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January 2013 Message From Our President ***"Help FFCCHA Welcome in the New Year!"***



When I think of NEW I think of excitement - the kind of excitement that a child has when they open up a new toy! We have been given a wonderful gift... a new beginning. Each year, each day, each moment, we can start over and begin again. The New Year is when most people make resolutions to make changes to them or something of importance to them. This year I want to share my resolutions to you on the changes I want to see within FFCCHA:

- ♦ I want all of our members to grow professionally, having a prosperous and healthy year.
- ♦ I want to see new leaders step up and apply for open positions. We have been blessed to have so many of you step up so far, but some positions sit empty.
- ♦ I want the Full Board and Chairs to spend time improving their positions. (We can always work on improvement!) With our updated Bylaws, Handbook and Team-Building trainings, we are off to a great start of learning more about our roles and position.
- ♦ I want to see all members working on meeting deadlines and being prepared to back up others when the need arises. Being responsible to their position and the members in all we do. Being a team means being there for others. Putting individual differences aside for the betterment of the whole. And for everyone to continue to improve on our communication skills with each other and replying to a request in a timely manner.
- ♦ I want us to work toward getting each member excited about FFCCHA, and to see them bring new members into the association!

Come join in our Excitement ... our New Beginning... and Our Friendship ... in our Association!

Lynn Gibson, President

¡Ayuda a FFCCHA a Dar la Bienvenida al Año Nuevo!

Cuando pienso en NUEVO, pienso en entusiasmo – la clase de entusiasmo que tiene un niño cuando abre un juguete Nuevo! Hemos dado un regalo maravilloso... un Nuevo comienzo. Cada año, cada día, cada momento podemos empezar de Nuevo. El Nuevo Año es cuando mucha gente hace resoluciones para hacer cambios en ellos o algo importante para ellos. Este año quiero compartir mis resoluciones con ustedes en los cambios que quiero ver con FFCCHA:

- Yo quiero que todos los miembros crezcan profesionalmente, teniendo un año próspero y saludable.
 - Yo quiero ver nuevos líderes que se animen y soliciten las posiciones abiertas. Hemos sido bendecidos de tener a muchos de ustedes en salir al frente, pero quedan algunas posiciones vacías.
 - Yo quiero que el Panel Ejecutivo y Sillas saquen tiempo para mejorar sus posiciones. (Siempre podemos trabajar en mejoramiento!) Con nuestras Leyes revisadas, el Manual y Equipo de entrenamiento, estamos listos para un gran comienzo de aprendizaje acerca de nuestros roles y posiciones.
 - Yo quiero ver a todos los miembros trabajar en fechas límites de reunión y estar preparados para apoyar a otros, cuando la necesidad llegue. También, continuar mejorando destrezas en nuestra comunicación con cada uno contestando a las solicitudes ó peticiones en un tiempo apropiado. Siendo responsable con nuestra posición y nuestros miembros en todo lo que hacemos. Ser un equipo, significa estar ahí para otros, poniendo las diferencias individuales aparte por el beneficio de todos.
- Yo quiero que trabajemos en favor de hacer que cada miembro se entusiasme acerca de FFCCHA, y verlos traer nuevos miembros a la asociación!

Ven, únete a nuestro Entusiasmo ... nuestro Nuevo Comienzo... y Nuestra Amistad...en nuestra Asociación!

Lynn Gibson, Presidente



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Calendar of Events 2013

Jan 2013

- 1 Send in layaway payment for conference hotel room – start now!**
- 5 Deadline for Executive Board Positions** (Fundraising, Area Rep Coordinator, Legislative Liaison, Latino Liaison, Vice President) and ALL Odd # Area Reps
- 10 ELC ED meeting with OEL staff, Tampa**
- 11 ELAC meeting, Tampa**
- 13 FFCCHA conference Workshop Proposal Deadline**
- 19 Deadline for February Full Board Meeting Reports:** Executive Board & Chairs - send to Secretary Janet Dixon, dfcc@bellsouth.net, Area reps – send to: stimaz71@yahoo.com, Chapter reps – send to: ffchacc@hotmail.com
- 30 Deadline for Leadership Summit Registration & Hotel Reservations**

Feb

- 1 Send in layaway payment for conference hotel room – start now!**
- 8 Executive Board Meeting, Best Western, Ocala**
- 9 FFCCHA Leadership Summit, Ocala**
- 10 FFCCHA Full Board Meeting, Ocala**
- 17 Newsletter Deadline for April issue**
- 22-23 Early Childhood Conference, Seminole State College, Sanford**

Mar

- 1 Send in next to last layaway payment for conference hotel room!**
- 3 Parent Choice Awards & Accredited Provider Deadline**
- 7 ELC ED meeting with OEL staff, Tallahassee**
- 8 ELAC meeting, Tallahassee**
- 13 Hostess/Volunteer Scholarship Deadline**

Apr

- 1 Deadline for final payment in full for Lay away Plan for conference hotel**
- 5 Photo Contest (for 2014 conference) Deadline**
- 6 Deadline for April Full Board Meeting Reports:** dfcc@bellsouth.net, stimaz71@yahoo.com, ffchacc@hotmail.com
- 7-10 Children's Week at Capitol, Tallahassee**
- 7 Hanging of the Hands, Capitol Rotunda**
- 8 Awards Dinner & Reception, University Club Center**
- 9 Children's Day at Capitol, Tallahassee**
- 17 Deadline for April Training forms & hotel reservations**
- 20 Early Childhood Conference, Central**
- 23 Hall of Fame, etc. Essay Award Deadline**
- 26 Executive Board Meeting, Best Western, Ocala**
- 27 Reps, Latino Council, & Full Board Meeting,** College of Central FL (University Center, Building 41), Ocala
- 28 FFCCHA Training 8am-Noon, College of Central FL (University Center, Building 41), Ocala**

Credential Scholarships Available NOW!!

Mail your Application

Run, Run as fast as you can!



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 one year. Therefore, you must commit to pay the balance on credentials that exceed \$300.*

Credentials that you can apply for: Amount applying for: ☐\$____ ☐\$50 ☐\$150 ☐\$200 ☐\$300

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| <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 2 letters of recommendation from any of the following: Child Care Agency, Early Learning Coalition, Licensing, Community/State College, local FFCCHA Chapter, Parent/client from your FCC home, Food Program sponsor, or Training Instructor.

Questions? Contact: **Diane Brown, Credential Scholarship Chair**

Email: Brownskids@comcast.net OR call 904-353-4803

Membership News – Fall Membership Drive!

Submitted by: Connie Foster

It has been my pleasure to serve as the Membership Officer for FFCCHA for the last 19 months. Thank you for your support in making it a memorable experience. **Congratulations to Jenny Turnquest!** She is the new Membership Officer for FFCCHA.

The **new membership application** with Jenny's contact information is available online at familychildcare.org. Go to About Us (in the top section), go down to **FFCCHA Chapter**, click on it and the application will pop up. Please note that on the form there is a place for the license or registered name of the provider. Please fill out the form completely. FFCCHA is a state affiliate of NAFCC – our national family child care organization. Therefore, all **FFCCHA members can join NAFCC at a discounted rate through your local chapter**. There is a brand new NAFCC option to join as an **Enhanced Provider member** (at a discounted rate too) that includes e-membership for all your parent/clients. Please remember to include the new Enhanced form listing all your parent emails.

Congratulations to **Abbie Bill** and **Tammy Tener** for winning the parent membership drive last quarter. Also, congratulations to **Pinellas Providers Home Child Care Association, Central Florida Association for Family Child Care** and **FCCPA of Miami-Dade County** for winning the monthly membership drives. Two current **membership drives are underway!** They began on November 1, 2012 and will run through Feb 1, 2013. The winners will be announced at the next Full Board meeting February 10, 2013 in Ocala.

Each month, the Chapter that submits the most **new members (new or renewals)** from providers or advocates) will receive a prize.

The provider that sends in the most **new parent memberships** from Nov 1 – Feb 1 will win a prize.

Membership breakdown as of 12/3/12

Chapter Providers:	580
Individual Providers:	48
Co-Providers:	14
Advocates:	101
Parent Members:	29
Agencies/Business:	5
<u>Honorary/Lifetime Members:</u>	<u>7</u>
Total Membership	784



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 23 –Win a Conference Hotel Night



Area 21 Tiffany Smith

Area 29 Martina Nicholson
 Martha Smith

Area 31 Ollie Anderson
 Maria Carillo
 Maria Soto
 Elizabeth Stamp
 Daisy Valle
 Carmen Yesan

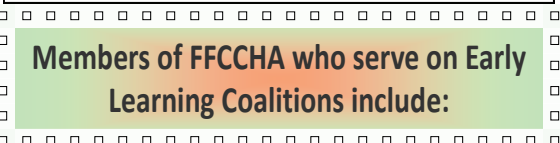
Area 31 NAFCC Observers
 Collene Brown
 Cheary Heath
 Collette Parvez

FACT:

As of 12/06/12, Florida has 181 NAFCC Accredited providers, 2nd highest number of accredited homes in the nation!

