fundraiser in Escanaba, Michigan; ephemera relating to Las Vegas, Nevada poker rooms; and assorted other material dealing with the organization of home and club poker games, and game strategy and play, with an emphasis on small-limit games.

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Arrangement

Material is divided into six series: Series I: Writings, 1960-2006; Series II: Press, 1978-2000; Series III: Personal Materials, 1978-2004; Series IV: Collected Published Materials, 1950-2001; Series V: Subject files, 1975-2006; Series VI: Journals, 1968-2007

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Administrative Information

Access

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2006 by Edwin "Tony" Wuehle, accession number 2006-028.

Processing Note

Material was processed by Dana Miller in 2007. The biographical sketch information was contributed by David Schwartz, Director of the Center for Gaming Research. Per the donor's wishes, the collection was titled the "Tony Wuehle Collection."

In 2014, as part of a legacy finding aid conversion project, Kayla McDuffie revised and enhanced the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards. Subsequently Kayla McDuffie entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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Related Materials

Separation Note

Four World Series of Poker conference programs (1993, 1995, 1997, and 1998) that arrived with the Wuehle collection were removed to the Binion's Horseshoe Collection (MS-00325).

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Names and Subjects

- Poker
- Small limit games

- Home and private club games
- World Series of Poker

Collection Inventory

Writings, 1960-2006

Physical Description: 0.5 Linear Feet (41 folders)

Scope and Contents Note: The Writings series comprises poker trade newsletters, regular columns and articles in gaming journals, and non-poker related writings reflecting Wuehle's other interests and endeavors.

Arrangement: Materials are arranged by article title.

Title/Description	Containers	
Poker Trade Newsletters		
IH3PA Newsletter Number: 1-25, 1985-1989	box 01	folder 01
IH3PA Newsletter Number: 26-50, 1990-1994	box 01	folder 02
IH3PA Newsletter Number: 51-75, 1994-1998	box 01	folder 03
IH3PA Newsletter Number: 76-90, 1998-2002	box 01	folder 04
IH3PA Newsletter Miscellaneous Order Forms, 1985-2002	box 01	folder 05
Poker Chips, Volume 1: Number 1-4, and Volume 2: Number 1-4, 1981-1984	box 01	folder 06
Poker Chips, Volume 3: Number 1-3, 1984-1986	box 01	folder 07
Poker Tips, Volume 4: Number 1-5, 1988	box 01	folder 08
Poker Tips, Volume 5: Number 1-6, 1989	box 01	folder 09
Poker Tips, Volume 6: Number 1-6, 1990	box 01	folder 10
Poker Tips, Volume 7: Number 1-6, 1991	box 01	folder 11
Poker Tips, Volume 8: Number 1-6, 1992	box 01	folder 12
Poker Tips, Volume 9: Number 1-6, 1993	box 01	folder 13
Poker Tips, Volume 10: Number 1-6, 1994		

	box 01	folder 14
Poker Tips, Volume 11: Number 1-6, 1995	box 01	folder 15
Poker Tips, Volume 12: Number 1-6, 1996	box 01	folder 16
Poker Tips, Volume 13: Number 1-6 (sic Volume 7: Number 7, Volume 8: Number 2-6), 1997	box 01	folder 17
Poker Tips, Volume 14 (sic Volume 9): Number 1-6, 1998	box 01	folder 18
Poker Tips, Volume 15 (sic Volume 10): Number 1-6, 1999	box 01	folder 19
Poker Tips, Volume 16 (sic Volume 11): Number 1-6, 2000	box 01	folder 20
Gambling Publication Order Forms, 1980s	box 01	folder 21
Regular Poker Column and Special Articles		
Midwest Players: Wagering Wisdom-Poker Talk, 1994-1995	box 01	folder 22
Midwest Players: Wagering Wisdom-Poker Talk, 1996-1997	box 01	folder 23
Midwest Players: Wagering Wisdom-Poker Talk, 1998-1999	box 01	folder 24
Midwest Players: Wagering Wisdom-Poker Talk, 2000-2001	box 01	folder 25
Midwest Players: Wagering Wisdom-Poker Talk, 2002	box 01	folder 26
Midwest Players: Wagering Wisdom-Poker Talk, 2003	box 01	folder 27
Midwest Players: Wagering Wisdom-Poker Talk, 2004	box 01	folder 28
Midwest Players: Wagering Wisdom-Poker Talk, 2005-2006	box 01	folder 29
The Card Player: articles, 1989-1990	box 01	folder 30
The Card Player: articles, 1991-1992	box 01	folder 31
The Card Player: articles, 1993-1997	box 01	folder 32
Poker Digest: articles, 1998-2001		

