

# SJB Dads' Club Texas Hold'em Tournament Rules

(Details subject to change)



## Registration and Chip Bonuses

- Doors open at 6:30pm, play starts promptly at 7:00pm
- Table and seat assignments are randomly determined by computer following check-in. Tables will be consolidated by computer as players are eliminated.
- Players receive their chip allotment at check-in: \$20,000, plus chip bonuses. Chip denominations: A = \$100; B = \$500; C = \$1000; D = \$5000. There will be re-load and add-on opportunities.
- **TWO 20% Chip Bonuses are available:** (1) Register Early by Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, and (2) Donate (at the door) five or more canned goods to the St. Benedict Chapter of St. Vincent de Paul.

## Tournament Play

- Play is "No Limit Hold'em" with Small and Big Blinds. Blinds start at \$100/\$200 and will increase incrementally every 20 minutes.
- Bets and/or raises must be equal to or greater than the current Big Blind.
- No string betting – simply declare your one action and one motion! You may Bet, Fold, Call, or Raise.
- Players cannot sell or give away chips – play your own chips until you win or are eliminated.
- The cards talk – If you miss-call your hand, you still get the best possible hand your cards can make.
- Ties – it doesn't matter what suit you're holding – the pot is split.
- Disagreements are settled by the Tournament Director.

## Re-Load and Add-On Opportunities

- Re-load and Add-on opportunities: \$20 to buy \$10,000 in chips.
- Re-loads: You can re-load without limit at almost any time. You need not be out of chips to re-load, but you must be below \$20,000 in chips, and you may not re-load in the middle of a hand. To re-load just let your dealer know and more chips will be brought to you. Re-load opportunities end at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> round.
- Add-ons: One add-on may be purchased by ALL remaining players at the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> round. No minimum chip count is required for this add-on.

## Winners and Payouts

- The Final Table of 9 players will be paid in SCRIP. 50% to the final table, 50% to St. Vincent de Paul
- 1<sup>st</sup> place =33%; 2<sup>nd</sup> place =17%; 3<sup>rd</sup> place =10%; 4<sup>th</sup> place =9%; 5<sup>th</sup> place =8%; 6<sup>th</sup> place =7%; 7<sup>th</sup> place =6%; 8<sup>th</sup> place =5%; 9<sup>th</sup> place =4%. Final prize \$\$ determined approx 10:30pm

## Texas Hold'em Process

1. Deal moves clockwise around the table with Little Blind left of dealer, and Big Blind left of Little Blind.
2. Players are dealt two cards face down – called "pocket" cards – 1<sup>st</sup> round of betting occurs.
3. Then the "flop" – dealer "burns" a card and flips three "community" cards to make a full hand of five cards (community + your pocket). 2<sup>nd</sup> round of betting occurs.
4. Then the "street" – dealer "burns" a card and flips a 4<sup>th</sup> community card – 3<sup>rd</sup> round of betting...your best five cards based on the community cards and your two pocket cards.
5. Then "the river" – dealer "burns" a card and flips a 5<sup>th</sup> community card – 4<sup>th</sup> and final round of betting ...your best five cards based on the community cards and your two pocket cards...best hand wins.
6. Poker Hands (best to worst): straight flush, 4-of-a-kind, full house, flush, straight, 3-of-a-kind, 2 pair, pair, high card.