

## Show report

Celebrating our 50th year, the 1st Chicago Bottle Club held its Anniversary Bottle Show on Sunday, October 27th at the Holiday Inn, Matteson Illinois. We are very proud to be a Charter FOHBC member.

Back in 1969 did anyone see this coming especially when bottle collecting was just beginning to get popular? Probably not, but here we are 50 years later and as strong as ever. The Club still has many original members that have seen and witnessed many changes over the years, but the one consistent thing we all share is our love and passion for the history in glass.

With his guidance, Club President John Panek ushered in our 50th year. Show Chairman John Vlahovich pulled off another great show as our space was expanded this year due to more dealers and an expanded display area. Thanks to Mario and Jen Pisterzi for assembling our Club display that featured images and objects from those 50 years.



Club display - three tables full of images and memories (above) including this great group picture from a 1970's Club dig (below)



There were 16 displays from Club members with many rare and seldom seen Chicago bottles for all to enjoy. Here are a few examples:



Chicago ring-top quarts



Stoneware and glass from Chicago and surrounding areas.



The sales floor was busy, most dealers reported very good sales.

Dear friends and familiar faces in the crowd



Visit our award-winning web site for information on the 2020 show, mark your calendar for the last Sunday in October: [www.1stchicagobottleclub.com](http://www.1stchicagobottleclub.com)