## Trinkets & Trash Artifacts of the Tobacco Epidemic

## Surveillance Update - December 2020

Trinkets & Trash is a surveillance project and archive that monitors tobacco industry marketing in magazines, direct mail, e-mail, websites, and other channels. Visit us online at <a href="trinketsandtrash.org">trinketsandtrash.org</a>. If you have examples you'd like to share, e-mail us at <a href="trinketsandtrash@sph.rutgers.edu">trinketsandtrash@sph.rutgers.edu</a>. To join our mailing list, click <a href="here">here!</a>!

## **Tobacco Updates**

Keeping the spirit alive: Brands had the usual holiday messages to send, but some took it a little further. American Spirit included a link in their email to watch an uplifting video on their website, plus the chance to claim coupons. The video shows family and friends having a fun time in the snow, and a personal holiday greeting from the American Spirit "family." On! nicotine pouches thanked their fans for being part of the family and included a special holiday discount code in an email. Roque nicotine offered free shipping in a "countdown to Christmas" email, with their various nicotine products displayed on a festive Christmas tree background. Swisher sent an email promoting a 25% off sale on their branded clothing. Various brands had seasonal giveaways as well. Logic announced their Instant Win Game and Holiday Sweepstakes in an email, with an array of high tech prizes like tablet computers and smart watches. Cheyenne cigars ran a sweepstakes to win a camera through their Instagram.





**Keeping it close to home:** Giveaways didn't end with holiday cheer. *Swisher Sweets* launched a new video series through their Artist Project, as described in an <a href="mailto:ema

**Keeping it a little too realistic:** Recently, we've seen the release of some Limited Edition flavored products that may look a little familiar to those who enjoy holiday treats. *White Owl* cigars has debuted their Swirl cigarillos, a mixture of chocolate and vanilla that looks similar to a Pirouline wafer cookie. *Game* cigars released a limited-edition Swiss Roll flavor with an image of the eponymous snack cake right on the package. The information about these new cigars was featured on both the brands' websites.



## **Keep in Touch with Trinkets and Trash!**

Tell us about any tobacco marketing we've missed

Contact us at trinketsandtrash@sph.rutgers.edu and stay in touch! We're also active on Twitter! Follow us at: <a href="mailto:@trinketsantrash"><u>@trinketsantrash</u></a>