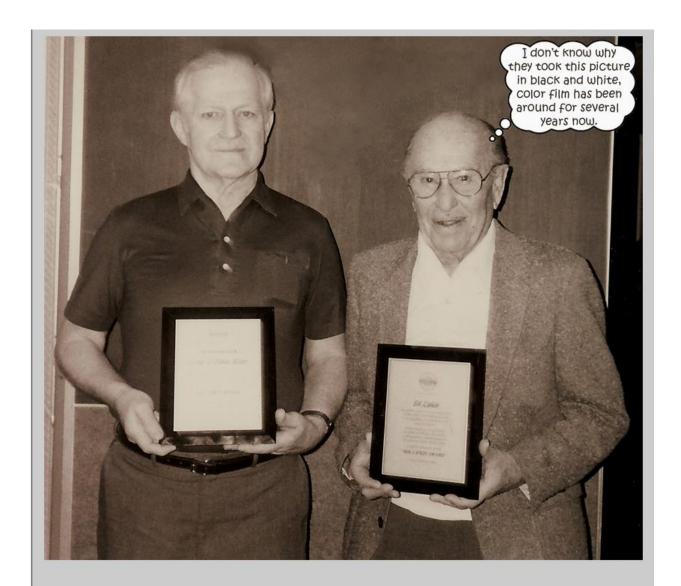
20th Annual NASCTM

As of yesterday, more than 100 players from 18 states and two Canadian provinces have already registered (paid) for the 2009 NASCTM. Based on our historical averages, this puts us on a pace for a total turnout of 220 to 230 players.

A new event will kick off the tournament this year - a free welcome breakfast, compliments of the Sands and The Shuffleboard Federation, will take place in the tournament area on the morning of Saturday, October 31 at 9:00 a.m. Breakfast will include, bacon and eggs, sausage links, biscuits and gravy, breakfast potatoes, assorted pastries, juice and coffee. If you plan on coming to the tournament, but have not yet registered, please either pre-register, or let us know you are coming so that we can plan accordingly.

We are pleased to announce that a special guest, George Wilber will be attending this year. I saw George a couple of weeks ago at the Donna Wilber Memorial Tournament and am pleased to report that he looks good and that he expressed how much he appreciated the sympathy cards, letters, and phone calls he received from all over the country after Donna passed away. I sent an email to Sol Lipkin's son, Bruce to see if the two of them would come out to Reno together, but no response yet. This edition of BoardBitsTM includes a picture of those two shuffleboard legends, Sol and George, accepting the first Sol Lipkin Awards in 1992 at the 4th Annual NASCTM. Please note that George accepted the award on behalf of himself and Donna, who was unable to attend in person that year.

If you have been enjoying the "blast from the past", here is the next "Picture Of The Day", a collection of memorable photos from the NASCTM. Thanks to Ann Harrell, who has posted previous editions on the newsletters section of her web site, which you can visit by clicking eshuffleboard.com.



The first Sol Lipkin Award winners, George Wilber & Sol Lipkin

If you are planning on attending the tournament, but have not signed up yet, you can register online with a credit card or PayPal by clicking www.2009nasc.com.

To print Tournament forms and information, please use the following links: Registration Form, Schedule of Events, and General Information. If you have never been to the NASCTM, there has never been a better time to find out why, over the past ten years, more players have attended the NASCTM than any other tournament.

If you need help making air or hotel reservations, or have any questions about the tournament, please call The Shuffleboard Federation at 800-380-3033.

John McDermott, Tournament Director

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