



THE GRAPEVINE

"When you do the common things in life in an uncommon way, you will command the attention of the world."
~George Washington Carver~

JULY 2013 Message From Our President

Summer is here! In Florida, that means that the days are long, hot and at times rainy. It also means changes in schedules. Whether it's the kids that we care for or just having our own children out of school, it can take some time to adjust. This is also the time of year when many families are planning vacations and taking a break from life's stress. For some in this profession, the changes become overwhelming. Work stress or burnout can affect many things. One is our family life. As family child care providers we know that nothing is more important than family. We work so hard to keep the lives of those we care for on schedules, happy and healthy, that sometimes we forget about ourselves.

Here are some ideas to help you put the focus back on you and your needs.

Schedule your family time and unless it's a real emergency, don't cancel on them.

Keep your annual physical appointment. Don't put your health on the line for anyone.

Work on your own personal goals. Your growth is important.

If someone or something is causing you stress on a daily basis, find out what you need to do to remove this stress and make a change.

Schedule big jobs in sections - like the spring cleaning that hasn't been done yet. Working on one area at a time and making progress will make you feel better.

It's hard to put ourselves first. But by putting ourselves last, we jeopardize our health, family and business. Be in charge of the "CHANGE" that is happening in your life and make it positive.

Lynn Gibson

FFCCHA President

"If you don't go after what you want; you could spend your entire life settling for what you get"
Mo Stegall, Against All Odds I Can Be

Mensaje de la Presidenta

El verano esta aqui!!! En Florida, eso quiere decir que Los Dias son mas Lagos, calientes y aveces llueve. Esto tambien significa cambios en nuestros horarios. El clima es como Los ninos que cuidamos o como nuestros propios hijos cuando estan fuera de la escuela, puede tomar un tiempo para ajustarse. Esto es tambien el tiempo de el ano donde muchas familiar plane an vacaciones o tomar algun tiempo libre fuera de la vida estresante. Para algunos en esta profesion, Los cambios pueden ser abrumadores. Trabajar estresada o quemado puede afectar muchas cosas. Una de ellas es la vida familiar. Como proveedoras de ninos nosotros sabemos que no hay nada mas importante que la familia. Nosotros trabajamos muy duro para mantener esas vidas que nos importan tanto en un horario, felices, y saludables que hasty aveces nos olvidamos de nosotros mismos.

Aqui hay unas ideas que ayudaran a enfocar algunas de nuestras necesidades:

Programar su tiempo en familia , a menos que sea una emergencia real no le cancele a su familia.

Mantener sus citas medicas, no ponga su salud en la linea de nadie.

Trabaje en sus propias metas, crecer es importante.

Si alguien o algo le esta causando stress en su diario vivir, averigue que es lo necesitan remover ese stress y hacer el cambio.

Organize trabajos grandes por secciones. Como la limpieza de primavera que toda via no se a Hecho. Trabaje una cosa a la vez, y avanzando la hara sentirse mejor.

Es bien difi'cil ponernos de primero, pero poniendonos de ultimo lo que estamos consiguiendo es poner en peligro nuestra salud, familia y negocio. Este Usted en control de lo que esta pasando en su vida y hagalo positivo.

Lynn Gibson

Presidenta de FFCCHA



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Calendar of Events 2013

July

- 17-19 One Goal Conference, Tampa
 18-20 NAFCC Conference, Scottsdale, AZ
 27 **Deadline for August Full Board Meeting Reports: Executive Committee & Chairs send to Secretary Janet Dixon, dfcc@bellsouth.net, Area Reps send to: stimaz71@yahoo.com, Chapter Reps send to: pintarpak7@hotmail.com**

August

- 7 **Deadline for August Training forms & hotel reservations**
 15 Deadline for applications for Second Helping Train-the-Trainer
 16 Executive Committee Meeting, Best Western, Ocala
 17 **Reps, Latino Council, & Full Board Meeting**, College of Central FL (University Center, Building 41), Ocala
 18 **FFCCHA Training** 8am-Noon, College of Central FL (University Center, Building 41), Ocala
 19 Newsletter Deadline for Oct issue
 30-31 Executive Committee Summit weekend

September

- 1 Executive Committee Summit weekend
 13-15 Second Helping Train-the-Trainer, Miami
 19 ELC ED meeting with OEL staff, Tampa
 20 ELAC meeting, Tampa
 26-29 FL AEYC Conference, Orlando

October

- 12 Deadline for November Full Board Meeting Reports: Executive Committee & Chairs send to Secretary Janet Dixon, dfcc@bellsouth.net, Area Reps send to: stimaz71@yahoo.com, Chapter Reps send to: pintarpak7@hotmail.com
 23 Deadline for Nov training form and registration

November

- 1-3 FFCCHA Full Board Meeting/Training, Ocala
 17 Newsletter Deadline for January issue
 20-23 NAEYC Conference, Washington, D.C.
 23 Deadline for Nov training form and hotel registration

Credential Scholarships - Funds Available Now!! Mail in your Applications before the rain stops!

Scholarships awarded March & April 2013 - Congratulations!

Amanda Wallace, Jenny Turnquest, Gretchen Murphy, Francine Williams, Diane Brown

Requirements: Must be a Florida regulated family child care provider and a FFCCHA chapter provider member for one year without a lapse in membership *Note: \$300/person/year is the maximum awarded in time period Dec 6, 2012 – Dec 5, 2013. Therefore, you must commit to pay the balance on credentials that exceed \$300. Credentials that you can apply for:*

Applying for: ☐\$____ ☐\$50 ☐\$150 ☐\$200 ☐\$300

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Master Provider – New | <input type="checkbox"/> Cuatro Pasos | <input type="checkbox"/> NAFCC New Accreditation: Self Study |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Master Provider Renew | <input type="checkbox"/> Second Helping | <input type="checkbox"/> NAFCC New Accreditation: Application |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified M.E.N.T.O.R. 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Sec. Help. T-T-T | <input type="checkbox"/> NAFCC Accreditation Renewal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified M.E.N.T.O.R. 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> SH Renew T-T-T | <input type="checkbox"/> NAFCC Re-Accredit Application |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Certified M.E.N.T.O.R. 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> CDA Renewal | <input type="checkbox"/> NAFCC Observer <input type="checkbox"/> Observer Refresher |

Scholarship applications are on the website: www.familychildcare.org Click on “for Providers” Look under the first bullet” Scholarship.” Find and click on the word” credential” and print it out. Your application must include two letters of recommendation from any of the following; Child Care Agency, Early Learning Coalition, local FFCCHA Chapter current parent/clients from your CC home, Food Program sponsor, Training Instructor, Licensing, Community or State College.

