Don’t Forget Your Sunscreen!

The Florida Section, aka the “Sunshine State”, is in the final preparation stages for the 2005 Conference. The Section Officers met with Conference Manager, Marilyn Lawrence in February to go over the last minute details. If you are planning to attend, please fill out your registration form now to take advantage of the “early bird” rate. The sparkling waters of the Gulf of Mexico are already in place embracing the shores of the white sandy beaches in St. Pete. All we need now is you.

Will we set another record for consecutive sunny days? As we have mentioned in this column before, Florida holds the record in the Guinness Book of World Records for an impressive 361 consecutive sunny days in one year. Plan on a little family vacation before the conference to soak up a little Florida sunshine, but be careful. Our sun is not to be taken lightly! Make sure you have your sun block with you so you may enjoy all your time here. If you plan on arriving early and want to play in the water, there are places to rent jet skis and sign up to go parasailing. You may even get an explorer value pass from the TradeWinds as they have both water trykes and paddleboats. Also available on the grounds are cabanas, the fitness center, mini golf, chess, tetherball, water sports, sauna, whirlpools, swimming pools, tennis courts, and the KONK Club Activity Center for children. OH–and let us not forget the local piers for both saltwater and freshwater fishing!

If you prefer to explore, but stay on land, you may want to experience the Pinellas Trail. This is a 37-mile long trail that enables visitors to bike, inline skate, jog or walk without the hassle of vehicles. This trail winds through the county park system and is one of the longest linear parks in the southeastern United States. Did I mention that it was a 15-foot wide trail?

If you chose to do this, we certainly recommend first thing in the morning before it gets too hot! Don’t forget your sunscreen in the early hours either!

While here, make sure you check out the vast variety of terrific restaurants from four-star dining to open air seaside dives. Don’t be fooled by appearances as many of these small local restaurants serve great food at a reasonable price!

Golf Tournament

August 27, 2005 – 8 a.m.

4 Man Scramble
$50 per person
Includes 18 holes of golf, Lunch, Drinks, Prizes and Transportation to and from the Hotel
Club rental $30

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