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Florida tops March Break destinations for 2007

Thornhill, Ont. – It's that time of year again - when thousands of families across South Central Ontario will be packing up their bags to head out on vacation for March Break. According to CAA, the top March Break destination for 2007 whether you are driving or flying is Orlando, Florida.

Top three flying destinations:

1. Orlando, Florida
2. Las Vegas, Nevada
3. Cancun, Mexico

Top three driving destinations:

1. Florida
2. South Carolina
3. New York

“Driving down to sunny Florida is still a popular choice, especially with the long delays we are still seeing at the passport offices,” says CAA SCO spokesperson Edyta Zdancewicz. “In the month of February we’ve processed over 6,000 Triptiks to the area. It’s important to remember you can still drive across the border without a valid Canadian passport this year. However, if you’re flying you’ll need to have it.”

CAA offers the following tips to travellers:

- For safety reasons, when leaving your resort always take a friend
- It is generally recommended to have your Hepatitis A vaccinations for travel to most islands (ask your doctor for details)
- Gratuities are always included at all-inclusive resorts
- Make sure to purchase travel medical insurance for you and your family
- Bring your CAA card with you if you are driving to the US where it is also valid in case of emergency
- When paying for gas in the US, some pumps require a zip code when using a credit card for fraud prevention. Use cash, debit or go inside to pay for fuel instead.
- Have proper identification when crossing the border; especially for children, parental consent forms are needed when only one parent is travelling
- Arrange for your neighbour to park their car in your driveway while you are away so your home is not an easy target for burglars
- Have someone collect your mail daily
- Leave lights on a timer

Arrangements can be made to visit a local CAA Travel store for reporters interested in doing a story. Please contact media relations specialist Edyta Zdancewicz at 416 209 – 4930.

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