Mail your completed application to: **Diane Brown, Credential Scholarship Chair**, 3531 Martha Street Jacksonville, and FL 32209 Questions? Email: Brownskids@comcast.net or call 904-353-4803



Membership News – Summer Membership Drive

Submitted by: Jenny Turnquest, Membership Officer

Congratulations to our winners of the past Membership Drive!!

The Parent Membership: Abbie Bill, PBCFCCA (Area #29)

The Monthly Membership Drive:

Heart to Heart (February)

Central Florida Association for Family Child Care (March)

HCCPA Manatee County (April)

The winners for the current Membership Drive will be announced during the Full Board Meeting, August in Ocala. Prizes will be given to the winners!

Remember prizes are given to the Chapter that submits the most **new or renewed members or advocates monthly**. Providers that submit the most **new parent memberships also win a prize**.

Please remember to check your information in the Grapevine (FFCCHA's Newsletter). Your expiration date is located on the back of the Grapevine above your name. Please renew before your membership expires to avoid any over lapse in membership.

Please remember to join NAFCC. All FFCCHA Members can join NAFCC at a discounted rate through your local Chapter. There's a brand new NAFCC option to join as an Enhanced Provider Member (at a discounted rate) that includes e-membership for your parents/clients. Remember to enclose the NAFCC Enhanced Parent Membership Form, listing all your parents.

Membership breakdown as of 7/5/2013

Chapters:	26
Chapter Provider:	616
Co-Providers:	23
Individual Members:	71
Advocates:	109
Lifetime Members:	5
Honorary Members:	3
Parent Members:	25
Agencies:	2
Total:	880

Happy



FFCCHA Members

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NAFCC Accreditation

Area 2	Palecia Crawford
Area 15	Tammy Tener
Area 21	Shandra Warner
Area 29	Cristina Worthley
	Carolyn Dampney
	Evvie Fashaw
	Mary Morris
	Patricia Oliver
Area 31	Juana Rodriguez
	Lisa Williams

FACT:

Florida has 183 NAFCC Accredited providers, 2nd highest number of accredited homes in the nation! 32 attended our June state conference and were recognized at the Saturday general session with a \$25 gift card donated by Kaplan Early Learning Company and had their picture taken with NAFCC President: Patricia Dischler, NAFCC Observation Specialist: Vivian Hardy, NAFCC Region 4 Rep: Gwen Wilson, and Kaplan Rep: Tommy Brown.

Members of FFCCHA who serve on Early Learning Coalitions include:

Gwen Wilson, Private Provider Rep
ELC of Marion County

Diane Brown
ELC of Duval County

Karan Hiester
ELC of Flagler/Volusia County

Rendy Bethel-Avila
ELC of Orange County

Janet Dixon
Family Child Care Provider Representative
ELC of North Florida

**National Provider Appreciation Gift Exchange****Day: Was a Success**

Submitted by Eva Anderson ~Newsletter Editor

I wish to thank all the providers who participated in the event. I remember our Executive Director saying if just 10 people participate, it would be worthwhile. We more than doubled that number. If possible, I would like to host this event again next year and hope that we can even triple that number of participants and all join in as one great association and network together and show our love and appreciation for each others.

Remember! Only participate if you are willing to abide by the rules of giving as well as receiving. We had some who did not give back! Let's all give back to each other in honor of what we do every day.

See below of some feedbacks from the participants:

My secret provider gave me a \$25.00 Red Lobster gift card. That is so nice of them. I love this lol :-) Thank you so much for thinking of this event. I love it. **B.H.**

Thank you so much. I am so excited. I have sent out my gift and I received my wonderful gift today. Thanks for this great idea. It is fun. **C.F.**

This was such a great idea. **J.M.**

My secret provider was so amazing. Thank you secret provider! **E.A.**

Thanks for all you do for the Providers. **G.W.**

Thank you for moderating the secret provider exchange, it is fun. I am sending some e-cards on a daily basis this week to the provider so she knows she is well thought of. **C.C.**

Thank You Providers for Your Support in showing honor, love, and respect to each others, for what we do every day.

Mary Morris

Palm Beach County Health Department
Child Care Advisory Council Board

FFCCHA Mission: "To represent a united voice on behalf of all children to promote and encourage professional family child care through education, legislation, advocacy, mentoring, caring and love."

Misión de FFCCHA: "Para representar una voz unida en favor de todos los niños para promover y animar al profesionalismo del cuidado de niños en familia a través de la educación, legislación, advocacia, mentoría, protección y amor."

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Of the Town

Area 17 (Orange County)

Sophia Pollard has been operating a Registered Family Child Care Home in Orlando, Florida for 7 years. Changing careers from the Administrative Assistant field, she brings experience and knowledge that has her with a CDA-E and Director's Credential. Sophia will begin classes in Early Childhood Education for an Associate Degree starting January 2013.

Joining the FFCCHA is just another hat she is wearing which falls in line with her personality of always helping others and maintaining the characteristic and integrity of her beliefs. Sophia and her husband (Ronald) of 27 years has been blessed with a blended family of 2 adult sons and 2 adults daughters also 7 grandchildren.

Sophia stepped into the field of Childcare and is off and running. Being an alumni of Child Care Education Institute (CCEI) she was featured in the July 2012 edition for Making a Difference in the Life of a Child.

Sophia Pollard
All about FFCCHA, Inc.,
Family Child Care Providers

As being in FFCCHA, she has joined the Parliamentary Committee, the Hospitality Committee and is currently the Area 15 Representative for Seminole County. Sophia also plans to support her Local Chapter as well. She has been elected to pilot the ELIS Program for the Orange County Area.

In Sophia's free time, you can find her visiting patients at the nursing homes, mentoring single mothers, and spending time with her grandchildren and other family members. Her mission is to support the healthy development of young children in a loving atmosphere with high quality of care to benefit children, their parents and the community

Please submit a "Talk of the Town" article about someone special from Areas 25-31. Submissions must be submitted by August 17th, 2013 to the Newsletter Editor: myladyava@gmail.com. Thank you!



2014 Calendar-Keeper
FFCCHA Fundraiser
Order Form
\$20 each

Send Orders beginning on October 1, 2013.

