Sunshine Region Report December 2012

I hope everyone is enjoying their Holiday season at your respective clubs and at home, Christmas is my favorite time of the year. I am pleased to announce that we are gearing up for a spectacular 2013 education calendar. I want to thank Ted Sweeney for accepting the education chairman role and he has hit the ground running to schedule some top notch education and speakers.

I am pleased to report that we had a very successful 17th Annual CMAA Sunshine Region Charity Tournament hosted by Isleworth Golf & Country Club. We had an overwhelming response and support of 140+ golfers with a wait list of members wanting to join the tournament. I want to thank all of the committee members and student volunteers for their hard work and time commitment to make this such a successful event. With the help of our several sponsors we generated \$55,000 to benefit the Hewell Kids' Kidney Center at Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children. A donation was also made benefiting the CMAA Student Chapter at the UCF Rosen College of Hospitality. The 2013 Sunshine Region Charity will be held at Interlachen Country Club on September 16, 2013.

I want to thank those that have volunteered for Sunshine Region Committee's for the 2013 year, I promise we will work together to continue to build this Region and have some great events. I am still looking for a few more volunteers, if you are interested please let me know. Volunteering is not a very time consuming commitment but I assure you it is very rewarding.

The 86th World Conference is right around the corner and on behalf of Perry Kenney from Sawgrass Club who is heading up the Florida wine donations for the 2013 Wine Society Auction, I ask for your donations. This request is truly an opportunity for you to consider a donation that will directly make a difference to the CMAA foundation and will assist in obtaining the Bucky Trophy.

We appreciate your generous donation of wines which are valued from \$25 and up; large bottle format and special collectable wine crates are perfect as well. Your personal commitment is incredibly helpful and will allow us to reach our goal and make this 2013 campaign a huge success.

Please contact Perry Kenny at <u>pkenney@sawgrasscountryclub.com</u> to set up arrangements to mail your wine. If you are not able to mail the wine then you can make arrangements with me to drop off the wine.

I appreciate the opportunity to serve the Sunshine Region as your Regional Director and if I can assist you in anyway please don't hesitate to ask. I look forward to a great year of networking, education and advancement.

Best Regards,

Ryan Spence, CCM, CAM