We finally have a location for our 2018 Annual Meeting! We will be at the <u>Bahia Mar Fort Lauderdale</u> <u>Beach</u>. The hotel is on the beach and they've given us a room rate of \$219. The website for making your hotel reservations can be accessed here. The hotel will offer the conference room rate of \$219 for 3 days pre/post conference. The hotel is right on the beach and will offer us all a nice break from winter weather in February.....especially those of us from cold climates!

Please make your hotel reservations early (you can always adjust them later) and visit our group <u>website</u> to complete your conference registration.

Also begin thinking about potential presentations that you'd like to give at the meeting. Look for more info and a call for speakers soon!

The hotel does not have a suite large enough to host our Super Bowl party. Rather than use a meeting room at the hotel, I've contacted Bubba Gump Shrimp Co and made arrangements for us to gather there and enjoy food, drink, and football together. The restaurant is only a couple blocks from the hotel.

The meeting dates are the same as we originally planned: **February 4-6**. The Super Bowl party will be on the 4^{th} , we will meet for the majority of the day on the 5^{th} , and you'll be free to leave around lunchtime on the 6^{th} .

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