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**2005 (20th yr)** - CR sold to Rauch Ind., CR became VP in charge of Radko  
- used silvertone **gold/cap** & **hanger pin** [ CR 2005 Cat ]

**2007** - in Aug CR started silicone gluing **gold/caps** on some larger & heavier pieces [ CR 2007 Cat ]

**2008** - CR & Rauch parted (lawsuits)  
- intro of Celebration ornament line, made in China

**2010 (25th yr)** - changed **charm** to new goldtone white, black & gold CR 8 pointed star \ [ CR 2010  
[made of enameled brass via Mario Tare on Facebk, Sep 18, 2015] } Cat inside  
- put letters CR as **water-mark** on or near bottom of all ornies [ cover ]

**2015 (30th yr)** - comp. started direct online selling to consumers at CR home website[CR Facebk 11-3-15]

**2016** - company started selling customized ornies (8 molds) at CR home website [CR Facebk 7-14-16]  
- in Dec (?1st time?) home website 25% off sale [CR home website & Facebk]

? : Target line / Shiny Brites / Sparkle Brites

### **Samples / Prototypes**

OCT 2014 - on CR Facebk pg, Mario Tare, long time CR senior designer, wrote "We call them 1st **sample**, 2nd sam. & final sample. Usually 1st & 2nd end up in tag [warehouse] sales in NY or NC. Came with everything except reg. paper tag." Tag often a plain rectangle with a hand written number. The mold &/or the coloration was never put into general production. Collectors often call them prototypes.

### **Books**

Store Exclusives, Variations and Oddities by Steve Robba, self pub., spiral bound  
Christopher Radko, The First Decade 1986 - 1995 by Christopher Radko for Starad, Inc., c1995  
Christopher Radko's Ornaments, text by Olivia Bell Buehl, c1999  
Christopher Radko Ornaments, Volume One, 1986 through 2000, David A. Olsen editor, c 2007

### **Boxes**

?- Black

?- **Turquoise** 2006

Grey with horizontal **red** or **blue/purple** band 2007-? (style nbr start'g with : 1014, 1015, 1017)

2010 during 20th Anniv yr used both grey & **red** boxes

?- **Red**

### **Paper Shred**

shred in boxes is acid free [answer by CR comp. to collector inquiry shared on CR Facebk Jan13,'17]