Mary Morris

Palm Beach County Health Department
 Child Care Advisory Council Board



Gwen Wilson, Private Provider Rep

Marion County

Jackie Fountaine, FCC Advisor

Sarasota County

Karan Hiester

Flagler/Volusia County

Renny Bethel-Avila

Orange County

February 8-10 Leadership Summit & Quarterly State Meeting Weekend

The hotel is the **Best Western**, located at 3701 S.W. 38 Ave., Ocala, FL 34474 (352) 237-4848, located west of I-75 (exit #350). If you **send in hotel application** with payment (page 6), your room reservation will be made by FFCCHA. **Limited number of hotel rooms available. Make your reservation early. First come, first served. Deadline: Jan. 30.**

Weekend Schedule and hotel/Summit registration forms are also available at www.familychildcare.org

Sat Summit & Sun Meetings are at the

College of Central Florida campus University Center-Bldg. 41

Directions: From I-75, exit 350 and go east approximately 1 mile and turn L at the 4th stoplight onto SW 26th St. into the College of Central Florida campus, get into left lane and turn left.

When you come to the next stop sign, turn Right and continue 0.3 miles past the post office and bookstore and curve through the tree overhang. University Center, Bldg. 41 will be on your right with a metal sculpture in the front. Plenty of parking!

Saturday, February 9, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm - Leadership Summit in Bldg. 41
 (Lunch included)

4:45 pm - Conference Team meets in Bldg. 41

8:00 pm - Meet & Greet "It's Fiesta Time", at **Best Western** Pool Room

Sunday, February 10, 8:00 am – Noon - Full Board Meeting in Bldg. 41

Area Reps: if you are not able to attend, you must notify the Area Rep Coordinator of your proxy in advance. **Chapter Reps:** if you cannot attend, you can send a proxy by notifying the Chapter Coordinator in advance. If you do not attend or send a proxy, your chapter forfeits its vote and jeopardizes your chapter status.

Chapter Reps from Areas 22-24 are responsible for bringing door prizes valued at \$25 each.

November General Meeting News

Submitted by Janet Dixon, FFCCHA Secretary

The FFCCHA Quarterly State Meetings were held the weekend of November 2-4, 2012 in Ocala, FL at the College of Central Florida campus. We welcomed 8 first time attendees and four guests. Peter Smith and Lisa Olds from ABCMouse gave a presentation on their learning program being offered to members and as a fundraiser for FFCCHA. Jeff Kostih, from A-Plus Insurance, gave a presentation explaining the current insurance coverage for FFCCHA and the Chapters. Roseann Fricks, Executive Director, Marion County Early Learning Coalition, gave an update and explanation on ELIS (Early Learning Information System).

Three appointments by the President, Lynn Gibson, were approved by the Full Board to fill vacant positions. Welcome to Karan Hiester as Area Representative 13, LaCona (LaShea) Butler as Area Representative 29, and Jenny Turnquest as Membership Officer. The Full Board voted to approve the latest proposal of the revised FFCCHA Bylaws, presented by Jennifer Skriloff, Chair of the Bylaws Committee. They also voted to amend the budget with the recommendations of the Budget and Finance Committee.

Tammy Tener, Executive Director and Conference Coordinator, encouraged providers to take advantage of the Layaway Plan for the June 2013 FFCCHA conference in Clearwater Beach. Gwen Wilson, NAFCC Region 4 Rep, also encouraged providers to start the Layaway Plan for the July 2013 NAFCC conference in Arizona and to join NAFCC as an Enhanced Provider member that includes e-mail membership for all your parent/clients.

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

Geneva Logan – Area 1

Geneva Logan
*All about FFCCHA, Inc.,
 Family Child Care Providers*

Geneva Logan has been a Family Child Care Home Provider for 10 years. Currently, she resides in Escambia County in the city of Pensacola. Her licensed home operates 12 hours per day, Monday through Friday. Geneva loves working with children and has a passion to enhance their ability to be lifelong learners as well as being a lifelong learner herself. She regularly attends classes offered by the Early Learning Coalition of Escambia County. She is trying to regenerate providers to spend quality time together and network with other providers. She is a member of the local FFCCHA chapter: Northwest Florida FCC Home Association, FFCCHA, NAFCC, and NAEYC.

Geneva is married to a wonderful husband for 17 years and the mother of one son, 14 years old and four adult stepchildren ages 37, 35, 33, and 31 in age. She volunteers at her church with great pride. Her hobbies include: window shopping and dining out. She looks forward to traveling in the future.

Geneva has many reasons to be proud. Her program meets national standards and was **recently re-accredited for the third time** in August by the National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC) and is a Florida Gold Seal provider/home! She is also in the process of meeting the quality criteria to receive a rating in her local county Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS).

Congratulations to Geneva!

Give the Gift of Learning: this year!

Haven't been to a local chapter meeting in a while? You don't know what you're missing!

Contact your chapter president to **find out how as a member of FFCCHA, you will get a FREE membership to ABCmouse.com** and all about our new fundraising event taking place!

FFCCHA has partnered up with ABCmouse.com to give the "Gift of Learning" this year! For only \$7.95, children ages 2 to 6, will have access to an online curriculum with 450 lessons and over 3000 individual learning activities for 30 days. FFCCHA keeps **100%** of the money raised.

The two individual FFCCHA members that **sell the most** online curriculum for \$7.95 each between January 1 and June 15, 2013 will **win a NOOK** from ABCmouse.com (money must be turned in to the local Chapter by June 8 and then chapter must postmark by June 15 to FFCCHA). Winners will be announced at the state conference in Clearwater Beach. If you would like to help FFCCHA and purchase a "Gift of Learning" for someone you care about, contact either your local chapter President or you can contact: Bernadette "Bernie" Heikkila at either: Weluvkids@comcast.net or 941-371-0344

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FFCCHA Professional Development
Leadership Summit
Saturday, February 9, 2013
8:00 am – 4:30 pm



Location: College of Central Florida, 3001 SW College Road, Ocala, FL 34474 in University Center (Bldg #41)

Registration Fee: \$75.00* (\$60.00 scholarships available) ***LUNCH INCLUDED**

Registration forms & payment must be **postmarked by January 30, 2013. NO REFUNDS.**

Mail to: **FFCCHA c/o Abbie Bill, 9207 Edgemont Lane, Boca Raton, FL 33434**

Make check or money order payable to: FFCCHA, Inc. Please submit this completed form with payment (only \$15 if you are a Florida Registered or Licensed family child care provider FFCCHA member and complete 50 words on application below). Note: Returned checks will be assessed \$47 in additional fees.

Networking Lunch – select one: ☐ Roast Beef on Kaiser Bun ☐ Ham & Turkey Club Croissant
☐ Tuna Salad Pita Pocket ☐ Chicken Caesar Salad ☐ Chef Salad

Please Print Below

Name: _____		Date: _____	
Address: _____			
City: _____		Zip: _____	County: _____
Phone #: () _____		Cell #: () _____	Fax #: () _____
E-mail Address: _____ @ _____			
Chapter: _____			

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

Workshops are for everyone! PLEASE NOTE: Arrive as early as 7:30-7:45am to sign in. Starts promptly at 8am!

“Team Building” Leadership Summit

Presented by: Matt Welch, M.A., LMFT, Director of Cooperative Coaching Concepts
 Tammy Tener, Executive Director of FFCCHA

“Building Relationships for a Common Goal” Mr. Welch will teach team building skills to individual leaders, and those wanting to enhance their leadership skills, through discussions, games and self-reflection. This group training will look at individual leader’s strengths and weaknesses. We will work on creating a balance and respect for leaders and peers. Participants will learn to compromise while still striving to gain positive end results and reach desired goals. This training will help leaders in both local chapters and the state association.

“All About the FFCCHA Team” Learn how **YOU** can become part of the FFCCHA Team. You will learn about all the Full Board and Committee positions, policies, activities, and timeline of events within the FFCCHA organization through an overview of our newly revised handbook. All participants will receive a copy of the handbook.

CEU credits will be available for FFCCHA training classes for an additional \$15 fee. A separate CEU application can be paid for just prior to class and completed on the day of training. Arrive 15 minutes early.