With my payment, please reserve ___ Calendar-Keeper(s) 2014 for me to ___ pick up at November 2, 2013 FFCCHA Quarterly Meeting, Ocala ___ I have enclosed \$5 more for you to mail directly to my home

Description: Part personal assistant, part creative companion, *The Redleaf Calendar- Keeper™ 2014* will help you stay supremely organized each day, week, and month. It has expense charts, attendance and payment logs, mileage records and detailed income tax worksheets. *The Calendar-Keeper* is the ultimate way to keep your thriving business organized throughout the year and will make tax time a breeze. Also included are kid-approved recipes, kid-tested activities, and helpful hints for kid-related quandaries. It has 100 spiral-bound pages and lies flat for ease of writing.

Name _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Make payment to: FFCCHA, Inc.

Mail order form and payment to: FFCCHA Fundraising
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“Don’t miss out” FFCCHA color marketing brochures and materials are available for you to use to present or display when you are attending meetings, local training, special events or conferences. Small and large 3-panel display boards are also available on loan at the FFCCHA quarterly meetings in Ocala. The next meeting will be the quarterly meeting and Professional Development training on August 17, 2013. **Reserve your display items early in advance** at the Ocala meeting, so I can have everything prepared and ready at your request. E-mail: Brownkids@comcast.net or call 904-353-4803. If you need something sooner, the flyers are always available for you to print out from the FFCCHA website www.familychildcare.org under the ‘**Publications**’ page. We have 4 Power Points available for you to use for presentations:

The Benefits of Professional FCC Memberships

FFCCHA: There’s No Place Like Home!

The Benefits of Mixed-Age Groups and Los Beneficios de Grupos Edad Mixta

Marketing publications:

There’s No Place Like Home! - Tri-fold FFCCHA membership brochure

There’s No Place Like Home! – 16-page booklet on family child care information

The Benefits of Mixed Age Groups/Los Beneficios de Grupos Edad Mixta– 2-sided flyer

Family Child Care is Family Friendly Care/El Cuido de Niños en Familias más Acogedor - flyer

NAFCC – National Association for Family Child Care - Membership & Accreditation information

WANTED: Recyclable Child Care Items

FFCCHA requests your support in donating learning material and equipment for child care that are in good condition for our “Go Green” recycling table! Please send or bring items to the Quarterly meetings in Ocala.

Visit FFCCHA Fundraising Tables

“Go Green” Table - Let’s Make a Deal!

Second-hand learning materials-Books, Equipment, Toys, and so much more at very affordable prices!

NPLH items:

House Key Chain
Photo Key Chain
Memo Board
Tote Bag

Logo items:

Lapel Pin - New!
Coffee Mug
Ink Pens - New!
Polo Shirts



Business Resources:

2014 Calendar Keepers - pre-pay & reserve orders, Child Care Receipt Books, Record Keeping Guide, Legal & Insurance Guide, Marketing Guide, From Babysitter to Business Owner

A variety of drinks and snacks

Credentials Awarded

Congratulations to these hard working ladies who have accomplished these fantastic Credentials!

CDA

Area 21 Guadalupe Espailat

5 Star Rating in Quality Counts

Area 30 Jenny Turnquest

Legislative News

Do You Know Who Represents Family Child Care Providers??

Submitted by Lynn Gibson

Family Child Care Providers should know who represents them. To find out who your representatives are go to the link below.

<http://www.myfloridahouse.gov/Sections/Representatives/myrepresentative.aspx>



Florida Family Child Care Home Association August 16-18, 2013 Weekend Agenda Ocala, Florida

Friday, August 16, 2013

7:30 – 10:30 pm FFCCHA Executive Committee Meeting
Best Western Hotel, Pool House

Saturday, August 17, 2013

College of Central Florida- University Center (Bldg. 41)

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Area Rep, Chapter Rep, and Latino Council Meetings

9:15 – 9:45 a.m. First Time Attendees & Executive Committee Meeting

10:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. FFCCHA Quarterly Full Board Meeting

12:30 – 1:15 p.m. Networking Lunch (optional) \$10/person (pay by 8/7)

4:45 p.m. (or immediately following Full Board Meeting) Chapter & Area Rep. Training

2 Year CPR & First Aid Certification, \$40 cash per person

For more info contact Barbara Lengell at 727-639-5970

8:00 pm Meet & Greet

Hosted by FFCCHA's Latino Providers

Best Western Hotel, Pool Room

Sunday, August 18, 2013

College of Central Florida - University Center (Bldg. 41)

7:30 – 8:00 a.m. Sign in/sign up for CEU's (\$15 fee)

8:00 a.m. – Noon Training \$30 registration (\$25 scholarships available!)

Allegations & Complaints - Factual or Fraudulent? What Happens Next?

presented by DCF & Marion Co. Sheriff's Office Crimes Against Children Unit

Second Helping-The Business (part 1 of 2) presented by Arleen Lambert

Estoy Estresada, AYUDA!!!!!!! presented by Lisa Anes

2 Locations

Best Western Hotel, I-75, Exit 350 West
3701 SW 38th Ave. Ocala, FL 34474
352-237-4848

College of Central Florida, Exit 350 East
3001 SW College Rd. Ocala, FL 34474
University Center (Bldg. 41)

Directions to University Center

Allow 10 minutes for driving time from Best Western Hotel.

1. From I-75, exit 350, SR 200 (same exit as hotel) and go East for 1 mile
2. At 4th stoplight, turn Left onto SW 26th St. into College of Central FL campus
3. Get in the left lane and turn left. At stop sign turn right and follow road
4. University Center, Bldg. 41 will be on your right



**FFCCHA Professional Development
Quarterly Training
Sunday, August 18, 2013 8:00 a.m. - Noon**



Location: College of Central Florida, 3001 SW College Rd, Ocala FL 34474, University Center (Bldg. 41)

Directions: From I-75, Exit 350 (SR 200), go east 1 mile, at 4th stoplight turn left on to SW 26 St. onto campus and go left. Continue to stop sign, turn right and go 0.3 miles to building 41.

Registration Fee: \$30.00 (\$25.00 scholarships available for FFCCHA licensed or registered providers or co-providers).

