Trinkets & Trash Artifacts of the Tobacco Epidemic

Surveillance Update - October 2019

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 trinketsandtrash.org. If you have examples you'd like to share, e-mail us at trinketsandtrash@sph.rutgers.edu. To join our mailing list, click here!

Tobacco Updates

That fall feeling: Various brands welcomed the arrival of fall this month with social media posts and emails. A <u>Red Seal email</u> featuring a pumpkin asked recipients to share some of their Autumn hometown traditions by posting photos on the brand website. Fall foliage was a popular theme for Instagram and Facebook posts, seen from <u>Cheyenne</u> cigars and <u>ZYN Nicotine Pouches</u>. Followers could also join <u>General Snus</u> on a spooky "choose your own adventure" story on Facebook. Fall is in the air!









The heat is on: The pilot *IQOS* store <u>launched</u> in Atlanta, GA this October, and their digital marketing efforts have ramped up. We received <u>various emails</u> promoting the "heat not burn" product thanks to contacts at Georgia State, and even got to see some <u>external signage</u> from Georgia gas stations. While *IQOS* devices are only available to buy at the official storefront, the compatible <u>HeatSticks</u> that contain tobacco can be purchased at other retailers. Altria announced that the next store is opening in Richmond, VA; we're interested to see how else the brand will expand.

Rewarding brand loyalty: Black & Mild announced their new Aroma Rewards program through both direct mail and emails, telling customers to watch out for specially marked packs. Codes on these packs can be redeemed online for coupons or VISA gift cards. Currently, Skoal also has codes available on specially marked cans that can be exchanged on the brand website, for a sleeve that keeps your beverage

can and your dip can cold together. October 21st

kicked off the *Skoal* Quality Time Sweepstakes, with weekly chances to win prizes to make the time spent with "friends you call brothers" more memorable. Prizes include everything from grilling gear to poker sets.



<u>@trinketsantrash</u> - we've been more active with tweeting recent industry events and marketing moves. Be sure to tag us if you find some interesting tobacco ads in the wild!





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