_____ Please check here if applying for a **Leadership Scholarship** and **explain below** in a minimum of 50 words why you want to take this training and how you plan on using it in your family child care business. Print 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 Abbie Bill at least two weeks prior to the first training date at (561)482-6038 between 9am and 5pm Monday through Friday. **The deadline is January 30, 2013. There will be NO refunds after this deadline. If you do not attend this training, the training fees will not be refunded or transferred to another person.***



February 8-10, 2013
FFCCHA Leadership Summit & Quarterly Meeting
Hotel Application
Best Western Hotel

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



Hotel reservations are for two (2) nights (Friday evening, February 8 & Saturday evening, February 9) while you are attending the Leadership Summit and FFCCHA Full Board meeting at the University Center (Building 41) on the College Central Florida campus (exit 350, go east). To qualify for hotel room reservations:

1. Recipients must be a **FFCCHA member**.
2. **Pre-register for the Leadership Summit** and be in **attendance for the entire Leadership Summit training** provided on **Saturday, February 9, 2013 (8:00am-4:30pm)**.
3. **Attend the State Full Board Meeting on Sunday, February 10, 2013 (8:00 am- Noon)**.
4. Complete **both** forms and they **must be received no later than January 30, 2013**.

The money that is due **must accompany this form** or the application will not be accepted.

Hotel **reservations** must be **made by FFCCHA!** Room reservations will **NOT** be made without all the proper forms and the money submitted. Summit scholarship training applications will be accepted on a first come, first served basis (limited to 50). Please list your roommate preference below if you select Option 1 or 3. It is best if you choose your own roommate, as there is not always someone to pair you with. All considerations will be taken in order to meet your request. You will be notified when your application is approved.

Hotel Reservations for February 8-10, 2013

(Check one option)

◆ **Option 1 (Two people to a room)**

Each person will only **pay \$67.00** to stay two nights at the hotel.

◆ **Option 2 (Single Occupancy or Family Room)**

You will **pay \$134.00** to stay two nights at the hotel.

◆ **Option 3 (Two people to a room) for ONE night only** - check one: ☐ Fri 2-8-13 ☐ Sat 2-9-13

Each person will only **pay \$33.50** to stay ONE night at the hotel.

◆ **Option 4 (Single Occupancy or Family Room) for ONE night only**: ☐ Fri 2-8-13 ☐ Sat 2-9-13

You will **pay \$67.00** to stay ONE night at the hotel

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

Email: _____ **Email:** _____

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

I, the undersigned, do hereby state that the above information is correct to the best of my understanding. I understand that if receiving a room scholarship (Full Board Members & Committee Chairs), then these rooms are being paid for with FFCCHA, Inc. funds. No shows will be charged the full room cost unless a 24 hour notice is given to Abbie Bill via phone. I understand if I do not attend the Full Board meeting **and** the entire Summit, I will be responsible for the **full cost** of my hotel room.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Please make checks or money order payable to: **FFCCHA, Inc. (NO REFUNDS and NON-TRANSFERRABLE)**

Mail to: Abbie Bill, 9207 Edgemont Lane, Boca Raton, FL 33434

Note: All returned checks will be assessed \$47 in additional fees.

Any questions, please contact: Abbie Bill (561)482-6038 or aright933@aol.com

Only completed forms with payment will be accepted and all deadlines will be strictly adhered to!

If you need an accommodation because of a disability in order to participate in the child care training, contact Abbie Bill at least two weeks prior to the training date at (561)482-6038 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Mon- Fri.

Completed forms will be dated as received, in case we exceed the allotted amount of FFCCHA room block. All providers will be notified by February 1, 2013 of their acceptance. Confirmation of your hotel reservations and scholarships will be provided by e-mail address, please print your e-mail address clearly.

For Office use only:

<u>Date Rec'd</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Cash</u>	<u>Money Order</u>	<u>Amount \$</u>	<u>Membership</u>	<u>Scholarship: Approved / Denied</u>
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Display Materials Available!

Submitted by Diane Brown, Public Relations Officer

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 Leadership Summit and Quarterly meeting on February 9, 2013. **Reserve your display items early in advance** of the Ocala meeting, so I can have everything prepared and ready that you 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 Powerpoints 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

Los Beneficios de Grupos Edad Mixta

Marketing publications:

2013 Save the Date - FFCCHA Conference & Hotel Layaway Plan 2-sided flyer

2013 Conference Brochure - Pre-conference/Conference Registration Form (available February)

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 Familia es más Acogedor - flyer

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



Got Questions? ASK MATT...Your Questions

Relationships: The Heart of Development and Learning

All learning takes place in the context of relationships and is critically affected by the quality of those relationships. Many research studies have identified that learning is based in relationships. Emotional development is critical in infant development and requires a strong emphasis on relationships in an appropriate and effective curriculum. Strong relationships with adults help infants respond to the wide range of emotions that emerge during infancy. Experts have stated that “the primary need of infants and toddlers is emotional connection. Relationships are the key and emotional development is the critical domain.” (Lloyd-Jones)

Question: How are relationships different than interactions?

Answer: I had the opportunity to attend a national conference in which a speaker made this statement. This was one of those “AH-HA” moments for me. If you think about your daily life you have hundreds of interactions throughout the day with many different people but at the end of the day, did you really have a relationship with most of those people? Interactions can be your response to a comment, gesture, or action and may only be one-sided or maybe mutual. The interaction may last one second or for an extended period of time. Relationships, on the other hand, are built over time and have a “give and take” aspect. Relationships are established connections between two people and are reciprocal in that both you and the other person benefit from the interactions that support the relationship. If you have an infant or toddler question, email info@familychildcare.org and put ASK MATT in the subject line.

Matt Moore is the State Infant/Toddler Network Coordinator with Florida's Office of Early Learning. Matt holds a Bachelor's degree in Child Psychology from Hofstra University and a Master's degree in Early Childhood Education from Florida State University. He has over twenty years of experience working in the field of early childhood education and care.

Credentials Awarded

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

Area 21 Second Helping Instructor
Debbie Pintar

Community Helper Table Centerpieces Needed

Back by popular demand! – Table centerpiece donations for the Friday All-Conference Luncheon will be needed again. For 2013, centerpiece items must represent the new theme of Community Helpers. Individuals, chapters, businesses, or other groups and organizations can reserve their table by contacting the Theme Chair: Carole Caffentzis at caff072@yahoo.com and to get more information.

Background Screening Update

There have been many changes in the Background Screening requirements over the past two years. As we look forward to 2013, we are preparing to move to a new and exciting phase in Background Screening.

This past legislative session brought about the creation of the Care Provider Background Screening Clearinghouse. The Clearinghouse will enhance the services the Department currently offers providers. The Clearinghouse will allow select social service agencies to share criminal history information, thus eliminating duplicate screenings for each agency. Each agency will continue to process screening results for the providers it licenses or regulates. It will allow for the retention of fingerprints providing immediate notification if an employee is arrested for a criminal offense in Florida. Additionally, Live Scan providers will be required to submit a photograph at the time fingerprints are submitted to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement. The Agency for Health Care Administration is charged with the development of the Clearinghouse and plans to begin implementation January 1, 2013. The agencies involved will be phased in over the next year.

As the Department moves toward implementation, information will be provided to ensure a smooth transition.

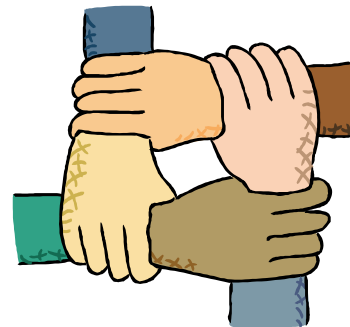
Let them "Hang" in Tally with the Governor!

Submitted by: Lynn Gibson

The Florida Family Child Care Home Association will be a Capitol Sponsor and physically participating again this year with "**Children's Week**" in Tallahassee.

We would love to have FFCCHA members join us this year!

Please bring any "Hands" to be hung in the Capitol to the February 9-10 Meeting in Ocala. Members of FFCCHA will be in Tallahassee beginning Sunday, April 7, 2013 and will make sure your hands are hung. The hands submitted by March 27 from the parent sponsor/photo contest fundraiser on pages 21 and 22 will be displayed in Tallahassee or you can submit your own artwork. **Instructions**



for artwork: Children's hand artwork should be stapled onto string or ribbon vertically in lengths of 8 to 10 feet. Hands must be hung vertically and strung together before mailing. Please secure hands firmly to string/ribbon. Please do not send individual hands without connecting them to string/ribbon. Please do not send large signs. You may decorate the hands with colorful artwork, stories and attach small pictures and posters (no larger than 11" x 14").

"Children's Week" Schedule in Tallahassee

April 7 - Hanging of the Hands in the Capitol rotunda

April 8 - Guided Tours of the Capitol 10 AM, 11 AM, and 1 PM Walk the House and Senate Visiting Legislators

April 8 - Awards Dinner and Reception (Registration ends on March 29, 2013)

April 9 - Guided Tours of the Capitol 9 AM, 10 AM, 11 AM, Noon, 1 PM, 2 PM, 3 PM, Walk the House and Senate Visiting Legislators

April 9 - Children's Week Luncheon Free Boxed Lunches -Make Reservations for yours!

April 9 - Children's Day at the Capitol 9 AM - 3 PM. Come help us invade the Capitol and spread the News that Children in Florida must be protected and have representation in the legislation process.

