2013 FSFAPA Educational Conference Highligts

The Florida State Foster/Adoptive Parent Association held the 17th Annual FSFAPA Education Conference from June the 21st to June the 23rd of 2013. The event was held at the Orlando Hilton

This year had exciting keynote speakers at the conference, including Mary Petersen, Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) volunteer, David Wilkins, the Secretary of the Florida Department of Children and Families*, and Lucas Boyce, the Director of Community Relations, Multicultural Insights, Cause Marketing and Government Affairs for the Orlando Magic.

The trainers this year provided a wide variety of subjects that focused on educating and providing parents with the skills to care for other children in foster/adoptive homes.

The NEX GEN program also held an exciting even with the teens joining the adults on Sunday, for the luncheon and to hear keynote speaker Lucas Boyce. The NEX GEN participants then surprised the adults with a talent show. The luncheon also served as the venue for the presentation 2013 FSFAPA awards of excellence.

*Mr. Wilkins resigned as the Secretary of DCF on July 18, 2013.





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Upcoming Elections

Elections will be held on October 19th at our Quarterly meeting in Clearwater. You will be receiving a ballot during September.

If you do not receive a ballot please contact Orlando Avila nassaufapa@att.net or Trish Allen trishzworld@yahoo.com

Ballots may be emailed or snail mailed as directed on the ballot prior to the meeting OR you can bring in your ballot at the October 19th meeting. Any questions please contact Orlando Avila...... nassaufapa@att.net

Award Winners

Kinship Care Lucille Howard

FSFAPA Helping Hands Dave Allen

> Leadership Award Partnership for Strong Families

Partner in Caring Melinda Brown Kadie Black

Forever Hearts Curtis Byrd Stephen Rollo Foster Parent Association The Foster & Adoptive Parent Association of Palm County

Rising Star Award Alexander Mazys-Howard Kierra Perkins

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