If applying for a scholarship, pay \$5.00 & complete 50 words below. Make check or money order payable to: **FFCCHA, Inc.** Submit this completed form with payment to: **FFCCHA, Inc., 9207 Edgemont Lane, Boca Raton, FL 33434**

Any questions, please contact: FFCCHA (954) 581-1192 or Aright933@aol.com

Deadline: Must be received by August 7, 2013

Please Print:

Name: _____

Name of FCC home as listed on License/Registration _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Zip:** _____ **County:** _____

Phone #: _____ **Cell #:** _____

E-mail Address: _____ @ _____

Chapter that you are a member of _____

YOU MUST BE PRESENT THE ENTIRE TRAINING SESSION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE A CERTIFICATE.

Training starts promptly at 8 a.m.! Arrive as early as 7:30 a.m. to sign in and get CEU paperwork if applicable. CEU's are available for FFCCHA trainings for an additional \$15 fee. A separate CEU application must be completed on the day of training and turned in along with the \$15 fee.

Choose ONE of the following trainings:

___ Allegations & Complaints - Factual or Fraudulent? What Happens Next?

This two part training will be presented by Angelia Dietrich, Program Manager for DCF and a representative from the Marion County Sheriff's Office Crimes Against Children Unit. This training will help child care providers understand how to deal with founded or unfounded allegations of child abuse and complaints by taking them through the proceedings of various agencies and how they may be involved in the process. Learn why more than one agency is involved in the investigation (criminal charges versus protection of the child and assistance for family) and your role as a family child care provider as a mandatory reporter. Know what to do when the knock at the door is a Child Protection Investigator. Learn how often innocent providers are accused of abuse and neglect and the process of proving yourself innocent.

___ Second Helping-The Business (Part 1 of 2)

By Arleen Lambert

This is the one of 4 modules that are included in Second Helping. This module covers contracts, running a successful family child care business, regulations, career paths, marketing and professionalism. Part 2 will be at the Nov. state meeting on Nov. 3. Book included.

___ Estoy estresada, AYUDA!!!!!!!!!!

By Lisa Anes

En esta clase el participante aprendera como reconocer sintomas de estress, como manejar momentos de estress y como establecer un plan para reducir o eliminar sintomas de estress.

___ Please check if applying for a training scholarship. Explain on the lines below (30 words minimum) why you want to take this training and how you plan on using it in your family child care home business. **Please write neatly on lines below only.**

If you need an accommodation because of a disability in order to participate in the child care training process: contact FFCCHA at least two weeks prior to the first training date at (954) 581-1192 between 8:00a.m. - 5:00p.m Monday through Friday.

Deadline- August 7, 2013- NO REFUNDS after this date. Training fees are non-transferable.

Returned checks will be assessed a \$47 fee in addition to the amount of the check.

Confirmation will be emailed to you by 8/12/13.



August 16 FFCCHA Quarterly Meeting Lunch/Hotel Application

Best Western Hotel
3701 S W 38th Ave. Ocala, FL 34474 (off 1-75, exit 350, go west)

____ Networking Lunch (optional): \$10/person on Sat. Aug. 17, during Full Board Meeting

Select one: ____ Turkey & Ham Croissant ____ Tuna Salad Pita ____ Turkey Wrap ____ Chef Salad ____ Roast Beef on Kaiser

Hotel reservations are for one or two (2) nights (Friday evening, Aug. 16 & Saturday evening, Aug. 17) while you are attending the FFCCHA Full Board meeting and/or training at the College of Central Florida campus in the University Center, Building 41 (exit 350, go east).

Limited number of hotel rooms available. Make your reservation early. First come, first served.

To qualify for room reservations recipients must:

1. Be a FFCCHA member.
2. Attend the State Full Board Meeting on August 17, 2013.
3. Complete form(s) and send so they are received no later than August 7, 2013.
4. Include full payment with this form or the application will not be accepted. Payments will be available online via Credit Card payments. Those making payments by Cash and Check will be given discounted prices.

Hotel reservations must be made by FFCCHA! Room reservations will NOT be made without the proper form(s) and the money submitted. If also attending Sunday, training scholarship applications must be sent in with this hotel form.

If you select option 1 or 3 below, please list your roommate preference. If you do not designate a roommate, one will be assigned, if available. All considerations will be taken in order to meet your request.

Hotel Reservations for August 16-18, 2013

Check one option:

- Option 1** ____ Two people to a room for two nights. Each person pays \$ 69.00 (cc) **\$67.00**
- Option 2** ____ Single or Family Room for two nights. One payment of \$138.00 (cc) **\$134.00**
- Option 3** ____ Two people to a room for ONE night only – check: ____ Fri 8-16-13 or ____ Sat 8-17-13
Each person pays \$34.50 (cc) pays \$33.50 .
- Option 4** ____ Single or Family Room for ONE night only - check: ____ Fri 8-16-13 or ____ Sat 8-17-13
One payment of \$69.00 (cc) **\$67.00**

*Add'l charges (if applicable) 3rd & 4th person in room, add \$7each per night. Rollaway beds \$10 per night

Your Name: _____ **Roommate Name:** _____

Email: _____ **Email:** _____

Please Read The Following Statement ----- Sign & Date!

I, the undersigned, do hereby state: the above information is correct to the best of my understanding. I understand that these rooms are being paid for with FFCCHA, Inc. money. Friends and family members may NOT use this room, unless I have chosen option # 2 or # 4. I understand that I will be assigned a roommate, if available. I understand if I do not attend the Full Board meeting, I will be responsible for the **full cost** of my hotel room. I understand my reservations will be voided if I do not abide by the guidelines of this contract.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Please make money order or check payable to: **FFCCHA, Inc.**

Returned checks will be assessed a \$47 fee in addition to the amount of the returned check. NO REFUNDS.

Mail to: FFCCHA, 9207 Edgemont Lane, Boca Raton, Florida 33434

Any questions, please contact: FFCCHA (954) 581-1192 or Aright933@aol.com

Only completed form(s) with payment will be accepted and deadline will be strictly adhered to!

If you need an accommodation because of a disability in order to participate in the child care training process, contact FFCCHA at least two weeks prior to the first training date at (954) 581-1192 between the hours of 8:00a.m – 5:00p.m. Monday through Friday.

Completed forms will be dated as received, in case we exceed the allotted amount of FFCCHA room block. Your hotel reservation and scholarship **confirmation will be e-mailed to you by August 12, 2013.** Please print your e-mail address clearly.

<u>For Office Only: Date Rec'd</u>	<u>Payment Type</u>	<u>Amount \$</u>	<u>Scholarship: Approved / Denied</u>
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I would like to thank all the providers that made the wise decision in attending our conference on June 2013. I also will like to give a special thanks to Yorislay Matos for being such a hard worker and helping providers from her local association to attend. As your Latino Liaison, I will like to give you the good news: in our conference June 2013 we had 16 providers that attended for the first time. Also, our Latino attendance grew to 3 more attendees from last year conference.