April 10 - Guided Tours of the Capitol 10 AM and 11 AM - Walk the House and Senate Visiting Legislators

If you plan to attend any of these events, please let FFCCHA know.

Email Childcarelaws@aol.com with your name, phone number, chapters name and dates you plan to be in Tallahassee.

Visit www.childrensweek.org for more information.

Noticias Latinas!!!

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

Les invitamos a que vengan a compartir y a quitarse un poco el estrés de toda una semana dura de trabajo. Después de nuestra reunion General de Miembros de el día Sabado tendremos un poco de Rumba (fiesta). ¡Venga vestida para impresionar y bailar al ritmo de Salsa, Reggaeton, Merengue y Bachata!

No olviden que la Asociación que mas traiga proveedoras Latinas a nuestra reunion trimestral en Ocala es la que se llevara un premio.

¡Asi es que preparense con tiempo para ir a aprender, compartir y a sacar el estrés en nuestra proxima reunion en Ocala!

Pensamiento para reflexionar

Recuerda estas cosas: Sueña, actúa y descubre cuán especial eres. Progresas un poco más cada día, comienza, cree y cambia. Necesitamos volver a crecer como mayoría Latina, se parte de FFCCHA y aporta tus talentos.

It's Fiesta Time!

Join us 8pm in **Ocala** for the **Meet and Greet - February 9, 2013**

at the Best Western Room by the Pool
for FFCCHA's first
Latin Soiree



Providers - come dressed to impress and dance to the **smooth melodies of Salsa, Reggaeton, Merengue and Bachata**

Music by DJ: Mayra Marquez

Food and drinks will be on sale for a Fundraiser

Featuring: **Hot dogs, chili dogs, chips, and dips**

Any questions contact: Arleen Lambert
Call 305 651-9617 or e-mail: stimaz7@yahoo.com

Area Rep News

Submitted by: Arleen Lambert

Congratulations!

Rendy Bethel-Avlia, Area Rep for the Quarter from Area 17 (Orange County)
Thank you for your dedication to family child care!

Thanks to all the Area Reps for promoting FFCCHA in their local areas throughout 2012. A job well done!

Starting the New Year 2013, Area Reps will be responsible for connecting with a new child care agency personnel, as well as, bringing two new members into their local area associations in January. The Area Reps that complete this challenge will be honored at the February meeting in Ocala.

Special Recognitions to:

Area 23 Rep: Nancy Daugherty – for attending and representing FFCCHA at the ELC of Manatee County Safety conference

Area 17 Rep: Rendy Bethel-Avlia - for attending and representing FFCCHA at the National Black Child Development Institute conference in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Gwen Wilson - NAFCC Regional Rep for working with FFCCHA's Area Reps to promote FFCCHA in Florida.

Janet Dixon, 1st place winner of the November **Dessert Bake-off** contest.

All the Meet and Greet top models - for putting on such a spectacular show! Ladies and gentlemen, your teamwork created such a momentous occasion. The Bake-off contest raised \$150 for FFCCHA.

We are currently looking for new Area Representatives/Area Rep-at-Large for the following vacant areas:

1,2,3,4,5,6,8,9,10,11,14,16,18,20,24,25,26,27,28. Applications for All Odd# Areas are being accepted by Jan. 5 to start a 2 year term on July 1, 2013. That means **ALL current odd # Area Reps must re-apply for a second term**. 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 at e-mail: stimaz71@yahoo.com or call (305)651-9617.



NAFCC Observer Training is coming to Florida!

During FFCCHA's 21st Annual Conference in Clearwater Beach
Sheraton Sand Key Resort, 1160 Gulf Blvd. 727-595-1611

The two day 16 hour training will be on Wednesday
and Thursday, June 26-27, 2013. **Cost: \$200.00**

NAFCC Observer Qualifications

An Observer must meet the following criteria:

1. Be an individual **member** of NAFCC
2. Be at least **21** years of age
3. Be NAFCC **Accredited** (if a family child care provider) OR work closely with FCC (see # 6)
4. Successfully complete required training
5. Successfully complete reliable observations once assigned
6. **Meet all of the requirements in one** of the four combinations of **education and experience** outlined below:
 - A. **Six semester hours** of study from an accredited college or university covering children ages birth through school-age. At least **eight years experience** working as a family child care provider **or** someone who has worked closely with family child care.
 - B. **Twelve semester hours** of study from an accredited college or university covering children ages birth through age five. At least **six years experience** working as a family child care provider **or** someone who has worked closely with family child care.
 - C. **Associate (two-year) degree** in early childhood education/child development or a related field from an accredited college or university. Courses must include at least 12 semester hours covering children ages birth through age five. At least **four years experience** working as a family child care provider **or** someone who has worked closely with family child care.
 - D. **Baccalaureate degree** in early childhood education/child development or a related field from an accredited college or university. Courses must include at least 12 semester hours covering children ages birth through age five. At least **two years experience** working as a family child care provider **or** someone who has worked closely with family child care.

Bilingual Observer Qualifications

In addition to meeting observer qualifications, bilingual observers must meet the following:

1. Be able to speak, read, and write Spanish and English well enough to understand and be understood by both children and adults.
2. Have one year direct experience with bilingual early childhood programs and with non-English-speaking populations

Applications available at all FFCCHA quarterly state meetings in Ocala or at www.nafcc.org

Applications are completed and sent to NAFCC with a \$15.00 observer application fee.

Once approved, you will receive a letter from NAFCC.

This approval letter is submitted with the \$200.00 registration fee to FFCCHA.

The fee cannot be accepted by FFCCHA without the NAFCC approval letter.

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FLORIDA FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME ASSOCIATION, INC. - DECEMBER 2012

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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					
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10 Alachua	10 Open					
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26 Okeechobee, Indian River, Martin	26 Open					
27 St Lucie	27 Open					
28 Lee, Hendry, Glades, Collier	28 Open					
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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. - DECEMBER 2012

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OPEN Full Board Positions as of 12/1 - Apply before Jan 5, 2013 for 2 yr term starting July 1

Executive Committee: **Legislative Liaison, Fundraising, Vice President, Latino Liaison, & Area Rep Coordinator**

Area Reps: **All Odd # Area Reps** (Submit Area applications to: Arleen Lambert at Stimaz71@yahoo.com)

Applications are also needed for **all current vacant positions: Even# Area Reps: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 24, 26, 28**

(Vacant Even# will start now & complete term on June 30, 2014) **Committee Chairs (non-board positions): Historian,**

Chaplain, Chapter Development, Fundraising, Latino Development, Member Development, On-line Info Groups All

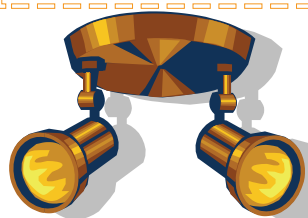
applications are available on the website www.familychildcare.org on the "All About Us" page or by contacting the Nomination

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—Chapter Spotlight

Debbie Pintar, FFCCHA Chapter Coordinator



The Chapter News articles will have a different focus now. I will be reporting on Chapter Reps about their Area, Chapter, and members. I hope you enjoy reading and learning about the FFCCHA Chapters around the state. This quarter, I interviewed the 2011 FFCCHA **Chapter Rep** of the Year, **Robin Vasil**, and President of local Chapter: **Pinellas Providers Home Child Care Association (PPHCCA)**.

PPHCCA is located in Pinellas County (FFCCHA Area #22). They are one of three FFCCHA Chapters available to serve the 477 licensed family child care providers in Pinellas. Pinellas County has seen some changes recently regarding licensing ratios and their Resource and Referral line is now handled through Tampa Bay Cares 211. Pinellas Providers Chapter serves the Mid-Pinellas County area, with **membership of 61**, and about half **attending monthly meetings**. They meet every fourth Monday of the month at the Pinellas Park City Auditorium located at 7690 59th Street N. in Pinellas Park with the exception of August and December. They offer **in-service training hours** on pertinent topics such as *Making SENSE of Sensory Integration and Modulation Issues in Children and the DIR Model* (Developmental, Individual differences, Relationship-based). Although Pinellas Providers Chapter does not have a website or Facebook page, they **keep in touch with their members** through mass e-mails, monthly training reminder postcards, and Dialmycalls.com. The chapter also **serves their community** with donation drives for the Pinellas Hope Homeless Community and 20 Angels for Foster Angel Tree. They feel the rewards are theirs and not just the people they have helped. If you live in the area or just visiting, they would love to have you come to their next meeting. Call Robin at 727-345-5581 or e-mail RLvasil@tampabay.rr.com for meeting information.

Robin gave the following input, opinion or advice: **How is being a member of a local Chapter important to you personally?** "In the beginning when I was a fairly new provider, just receiving the mentoring and advice from other provider members on the business of my profession was priceless. Today, I enjoy the Chapter meetings for the trainings - You can never get enough training! I love to help other providers be the best they can be and I enjoy the camaraderie with the other providers.

