



WELCOME TO NAPLES!

This "Mini-Guide" provides our convention attendees the latest Convention Schedule and diagrams of the facilities at the Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club. The AHCA has enjoyed this site for two full decades and looks forward to coming back each year. Let's go over some of the procedures, events and expectations of our 2019 AHCA Convention.

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AGENDAS AND SCHEDULES: Look for signage in the lobby of the main building as well as in the Atrium of the newer building across the street and by the Tiki Bar.

ID BADGES: You need one. Most convention events require proof that you have paid your membership dues and convention fee. Without having done so, you do not get a badge and you do not get into certain key events. Badges are obtained when you register. Badges are available for certain "guests" (family) but anyone who is part of the hockey community must be a paid member to attend. ***These badges (sponsored by CCM) will be checked starting with Thursday morning's events.***

REGISTRATION OPPORTUNITIES: Some NCAA Division I conferences will get a chance to receive badges at their early-week meetings. Women's coaches can first find their badges at their Wednesday afternoon event. Everyone else can get theirs at Thursday morning's Early Registration (sponsored by CCM) in the newer building and before/during any of the Exhibitor Socials. Non-varsity members (ACHA) should seek out their officers for badges.

Note: Convention Fee is \$200 (after April 1); dues remain:

- \$415 for a program's NCAA Division I Staff (men or women)
- \$270 for a program's NCAA Division II-III Staff (men or women)
- \$80 for an "Allied" member (someone employed in ice hockey)
- \$25 for a Youth/Amateur/High School member

Note: YOU MUST PAY TO GET YOUR ID BADGE! No one will be allowed to be billed later.

WHICH EVENTS HAVE COSTS?: Your convention fee gets you into all convention sessions with the following exception:

Coach of the Year Celebrations (Men on Wednesday and Women on Friday) – Active Members (NCAA coaches) can attend at no additional cost. Guests and all other AHCA members must pay \$50 per person for these events. A wristband system will be in effect this year.

We accept cash, checks (payable to "AHCA") and credit cards. There will be receipts available for anyone who needs them.

WHAT "GOODIES" ARE GIVEN OUT?: A few items are given out to attendees. Raffle tickets to benefit "**Hockey Coaches Care**" will be on sale at Thursday evening's "**Hockey Coaches Care Reception.**" The grand prize is a stay at the Naples Beach Hotel. The official Convention Gift, sponsored by Gladiator Custom Mouthguards and JOG Athletics, will be given out during Friday's Exhibitor Social (trade show.) There will likely be other items raffled off at Friday's exhibitor Social.

▪ About the Trade Show and Our Exhibitors: Please attend the Trade Show on Thursday and Friday. Our exhibitors help defray the cost of the Convention. Please support them. And we ask that you refrain from conducting business with attendees who by-pass the Trade Show. It is not fair to those vendors who pay and support the AHCA.

IF YOU HAVE A QUESTION...

The AHCA Officers and Governors are prepared to answer any questions that you might have. Look for the "OFFICER" badge worn by the AHCA Board.

2019 AGENDA



Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club in Naples, Florida

(As of April 16, 2019)

WEDNESDAY /// MAY 1

		LOCATION
1:00-2:30 p.m.	CHI Board Meeting	Goodland
2:30-4:00 p.m.	Commissioners Meeting	Goodland
4:00-6:00 p.m.	Women's Hockey Issues Meeting and Early Women's Registration	Gulfbreeze
	Badges sponsored by CCM	
6:30-9:00 p.m.	"Celebration of Men's Hockey,"	River of Grass
	Reception sponsored by USHL and NAHL, dinner by USA Hockey, COY Awards by CCM	

THURSDAY /// MAY 2

		LOCATION
7:00-8:30 a.m.	Breakfast and Early Registration, Sponsored by CCM	Atrium/Waterlily Terrace
8:30-9:00 a.m.	Opening Business Meeting	River of Grass
9:00-9:30 a.m.	USA Hockey Report	River of Grass
9:30-10:15 a.m.	USAH Speaker	River of Grass
10:15-11:00 a.m.	Technology Panel (Catapult, Kairos Tech Limited and one TBD)	River of Grass
11:00-11:45 a.m.	NHL Coaches Association Speaker: TBD	River of Grass
11:45-12:30 p.m.	Lunch Break (AHCA Board meets for lunch in Cape Romano Room)	
12:30-4:30 p.m.	Issues by Gender: (NCAA Staff: Susan Peal, Anne Rohlman and Barrington Huntley)	
	Men's Division 1 (River of Grass)	
	Men's Division 3 (Immokalee)	
	Women's Division 1 (Sunset Terrace)	
	Women's Division 3 (Chokaloskee)	
6:00-7:30 p.m.	Hockey Coaches Care Reception, Sponsored by Bauer	Waterlily Terrace
7:30-10:30 p.m.	Exhibitors Social # 1, Sponsored by CCM	Exhibit Space

FOOD AND BEVERAGES

The AHCA Board has worked hard to have a balance of complimentary or sponsored opportunities, with some necessary pay-as-you-go events. Here are the events to note:

Wednesday Evening "Celebration of Men's Hockey"—NCAA Coaches' meals are covered; all other attendees must pay \$50 per person (payable to AHCA) and pick up a wrist band in the Atrium Lobby. Cash bar.

Thursday Evening "Hockey Coaches Care Reception"—Food, soft drinks, beer and wine are complimentary to convention attendees. Hard liquor drinks will have a charge.

Thursday Evening "Exhibitor Social #1"—Beer, soft drinks and dry snacks are complimentary.

Friday Afternoon "Exhibitor Social #2"—Beer, soft drinks and dry snacks are complimentary.

Friday Evening "Celebration of Women's Hockey"—NCAA Coaches' meals are covered; all other attendees must pay \$50 per person (payable to AHCA) and pick up a wrist band outside of the Everglades Room. Cash bar.

If you have questions, see one of the AHCA Officers.

FRIDAY /// MAY 3**LOCATION****Morning coffee sponsored by ICEBERG Sports Analytics.**

8:00–9:00 a.m.	Joe Mormina, Hartford Wolfpack Assistant, “Developing Defensemen”	River of Grass
9:00–10:00 a.m.	Pete Aubry, Chicago Blackhawks Goaltending Coach, “Goalie Development”	River of Grass
10:00–Noon	NCAA Committee Meetings:	
10:00–10:45 a.m.	Men’s D-1 Tournament (River of Grass)	
10:45–11:15 a.m.	Men’s D-3 Tournament (Immokalee)	
10:45–11:15 a.m.	Rules Committee with Men’s D-1 Coaches & Commissioners (River of Grass)	
11:15–11:45 a.m.	Rules Committee with Men’s D-3 Coaches (Immokalee)	
11:45 a.–12:15 p.m.	Rules Committee with All Women’s Coaches (River of Grass)	
Noon–3:00 p.m.	Exhibitors Social # 2: Sponsored by CCM (Raffle Items Presented); Convention Gift sponsored by JOG Athletics and Gladiator Custom Mouthguards	Exhibit Space
3:00–4:00 p.m.	Pat Fershweiler, Detroit Red Wings Assistant Coach (NHLCA), “Offensive Zone Concepts”	River of Grass
4:00–5:00 p.m.	“Building Your Program” Breakout Sessions Greg Carvel, UMass Amherst (River of Grass); Eric Lang, AIC (Chokoloskee); Greg Fargo, Colgate (Immokalee)	
6:30–9:00 p.m.	Celebration of Women’s Hockey Sponsored by USA Hockey; reception sponsored by the JWHL; COY Awards sponsored by CCM	Everglades Room

SATURDAY /// MAY 4**LOCATION****Morning coffee sponsored by ICEBERG Sports Analytics.**

7:00 a.m.	Fellowship of Christian Athletes Chapel Service	Orchid Atrium
8:15–9:00 a.m.	Mark Wick, “Mental Health”	Sunset Terrace
9:00–10:00 a.m.	Topher Scott, “Coaching Philosophy”	River of Grass
10:00–11:00 a.m.	Drill Share, Sponsored by Catapult and Polar Electro	River of Grass
11:00–Noon	Champions Panel	River of Grass
Noon	Final AHCA Business Meeting and AHCA Board Meeting	Mangrove Room

ACHA (NON-VARSITY) MEETING SCHEDULE**THURSDAY, MAY 2****LOCATION**

8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.	USA Hockey Certification - Levels 3 and 4	Gulfbreeze North and South
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8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.	USA Hockey Certification - Levels 3 and 4	Gulfbreeze North and South
7:30 p.m.–9:30 p.m.	ACHA Hall of Fame and Coach of the Year Banquet	Sunset Terrace

SATURDAY, MAY 4**LOCATION**

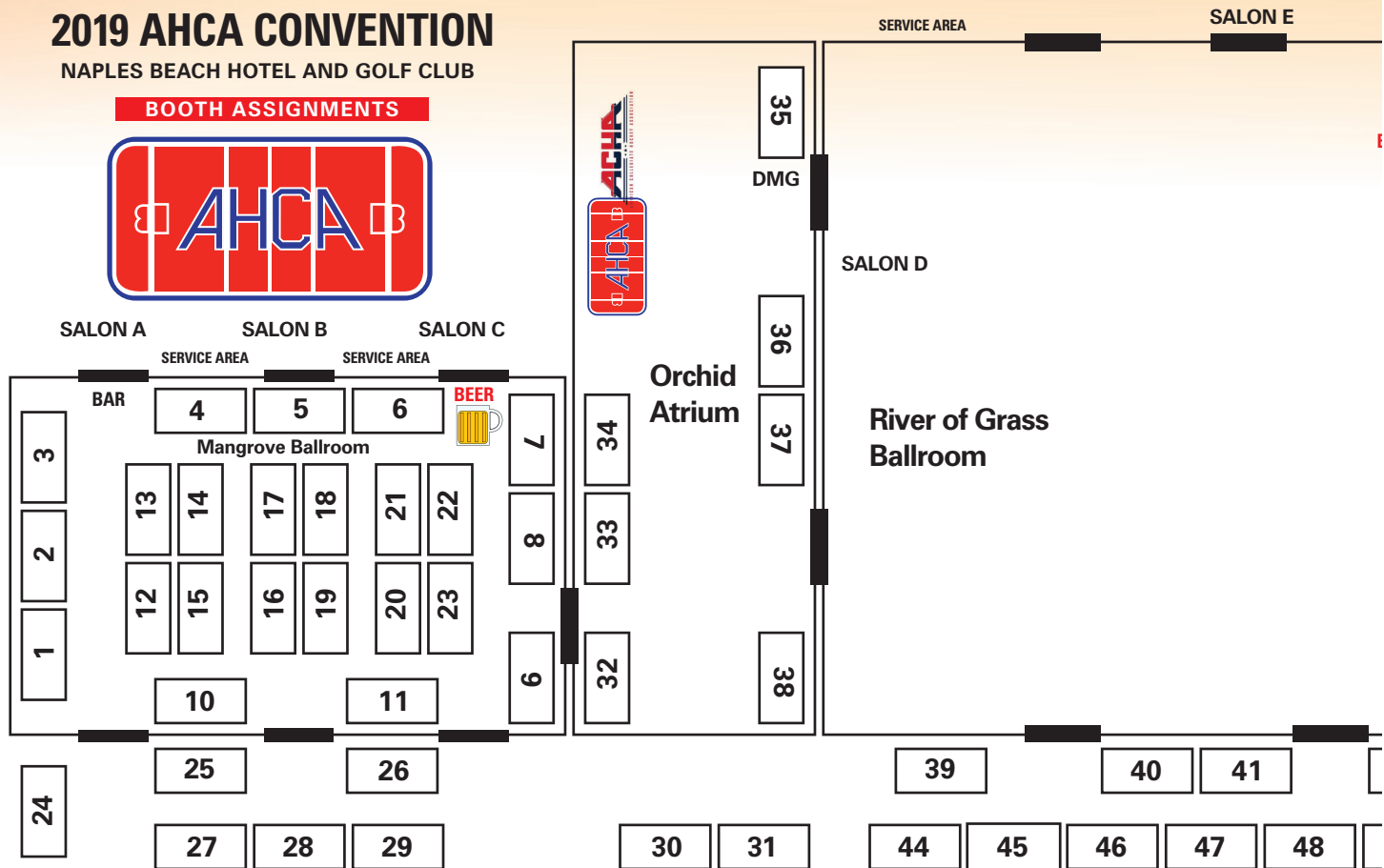
7:30 a.m.–8:00 a.m.	ACHA Registration	Hotel Lobby
8:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m.	ACHA General Session	Everglades Room
11:00 a.m.–Noon	ACHA Membership Lunch	Ocean Lawn
12:15 p.m.–2:15 p.m.	Breakout Meetings: ACHA W1 and W2 in Gulfbreeze North; ACHA M3; ACHA M2 in Gulfbreeze South; ACHA M1 in Sunset Terrace	Everglades Room

TRADE SHOW

2019 AHCA CONVENTION

NAPLES BEACH HOTEL AND GOLF CLUB

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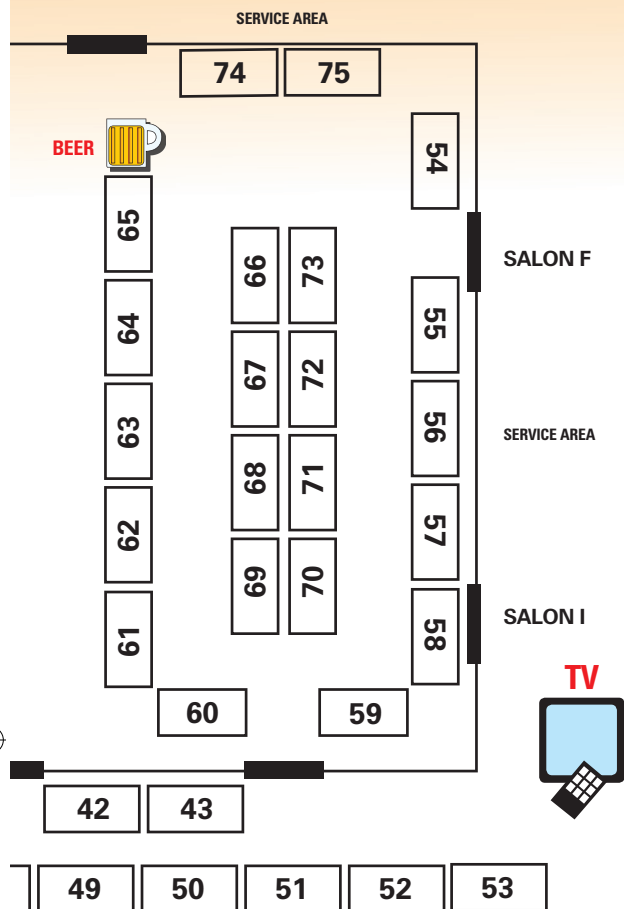


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ABOUT THE TRADE SHOW

The AHCA is pleased to welcome close to 70 exhibitors to the 2019 Trade Show in Naples. The AHCA Officers and Governors strongly encourage all AHCA Convention attendees to frequent the Trade Show during the two days—and six hours—that the show is open. There are plenty of new products to see and plenty of fresh beer and soda to drink! **And convention gifts will be given out at each session!**

Please note:

- The scheduled hours for the show are:
Thursday, May 2, 7:30-10:30 p.m.
Friday, May 3, Noon-3 p.m.
- ☑ You must wear your ID Badge to gain access to the Trade Show and all official convention sessions.
- ☑ **The official convention gift, provided by Gladiator Custom Mouthguards and JOG Athletics, will be given out on Friday.**
- ☑ Select raffle items provided by vendors will be given out at the final session on Friday. You must be there to win.
- ☑ **IMPORTANT:** Our official vendors support the AHCA and go to great lengths and great expense to do so. **If you are approached by representatives of businesses who are not attending the Convention as a paid vendor, we ask that you politely refrain from conducting on-site business with them.** Many companies will try to conduct business at the convention without going through proper channels. This is not fair to those that do.

Please support our vendors

—The AHCA Officers and Governors



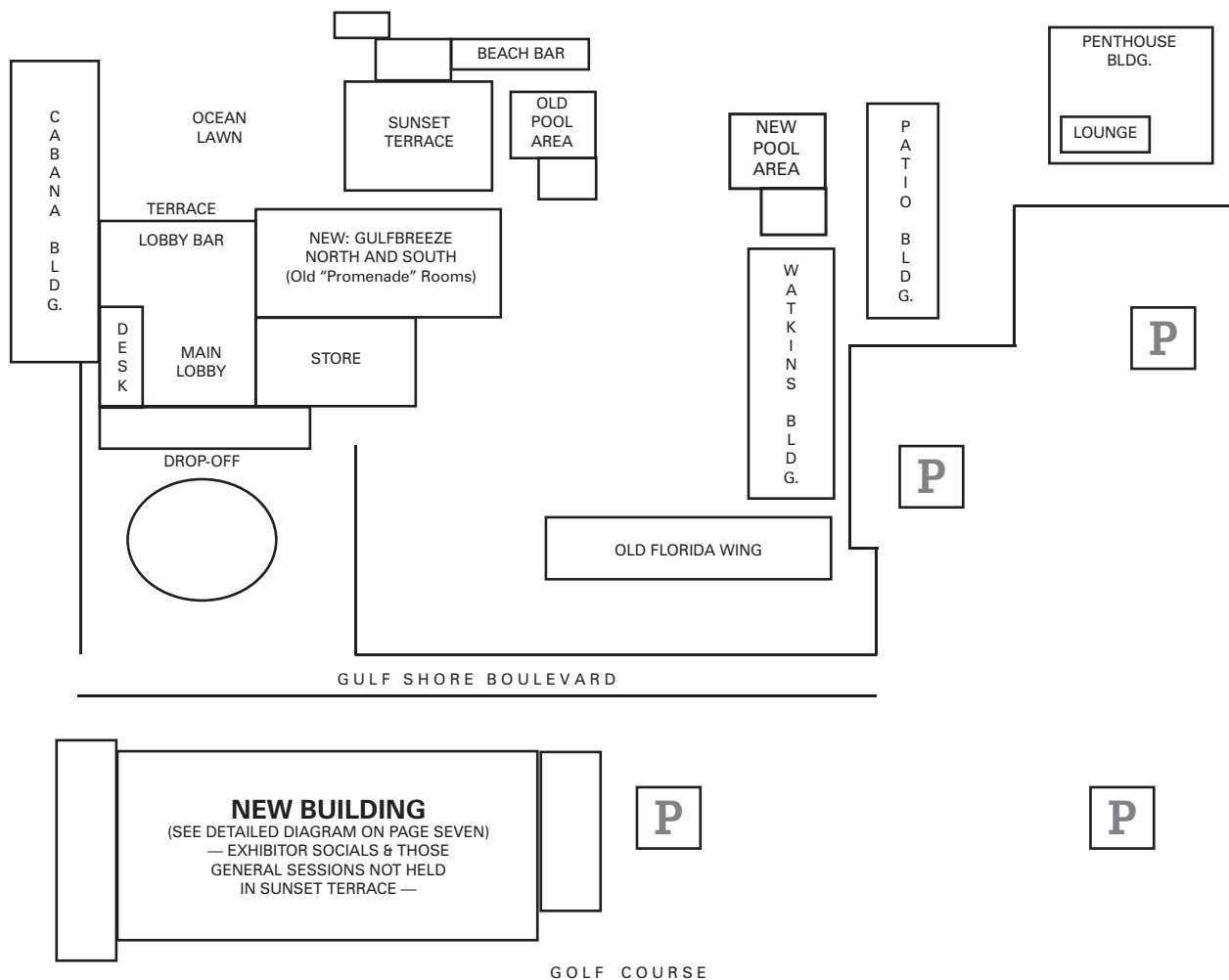
Please consider a donation to "Hockey Coaches Care" when you attend Thursday's reception. This fund helps members of the amateur hockey community in times of need. Please buy a raffle ticket when AHCA officers offer them to attendees.

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NAPLES BEACH

The Main Buildings at the Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club

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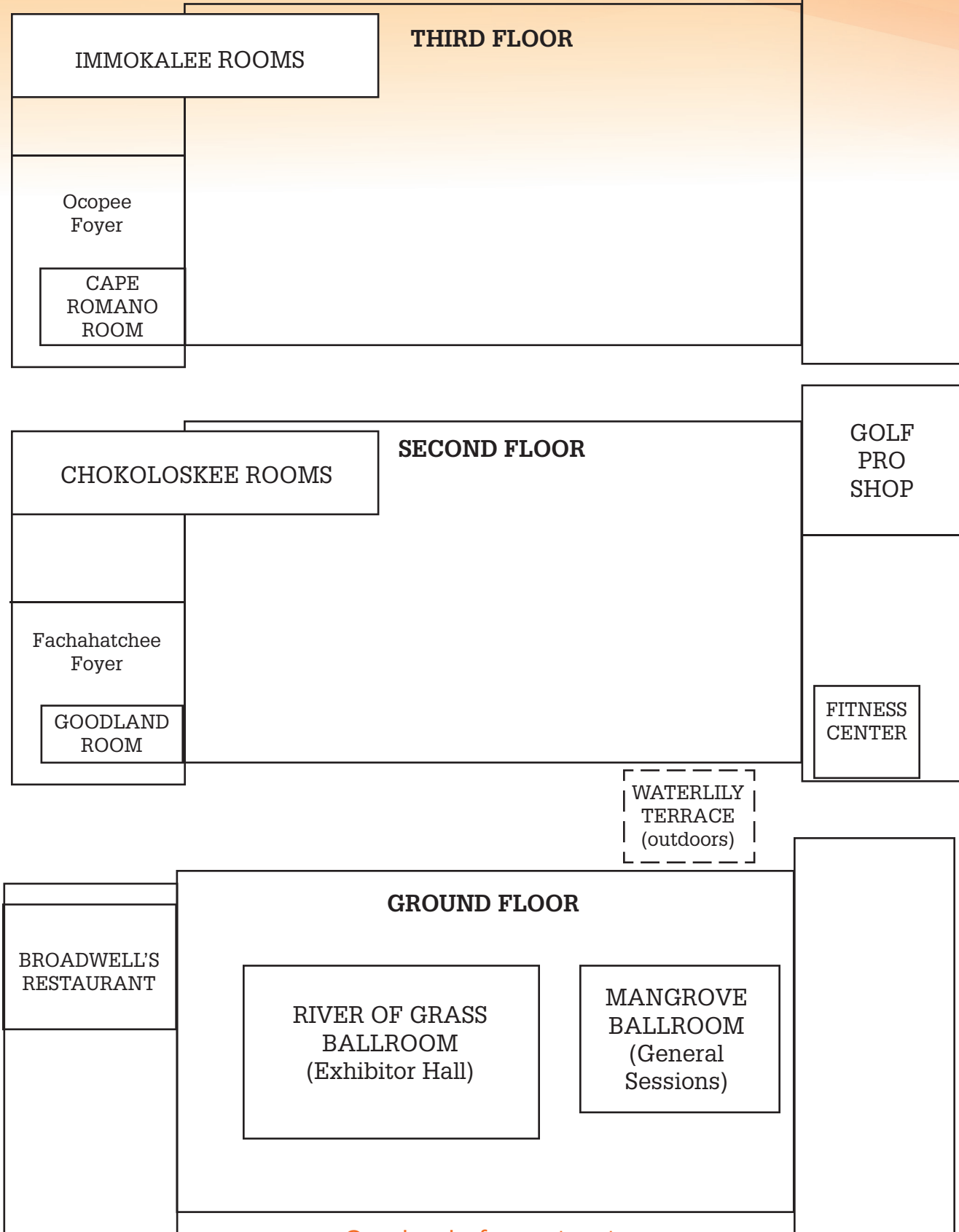


IMPORTANT NOTICES TO ACHA MEMBERS AND GUESTS:

Anyone planning to attend the AHCA Convention in Naples should take notice of the following:

- 1) Only AHCA members who have paid both their annual dues and their 2019 Convention fee will be allowed into official Convention sessions.
- 2) Once again, the AHCA will employ an "Identification Badge" system for entry into our General Sessions and our Exhibitor Socials. **No one will be allowed into these sessions without proper identification.**

The Newer Building at the Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Club



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