Mayra Marquez
Latino Liaison
FFCCHA

Does your CPR card expire soon?

CPR & First Aid class will be offered after the Full Board meeting on Saturday, August 17th in Ocala. For more information and to reserve your space, contact: barbaralengell@gmail.com or call 352-556-3387 or 727-639-5970.

Noticias Latinas de la Asociación!

Submitted by: Mayra Marquez, **Latino Liaison**



Quiero darles las gracias a todas las proveedoras que tomaron la determinación inteligente de compartir, aprender y socializar con nosotros en nuestra conferencia junio 2013. Quiero también dar un agradecimiento especial a nuestra proveedora Yorislay Matos (area de miami) por haber trabajado fuerte con su asociación local y haber asistido con el número más alto de proveedoras en su grupo.

Como su vocera Latina, quiero darles las buenas nuevas: en nuestra conferencia Junio 2013 tuvimos una asistencia de 16 proveedoras que nos acompañaron por primera vez. Nuestra asistencia aumentó (3) tres proveedoras más que la conferencia de junio 2012.

No olviden las (o) esperamos en Ocala para nuestra próxima reunión y entrenamiento Agosto 18 al 19 2013.

Area Rep News

Submitted by: Arleen Lambert, Area Rep Coordinator

Congratulations!

**Nancy Dougherty, Area Rep of the Year from Area 23
(Manatee County)**

Thank you for your dedication to family childcare!

I would like to thank all the Area Reps/Area Reps-at-large, for inviting providers from our state conference to attend FFCCHA'S quarterly meeting in Ocala.

Challenge for the quarter: Each Rep will be responsible for bringing 3 new members into their local associations and bring at least one new provider to attend quarterly meeting in August. Reps are continuing their efforts on building positive relationships with child care agencies and providers in their local areas. *Teamwork is the key to our success.* Providers who are interested in becoming Area Reps are invited to attend the Area Rep meeting on Saturday.

We are currently looking for Area Representative/Area Reps-at-large for the following vacant areas:

1,2,3,4,5,6,8,10,11,14,16,20,24,25,26,27,28 and 30. If you like working as an advocate in your community, sharing information with peers and child care partners, this is the perfect job for you.

Please contact Arleen Lambert (305)651-9617 or email stimaz71@yahoo.com

Annual General Meeting

Submitted by Janet Dixon, FFCCHA Secretary

The Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday, June 30, 2013 at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort in Clearwater Beach, Florida. Attending were 31 Full Board members and 92 members for a total of 123 members in attendance. Thirty first-time attendees were presented a small gift. Ron Mohl, from Lakeshore Learning Materials presented *Play with a Purpose*. FFCCHA Past-President, Mary Tingiris, conducted the installation of the Full Board members for 2013-14.

By Law News

Jennifer Skriloff, By-Law Chair

During the next quarter the By-Law Committee will be working on the Chapter By-Laws. We hope to have these revisions to you by August 2013 and will commence working on them after our conference.

When the observer arrives, take a deep breath, relax, and remember all the hard work you've already done to get to this point.



The Observation Visit

A t - a - G l a n c e



YOU ARE READY!!!

The Observer Will

- Present her I.D. or letter with Observer Serial # upon arrival
- Briefly greet you and introduce herself to children and parents
- Observe 4-5 hours
- Be a "fly on the wall"
- Look at records
- Keep the visit confidential

Chapters 10-12 in the Provider Guide to Achieving NAFCC Accreditation (P.G.) offer detailed information regarding your observation visit and accreditation decision.

The Observer Will NOT

- Mentor or offer advice
- Play with the children
- Eat lunch with you and the children
- Collect your parent surveys or other observation materials
- Give feedback on the visit

Anatomy of the Observation Visit

The Observation Packet

You will receive your observation packet the month prior to your visit. It includes the Self-Certified Standards book, parent surveys, provider's evaluation of the observer, conflict of interest affidavit, and the observer's NAFCC Serial #. Read all instructions thoroughly. Refer to Chapter 10 in the P.G.

Self-Certified Standards

Complete your *Self-Certified Standards* prior to your observation visit. Score each standard and write how you meet the standard. The *Self-Certified Standards* measures compliance of those standards that require confidentiality or which might be intrusive to the program to be observed.

Parent Surveys

Parent surveys are another way of assessing that you meet the standards. Distribute parent surveys and collect completed surveys in sealed envelopes from each family enrolled in your program. If your enrollment has changed notify NAFCC.

Preparing for the Visit

Use the *Benchmarks* to complete your final evaluation of your program. Let parents know the month the visit is scheduled and remind them how important it is for their children to be present. Prepare the children for a visitor. Refer to Chapter 10 in the P.G.

The Visit

The visit will last 4-5 hours. The observer must see the arrival or departure of children, so they typically plan to arrive when children will be arriving. They will document evidence that you meet the standards. After 4-5 hours the observer will take a break and leave your home to prepare for the interview. Refer to Chapter 11 in the P.G.

The Interview

The interview will last about 1.5 hours. It is best to plan on having someone available to help with the children during the interview. At this time you will have the opportunity to respond regarding standards scored less than fully met or not observed. There are also scripted questions for you to answer. Be thoughtful and take your time.

After Your Observation Visit

Within 48 hours of the visit being complete return the following items to NAFCC.

- Evaluation of Observer
- Signed Self-certified Standards
- Sealed Parent Surveys
- Signed Conflict of Interest Statement

Decision

The decision is determined by assessing compiled data from the provider, observer, and parents of children enrolled in your program.

The decision can take up to 8 weeks.

You will be notified of your accreditation decision via mail.

Refer to Chapter 12 in the P.G.