Why do you feel that being a member of FFCCHA is important for you as a provider? "Without the support of other providers around the state and FFCCHA, many of the laws or regulations that have changed for the betterment of the provider and the children might not have happened. Even though Pinellas rules are not exactly the same as the rest of the State, they are getting closer."

What advice would you give another Chapter? "To try to keep everything you do fresh and new. To be opened minded to what your members need and not just your own desires. Have surveys at every training and this will let you know what the members thought of the training as well as what their interests are for future trainings."

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>	Black, white, orange, green	XS, S, M, L, XL = \$22, 2XL = \$24, 3XL = \$26, 4XL = \$28, 5XL = \$30		
Short Sleeve Shirt <i>buttons full length</i>	White only	XS, S, M, L, XL = \$28, 2XL = \$31, 3XL = \$32, 4XL = \$34		
Long Sleeve Shirt <i>buttons full length</i>	White only	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>	Black only	16"L x 13"H x 4"W expands to 6"W \$26		

All orders received and pre-paid by Jan. 23 can be picked up at the Feb. 9 Summit/Mtg 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 Fundraiser**

Questions? Call: 941-371-0344 or Email: weluvkids@comcast.net

3224 Linden Drive Sarasota, FL 34232



Volunteer Application for Scholarships for 2013 Conference Registrations *"Enhancing Our Minds...In 2013"*

June 27-30, 2013

Sheraton Sand Key Resort, 1160 Gulf Blvd., Clearwater Beach, FL 33767



In return for volunteering three (3) hours, \$109 of your \$134 registration fee will be a FFCCHA scholarship sponsored by DCF.

Volunteer Qualifications/Requirements:

1. Be a current **provider member of FFCCHA** (keep valid thru June 30) operating as a **FL registered or licensed provider**
2. Complete and submit this scholarship form along with the **\$25.00 fee-NO Refunds**. Returned checks assessed a \$47 fee.
3. Complete and **submit** a conference **registration form** (available Feb. 2013) – mail to address on registration brochure.
4. **Attend** a volunteer **orientation**: check only one
☐ **Saturday, April 27** at 9:30 AM before the Full Board meeting at University Center
 (Building 41) on the College of Central Florida campus in Ocala, select your own volunteer times – only at this meeting
☐ **Tuesday, May 7** at 7:00 PM via phone conference call (call details emailed to you in May)
☐ **Thursday, June 27** at 8:30 PM at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort conference hotel in Clearwater Beach
5. **Attend** the entire conference on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Turn in a **completed** full conference 2-sided **evaluation**.
6. **Wear** a **white blouse** with **black skirt or pants** when serving your 3 volunteer hours. (no tank tops or shorts)
7. **Sign-in** at conference and **fulfill your 3 hour** volunteer **duties as assigned**, return hostess paper, **and sign-out**.

Only completed forms submitted with a \$25.00 check or money order made **payable to FFCCHA** will be accepted.

Mail to: FFCCHA Volunteers, c/o Connie Foster, 164 Poplar Drive, Interlachen, FL 32148 **Deadline: March 13, 2013**

Qualifying applications will be dated as received and **selected on a first come, first serve basis** until all scholarships have been awarded. All providers will be notified when received as to their acceptance status.

All qualifying volunteer forms postmarked by March 13, 2013 will be entered in a drawing to win \$100 cash at conference!

Volunteer Application for 2013 Conference (Print Clearly)

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **Zip:** _____

County: _____ **Local Chapter:** _____

Cell: _____ **Fax:** _____ **E-Mail:** _____

Please rate your first 1st and 2nd preferences in volunteering (however, no guarantees)

☐ English workshop hostess ☐ Fundraising Table worker ☐ Set-up Thur 2-5pm ☐ Provider Celebration Sat 7-9pm
☐ Spanish workshop hostess ☐ Reg or CEU Table worker ☐ Clean-up Sat 5pm ☐ Sunday breakfast 8am

You must write 50 words or less on how receiving a scholarship to this conference will benefit your child care.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT ---- SIGN AND DATE!

I, the undersigned, do hereby state:

check one below:

* I am a current Florida family child care **provider member** of FFCCHA, Inc. ☐ **registered** ☐ **licensed**

* I understand that **if I do not attend** the full conference or **fulfill** my three hours as a volunteer, my scholarship will be voided and I will be responsible for the full cost of my registration. **(Policy will be upheld!) Invoice for Full Registration Fee will be mailed to you!**

* I have written (50 words or less) about how this conference will benefit my child care program.

* The above information is correct.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

If you need an accommodation because of a disability in order to participate in the child care training process; contact, Tammy Tener, Executive Director at least two weeks prior to the first training date at 407-366-8467 between the hours of 8:00 am and 6:00 pm. Calls can be received Monday through Friday.

Questions? Contact Connie Foster at (386) 684-1235 or via e-mail: cfoster206@aol.com

All conference scholarships go quickly. So don't be left out! Send completed form today!

Office use only: Received date: _____ Verified provider membership expiration date: _____

Save the Date



FFCCHA
21st Annual Conference
 Sheraton Sand Key Resort
 Clearwater Beach, FL
 June 25-30, 2013

Pre-Conference: June 26-27

NAFCC Observer Training • FFCCHA Certified M.E.N.T.O.R. Training

Saturday Keynote

Unharness Your Creativity with Patricia Dischler
 former FCC provider, author and new NAFCC President

Concilio Latino y Talleres en Español
 (Latino Council and Spanish Workshops)

20th Birthday Celebration! (FFCCHA Incorporated in 1993)

Visit www.familychildcare.org for more conference updates!

Visit www.sheratonsandkey.com or

call 727.595.1611 to reserve your hotel room today!



New By-Laws News!

Submitted by Jennifer Skriloff By-Laws Chair



Thanks to everyone for your input, support and cooperation with the latest edition of the FFCCHA By-Laws.

They were completed and approved at the November 3rd Quarterly Full Board meeting. The committee's next project will be the updating the FFCCHA Handbook so look for the latest edition coming soon in February!

Jennifer Skriloff
 By-Law Chair

Chapter/Area Latino Contest in Ocala!

We want to encourage more Latino participation at our February Leadership Summit/meeting weekend Feb 8-10.

There will be a prize for the chapter with the most Latinos in attendance at Ocala.

Join the 2013 Conference TEAM!!

Now is your chance to be a part of the team that organizes the best state family child care conference in the nation!! Please contact Tammy Tener tenerfcc@gmail.com if you are interested. The next 2013 Team Meeting will be 4:45pm, Saturday night, February 9, 2013 immediately following the Leadership Summit in Bldg. 41 at the College of Central Florida campus in Ocala. Visit www.familychildcare.org and click on conference for all the new 2013 conference forms. **Most forms are available in Spanish too.** The new conference registration brochure will be available Feb 9th at the Summit.

Conference Team Members and Responsibilities

Event Coordinator: Tammy Tener - Keynotes, presenters, brochure, budget, forms, sponsors, AV, Food

Assistants: Connie Foster – Registration, Hostess intake, on-site presenter, proof forms

Abbie Bill - Intake & deposits for registration, Lay-away plan, parent sponsor, Pre-Conf

Vendors: Barbara Lengell - Solicit vendors, program ads, free resources, set up, on-site coord

Program Book: Jennifer Skriloff

Layout 36 pages, workshop write-ups

Latino Assistant: Mayra Marquez

Translation, workshop, Caucus, hostess, Reg. table

Awards: Nancy Dougherty

Essay Awards, ballot awards, plaques, set up display

Hostesses: Cathy McCoy

Assignments, orientation, on-site coord, signatures

Donations, prizes: Jenny Turnquest

Contact and secure businesses for donations

Fundraising: Bernie Heikkila

Door prizes, state & green tables, volunteer orientation

CEUs: Debbie Pintar

Forms, on-site registration table

Parent Sponsors: Janet Dixon

Promote fundraiser, on-site display

History/Photographer: Karan Hiester

Gather & display items, on-site photos

Transport: Anne & Dan Brooks

Haul items from storage unit to conference hotel & back

Décor/theme: Carole Caffentzis/ Diane Brown

Set-up Reg Area, Gen Sessions, & Sat night



Call for Exhibitors, Ads, & Donations

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.
21st Annual Conference, June 25-30, 2013

"Enhancing Our Minds...In 2013"

Sheraton Sand Key Resort, 1160 Gulf Blvd., Clearwater Beach, FL 33767

Business Name: _____ Website: _____

Contact Person Name: _____ Title: _____

Business Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Business Phone: _____ Email: _____

Note: Unless notified otherwise, all information listed above for Exhibitors will be in the Conference Program Book.

