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***Invitational Only***

**TOC 2009**

Dear Champion,

It is with extreme pleasure that I, President of the American Cribbage Congress, inform you that due to your skillful play of the 'grand old game' of Cribbage you have qualified for the greatest event of the year. You are invited to the Tournament of Champions to be held on February 6<sup>th</sup> at the Sands Regency in Reno. This is the 27<sup>th</sup> year of the event and I'm sure you don't want to miss it.

The fee for the event is \$125. This includes a \$25 Q Pool. The Sands Regency adds \$15,000 to the total weekend purse, \$4,000 of this goes to the Tournament of Champions. You will be playing among many talented players such as yourself. Last year's prize was won by Boyd Horne from CA. This win netted him \$6,800. Will you be the one who goes home with the purse this year?

All Postmark deadlines for entry into the Tournament of Champions, Cribbage Bowl, JPW/ACC Open and Hotel reservations are **January 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Please enter early and send the proper forms to the correct address. The entry form for the TOC and the Sands Hotel reservation forms are enclosed. The **Tournament of Champions Entry** goes to **Joan Rein, P O Box 306, Carver MN 55315**. The **Hotel reservation** goes to the **Sands Regency, 345 N Arlington Ave, Reno NV 89501**. You will also be able to enter all three tournaments online again via the ACC website [www.cribbage.org](http://www.cribbage.org) after November 15<sup>th</sup>.

Play will start at 3:30 PM for the Cribbage Bowl on Friday afternoon for anyone who would like to play. Your friends and family will be able to sign up ahead of time. **DO NOT SIGN UP** for the **Cribbage Bowl** before Friday if you are **playing in the Tournament of Champions**. If you are not one of the lucky qualifier for the TOC you will be able to sign up after the qualifying round. Entry forms for the Open & Cribbage Bowl will be in the December and January issue of Cribbage World.

I am looking forward to seeing you in Reno for a fun-filled weekend. If you are not 21 by the February 6<sup>th</sup>, you need to contact Joan Rein for a deferment.

Good luck to one and all.

Sincerely,

*Jeanne Hofbauer*

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