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Visit Florida, the state's official source for travel planning is providing a grand prize for one lucky attendee of the NACADA Region IV 2007 conference. The winner will enjoy a two-night stay at the Country Inn and Suites, just minutes from Sanibel Island and two tickets on the Marco Island Princess or Naples Princess sightseeing cruise. Tour Naples Bay, see the multimillion-dollar homes of Port Royal, and cruise out into the Gulf of Mexico aboard Naples’ most elegant cruise ship. The Naples Princess is a 93 foot air-conditioned luxury yacht coast guard certified for 149 passengers. Or sail around Marco Island and discover the beauty from the water on the new 74 foot luxury air-conditioned Marco Island Princess.

The prize winner will be announced at the closing ceremony on Tuesday, March 6th. You must be present at the closing ceremony to be eligible for the prize. What an amazing way to end your conference experience!
**Welcome Reception**

Enjoy the sounds of local jazz band, The Mariano Rodriguez Trio, savor delicious food and refreshments, and meet fellow advisors from across the region. What a perfect way to kick off the NACADA Region IV 2007 conference. We *challenge* you to join us at the Challenger Learning Center for a fun filled reception.

The Challenger Learning Center of Tallahassee is a 32,000 square-foot facility located on Kleman Plaza in downtown Tallahassee and only a short walk from the conference hotel. The Center is the K-12 outreach facility of the Florida A&M University - Florida State University College of Engineering and uses aerospace as a theme to foster long-term interest in math, science and technology and motivate students to pursue careers in these fields. In addition to the flight simulators, IMAX theatre, and planetarium, the Challenger Center offers elegant meeting spaces.

The Mariano Rodriguez Trio has been *jazzin’* up the Capitol with their smooth blend of drums, bass, and keys. They opened up for the Grammy nominated timba band, Tiempo Libre, at Tallahassee’s premier Jazz festival, *Jazz at the Gray*. Mariano was born in Zacatecoluca, El Salvador in Central America. He has recorded 30 original tunes and has performed throughout Central America, Mexico, Venezuela, and Colombia, and is featured at a Tallahassee hotspot, Café Cabernet.

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**Pre-Conference**

This year’s pre-conference promises to be an enriching experience for all who attend! The program has been designed with every member of Region IV in mind, from new advisors to our most experienced administrators. The session offerings span a wide range of engaging topics!

Six sessions will comprise the pre-conference and offer great learning opportunities. Focus on your professional development in two workshops that address personal leadership and improving communication skills. Hear from Region IV administrators who will reflect on their professional journeys and share their wisdom. Learn (and have fun) with NACADA veteran, Charlie Nutt, in an Advising as Teaching Syllabus workshop in a special session for aspiring NACADA leaders. The last hour of the pre-conference will be a guided forum. Round-table discussions, facilitated by our Region IV State Representatives, will give participants the chance to discuss current advising issues and exchange ideas.

The Pre-conference registration fee is **ONLY $15!** Be sure to include the pre-conference in your travel plans!