

The Sheraton Yankee Trader Hotel welcomes us for our winter 2008 National OSWER Training Coordination Team Conference!

The Sheraton Yankee Trader is located at: 321 N. Ft. Lauderdale Beach Blvd. (Route A1A) Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304

All Training Team members planning to attend should register on Trainex: <u>http://www.trainex.org/classdetails.cfm?coursei</u> <u>d=485&classid=3346</u>. We have a room block set aside for our group under the name, "EPA

Training Team Meeting". Please use the hotel reservation link listed on Trainex, or call 954-467-1111 or 888-627-7108 to make your reservations, and be sure to mention the room block name to receive the government rate of \$161 per night (+11% tax). (Government employees should visit the Trainex link above to download a copy of the FL Tax Exempt form that you should fill out and bring with you.) The cut-off date for making reservations in the room block is January 6. The hotel requires cancellation notice two days prior to your scheduled date of arrival.

The Sheraton Yankee Trader Hotel is located on the oceanfront of Ft. Lauderdale Beach. The hotel boasts outdoor heated pools, a business center, and beach access. High speed internet is available, for a charge, in all guest rooms. Shula's on the Beach is their on-site restaurant, open between 7:00am and 11:00pm. Shula's on the Beach Lounge offers live entertainment and the Pool Bar & Grill can be found poolside. Self-parking is available for \$12 a night or starting at \$3. Valet parking is available for \$16 a night or starting at \$5. Please visit the hotel website for more information including driving directions and more: <u>http://www.sheraton.com/yankeetrader</u>.

## Sheraton offers a City Guide link:

<u>http://www.starwoodhotels.com/sheraton/destinations/city/overview.html?destinationID=585&lenseID=11&cityGuideID=eat\_drink</u> with restaurant ideas for most palates along with a guide to entertainment in the area. Some restaurants within walking distance of the hotel include The Deck, located at 401 N Atlantic Blvd, Casablanca Café, at 3049 Alhambra St., and Max's Beach Grill, 17 S Atlantic Blvd.

The average temperature in Ft. Lauderdale during January is 66°F. The average temperature ranges from the mid 50s to the mid 70s. If you wish to check for an up-to-date, five-day weather forecast before leaving for the conference, click on: <u>http://weather.yahoo.com/forecast/USFL0149.html</u>. A jacket is advisable. Dress for the meeting is, as always, casual.





Fort Lauderdale Hollywood International Airport (FLL) is roughly five miles (13 minutes driving distance) from the Sheraton Yankee Trader Hotel. The airport offers the services of the following rental car companies: Advantage, Alamo, Avis, Budget, Dollar, EZ Rent a Car, Enterprise, EuropCar, Hertz, National, Payless, Practical and Thrifty. Taxis are metered and located outside the terminal and run from \$18 to \$25. For information on bus schedules and

fares, go to: <u>http://www.co.broward.fl.us/bct/welcome.htm</u> and the airport website at: <u>http://www.fortlauderdaleinternationalairport.com/services.php</u>, or ask at the airport information desk.