Service/Product: _____ Signature: _____

☐ **Yes! We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and be an Exhibitor on June 27-29:**

Each space includes: ONE 6 foot skirted table & one chair - **Thurs** Set-up 2-5pm & Opening 6-9pm,

Fri 9am-6pm, **Sat** 9am-4pm (times may vary) ☐ **#of tables X \$_____ = \$_____ plus**

2 door prizes (\$25 value each) Deadlines: Early Bird \$125 if payment received by Dec 31, 2012

Jan 1 - April 30: \$150, If space available, after May 1: \$200, after June 1: \$250

☐ **Yes! We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and advertise in the conference program book:**

Submit ads in grey tone, .tiff or .PDF format with portrait orientation. Deadline: April 15, 2013

☐ Business Card \$25 ☐ ¼ page \$50 (3½"x5") ☐ ½ page \$100 (7"x5") ☐ Full page \$200 (7"x9½")

☐ **Yes! We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and Donate in-kind ITEMS: (describe)**

☐ Door Prizes (\$25 minimum value) _____

☐ Grand Prizes (\$100 value or more) _____

☐ Promotional Items to insert in Conference Bag (no flyers, catalogs) _____

☐ Table Centerpieces for Luncheon with Literacy theme (used as prizes) _____

☐ Gifts to recognize Nationally Accredited (NAFCC) Providers _____

☐ **Yes! We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and reserve space on your Resource Sharing Table:**

☐ \$50.00 or ☐ \$25 plus one door prize (\$25 value) Contact us by May 15, 2013 to send resources to address below.

Describe resources: _____

☐ **Yes! We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and contribute a monetary Level of Sponsorship:**

☐ **Curious Minds: \$250** ☐ **Inquisitive Minds: \$1,500**

☐ **Creative Minds: \$500** ☐ **Innovative Minds: \$2,500**

☐ **Caring Minds: \$1,000** ☐ **The Ultimate Mind: \$5,000 or more**

☐ **MIND MATCH** to match funds raised by parents up to a designated amount \$ _____

All MIND sponsorship levels will include: materials inserted in conference bag, and program book listing. \$500 & up includes program advertising at various sizes according to Sponsor Level.

☐ **Yes! We would like to ENHANCE MINDS and SELECT a specific request:** ☐ \$250 Co-sponsor with...

☐ \$500 ☐ \$1,000 ☐ \$1,500 ☐ \$2,500 ☐ \$5,000 or more

—Special Speakers —Award Plaques —Program Book —500 Bags —Appreciation Luncheon

—Leader Recognition —Audio Visual —Keynote Speaker—Brochure Printing —NAFCC Observer

—Parent Choice Awards —Name Tags —Provider Breakfast —Provider Celebration —VIP Reception

Deadlines: Jan 5, 2013 for listing in Conference Brochure, Feb 15 for April listing in The Grapevine

May 1 for listing in Conference Program Book, June 1 for listing at the conference

Make check to: FFCCHA, Mail to: Exhibitor Chair, 13286 Palladium Rd. Brooksville, FL 34613 **Questions:** 352-556-3387,

Email: barbaralengell@gmail.com **Fax:** 352-556-3387, call first

Need more information on **HOW to ENHANCE Minds?**

contact: Tammy Tener, Executive Director, 407-366-8467, 407-234-3473 tenerfcc@gmail.com



Call for Workshop Presenters

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.

21st Annual Conference, June 25-30, 2013

"Enhancing Our Minds...In 2013"

Sheraton Sand Key Resort, 1160 Gulf Blvd., Clearwater Beach, FL 33767

Workshop Proposal Applications will **ONLY be accepted via email submissions in .doc or .docx** word format or files that are typed in the computer (not handwritten and not scanned). Deadline: Jan. 13, 2013

All **workshop sessions** will be **75 minutes** (1.25 hours) with 30 minute breaks in between (15 minutes right before and after workshop is allowed for set up and break down)

All set up, handouts, and visual aid expenses are the responsibility of the Presenter.

Accepted workshops entitle the **primary presenter only** to a **free** conference **registration**. All co-presenters will need to register and pay the registration fee. All presenters are responsible for making their own travel and hotel reservations and any other expenses incurred.

Submissions must include ALL of the following information:

Note: Please list contact information, workshop title, and description **as you want it printed** in the Conference program book. However, FFCCHA has right to edit all submissions.

Primary Presenter Name, Title (if applicable)

Address of Primary Presenter: City, State, Zip

Phone, Fax, Email

Business or Organization name, Website

Resume or Bio that must contain name, educational background or credential, previous workshops presented, years in child care and professional affiliations (association or other professional organizations)
If applicable: Secondary Presenter Name and all contact info as stated above

☐ **English Track** ☐ **Spanish Track**

Spanish workshop Presenters must **submit Title, Description, and outline in both** English and Spanish.

Title of Proposed Workshop

Workshop Description (50 words or less)

Outline of Workshop Contents

Handouts (attach file separately) for workshop (copies at your expense)

Workshop format: ☐ Lecture ☐ Discussion ☐ Loud/noisy ☐ PowerPoint ☐ Other, explain

Please specify if using a PowerPoint. If so, we will assign you to a room with a screen and table with power cord. **You must supply your own computer and projector.**

In order to provide a variety of workshops, please indicate which **category your workshop** relates to:

☐ Curriculum ☐ Health, Safety or Nutrition ☐ Special Needs ☐ Leadership Skills ☐ Business Practices ☐ VPK
☐ Legislation, Advocacy ☐ Behavior challenges ☐ Parent Involvement ☐ Credentials ☐ Other, please explain:

Preference for workshop time: ☐ Friday, June 28 ☐ AM or ☐ PM ☐ Saturday, June 29 ☐ AM or ☐ PM
Please explain any type of unusual circumstances, room set up or special request.

Please submit workshop applications via email to: info@familychildcare.org

Need more information on **HOW to ENHANCE Minds?**

Contact Tammy Tener, Executive Director via e-mail: tenerfcc@gmail.com or call 407-366-8467

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The Office of Child Care Regulation is proud to announce that the updated CCTA Training Portal is NOW LIVE.



Child Care Regulation Training Application Update

The Child Care Regulation Program has upgraded the Child Care Training Application Training Portal (CCTA) used statewide by child care personnel statewide to register, complete, and track their training. Aimed at an improved user experience, the updated application provides more security and independence for the users through the new enhancements.

NEW ENHANCEMENTS, SUCH AS:

- New log in process utilizing email address instead of a Social Security Number or student ID
- Single access point to all functions within the CCTA Training Portal
- Increase security and privacy of training records
 - Including system generated email notification when activity takes place on your account
- Ability to cancel eligible competency exams online prior to seven days before the exam date
- Continuous access to all payment receipts and transactions
- And additional features to improve the user's experience

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE YOU THE USER:

- **NEW LOGIN: ITEMS NECESSARY FOR LOG IN**
 - An active email address that is:
 - Associated with your current training record
 - Unique, with only one email address per account
 - Training information is private and only available to you
- **WHAT HAPPENS THE FIRST TIME YOU LOG IN?**
 - You will be prompted to enter a valid email address associated with your current training record
 - If you do not have one you will need to create one
 - You will be sent an email containing a system generated password; you will use this password to gain access to your training information
 - From there you will be able to update your password
 - For security and password recovery you will be asked to answer three unique questions
 - You will be asked to verify your address and demographic information
 - Then you will be able to sign up/view/track training programs

HOW DO YOU ACCESS THE CCTA TRAINING PORTAL?

- Go to: www.myflorida.com/childcare
 - Click on CCTA TRAINING PORTAL

NEED HELP?

- Watch the step by step tutorial video <http://ccrain.fl-dcf.com/documents/-99/1088.swf> OR
- Click on the HELP function located toward the bottom of the screen in a grey bar

If you still need assistance, please contact the Child Care Training Information Center at 1-888-352-2842.



Conference Layaway Plan and Hotel Reservations

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.

21st Annual Conference, June 25-30, 2013

“Enhancing Our Minds . . . in 2013”

Sheraton Sand Key Resort, 1160 Gulf Blvd., Clearwater Beach, FL 33767

- Plan is available for **FFCCHA members** only. Balance must be **PAID IN FULL** by **April 1, 2013**.
- Plan includes: **hotel room for three nights**, Thursday through Saturday, June 27-29, with check-out on Sunday, June 30 at the Sheraton Sand Key Resort.
- Additional nights (3 days before or 3 days after the conference) must be paid at a rate of \$174/night.
- Plan has a maximum of **SIX monthly payments** due on the **1st of each month**, starting Nov. 1, 2012
- All applications **MUST have first payment included**, or it will be returned! If you start after November 1, you must increase your first payment. You can also opt to pay in full with one payment before April 1.
- **Send** layaway payment **on time each month. NO reminder** phone calls, emails, or reminder postcards!
- All balances not paid in full by April 1, 2013 will be returned, minus the \$100.00 processing fee.
- ♦ **Refunds** will be allowed until May 1, 2013 **minus a \$100** processing fee.

Four options are available, with a maximum of six monthly layaway payments:

☐ **Option #1:** One FFCCHA Member (Private or Family Room – maximum of 4 people including children)

Hotel cost, \$522.00 and a nominal layaway fee included.

