

THE GRAPEVINE

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Summertime FUN!

July 2018

President's Message:

The FFCCHA Voyage Continues

THANK YOU!!!

Wow! Another awesome conference!! I would like to thank the amazing conference coordinators and their awesome team for planning FFCCHA's 25th Birthday conference. A special thank you to FFCCHA members, ELC'S, EHS, NAFCC team and all the presenters who shared time and expertise with FFCCHA members.

We met new members, we laughed, we networked, we shared the love and most of all "We Enhanced our Minds" in 2018. The workshops were awesome and excitement was in the air as our leaders passed the torch to new leaders.

As we continue our voyage of growing new leaders and providing quality childcare, take a few minutes to reflect back on the educational training. I would like you to implement in your Family Child Care Home and Child Care classrooms, all the new ideas and skills you received from the workshops and keynote speakers. Your training will make a big difference with each family you serve. As we grow new leaders, please remember this quote, "Leadership is not about the next election, it's about the next generation." (Simon Sinek)

Please don't forget -Share the love with Family Child Care providers. Invite a provider to our upcoming FFCCHA Quarterly Meeting on August 11, 2018. And, always remember, "Together we make an Awesome Team!"

Gwen Wilson
President

Mensaje de Presidencia:

Wow! Otra conferencia increíble!

Me gustaría agradecer a los coordinadores de la conferencia y a su increíble equipo por planear el cumpleaños 25 de FFCCHA. Un agradecimiento especial a los miembros de FFCCHA, ELC's, EHS, NAFCC, OEL a todos los presentadores y expositores que compartieron su tiempo y experiencias con los miembros de FFCCHA. Los talleres fueron fantásticos!

Conocimos nuevos miembros, nos reímos, nos conectamos, compartimos el amor y sobre todo "Mejoramos Nuestras mentes en 2018." El entusiasmo se sentía en el aire, como nuestros líderes pasarán la antorcha a nuevos líderes en la instalación de oficiales en nuestra reunión.

Mientras continuamos nuestro viaje de creciente de nuevos líderes y proveyendo una calidad de cuidado infantil, toma unos minutos y reflexiona sobre la capacitación educativa. Me gustaría implementar nuevas ideas y habilidades que recibiste de los talleres y de los oradores principales en sus hogares de cuidado infantil. El entrenamiento hará una diferencia en cada niño que sirves y a sus familias. A medida que crecemos nuevos líderes, por favor recuerda esta cita: "El liderazgo no se trata de las próximas elecciones, se trata de la próxima generación." (Simon Sinek)

No te olvides de compartir el amor con los proveedores de cuidado infantil familiar. Invita a otras proveedoras a nuestra reunión cuatrimestral de FFCCH en agosto 11, 2018. Recuerda, "Juntos hacemos un equipo increíble!"

Gwen Wilson
Presidente



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Members of FFCCHA who serve on Early Learning Coalitions:

Shurrea Daniels – ELC of Pinellas

Karan Heister – ELC of Flagler/Volusia County

Nichola Griffiths-Butts - ELC of Palm Beach County

Gwen Wilson – ELC of Marion County

Naomi Helligar – ELC of Osceola

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Mary Morris – Palm Beach County Health Department Child Care Advisory Council

Tammy Tener – Seminole State College Early Childhood Advisory Committee

Tasheba Berry – Broward County Professional Development Committee

Kathy Jones - Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners Family Child Care Home Advisory Board

Arleen Lambert - Miami Dade College Early Childhood Education Advisory Committee

Credential Scholarship News

Submitted by Abbie Bill, Scholarship Chair

**9 Scholarships were awarded totaling \$2060
April 1 – June 30, 2018**

\$300.00 NAFCC Re-Accreditation: **Yaneisy Gueren, Robin Dean**
\$160.00 NAFCC Update: **Maria Fernandez, Loletha Sobers, Tamika Rutledge, Kelly Patterson**
\$300.00 NAFCC Self Study: **Antoinette Johnson-Green, Lesia Crichlow, Kissha Ballard**

Funds are available! Apply NOW!
TEACH is offering scholarships for CDA renewals. And when completed, you will be given a stipend.



ONE GOAL Report

Submitted by Karan Hiester, Representative

Gretchen Murphy, Cynthia Chipp, Karan Hiester and Annette Eberhart will be representing Florida Family Child Care Home Association, Inc.

**One Goal: Building The Future Together
"Putting Families And Children First"**

July 18-20, 2018 - Hilton Tampa Downtown
211 North Tampa Street. Tampa, Florida

**One Goal
Summer
Conference**



April & June Meeting Updates

Submitted by Renie Roach, Secretary

April 21, 2018 Full Board Meeting

Our President, Gwen Wilson, handed out Provider Appreciation Certificates to all attendees. Tasheba spoke about the Public Relations position and how all providers need to speak up, be present, be respectful, and make our voices heard.

New Business: Motion to change Sande Harper's title from Financial Assistant to Financial Manager passed. Sande Harper will assume the duties of the IRS component of the 501C-3 portion of Chapters.

June 24, 2018 General Meeting

The appointment of Lula Owens for Public Relations Officer was approved. Former President, Lynn Gibson, performed the Installation of new officers for the term of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Our keynote speaker, Ole Pete Key, said "Someone's Destiny is tied to your assignment (job), just replace the word 'your' with 'my,' so remember as child care providers, we leave a lasting impression on all children."

FFCCHA Calendar of Events



July

- 17 ELAC Meeting, Tampa
 18-20 One Goal Conference, Hilton Tampa Downtown
 21 **Deadline for August Full Board Meeting Reports:**
 Executive Committee & Chairs send to: gwenlo50@hotmail.com Area Reps send to: 1thechildcareprovider@gmail.com Chapter Reps send to: weluvkids@comcast.net
 31 Deadline for Aug 11 Hotel and Training Registration

August

- 10 **FFCCHA Executive Committee Meeting, Best Western, Ocala**
 11 **FFCCHA Training/Full Board Meeting, Ocala**
 17 Deadline for October newsletter

September

- 6-9 FLA EYC Conference, Rosen Shingle Creek, Orlando
 TBA FFCCHA Executive Committee Development training
 22 Monroe Early Childhood Conference, