

Number 49 on our trip across Illegal Clubs USA.

Number 50 is on hold a few days as I am waiting for some info.

I have a few doubles to post for a few days while I am waiting.

If Greta Van Susteren runs one more Brett Favre comeback story, I am throwing my shoe at the TV!!!!!!
I guess you know she is a "Cheese Head." <g> I am a big Fox fan. Hannity, O'Reilly, and Greta every night.

I was walking by the Palms front desk about a year or so ago with my head in the clouds and almost knocked Greta down. Geez she is a tiny lady. But very nice. I apologized and we talked a few minutes. I forgot which story she was in Las Vegas to cover.

Enough of that:

Wisconsin:

There are states that were never high on my list to do research on. I usually went after the ones that would return murder, mayhem, and bigger syndicate names. Who cares what those small time "Cheese heads" did. <g> Debby Meister first caught my attention with her research on The Jack O Lantern Lodge. I moved Wisconsin up a little on my to do list, but never quite got there.

Debby feel free to post the punkin info. <g> I am sure some new collectors would like to read it.

A new illegal collector from Wisconsin, Mike Vuolo, came along, and started peaking my interest again with Wisconsin being a bootlegging hub and gambling stories from Wisconsin. He seems to think there are some good stories from way up there, and has promised research. He has been asking on the BB for known Wisconsin chips. If you got em - give em up." <g> Maybe we can get something done.

Good site for Wisconsin illegal info.

http://books.google.com/books?id=8o3XILXXQV0C&pg=PA59&lpg=PA59&dq=illegal+gambling+in+sheboygan+in+he+1930%27s&source=bl&ots=pBUKd0l7k5&sig=irnuPc9_l8_swliklojPoL7ukoU&hl=en&ei=k45XTIHKNoK78galyMG_BA&sa=X&oi=book_result&ct=result&resnum=4&ved=0CCUQ6A

I got this one in 2001. Mike dug out the info a couple months ago.

Curleys Tavern

Minocqua, WI

1937



9892

Bad scan, nice chip. CCM \$1.00

Hanson, G. E. c/o Curley's Tavern Minocqua, Wisconsin	Special Die "CCM" with denomination on both sides
6-28-37, K.C. 200 J-\$1.00	\$500
100 R-\$25.00, 100 G-\$10.00	\$2500
100-B - \$5.00	
3-31-38: B-10: 5 Pink Chi.#1218	
Samples K.C.	
Last order - 5 only B-10 Pink T.I.#1572	\$1000

Notice on the card 200 J- \$1.00. J meaning black. When I first started getting Mason cards I drove myself crazy trying to figure out color codes. I came to the conclusion that thru the years different salesmen had their own codes and I gave up. Paul Bender tried the same thing. I thought he had it figured out until one day he emailed and ask what color was Z. <g>

BOULDER JUNCTION

The Early Years 1880's to 1950's, page 121

Friends of the Library, Boulder Junction, 1966

Clarence "Curley" Drewsen was section foreman for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railroad in Boulder Junction from 1915 to 1925. His father was Clarence Drewsen who ran a service station & garage

in that town. His younger brother was Norman Drewsen who was active in the town affairs in later years. "Curley's" home in Boulder Junction was a boxcar house.

EARLY TIMES, Dan D. Scrobell, 1988, pg. 206

Clarence "Curley" Drewsen moved to Minocqua from Boulder Junction in the fall of 1925. He purchased a soft drink parlor on Milwaukee Avenue, where Spang's Restaurant is now. {Lots 18 & 19, Block 3} He named it "Curley's Place" or just "Curleys." After Prohibition ended in 1933, Drewsen remodeled his bar to include an orchestra pit and a large dance floor and it became one of the most popular nightspots in Minocqua.

MINOCQUA MUSEUM --
additional information found:

Gambling took place in several taverns in the Minocqua area, including "Curleys."

The "soft drink parlor on Milwaukee" was actually purchased by Curley's father, Clarence Drewsen to be run by Curley. The son eventually acquired the property and continued to run it until it was sold to Spang's Restaurant chain.

