

Florida State Foster/Adoptive Parent Association, Inc.

JEWSLETTER September 2017



Upcoming Events

National Faith Symposium 7-8 November 2017 Orlando, Florida Rosen Centre

QPI National Conference 15-14 January, 2018 New Orleans, La JW Marriott, NOLA

Quarterly Meeting and Mini Conference 3 March 2018 Gainesville, Florida Best Western Gateway Grand

2018 NFPA and FSFAPA Annual Education State Conference 28 June - 01 July, 2018 Orlando, Florida Caribe Royal Orlando

Website updates:

Check out our website for the latest list of acronyms our webcast Charles Parker has organized! If you have any additions, please let us know.

Florida's Just in Time Training

Is a web based service program designed to connect foster parents, kinship or other caregivers with training, peer experts and other resources. Questions are answered and practical solutions to care for children are discussed - all from the comfort of your home or office.

http://www.qpiflorida.org/justintime/ index.html

We Have a New Address

FSFAPA or Florida State Foster Adoptive Parent Association

> P. O. Box 970384 Miami, Fl 33197

Save the Date Quarterly Meeting and Mini Conference

Date: Saturday, October 14, 2017 Location: Hilton Melbourne Rialto Hotel 200 Rialto Place Melbourne, Fl. 32901 1-321-768-0200 Rate: Time: 10 am - 3 pm (Lunch provided) Child Care will be limited Youth program - limited contact Amanda Williams Topics: Quality Parenting Initiative, David Brown FAST - Foster Allegation Support Team FSFAPA Quarterly Meeting & Election Sponsored by Brevard Family Partnership and FSFAPA

The following plaques were award at the DCF Summit to our CBC Members: Eckerd Pasco & Pinellas, Eckerd Hillsborough, Big Bend CBC Families First Network, Community Partnership for Children Heartland For Children, CBC Central Florida, Kids First of Florida Partnership for Strong Families, Our Kids Miami-Dade & Monroe, Inc. Devereux CBC, Family Support Services of North Florida

Save the Date Rally in Tally

4-6 December 2017 Visit FlChildren.org/Rally For reregistration and hotel information

FSFAPA Elections

Ballots mailed September 5th If you do not receive a ballot and believe you should have. Please email: petkovij@me.com for clarification.

Stay up-to-date. Visit FloridaFAPA.org

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Mini Conferences. Foster Allegation Support Team(FAST): Regional Vice President Support for FAPA's and CBC's Support and Information line: Our 800 number is available to answer a variety of questions 24/7 2017 Paid members will be receiving an invoice this year for renewal 2018 membership is now open. Membership applications can be found on or website

Or at any of conferences across the State. Membership fees are: Single: \$10, Family: \$15, Local Associations: \$50, Community Based Care's (CBC'S): \$1500

Northwest - Thomas Croom

Panhandle - Kara Elliott-Jordan

Southeast – Dorothy Alvarez

Southern – Travis Davis

Southwest – Anne Whiteside

Suncoast - Kylie McCracken

FSFAPA Membership

We invite you to support FSFAPA as we continue to advocate for foster and adoptive parents as they care for our children in the child welfare system. Below are listed many of the opportunities FSFAPA provides.

Advocacy

Annual Education Conference Quarterly Membership Meetings

See anything that interested you? Join FSFAPA and become a part of positive change.

Your **Regional Vice Presidents**

Central East - Lynda Thompson

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