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To All Representatives of the USWCA:

The USWCA Senior Women's Friendship Tour Committee is pleased to announce a tour group of sixteen (16) ladies has been invited to curl in British Columbia, Canada. This will be the fourth Friendship tour to Canada from the United States under the auspices of the United States Women's Curling Association.

The tour dates will be from, 31st, *October, 2012*, returning probably on the *11th or 12th, November, 2012*. At this point we do not know the tour stops but wanted you to have the dates of the Tour.

All members of the USWCA, age 50 or over, are eligible to apply for the tour. The minimum age of 50 corresponds with the minimum level of Canadian senior lady curlers. Applications from persons who have previously taken part in USWCA sanctioned international tours will be considered only if a shortage of other applicants occurs. The use of a stick is acceptable on the tour.

Your club may submit applications for as many senior members as wish to apply. Please copy or download this letter and applications and have available for those interested in applying. They will be available on USWCA.ORG. The deadline for the return of the application is **December 16, 2011**. Please return the completed form and letters of reference to

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All members of the Friendship Tour Committee will review the application forms. The drawing for the tour team will take place during the Annual Meeting at the site of the National Bonsel on February 16, 2012. Should weather or other circumstances prevent this; the draw will be made according to Item 6 on the enclosed Selection Plan. An approximate cost of the Tour at this time is \$1500 - \$2000 (not including airfare). If you have questions not covered by the information on the form or the plan, you may contact me at any time at 518-346-0639 or email me at rcrain@nycap.rr.com.

The USA ladies that took part in the Third Tour to Canada in 2006 were very enthusiastic about their experiences, the lasting friendships and enduring memories of the Tour. We are sure that the upcoming Tour to British Columbia will be absolutely wonderful – **a definite "curling delight" for everyone!**

Good Curling!

Roberta Crain