

# INSPECTOR COLLECTOR

## DIRTY MONEY



WORDS AND PHOTOS: NATO

The U.S. Congress estimates that between 500 billion and a trillion dollars in dirty money passes through international banks and financial institutions every year. The problem has become so widespread that the Treasury Department has launched a full-scale investigation into the matter. Since this affects the economy as a whole, what can the average citizen do when they come across a dirty dollar? Immediately call an inspector...the Inspector Collector that is.

"You know the change in cash registers that's all grimy, that no one wants?" Harley Spiller grins, "That's the stuff I want." Going by the alias Inspector Collector this 43 year old museum curator/kindergarten teacher owns the most unique and sometimes useless collections of everything and anything.

Look out for "Show Your Stuff with Inspector Collector" on your local cable station.



### PIECE OF THE PIE

"An old cabbie trick. You rip a piece out of numerous singles and then make another bill from the parts. I got this in a stack of change from one a few years ago."



### BALONEY \$50

"I needed an example of a real phony for my students. So I offered my friends to buy one and promised to bail them out if they got into any trouble."



### MESSAGE SINGLE

"A wonderful example of an artist doing art for free. Peggy Diggs. A dollar with 20 corners"



### BLACK \$10

"I found this old pair of pants, tried it on and when I put my hands in the pockets I pulled out this great piece of crumpled trash."



### EVIDENCE FIVE-SPOT

"One of my students fathers owned a pizzeria that was somehow involved in a crime... he didn't tell me what happened but he knew I'd love this"



### A DOLLAR WITH 20 CORNERS

"An old-school scheme made impractical by the new twenty dollar bills as you can see here....but how great is this!"



### CHANGE

"Do you know that extra change slot in registers? You know, the one where they put all the crud- old change that no one wants... that's the stuff I want."

### YUPPIE MONEY

"In the 80's I was in this bar where a yuppie and a bartender were arguing. The yuppie got really upset and ripped up the bartender's two dollar tip. As the pieces showered the bar, of course I picked up the pieces. It makes a great project for an over-active five-year-old to put the pieces back together."