Curley Drewsen's home in Minocqua was on Chicago Ave. -- a block away from the bar.

Got this one from Steve Goodrich in 2001

744 Club

744 Fourth St

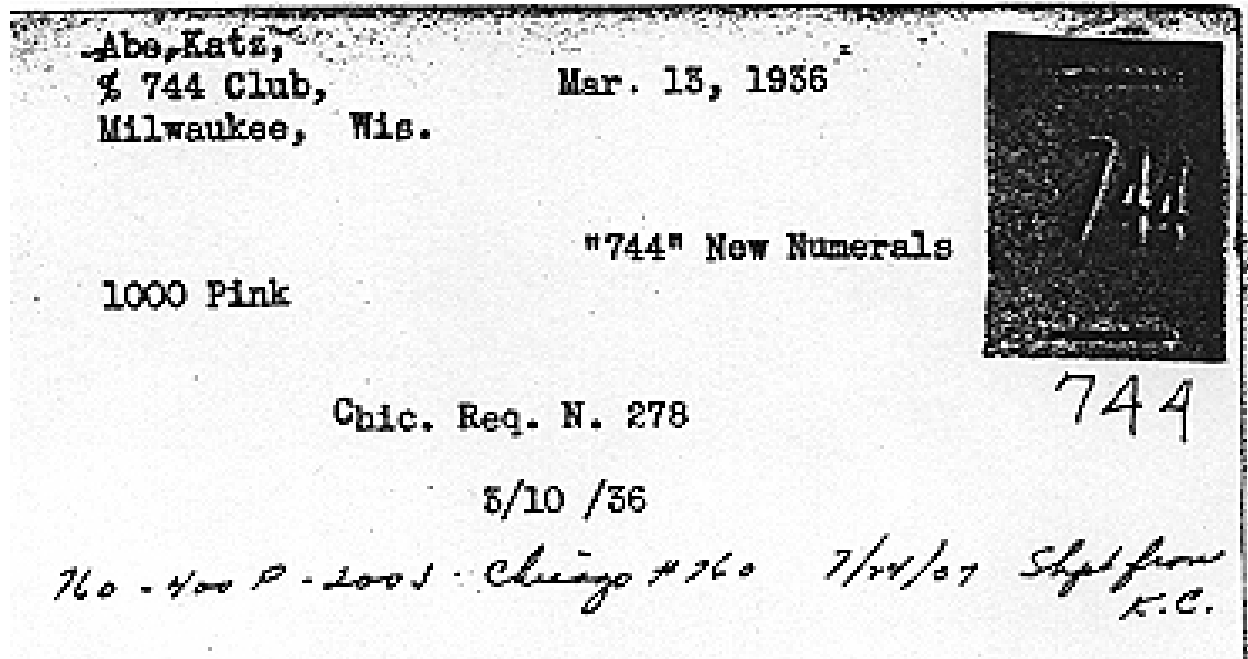
Abe Katz

Milwaukee

Chips delivered in 1936-37



9958



Another one from Steve Goodrich in 2001. Steve was kind of easy to deal with, he only collected PNW chips. <g>

FEZ Club

735 Fourth St

Abe Katz – Gee that name and address sounds close to the 744 chip. <g>

Milwaukee

1934



9957

Abe Katz,
735 Fourth St.
Milwaukee, Wis.

"FEZ"
gold

2500 B-9 Hub Checks, Mono "FEZ" gold
1500 Green
1000 Black

Formerly L.M.Mouse checks, now issued to
above by Chicago Office.

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9/2/34

Here is another one that needs to be looked into. I got it in 2006. This was about the time we started using email for ID's instead of having actual copies of the cards mailed to us.

40 chips do not make sense. There are either more record cards on this one or other colors/denoms made, that we did not get the info on.



15731

MR COLEN G LANZ
WAUSAU, WI

5/24/1938
MONO CGL NEW STYLE ONE SIDE IN GREEN

40 ORANGE
MONO \$5.00 ON REVERSE IN GREEN