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FLORIDA FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME ASSOCIATION, INC. - JULY 2013

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1	Escambia	1	Open				
2	Santa Rosa	2	Open				
3	Okaloosa, Walton	3	Open				
4	Holmes, Jackson, Franklin, Bay, Washington, Calhoun, Gulf	4	Open				
5	Liberty, Gadsden, Leon, Taylor, Wakulla, Jefferson, Madison	5	Open				
6	Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette, Columbia, Union	6	Open				
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25	Hardee, Highlands, DeSoto, Charlotte	25	Open				
26	Okeechobee, Indian River, Martin	26	Open				
27	St Lucie	27	Open				
28	Lee, Hendry, Glades, Collier	28	Open				
29	Palm Beach	29	La Shea Butler	1911 Avenue H East	Riviera Beach	33404	561-574-3464/561-842-7946
30	Broward	30	Open				
31	Miami-Dade, Monroe	31	Jenine Swain	22705 S.W. 113 th Ct.	Miami	33170	305-251-7752
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Interested in serving as an Area Representative? Contact Arleen Lambert at 305-651-9617 or e-mail: Stimaz71@yahoo.com

FLORIDA FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME ASSOCIATION, INC. - JULY 2013

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Applications are needed for all current vacant positions:

Executive Committee: **Legislative Liaison, Fundraising** (2 yr. term starting July 1)

Area Reps: **All Odd # Area Reps:** 1, 3, 5, 9, 11, 25, 27 (Vacant Odd# will start now & complete term on June 30, 2015)

Even# Area Reps: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 14, 16, 18, 20, 24, 26, 28 (Vacant Even# will start now & complete term on June 30, 2014)

Submit Area applications to: Arleen Lambert at Stimaz71@yahoo.com

Committee Chairs (non-board positions):

Chaplain, Chapter Development, Historian, Latino Development, and Translation.

All applications are available on the website www.familychildcare.org on the "All About Us" page or by contacting the Nomination Chair, Cynthia Chip. Applications can be submitted via e-mail, mail, and fax or hand delivery. Questions? e-mail Cynthia Chipp at schipp1@tampabay.rr.com or call 813-632-3229.

Chapter News

Debbie Pintar, FFCCHA Chapter Coordinator, 813-741-0920



Hello chapters/providers, as I sit down to write this article, I think back to the wonderful time that was had at the FFCCHA Conference! Seeing many of you for the first time and many old friends brought joy to me. The time spent talking with other providers and getting new ideas for our child care as well as our chapters encourages me and I hope it did the same for you. This also reminded me of our May meeting in Ocala, when many of our chapter reps were talking about some of the challenges they have in getting members and guests to our meetings. Good suggestions were given, so they asked me to share them with you.

In this economy, many have started carpooling. Many chapters are asking providers from farther away to pick up the ones on the way to the meeting to “share the expense”. Other times providers just don’t remember the date or night of the meetings, so the chapters are using a reminder call through a personal call, phone tree or a robo call such as “dialmycall.com”. Chapters seeking new members mail or call the new provider (information available through the DCF provider search website; just search for your area; or use your local Resource and Referral/Licensing agency) and invite them to the meetings. Most, if not all, have trainings during their meetings, but some chapters are also bringing in items to share with providers that they are no longer using or do not use. Some examples were: coupons, clothes, books and toys. They also shared that if providers have a talent or knowledge that they would share it with other providers or members in their local association. Helping everyone in the chapter should be the goal of each and every provider, not just the chapter. Have a great day and hope to see you in Ocala in August.

P.S. Don’t forget to bring you **door prize gifts to the August 17 meeting** if you are in **Areas 1-18**.

FFCCHA Logo Shirt/Bag Order Form

Color logo is machine stitched on the front.

All shirts are made of 50/50 cotton/polyester.



Description	Color	Circle Size & Price	Quantity	Total
Polo Shirt <i>Circle color:</i>	<i>Black, white, orange, green</i>	XS, S, M, L, XL = \$22, 2XL = \$24, 3XL = \$26, 4XL = \$28, 5XL = \$30		
Short Sleeve Shirt <i>buttons full length</i>	<i>White only</i>	XS, S, M, L, XL = \$28, 2XL = \$31, 3XL = \$32, 4XL = \$34		
Long Sleeve Shirt <i>buttons full length</i>	<i>White only</i>	XS, S, M, L, XL = \$29, 2XL = \$31, 3XL = \$33, 4XL = \$35, 5XL = \$37		
Fabric Briefcase Bag <i>w. zippers, handle, adjustable shoulder strap, 6 pockets, key & pencil holder, ID. tag</i>	<i>Black only</i>	16”L x 13”H x 4”W expands to 6”W \$26		

All orders received and pre-paid 2 weeks prior to FFCCHA meetings can be picked up in Ocala.

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Pick Up Date: _____

___ Direct Shipment to address above: Add \$6 for one item, \$12 for 2-4 items, \$16 for 5-8 items.

Make check/money order payable to: FFCCHA. Send order and payment to: FFCCHA

9207 Edgemont Lane
Boca Raton, FL 33434

Congratulations to FFCCHA 2013 Award Honorees!

Submitted by Nancy Dougherty, Awards Chair

Provider Hall of Fame: **Janet Dixon**

Advocate Hall of Fame: **Pam Parmenter**

Outstanding NAFCC Accredited Home: **Abbie Bill**

Parent Choice 1st Place: **Bernadette Heikkila**

Parent Choice 2nd Place: **Victoria Morgan**

Parent Choice 3rd Place: **Jenine Swain**

Parent Choice Honorable Mention: **Abbie Bill, Cynthia Chipp, Gleneta Powe, Lucinda Hightower, Kristy Howdyshe, & Renie Roach**

Outstanding FFCCHA Chapter: **South Florida Home Child Care Association, Area 31 (Miami/Dade County)**

Agency Helping Association Prosper: **Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe**

The Ultimate Provider Sponsor: **Early Learning Coalition of Orange County**

Outstanding Sponsor of Providers: **Early Learning Coalition of Pinellas County**

Area Rep of the Year: **Nancy Dougherty**

Chapter Rep of the Year: **Jennifer Skriloff**

Advocate of the Year: **Arleen Lambert**

Heart Award: **Gwen Wilson**

Officer of the Year: **Abbie Bill**

Outstanding Teamwork: **Arleen Lambert**

Volunteer of the Year: **Jennifer Skriloff**

Fundraising Service Award (2009-13): **Bernadette Heikkila**

Special guests were recognized for their commitment and support of quality family child care at the:

Friday All-Conference Celebration Luncheon: **Mayor George N. Cretekos** of Clearwater for Proclamation of Family Child Care Day, Florida House of **Representative Kathleen M. Peters**, **Mary Tingiris** for Webmaster Service (1998-13) and

Keynote: **Shan Goff** (Executive Director of Florida Office of Early Learning)

Saturday General Session Keynote: **Patricia Dischler** (NAFCC President)

Saturday Closing Session: Florida House of **Representative Ed Hooper** and Keynote: **Music with "Mar" Harmon**

Thank you to our "Mind" Sponsors

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Creative Minds: \$500

Kaplan Early Learning Company

Modern Woodman of America

Curious Minds: \$250

American Income Life

Alisa Ghazvini

Early Steps

Staywell Wellcare

Thank You

2013 Conference Team Members

for another *GREAT* conference! Everyone worked very hard for many, many, many, many hours and your efforts are truly appreciated!! It takes teamwork to achieve success! Every member did a superb job!!

