## Celebrate America's Best Pies April 11-13 During 25th Annual National Pie Championships in Orlando

Then Take Home the American Pie Council<sup>®</sup> Quintessential Collection of Award-Winning Recipes, 'America's Best Pies, 2016-2017'

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ORLANDO, Fla. (March 27, 2019) — Whether they're made from scratch in grandma's kitchen or sold in neighborhood bakeries, pies are a favorite of Americans coast to coast, a delicious complement to any meal. But which are considered the very best?

Pie lovers will find out April 11-13, when amateur, commercial and professional bakers meet in Orlando for the 25th National Pie Championships, the prestigious competition created by the American Pie Council<sup>®</sup> (APC) to crown the best of the best.



Meanwhile, the APC has spotlighted nearly 200 award-winning pies from more than two decades of competition in its acclaimed

recipe book, "America's Best Pies, 2016-2017," co-authored by Linda Hoskins, the organization's executive director.

Published by Skyhorse Publishing, the beautifully illustrated book celebrates Americans' love of pie across 384 pages of recipes in categories including apple, blueberry, cherry, chocolate, citrus, cream, cream cheese, fruit and berry, nut, peanut butter and pumpkin. There's even a collection of pies for those with special dietary needs.

"It's always exciting to discover wonderful new pies or delightful twists on classic favorites during the National Pie Championships," Hoskins said. "With the third edition of 'America's Best Pies,' I'm thrilled to be able to share these award-winning recipes so people can make them at home."

According to Hoskins, "America's Best Pies, 2016-2017" will be available during the three-day Orlando event, making it a perfect purchase for both the casual pie lover or the aspiring competitor, as well as a great gift.

The 25th APC National Pie Championships will take place April 11-13 at Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld<sup>®</sup>, with hundreds of creative, mouth-watering pies expected to compete for top honors. During 2018's championships, 714 pies entered by 71 pie makers from throughout the U.S. and Canada faced off in many different flavor categories within amateur, commercial and professional divisions.

For more information about the American Pie Council and the APC National Pie Championships, visit <u>www.PieCouncil.org</u>.

Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld is located at 6677 Sea Harbor Drive in Orlando. For reservations, visit <u>book.passkey.com/go/NationalPieApr2019</u>.

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## About the American Pie Council

The American Pie Council (APC) is the only organization committed to preserving America's pie heritage and promoting American's love affair with pies. Designed to raise awareness, enjoyment and consumption of sweet and savory pies, the APC offers amateur, professional and commercial memberships. As part of the Pie Community members can participate in a variety of network and promotional opportunities provided by the APC and will have access to all information that we have available for the pie baking industry.