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**CORONA LIGHT "HALL OF FAME CLASSIC"
TABLE SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIPS TO BE HELD IN LAS VEGAS**

**-- "Foosball" Players from Around the World Compete for \$90,000
in Combined Tournament and League Prizes --**

Las Vegas, NV – Even now, hundreds of athletes from around the world are training intensively to compete in a truly unique sports event: the Corona Light Hall of Fame Classic and International League Championships... of *table soccer*. Also known as "foosball," this tournament is one of the largest of its kind, and is set to take place March 11-15, 2009 at the Riviera Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas.

All eyes will be on members of the U.S. National Table Soccer Team, as they face many top international rivals for the first time since the USA's decisive first place finish at the World Cup of Table Soccer held in France last January. Premier players such as world #1-ranked Frederico Collignon of Belgium, #2-ranked Chris Marks of Germany and many others will be in attendance, giving American "foosers" an ideal opportunity to revalidate their table skills against some of their most likely competition throughout the 2009 World Tour.

As an International Table Soccer Federation (ITSF) sanctioned tournament, competition is expected to be fierce – in addition to the tournament's cash and prizes, the top finisher in Open Singles automatically wins an expense-paid trip to the ITSF World Championships Finals at the end of this year's tour, and all who participate in Open Singles, Open Doubles and Women's Singles will earn rankings points towards additional trips to the World Championships.

In addition to the tournament itself, the event will also feature the final playoffs from a year of worldwide table soccer league competition, the annual Foosball Hall of Fame induction ceremony, and the Valley International League banquet and awards ceremony.

The tournament is sponsored by Corona Light, and is further sanctioned by the United States Table Soccer Federation (USTSF). All competition will take place on Tornado Table Soccer™ tables, made by the Valley-Dynamo division of Brunswick, Inc. The event is open to all comers, with categories available for men and women and beginner through Master. Numerous specialty categories are also included such as 18 & Under Doubles, 50 & Over Doubles, Forward Shootout, and Goalie Wars. There are entry fees for players who wish to compete in an event, but there is no admission fee to enter the tournament room. Most finals will be held on Sunday the 30th – both press and spectators are welcome to visit at any time.

Other ITSF 2009 World Tour events are scheduled for Austria, Canada, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Japan, Lithuania, Malaysia, Mexico, Poland, South Africa, the UAE and the UK, among many others. In fact, this year's tour may be the largest world table soccer pro tour ever!

For additional details about the event and the sport of table soccer, please see the following websites:

www.vifa.com	- VIFA league and USTSA tournament information site
www.ustsf.org	- USTSF official web site/U.S. National Team and tour event sponsorship opportunities
www.table-soccer.org	- ITSF official web site/international rankings/news
www.foosball.com	- General information about the sport of table soccer

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