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Celebrity Bowling and Poker Tournament

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At-Risk Youth & Hollywood's Brightest Stars Bet on a Full House
At Celebrity Bowling and Poker Tournament
Thursday, March 5th, 2009 from 7pm – 11pm

A PLACE CALLED HOME celebrates STARS & STRIKES 2009 to raise vital funds that provide free meals, education and extracurricular activities for locally based at-risk youth in South Los Angeles.

STUDIO CITY, CA – **PINZ** Bowling and Entertainment Center to host 3rd annual **Stars & Strikes**, a Celebrity Bowling and Poker Event to benefit **A Place Called Home (APCH)** on **Thursday, March 5th, 2009 from 7 – 11pm**. APCH is a locally based non-profit youth center that provides opportunities for education,



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counseling, free meals, and arts education to thousands of at-risk children living in South Los Angeles.

Exciting celebrities including **Wilmer Valderrama, Benji & Joel Madden of Good Charlotte; Terry Crews & Tequan Richmond of the CW's "Everybody Hates Chris", Keke Palmer of Nickelodeon's "True Jackson"; superstar producer J.R. Rotem; the Laker Girls**, and many more show their support for APCH by bowling, playing poker, and partying alongside charity-minded guests. The benefit features a professional level No-Limit Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament hosted by the gorgeous "Dealer Dolls" and World Series of Poker Championship dealer **Jolyn Haviland**, as well as a raffle and silent auction, all benefiting an incredible organization that helps keep kids off the streets.

Previous years' events have been a huge success thanks to generous guests and celebrities like **Mark Wahlberg, Penny Marshall, Omarion, Marques Houston, Christina Milian, the LA Clippers**, and more.

"A Place Called Home gives kids from challenged neighborhoods an opportunity to write their own futures," states **Doug Atchison**, director of the award-winning film **AKEELAH AND THE BEE** and Chair of the APCH Leadership Council. "APCH is a place of hope and joy – and that's what permeates our





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Stars and Strikes event, and we're hoping everyone can come join the celebration."

Stars & Strikes 2009, held at PINZ, the classic bowling venue once frequented by the likes of James Dean, will provide an all-you-can-eat buffet, drinks, and some of today's hottest DJ's playing great music for a night of entertainment not soon forgotten.

Stars & Strikes is made possible every year through the generous contributions, sponsorships, and ticket purchases by individual donors and corporate sponsors. Ticket and donation information may be found at:

<http://www.starsandstrikesforapch.org/buytickets.php>

Doors for the Stars & Strikes open at 7pm and the poker tournament starts promptly at 7:45 PM. For the chance to win the top prizes, guests are urged to be in the "casino" no later than 7:30 PM. Get in on the action and register now as space is limited and the tournament is expected to sell out.

A Place Called Home is dedicated to providing at-risk youth with a secure, positive family environment where they can regain hope and belief, earn trust and self-respect and learn skills to lead to a productive lifestyle free of the gangs, drugs and poverty that surround them. The organization helps inner city youth find their dreams through educational enrichment.

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For more information on **Stars and Strikes 2009**, please visit
<http://www.starsandstrikesforapch.org/index.php>.

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