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PRESS RELEASE

ORLANDO SHAKES' POPULAR POKER FUN-RAISER RETURNS FOR A SPRING TOURNAMENT

Orlando, FL – The Orlando Shakespeare Theater will be holding its annual Spring Poker Tournament on Saturday, March 8, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the Dr. Phillips Patrons Room at the Lowndes Shakespeare Center. The tournament is No-Limit Texas Hold-'em and includes professional dealers, racetrack-style poker tables and blackjack too, plus FREE pizza and snacks, beer, wine and soft drinks. Top prizes include: \$500 gift certificate to the Mall at Millenia, 2-Night Stay the Hard Rock Hotel at Universal Orlando, tickets to Disney World, Cirque du Soleil, gift certificates, attraction tickets, door prizes and a whole lot more!

NEW! This season we have added BlackJack Tables for friends and/or players who have exited the tournament!

For those wishing to make this tournament their introduction to Texas Hold-'em, we will distribute sheets that explain how to play the game, the card rankings, house rules, and a few tips to get you started!

WHEN:

Saturday, March 8, 2008

6:00 p.m. – Registration

6:30 p.m. - Rules and Regulations

6:45 p.m. - Shuffle up and Deal!

11:15 p.m. - Tournament End

WHERE: John and Rita Lowndes Shakespeare Center, 812 East Rollins Street, Orlando, FL 32803

EVENT SCHEDULE: Registration begins at 6:00 p.m., poker kicks off at 6:45 p.m., and the event concludes at approximately 11:15 p.m.

DONATION: Suggested donation is \$60* (Re-buys available till the break for \$50 donation).

TO RESERVE: Call the box office at 407-447-1700 or register online 24 hours a day by visiting orlandoshakes.org, selecting "Buy Tickets," "Events," and choose "Fall Poker Tournament."

LIMIT: First 100 players registered.

REFRESHMENTS: Beer, wine, soda, snacks and plenty of pizza will be available for all participants.

DRESS: Very casual to very dressed up, this is poker!

AGE LIMIT: Players must be 18 years of age or older.

All donations go to benefit The Orlando Shakespeare Theater, In Partnership with UCF.

**A \$60 donation is suggested, but not required for entry into the tournament. The tournament does not require an entry fee, donation, substantial consideration, payment, proof of purchase, or contribution as a condition of entering.*

NEW! BE A SPONSOR! - TABLE SPONSORSHIP – CORPORATE/INDIVIDUAL

Table Sponsorships are available at \$500 per table and include:

- **Company or Individual Name Plaque** on the Sponsor Table
- **5 Players for the tournament** - Five of your friends or employees or client players will be given places at a table. They can play at your sponsored table, or play at different tables.
- **Wall Signage for your Name/Company** in the Poker Room during the Event.
- **Website Recognition** - Your name or Company Logo on our website
- **Tax-Deductible** - Your sponsorship is a tax-deductible contribution to the arts.

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