Conference Coordinator, Presenters and Marketing: **Tammy Tener**

Assistant Coordinator (Pre-Conference and Hotel Rooms): **Abbie Bill**

Assistant Coordinator (Registrations and Scholarships): **Connie Foster**

Exhibitors: **Barbara Lengell**

Historian/Photos: **Karan Hiester**

Program Book: **Jennifer Skriloff**

Hostesses: **Cathy McCoy**

Fundraising: **Bernie Heikkila**

Transport: **Anne and Dan Brooks**

Latino Assistant: **Mayra Marquez**

Dècor/Theme: **Carole Caffentzis**

Parent Sponsors: **Janet Dixon**

Donations: **Jenny Turnquest**

Awards: **Nancy Dougherty**

PR Displays: **Diane Brown**

Budget: **Sande Harper**

CEUs: **Debbie Pintar**

"Parent" Sponsors!

The following family child care homes collected \$25 or more from parents: **Abbie Bill, Arleen Lambert, Bernie Heikkila, Connie Foster, Debbie Pintar, Diane Brown, Janet Dixon, Jenine Swain, Jennifer Skriloff, Jenny Turnquest, LaRonya McGlothlin, Karan Hiester, Nancy Dougherty, Renie Roach, and Tammy Tener.** A very special THANK YOU also goes to **Snap Foods Global** for matching the amount donated up to \$1,250. The winner of the photo contest was from the home of Abbie Bill. The winning photo will be used on the all printed materials (flyer, brochure, and program book) for the next FFCCHA conference in 2015.

17 Sponsors of Providers!!

We are grateful for the following agencies and Early Learning Coalitions who helped make it possible for **124** providers to attend the conference by giving funding support that may have included partial or full registrations, pre-conference, hotel, travel expenses, and memberships. **3 Agencies:** Episcopal Children's Services-Putman Co.(5), Champions for Children-Tampa (6), 4C Early Head Start (4), and **14 Early Learning Coalitions:** Big Bend (3), Brevard (2), Duval (5), Florida's Gateway (4), Manatee (6), Miami/Dade (5), Orange (26), Osceola (6), Pasco/Hernando (3), Pinellas (21), Polk (6), Sarasota (7), Seminole (10), SW Florida (5)

55 Conference Workshop Presenters!

We appreciate the time and expertise that you shared with our attendees to keep them well-informed and inspired to continue offering high quality care and early learning for Florida's children.

Adams, Lisa
Alexander, Andrea
Ansley, Mark
Armstrong, Linda
Berman, Dan
Bill, Abbie
Caffentzis, Carole
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Dickerson, Andrea
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Duncan, LuAnn
Faber, Jenn

Foster, Connie
Fowler, Alyson
Goff, Shan
Goodrich, Mary Ann
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Hiester, Karan
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Marquez, Mayra
Matos, Yorislay
McCoy, Cathy
Medrano, Carmen
Merriman, Marta
Mohl, Ron
Moore, Matt
Neely, Pamela

Niemann, Janice
Parmenter, Pam
Parravano, Dan
Richardson, Janie
Rivera, Mariel
Santiago, Linda
Soto, Alina
Thacher, Frederick
Thompson, Georgia
Wass de Czege, Sam
Williams, Katie
Wilson, Gwen
Zipperer, Kimberley

27 Conference Exhibitors!!

A Plus Insurance
American Fundraising
American Income Life
Barefoot Books
Becker's School Supply
ChildCare Ed Institute
Children's Forum

Discount School Supply
Early Start
Explorations Early L.
Family Resources
FFCCHA
FLAECY
Fun Science

Inner Vision
Kaplan Early Learning
KIDBIZ Resources
Lakeshore Learning
LifeTech Inst Services
Mary Kay
Modern Woodmen

Music with "Mar."
NAFCC
Sam's Club
SnapFoods Global
Staywell
Usborne Books

We also want to **thank Sheraton Sand Key Resort Hotel** for the fabulous view of the Gulf and super thanks for the special **Refreshments served at our 20th Birthday Provider Celebration** on Saturday night!!

New Developmentally Appropriate Practice (DAP) Child Care Training Curriculum

The Department of Children and Families' Office of Child Care Regulation and Background Screening, in its ongoing effort to provide child care professionals in Florida with high quality training, has redesigned the Developmentally Appropriate Practice (DAP) Child Care Training Curriculum. Effective July 1, 2013, the new 10-hour instructor-led courses will replace the current 10-hour DAP courses.



The course titles and acronyms are:

- Infant and Toddler Appropriate Practice (ITAP)
- Preschool Appropriate Practice (PSAP)
- School-Age Appropriate Practice (SAAP)

The new 10-hour DAP courses may be used to meet the 10-hour Part II Introductory Training requirement if the individual successfully completes the course as evidenced by passage of the competency exam associated with course.

Students who complete the old DAP courses by June 30, 2013 will have until December 31, 2013 to pass the corresponding competency exams. Successful completion of the course will be documented on the individual's Child Care Training Transcript. **The competency exams for the old DAP courses will no longer be available after December 31, 2013.**

Individuals who have completed the old DAP courses to meet Part II training requirements do not have to retake the courses, and their existing certificates will remain on their child care training transcript. However, they may choose to take the new courses to earn CEUs or in-service credit only.

Individuals completing any of the courses will have 60 days after course completion to earn CEUs.



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Challenging Behaviors Awareness and Prevention

Now Available Online!



The Department of Children and Families Office of Child Care Regulation and Background Screening is offering a new course, *Challenging Behaviors Awareness and Prevention*. This course has been developed to ensure that Florida's child care professionals are familiar with common examples of challenging behaviors exhibited by children as well as the causes of these behaviors and methods of prevention. Upon completion of this course participants will be able to:

- Encourage children's development of self-esteem and positive self-image
- Identify examples of challenging behaviors and their causes
- Describe a variety of activities to reduce challenging behaviors

To access this course, go to www.myflorida.com/childcare and select "Course Registration."



Quality in Child Care Settings

Now Available Online!