Total: \$530.00 **for only one member** (First payment of \$105, 5 payments of \$85)

☐ **Option #2:** Two FFCCHA Members

Your portion of the hotel cost, \$261.00 and a nominal layaway fee included.

Total: \$265.00 **per member** (First payment of \$65, 5 payments of \$40) **Each member must apply!**

☐ **Option #3:** Three FFCCHA Members

Your portion of the hotel cost, \$174.00 and a nominal layaway fee included.

Total: \$180.00 **per member** (First payment of \$55, 5 payments of \$25) **Each member must apply!**

☐ **Option #4:** Four FFCCHA Members

Your portion of the hotel cost, \$130.50 and a nominal layaway fee included.

Total: \$135.00 **per member** (First payment of \$35, 5 payments of \$20) **Each member must apply!**

Please print clearly and complete entire form

Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
 E-mail: _____ Date Arriving: _____ Departing: _____

Bed options*: ____ One King OR ____ Two Double beds. Amount of money enclosed: \$ _____

** We will make every effort to accommodate your bed option request, but it cannot be guaranteed.*

Roommate(s) Names: _____
(required for all options)

Make checks payable to: **FFCCHA, Inc.** and mail to FFCCHA, Inc., 9207 Edgemont Lane, Boca Raton, FL 33434

Note: There is a \$47.00 fee for all returned checks.

Questions? Or if you need an accommodation because of a disability in order to participate in the child care training process; contact Connie Foster at least two weeks prior to the first training date at 386-684-1235 or via e-mail cfoster206@aol.com between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Calls can be received Monday through Friday.

Office Use Only:

#1: Check # _____	Amount \$ _____	Date: _____	#4: Check # _____	Amount \$ _____	Date: _____
#2: Check # _____	Amount \$ _____	Date: _____	#5: Check # _____	Amount \$ _____	Date: _____
#3: Check # _____	Amount \$ _____	Date: _____	#6: Check # _____	Amount \$ _____	Date: _____
Total Layaway Plan Paid: Amount \$ _____ Date: _____					



Plan de Layaway de Conferencia y Reservación de Hotel

Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.

21 Conferencia Anual, Junio 25-30, 2013

“Realizando Nuestras Mentes... En el 2013”

Sheraton Sand Key Resort, 1160 Gulf Blvd., Clearwater Beach, FL 33767

- ♦ El Plan incluye: **hotel por tres noches**, Jueves a Sábado, Junio 27-29, con salida el Domingo, Junio 30 del Sheraton Sand Key Resort.
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- ♦ Noches adicionales (3 días antes o 3 días después de la conferencia) debe ser pagado a \$174/noche.
- ♦ El Plan tiene un máximo de **SEIS pagos mensuales** que se vencen **el 1ro. de cada mes**, comenzando Noviembre 1, 2012.
- ♦ Todas las solicitudes **DEBEN incluir el primer pago**, o serán devueltas! Si comienzas después de Nov 1, debes aumentar tu pago. Tienes la opción, también, de pagar el total en un pago antes de Abril 1ro.
- ♦ **Envía** el pago de “layaway” **a tiempo cada mes. NO Habrá recordatorio** por teléfono, “emails”, o correo!
- ♦ Todo balance no pagado en su totalidad para Abril 1, 2013 será devuelto, menos \$100.00 de procesamiento.
- ♦ **Devoluciones** serán permitidas hasta Mayo 1ro., 2013 **menos \$100** de procesamiento.

Cuatro opciones están disponibles, con un máximo de seis pagos mensuales de “layaway”:

- ♦ **Opción #1:** Un miembro de FFCCHA (Privado o Cuarto Familiar – máximo de 4 personas incluyendo niños) Hotel - \$522.00 y cuota mínima de “layaway” incluida. Total: \$530.00 **por solo un miembro** (Primer pago de \$105, y 5 pagos adicionales de \$85)
 - ♦ **Opción #2:** Dos Miembros de FFCCHA Tu porción de costo de hotel, \$261.00 y cuota mínima de “layaway” incluida. Total: \$265.00 **por miembro** (Primer pago de \$65, y 5 pagos adicionales de \$40) **Cada miembro debe solicitar!**
 - ♦ **Opción #3:** Tres miembros de FFCCHA
Tu porción de costo de hotel, \$174.00 y cuota mínima de “layaway” incluida.
Total: \$180.00 **por miembro** (Primer pago de \$55, y cuota adicional de 5 de \$25) **Cada miembro debe solicitar!**
 - ♦ **Opción #4:** Cuatro Miembros de FFCCHA
Tu porción de costo de hotel cost, \$130.50 y cuota mínima de “layaway” incluida.
Total: \$135.00 **por miembro** (Primer pago de \$45, y 5 pagos adicionales de \$45) **Cada miembro debe solicitar!**
- Note Especial:** Para los que necesiten solo reservación de hotel, **usen esta forma también!**

Por favor use letra de molde y llene forma completamente

Nombre: _____ Teléfono: _____

Dirección: _____ Ciudad: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Día de Llegada: _____ Salida: _____

Opción de Camas*: _____ Una “King” _____ Dos Doble. **Cantidad de dinero incluido: \$** _____

**Haremos todo lo posible por acomodar tu pedido, pero no puede ser garantizado.*

Compañero(s) Nombre: _____

(requerido para todas las opciones)

Haz tu cheque pagadero a: **FFCCHA, Inc.** Envía a: FFCCHA, Inc. 9207 Edgemont Lane, Boca Raton, FL 33434

Nota: Hay un cargo de \$45.00 por todo cheque devuelto.

Preguntas? O si necesitas acomodación por causa de impedimento para participar en el proceso de entrenamiento de cuido de niños; contacta a Connie Foster por lo menos dos semanas antes del día del primer entrenamiento al 386-684-1235 ó escribe via e-mail cfoster206@aol.com entre las horas de 8:00 am y 5:00 pm. Puedes llamar de Lunes a Viernes.

Solo para Uso de Oficina:

#1: Cheque # _____ Cantidad \$ _____ Día: _____ #4: Cheque # _____ Cantidad \$ _____ Día: _____

#2: Cheque # _____ Cantidad \$ _____ Día: _____ #5: Cheque # _____ Cantidad \$ _____ Día: _____

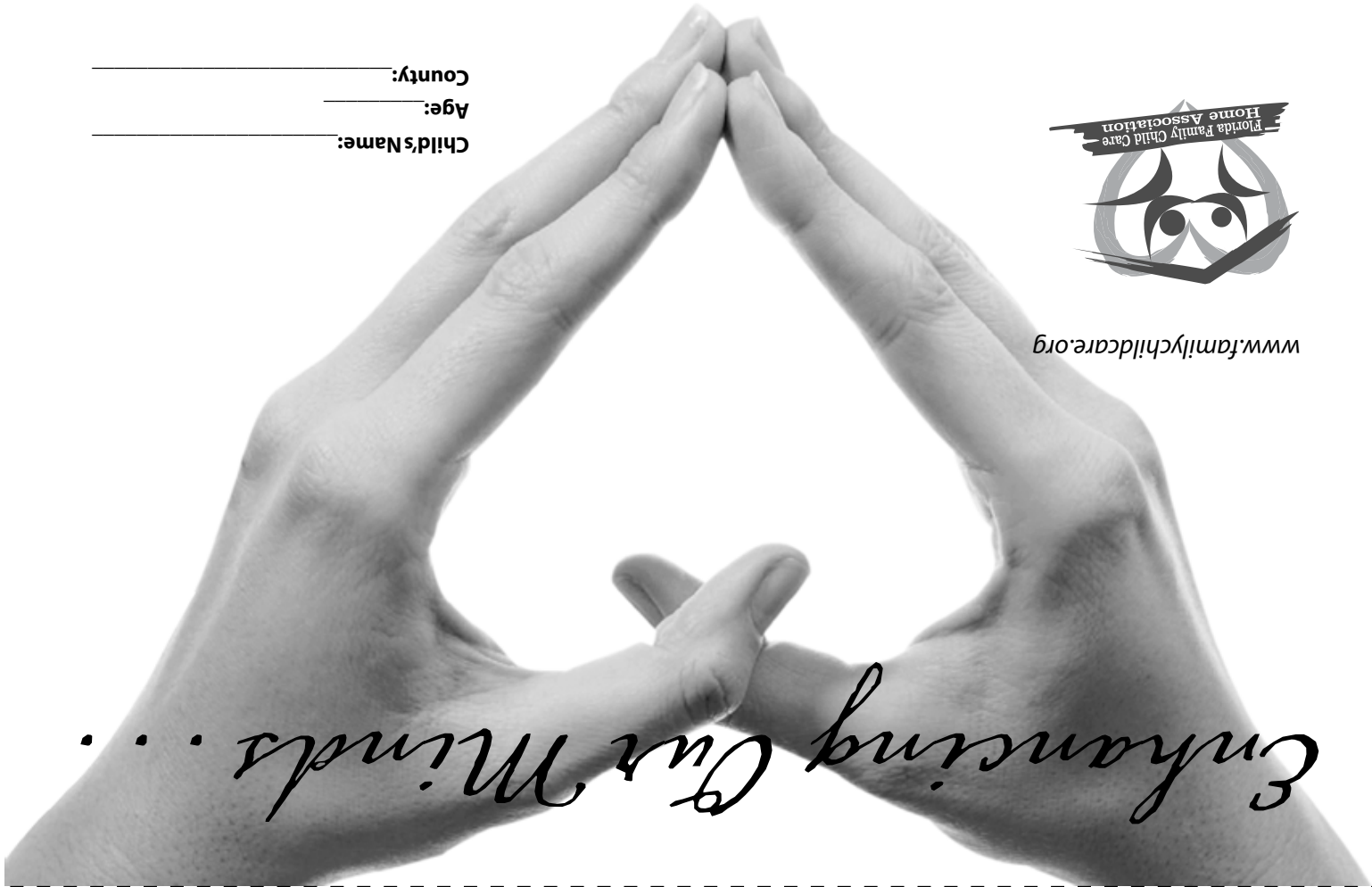
#3: Cheque # _____ Cantidad \$ _____ Día: _____ #6: Cheque # _____ Cantidad \$ _____ Día: _____

