



Teaching ethics through gambling



What: A poker tournament for media folks. Yes, there's an educational component, but it's still poker.

Where: Leonardo's 706, 706 W. University Ave., Gainesville
(352) 378-2001

When: Thursday, Dec. 11, 2008,
from 7 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Cost: FREE, with free appetizers and the chance to win gift certificates and SPJ goods

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q. What is Ethics Hold'em?

It's Texas Hold'em, with a couple of differences. Don't know how to play? We'll teach you.

Q. What are the differences?

The specially printed cards have rules from the SPJ Code of Ethics on their faces. Several of those rules are repeated on various cards. So while you're playing regular ol' Texas Hold'em, you can win extra chips by spotting the duplicated rules.

Q. Sounds confusing and stupid.

Would you rather have lecturer or a panel discussion?

Q. How do I join?

Show up. First come first served to join the tables.

Q. What's the point here?

That journalism ethics can be taught subversively and painlessly. That "ethics" and "fun" aren't opposites.