S.O.E.S.T. 28th Annual World Series of POKER - 2008

WHEN: 12:30 PM, [NOTE EARLIER TIME!] Saturday, October 11, 2008. Welcome and seating. Play begins at 1:00 PM SHARP. Your money will be anted whether you are there or not, so don't be late!

WHERE: Hey's Place: phone:247-8194  See maps

WHO CAN PLAY: Any SOEST grad student, employee (past or present), alumni, significant other, or immediate family. No exceptions! Limited seating - sign up early!

REGISTRATION: Register NOW with Fred Duennebier (fred@soest.hawaii.edu, x64779, POST 809), or Richard Hey (hey@soest.hawaii.edu, x68972, HIG 315), or Jim Potemra x62737, jimp@soest.hawaii.edu, POST 406P. $25.00 reserves your seat and pays for your chips in the preliminary round.

RULES:

A. GAMES: Dealer's choice of Hold-em (high only), 5 card draw (high or low), Jacks-back, 5- and 7-card stud (high or low), Maverick, Low-ball option at any time, other games can be played by unanimous consent of all remaining players at the table. NO wild cards, NO split pots. Re-shuffle discards if needed. Straights and flushes do not count against low hands.

B. BETTING: Table stakes: any or all chips in-hand may be bet in any betting round. All chips must remain on the table. Everyone begins with $25 in chips in the preliminary round, $50 in the final round. No new chips may be bought. No chip loans or gifts. If you can ante, but cannot cover bets, side pots will be made, and you can only win the amount appropriate for what you bet. Three-raise limit. Check-and-raise allowed. Tie hands split the pot. If players have visible cards, the player with the highest visible hand bets first. If no visible cards, betting begins with the player to the left of the dealer, and the last bettor bets first in continuing play. All cards still in play must be shown at the end of the hand.

C. ANTE: Freeze-out: All players ante every hand. If you are not at the table to call bets, your hand will be folded. If you cannot ante, your remaining chips will be added to the pot, and you are out of the game. In the preliminary round the ante begins at $0.25 and increases by $0.25 each hour. In the final round, the ante begins at $0.50 and doubles after every hour of play. No blinds.

D. PRELIMINARY ROUND: Play ends when only two players remain OR when play has continued for four hours (determined by a hidden clock), whichever comes first. When the alarm sounds, the hand being played or dealt is the last hand. All remaining players will cash in their chips.

The preliminary round is followed by a
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E. FINAL ROUND: The final round will begin as soon as all players are ready, but no later than 6:30 pm. The winner from each preliminary round table MUST enter the final round, or forfeit $50 of his/her winnings to be anted at the final table. The runner-up from each preliminary table MAY enter the finals. All finals players must buy (only) $50 in chips. The winner from the previous year MAY enter the final round (if not already in by the above rules) IF she/he played in the preliminary round, AND if there are fewer than 8 players at the final table. The final round continues WITHOUT BREAK until all the chips are won by a single player. The ante begins at $0.50 and doubles after every hour of play.

ETIQUETTE:

- Smoke OUTSIDE if you must

- Observers are welcome, but no noise, please.

- Watch your own cards. If someone sees them, it's your fault. Don't discuss the hand in progress.

- All disagreements settled by players at the table, the host, a neutral party, or HOYLE, as appropriate. Blatant cheating will result in expulsion and forfeit of all remaining chips.

- Be careful not to accidentally flip or show cards when dealing. If a card is shown, it remains up if it can be used as an up-card in a stud game, or, if not, it is shown to all players and buried in the deck.

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Stick around for the losers tables - you might win your money back...

This is a LEGAL game, as there is no house take. Only winners make money.