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CALIFORNIA MAN WINS \$250,000 HOME SWEET HOME FINAL DRAWING AT JOHN ASCUAGA'S NUGGET

Sparks/Reno, Nev. – California resident Richard S. was the big winner in the final drawing of the Home Sweet Home house-giveaway promotion tonight (Nov. 14, 2009) at John Ascuaga's Nugget. Richard, who asked that his last name and home town not be disclosed, was one of approximately 4,000 people who attended the final drawing extravaganza. He pumped his fist with enthusiasm and the overflow crowd roared with excitement as the home-winning card was revealed. Legendary television game show host Bob Eubanks was the master of ceremonies for the evening and he celebrated with Richard as confetti canons exploded and costumed showgirls filled the stage.

"I was so shocked. I'm just walking on air," said Richard, a railroad conductor who has been coming to the Nugget for many decades. "The Nugget has always been such a friendly place. And they've always treated the railroad guys great. The gods were smiling tonight."

Richard's prize is a brand-new home, valued at \$250,000, in The Preserve by Tanamera, a project currently under construction in Sparks. He has the choice of accepting the home or taking a cash prize of \$150,000 – a decision he has yet to make.

"We're pleased that a long-time guest of the Nugget won the home. It's a lot of fun to see someone get so excited about winning," said Stephen Ascuaga, the Nugget's chief operating officer. "For many years, in the 1980's and 1990's, the Home Sweet Home promotion was the premier casino promotion in the area, something that everyone knew about. It solidified the Nugget's reputation of producing great experiences for our guests. We're thrilled to have worked with Tanamera to showcase this promotion again in 2009."

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Guests at Saturday evening's final drawing enjoyed an interactive game-show style presentation, with thousands in cash awarded prior to the house drawing. Players who held a key certificate, including Richard S., had a 1-in-300 chance of winning the home. Guests won key certificates, along with hundreds of thousands of dollars in cash and prizes, during ten-plus months of the promotion leading up to the final drawing.

With Home Sweet Home concluded, attention now turns to an exciting new casino-floor promotion, "Action Ball," which begins next Thursday, November 19 at the Nugget. In Action Ball, guests will have the chance to win an astounding \$1,000,000 cash prize, plus instant cash, daily prizes, and a brand new car along with a share of \$25,000 during monthly drawings.

John Ascuaga's Nugget is a premier casino resort owned and operated by the Ascuaga family in Sparks, Nevada. For more information, call 800-648-1177 or 775-356-3300, or visit janugget.com.