Total de Plan de “Layaway” Pagado: Cantidad: \$ _____ Día: _____

County: _____
Age: _____
Child's Name: _____



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*Parents—Sponsor the Florida Family Child
Care Home Association & 85% Conference!*

Provider Information

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Phone: (____) _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____ County: _____
E-Mail: _____ Chapter Name: _____

Family Information

Child's First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Age: _____

Donation Amount

- ☐ \$5 - Display photo at 2013 conference (*must be submitted by May 1*)
- ☐ \$10 - Display photo at 2013 conference AND Capitol for Children's Day (*must submit two forms by March 27, 2013*)
- ☐ \$15 - Enter photo contest (*See photo instructions on back of this form and submit photo separately by April 5*). Also includes display at both conference and Capital (*2 forms must be submitted by March 27, 2013*)
- ☐ Other donation amount: \$ _____

Assembly and Submittal instructions

Print out in color or print in black and white on bright green, orange or yellow paper.

Cut out the white heart in the middle of the hands. Place a photo of your child behind the hands, tape in place and fold on the dotted center line
OR have your child color or decorate the heart.

Photo Release

By signing this form, you, the parent/guardian of the person(s) photographed, hereby give the Children's Forum and the Florida Family Child Care Home Association permission to publish submitted photographs. You understand that photos will NOT be used in any other content without your written consent and the photos will NOT be released or sold to any third party. Your signature warrants that you are over the age of 18 and competent to contract in your name and/or sign on behalf of your minor child as listed above.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parents— Send your child to the beach for only \$5!

FFCCHA needs assistance from parents of young children to support our annual statewide conference, "Enhancing Our Minds in 2013" in Clearwater Beach. The total \$ amount of donations from parents and what they are able to sponsor collectively will be listed in the conference program book. If your child's photo or artwork is submitted on forms along with donations, then it will be displayed at the conference. We are hoping to get a business sponsor to match the parent donations. Provider names from family child care homes that submit \$25 or more in parent donations will be listed in the conference program book.

and let them "Hang in Tally" with the Governor for \$10!

For a **\$15 donation**, your child can also **enter a photo contest** for the hand-shaped heart FFCCHA Conference Logo for "Enhancing Our Minds in 2014." Note: Parent or child(ren) name will not be printed on conference marketing materials.

Photo Contest Rules in order to be able to use the photo in print publications.

1. **E-mail entries** must contain a hi-resolution color photograph uploaded in compliance with the Contest requirements, in JPEG format with picture dimensions at least 1800 x 1200 pixels and 300 dpi. Send to: **ffcchaphotos@thechildrensforum.com**
2. **HARD photos** may be submitted but must be no smaller than 5 x 7 inches.

Mail PHOTOS ONLY to: The Children's Forum c/o Janelle Karlen, 2807 Remington Green Circle, Tallahassee, FL 32308

3. Entries that contain photographs (digital or hard) that do not comply with the specifications or any other requirements stated herein will be automatically disqualified.
4. All Entries become the property of Sponsor, and none will be acknowledged or returned. Sponsor is not responsible for lost, late, incomplete, invalid, unintelligible, or misdirected entries.
5. Entries that contain inappropriate images such as but not limited to nudity will be disqualified.
6. Entries that contain any type of advertising or logo images will be disqualified. This includes visible clothing brands.
7. Child(ren) must currently be in care at a family child care home of a provider member of FFCCHA.
8. Parent or legal guardian must sign and submit a photo release.
9. Deadline for photo submissions is April 5, 2013.

Tips for making sure your photo qualifies for the contest:

1. Make sure your camera is set on the highest pixel setting. The file size will be large but big can be reduced by the graphic designer. Small pictures can't be enlarged!
2. When emailing your digital photo, do NOT reduce the file size. Keep it at the original size.
3. If your computer or email system does not want to send it because the file size is too large, save the picture to a CD and mail the CD in a protective CD case.
4. Close up shots are best, zoom in on the child(ren's) face. These are the priceless shots we need for the FFCCHA publications.
5. Photography from professional photographers are not acceptable and will not be acknowledged or returned.

Mail your forms and donations to: FFCCHA, Inc., 9207 Edgemont Lane, Boca Raton, FL 33434
Call (954) 581-1192 if you have any questions.

Spanish version available on our website: www.familychildcare.org

Parents: Nominate your Provider for Parent Choice Award!!

Do you think your family child care provider is a very special person and goes beyond your expectations? If so, then please submit a short essay (300 words or less) titled **"My Provider is Outstanding"** to: FFCCHA Awards Chair, Nancy Dougherty, 607 65th Avenue Drive West, Bradenton, FL 34207, postmarked by March 3, 2013 or email to: knsdcou@verizon.net and type PARENT CHOICE in the subject line. Be sure to include the full name and complete contact information of the provider member and the full name of the parent submitting the essay. A form is also available on the Conference Page on our website www.familychildcare.org.

Three winners will be selected and recognized at the state conference Luncheon. The provider winners will receive a complimentary full conference registration and one hotel night accommodation to attend the June FFCCHA 2013 conference!

NAFCC Accredited Providers: Apply for an Award!

The **Outstanding Accredited Provider Award** is given to one FFCCHA provider chapter member **currently** accredited by the National Association for Family Child Care (NAFCC). The winner of this award will receive a complimentary full conference registration and one hotel night accommodation to the June 2013 FFCCHA conference. Accredited Providers must submit a short essay (300 words or less) titled **"My Accredited Program is Outstanding..."** to: FFCCHA Awards Chair, Nancy Dougherty, 607 65th Avenue Drive West, Bradenton, FL 34207 postmarked by March 3, 2013 or email to knsdcou@verizon.net and type OUTSTANDING ACCREDITED PROVIDER in the subject line.

Be sure to include your full name and complete contact information and the name of your local FFCCHA chapter. A form is also available on the Conference Page on our website www.familychildcare.org

WANTED: Recyclable Child Care Items

Bernadette Heikkila, FFCCHA Fundraiser

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.

Win a Free Hotel Night for 2013 Conference!!

And Get your Name/Family Child Care Home listed in the conference program!

Here's how: Encourage your parent/clients to participate as a Parent Sponsor of the conference. For every \$25 collected, your Provider name will be entered as a chance for the free night. Winner will be announced at the April 27th Full Board meeting (you do not have to be present to win).

Copy sponsor forms pages 21 & 22 in this issue of

The Grapevine or print forms from the web site:

www.familychildcare.org under the conference section – also available in Spanish on the web.

Give the forms to parents and collect the payment and mail to FFCCHA by April 20 or turn in at the April 27 meeting.

For parents entering the photo contest, the deadline is April 5th.

Payment must be sent separately by April 5 too.



If you have questions or want ideas on how to get your chapter members and parents to participate, contact Janet Dixon or email: Dfcc@bellsouth.net

Mentor News

Abbie Bill, Mentor Program Chair

To current certified mentors: I have e-mailed each of you regarding what you need to submit to me in order to keep your mentor status current. If you have any questions about what is needed, please contact me. I will be happy to let you know what is needed.

Are you licensed? Earned your CDA or NAFCC accreditation? Do you like working with other adults to Mentor, Educate, Nurture, Train, Observe and Role Model?

Then consider furthering your professional development by becoming a FFCCHA Certified Mentor. FFCCHA will be offering Mentor 1 training at our 2013 annual conference in Clearwater Beach. The dates will be Wednesday and Thursday June 26-27, 2013.

Questions?

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

save the Date

FFCCHA 21st Conference
June 25-30



Enhancing Our Minds...in 2013

ABCMouse Contest
- Win a Nook!
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