	box 01	folder 33
Gambling Times: articles, 1978-1987	box 01	folder 34
Miscellaneous poker trade publications, articles, 1980s	box 01	folder 35
Educational Columns, Poetry and Miscellaneous Articles and Editorials		
Educational Journals, Miscellaneous Articles, 1960s-1970s	box 01	folder 36
Miscellaneous Editorials and Poems, 1960s-1980s	box 01	folder 37
Poetry and Miscellaneous Prose, 1970s-1987	box 01	folder 38
Educational Columns, 1971-1985	box 01	folder 39
Religious News Editorials: Crossroads, 2001-2002	box 01	folder 40
Religious News Editorials: Community Reach and Miscellaneous Other Publications, 1964, 1987, 2003	box 01	folder 41

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Press on Wuehle, 1978-2000

Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (5 folders)

Scope and Contents Note: The Press on Wuehle series contains various newspaper coverage of Wuehle throughout his career and is mostly related to his poker activities.

Arrangement: Materials are arranged chronologically.

Title/Description	Containers	
Press on Wuehle, 1980-1984	box 01	folder 42
Press on Wuehle, 1985	box 01	folder 43
Press on Wuehle, 1986-1990	box 01	folder 44
Press on Wuehle, 1991-2000	box 01	folder 45
Miscellaneous Press, 1978-1999	box 01	folder 46

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Personal Materials, 1978-2004

Physical Description: 0.1 Linear Feet (4 folders)

Scope and Contents Note: The Personal series consists of a few personal items, including an incident with the Escanaba, Michigan police regarding the legality of private poker tournaments in Michigan.

Arrangement: Materials are arranged chronologically.

Title/Description	Containers	
Curriculum Vitae and Publication Listings, 1978-1989	box 01	folder 47
Photographs, approximately 1980s Physical Description: 05 Photographic Prints	box 01	folder 48
Legal Issues over Michigan Private Gambling Laws, 1985	box 01	folder 49
Poker Seminars Given at Meridian Appartments, 1999-2004	box 01	folder 50

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Collected Published Materials, 1950-2001

Physical Description: 0.67 Linear Feet (11 folders)

Scope and Contents Note: The Collected Published Materials series consists of poker books, guides, booklets, pamphlets, journals, conference programs, advertising and other miscellaneous written materials collected by Wuehle.

Arrangement: Materials remain in original order.

Title/Description	Containers	
Gambler's Book Shelf Books		
Card Stud: The Waiting Game by George Percy, 1979	box 01	folder 51
Perfecting Your Card Memory: How to Memorize a Deck in 5 Minutes by Charles Edwards, 1963	box 01	folder 51
How to Win at Stud Poker by James Wickstead, 1976	box 01	folder 51
Hold'em Poker by David Sklansky, 1976	box 01	folder 51
Pineapple Hold'em by Brian Smith, 1979	box 01	folder 52
Stud Poker Blue Book by George Fisher, reprint, original 1934	box 01	folder 52
Poker by Theo Hardison: reprint, original 1914	box 01	folder 52
Play Winning Poker by Jack King, 1974		

box 01 folder
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Poker to Win: Expose of Advantage Poker Play by Al Smith, 1975

box 01 folder
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Other Books

Poker-Playing to Win: a Humorous and Informative Gambling Guide
by Tony Korfman, 1985

box 01 folder
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Poker: The Nation's Most Facinating Card Game edited by Albert
Morehead, 1950

box 01 folder
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Las Vegas Hilton's Strategies for Seven-Card Razz by David Sklansky,
1980s

box 01 folder
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Las Vegas Hilton's Important Poker Advice by Mike Caro, 1980s

box 01 folder
53

Las Vegas Hilton's Strategies for Seven-Card Stud by Mike Caro, 1980s

box 01 folder
53

Poker Odds (reprinted from the Advanced Concepts of Poker) by
Frank R. Wallace, 1968

box 01 folder
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Poker is a Money Game by William Garfield, 1977

box 01 folder
53

Omaha (Book One) by Andy Nelson, 1988

box 01 folder
53

Seven Card Stud: High-Low Split (Book One) by Andy Nelson, 1988

box 01 folder
53

The Killer Card: Live Happenings at the Poker Tables in Las Vegas by
Houston Wildcard (2 editions), 1985 and 1986

box 01 folder
54

Seven Card Stud High-Low Split, Eight or Better, pamphlet by David
Sklansky, undated

box 01 folder
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Sklansky on Razz Poker 7-Card Low Ball by David Sklansky, 1980

box 01 folder
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Official Rules and Procedures Manual for Poker by Ron Cramer, 2001

box 01 folder
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Las Vegas Hilton's Offical Poker Rule Book, 1988

box 01 folder
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Poker Humor by Gary Oliver, 1993

box 01 folder
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Poker Room Guidebooks

