

16'th Annual NASCT update:

The biggest tournament of the year is just three weeks away. With 48 new registrations in the last six days, we continue to be ahead of last years pace. As many of you know, the 2004 NASCT set a new tournament record for prize money. This is the last day for early registration date. If you are planning on attending, send your registration in today to avoid late fees. You may also register online and pay by credit card by going to the Tournament web site, www.2005nasc.com, and clicking [Online Registration](#).

Tournament merchandise is now available for pre ordering. You can place your order for [Short Sleeve T-Shirts](#), [Long Sleeve T-Shirts](#), [Pocket T-Shirts](#), [Golf Shirts](#), [Jackets](#), [Sweatshirts](#), [Hooded Sweatshirts](#) and [Co-Sponsor Shirts](#) online and pick up your items when you arrive at the Tournament.

Friday night (November 4) is always a special night at the Tournament. It includes the presentation of the [Sol Lipkin Award](#), which this year is being given to Al Salazar. That is followed by the \$10,000 cash giveaway, which involves a random drawing in which 50 players win \$200 each, courtesy of the Sands Regency. We also have our raffle drawing with prizes that include sets of weights, tournament merchandise, shuffleboard collectibles and a Jacuzzi Suite for 10 nights at the Sands for the next year's Tournament. We would greatly appreciate donations from the shuffleboard community of any items that we can include as prizes in the raffle. If you own a shuffleboard establishment, the donation of a shirt or jacket is a great way to get a little exposure for your business. Last, but certainly not least is the Tournament's 16th anniversary party. Festivities will include free food and a two hour open bar, compliments of the Sands Regency and The Shuffleboard Federation.

I am please to announce that we will have a special guest on hand this year. He is a shuffleboard player from Hawaii, the first time we have had a player from that state. He also served on the USS Theodore Roosevelt in the early 1960's. The USS Theodore Roosevelt is the Polaris class submarine which American Shuffleboard Company installed a shuffleboard table on. He played on that table and looks forward to seeing Sol and sharing his memories about that table, which some of you have seen Sol's pictures of.

If you have not yet made your reservations, there are still lots of great room and airfare packages available. In order to get the best prices, you need to book your flight or package two weeks in advance, so you still have a little time. If you need some help in making your reservations, please give me a call at 800-380-3033.

The airline which has traditionally had the best packages is American Airlines. To get a quote, visit www.aavacations.com. America West has also had some great fares, their web site is www.americawest.com. Other recommended travel web sites are: Orbitz.com, Yahoo Travel, Expedia.com, Southwest Airlines.com and Hotwire.com, which is an outstanding place to find last minute deals.

Co-Sponsors are always an important part of the NASC. There are five Co-Sponsorship levels, [Bronze](#) (\$250), [Silver](#) (\$500), [Gold](#) (\$750), [Platinum](#) (\$1,000) and [Diamond](#) (\$2,000). All Co-Sponsors names will be prominently displayed in the tournament area. They will also receive a laser engraved appreciation plaque, similar to the ones given to the 1st and 2nd place finishers in each event at the Tournament. Additionally, Bronze Level Co-Sponsors will receive a beautifully embroidered Co-Sponsor Shirt; Silver Level Co-Sponsors will receive an embroidered Co-Sponsor Jacket; Gold Level Co-Sponsors will receive a Co-Sponsor Shirt and Jacket. Platinum Level Co-Sponsors will receive a Co-Sponsor Shirt and Jacket, two seats at the head table for the awards ceremony on Friday night and will have their picture taken with Sol Lipkin, who will personally sign the photo. Diamond Level Co-Sponsors will receive everything that the Platinum Co-Sponsors receive, plus a second Co-Sponsor Shirt and Jacket. They will also receive complimentary dinner for two with tournament staff and Sol Lipkin and their room will be upgraded to a Jacuzzi Suite at no additional charge.

To print Tournament forms and information, please use the following links: [Registration Form](#), [Schedule of Events](#), and [General Information](#). 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.

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