«MARK YOUR CALENDAR»

It's that time again! Due to the 2016 Legislative Session having an early start date of January 12, 2016, the FOAA Legislative Fly-In will be held in 2015 during the last week of interim committee meetings. The Fly-In is scheduled for Monday, November 30th to Tuesday, December 1, 2015 in Tallahassee. This two-day schedule of events will give all members the best opportunity to make the most of their visit to Tallahassee and to meet with legislators and government officials who play a vital role in determining the future of our industry. It provides the perfect occasion to THANK your elected officials for their support over the years and let them know that the industry will remain actively involved in grassroots efforts and maintain a political presence.

Events will begin on Monday, November 30, 2015 at the Doubletree by Hilton located at 101 South Adams Street, Tallahassee, Florida. The FOAA Board of Directors will meet from 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m. (closed meeting). The official kick-off of the Legislative Fly-In will begin with an Industry Issues Briefing immediately following the board meeting from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. The briefing will include an overview of current legislative issues for the 2016 Legislative Session and an update on the status of Chapter 14-10, F.A.C. rule development proceedings. The FOAA will also be hosting a legislative reception Monday evening at the Doubletree from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

We are working to again secure a meeting room at the Capitol for breakfast on Tuesday morning, December 1st. FOAA lobby team members will be available to answer any questions prior to visiting your legislators. Following the breakfast, you will have an opportunity to spend the day visiting members of your legislative delegation. To ensure your legislators are available to meet with you during this time, we strongly recommend that you pre-schedule appointments with their office. We suggest that you contact legislative offices as soon as possible to begin working on scheduling appointments as their calendars fill up guickly. In order to identify the legislators in your districts, please visit the Online Sunshine website at www.leg.state.fl.us. This website will also provide you with their Tallahassee office contact information.

A room block has been arranged for the night of Monday, November 30th at the Doubletree by Hilton at a room rate of \$149.00/ night plus tax. <u>The cut-off date for reservations is Monday,</u> <u>October 19, 2015.</u> Hotel reservations can be made by either calling 1-800-222-8733 and identifying yourself as part of the "Florida Outdoor Advertising" group (Group Code OAA) or via the internet at <u>Florida Outdoor Advertising Association</u>. Enter your arrival and departure date and enter OAA for the Group Code. Make your reservations as soon as possible as a room cannot be guaranteed after the cut-off date. With legislators in town, this is a busy time of the year and rooms are <u>very</u> difficult to come by.

Complete the attached registration form and email to <u>foaa@foaa.org</u> or fax to (850) 224-5931. A confirmation will be emailed to you prior to the event along with more detailed information.

As always, if there is anything that the FOAA staff can assist you with in preparation for your visit, please do not hesitate to contact the office at (850) 224-5838. We look forward to a productive legislative event in Tallahassee. Please remember that a high level of participation exemplifies our grassroots strength to members of the legislature. Your presence is critical so make plans **NOW** to join us!