The Department of Children and Families Office of Child Care Regulation and Background Screening is offering a new course, *Quality in Child Care Settings*. This course has been developed to provide principles and best practices that will enhance the growth and development of children in child care settings. Upon completion of this course participants will be able to apply specific best practices to obtain quality in these areas:

- Staff-Child Interaction
- Indoor/Outdoor Equipment and Space
- Health, Safety, and Nutrition
- Program Operations

To access this course, go to www.myflorida.com/childcare and select "Course Registration."

April Meeting News

Submitted by Janet Dixon, Secretary

The FFCCHA Quarterly Full Board was held Saturday, April 27, 2013 in Ocala. In addition to Full Board members, there were 15 guests welcomed to the meeting. Correspondence to FFCCHA was read from Jeanne Barker to Tammy Tener thanking her for attending the Florida Community College Early Childhood Educator's Network Conference. Tammy had an FFCCHA display and handouts for attendees to take back to Family Child Care students and providers. A letter from the IRS came in for Debbie Pintar requesting updated information on the Chapters. Anne Brooks, Treasurer, sent a letter to Bernard and Lisa Anes concerning information she needed from them for CEUs. Funding is still available for Credential Scholarships. Nominations were taken and voting was done by members in attendance for Volunteer of the Year, Outstanding Teamwork, Officer of the Year, Advocate of the Year, and the Heart Award. The winners will be announced at the Annual Conference in June. Members voted to approve a new FFCCHA policy/position on High Quality for Family Child Care that included many items such as support for Gold Seal, NAFCC Accreditation and increased funding for VPK and School Readiness. Janet Dixon reported that \$670 had been raised so far from Parent Sponsors.

Each provider who had turned in Parent Sponsor forms selected a jewelry gift. These gifts were donated by Connie Foster's mother. The names of providers who had collected \$25 or more were put into a drawing for a free night at Annual Conference hotel: the winner was Bernie Heikkila. Members who had turned in the Volunteer forms for Annual Conference by the deadline were put into a drawing for \$100 cash; the winner was Gretchen Murphy. Gwen Wilson, NAFCC Area 4 Representative, invited everyone to attend the national conference in Arizona in July.

ASK OEL?

Relationships: The Heart of Development and Learning

Question: Why is it so import for caregivers to always be consistent?

Answer: As sensory motor learners, infants and toddlers are very in tune with their caregivers and pick up messages based on cues from the caregiver. Recognizing that caring for young children on daily basis can be very demanding and stressful, it is the caregiver's job to remain consistent in their interactions. Infants learn to trust adults through the predictability of caregiver/child interactions. The consistency of these interactions directly impacts the relationship that is built. If we look at Erickson's theory of psychosocial development, one of the stages that occurs from birth to three is "Trust vs. Mistrust." When a child experiences consistent warm and responsive care, he/she learns to trust his/her caregiver. A lack of consistency results in the mistrusting the caregiver. This learning of trust or mistrust will affect the child's ability to develop positive relationships later in life.

If you have an infant/toddler question, email info@familychildcare.org and put 'ASK OEL' in the subject line.

Matt Moore is the State Infant/Toddler Network Coordinator with Florida's Office of Early Learning.

Mentor News

Abbie Bill, Mentor Program Chair

There are several mentors that wish to get back into the Mentor Program. I am working on a re-application and will e-mail it out when finished. If you wish to get back into the program and have not contacted me, please do so.

Connie Foster, Cathy McCoy and I taught Mentor 1 training at our conference in Clearwater Beach on June 26 & 27th. We had 6 providers attend the training and will soon have 6 new certified mentors! They are Lucinda Hightower, LaRonya McGlothin, Lula Owens, Tiffany Smith, Jenine Swain and Francine Williams. Lucinda, LaRonya and Lula are from Duval County (Jacksonville). Tiffany is from Hillsborough (Tampa), Jenine from Miami-Dade (Miami) and Francine Williams from Pinellas (St. Petersburg).

Congratulations ladies!

Questions? E-mail flmentorpgm@aol.com or call 561-482-6038



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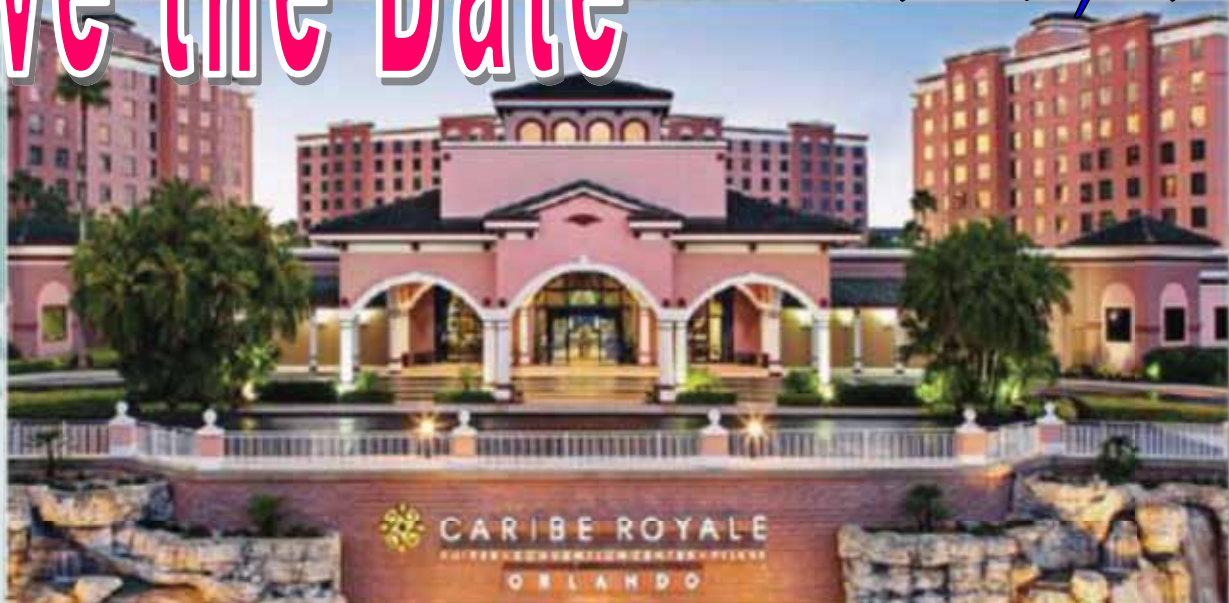
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