Las Vegas Hilton Poker Room Pamphlet, 1990s

box 01 folder
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Texas Poker Room Pamphlet (2 copies), 1990s

box 01 folder
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Artichoke Joe's Offical Rule Book, 1980

	box 01	folder 55
The Bicycle Club Preliminary Player's Guide, undated	box 01	folder 55
Poker Journals		
Mike Caro's Pro Poker Volume 1: Number 1-2, 1993	box 01	folder 56
Mike Caro's Pro Poker Volume 2: Number 1-3, 1994	box 01	folder 57
Mike Caro's Pro Poker Volume 3: Number 1-2, 1995	box 01	folder 58
Wager Volume 1: Issues 1-3, 1993	box 01	folder 59
Poker Player, Annotated Copies, 1987	box 01	folder 60
Miscellaneous Gambling Newsletters, 1990s	box 01	folder 61
Oversized Items		
Omaha Hold'em: "The Action Game" by Bob Ciaffone, 1984	box 01	
Card Player Magazine's World Poker Industry Conference Book: Attendee and Session Materials, 1996	box 01	
Poker Tournament Tips from the Pros-Winning Strategies by Shane Smith, 1992	box 01	
Poker, Sex and Dying: the Psychological Unmasking of Poker Opponents by Juel Anderson (annotated), 1992	box 01	
Card Player Calendar by Ralph Wheeler and Dana Smith, 1997	box 01	
Home Poker Handbook (review copy) by Keith McLeod, undated	box 01	
Poker-California Lowball-How to Play like the Professional Pleasure and Profit (review copy) by Robert Quisenberry, 1985	box 01	
Analyze and Practice Hold-Em Poker by Jo-An Filocco, 1988	box 01	
International Gambling Business Exhibition Conference Materials, 1996	box 01	
Gamblers' General Store (annotated advertisement), undated	box 01	

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Subject Files, 1975-2006

Physical Description: 2 Linear Feet (2 boxes)

Scope and Contents Note: The Subject Files series consists of vertical subject files of clippings and articles. Major categories are Poker Wisdom, Poker Playing celebrities, and IH3PA. There are also subject files for poker publications such as *Card Player*, *Poker World* and *Poker Digest*.

Arrangement: Materials remain in original order.

Title/Description	Containers
Subject Files, 1975-2002	box 02
Subject Files, 1980-2006	box 03

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Journals, 1968-2007

Scope and Contents Note: The Journals series consists of a series of handwritten "poker player journals" kept by Wuehle from 1988 till 2000, and a part of 2007; two journals of "poker wisdom" from 1990 to 2000; as well as collections of drafts of his articles, and a manuscript of his book, *Poker-The Small Limit Game 2*.

Arrangement: Materials remain original order.

Title/Description	Containers
Las Vegas Poker Journal, 1988-1989	box 04 folder 01
Poker Players Journal, 1989-1990	box 04 folder 02
Journals: Player Analysis Manistique, Michigan, 1990-1994	box 04 folder 03
Journal, 1991-1992	box 04 folder 04
Las Vegas Poker Journal, 1993-1994	box 04 folder 05
Journal, 1995-1996	box 04 folder 06
Journal, 1997-1998	box 04 folder 07
Poker Journal, 2000	box 04 folder 08
Journal: Player Analysis, 2007 January-May	box 04 folder 09
Poker Wisdom, 1990-1995	box 04 folder 10
Poker Wisdom, 1995-2000	box 04 folder 11
Tournaments, 2002-2005	box 04 folder 12
Tournaments How-To, 2004-2005	

box 04 folder
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Home Tournament: Director's Handbook, 1987-1991

box 04 folder
14

Poker: The Small Limit Game Book 2 Manuscript and Articles, 1981-1985

box 04 folder
15

Article Drafts: Manuscripts, 1968-1993

box 04 folder
16

Personal Development, 2006

box 04 folder
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Box of Index Cards: Poker Articles, Bibliography, Dictionary, Culture,
Wisdom, Literature, Jokes, Quotations, undated

box 04

Box of Index Cards: Poker Talk, undated

box 04

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