

This one is very interesting. Two different states and 3 different record cards with 3 different names, all in 1974. Two of the record cards has two of the 3 names on them. All 3 of them were friends.

Mason Record card info:

Don McClure

425 S. 25<sup>th</sup> St

Terra Haute, IN

W. Thomas

1321-17<sup>th</sup> St

Rock Island, IL

John Ragan

C/O Lagenfeld Hotel

Centralia, IL

The 3 orders total out at 7,200 chips. \$1, \$5, \$25, \$100 denominations.

I am only addressing the Terra Haute, IN location, in this post.



First the research that did not turn up much. Or did it? <g>

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Unfortunately I haven't been able to come up with much on this one. Both the Rock Island and Terre Haute addresses on the card are residential addresses. Several W. Thomas' in Rock Island but couldn't

find one associated with the address or any reference to a W. Thomas and gambling (some William's, a Wilbur, Wilbert, Warren in Rock Island).

The only Don McClure I came across in Terre Haute was Donald Joe "Red" McClure, died Avon (suburb of Indianapolis) in 2007 age 74.

He was a member of the Terre Haute Masons and Elks. I wasn't able to verify that this Don McClure was the one at the delivery address.

His widow Nancy, age 77, currently resides in Terre Haute. Her phone comes back as unlisted but I found this # which might be current: (XXX) XXX-XXXX) Their only son Jeffrey, age 59, also resides in Terre Haute:

My note: Nancy's number was good! <g>

I talked to Nancy McClure.

She was very nice. She said Don ran fun night games at the Sycamore Country Club in Terra Haute. It was associated with the Shriner's. Don was active in the Mason's, Elk's, and Shriner's.

She knew W Thomas in Rock island and John Ragan in Centralia. Don was friends with them. She said Thomas used the chips in an Italian Club in Rock Island. She could not remember the name of it.

I would like to find the name of that club. She said she would have her son call me if he had any further info. I am still working on info for the IL usage of the chips.

We can safely say the YN chips were used in Fun Nite, fund raising events for The Shriner's at:

Sycamore Country Club

200 Heritage Dr  
Terre Haute, IN 47803

1974

We all know Country Clubs allowed gambling among their members.

I don't think we can call it an illegal. Yet!!!

Need to see what happens with the IL research.

Thomas, W.  
1321-17th St.

Il. 61201  
Rock Island

Ship to: Don McClure, 425 S. 25th St-Terra Haute  
In.

800 B 9 Hub checks  
300 Yellow \$25.00 one side  
400 White \$100.00 " "  
200 Black \$500.00 " "  
Stamp YN reverse side all checks (Chicago style)

YN  
\$10000  
\$50000  
\$2500

~~W. THOMAS~~ 1321-17th St. Rock Island  
~~John Ragan~~  
c/o Langefelde Hotel \$100  
Centralia, Ill. 110606 ILLINOIS 61201

5000 B 9 Hub Checks  
3000 Red - \$1 one side  
1500 Blue- \$5 " "  
500 Yellow - \$25 one side

Stamp Y N reverse side all checks  
Chicago style

\$500  
\$2500 YN

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10/16/74--101613  
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(812) 877-6205. Their only son Jeffrey, age 59, also resides in Terre Haute:

**Jeffrey J McClure**  
7505 E Old Maple Ave  
Terre Haute, IN 47803  
**(812) 917-5683**

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At least it is more than I had. <g>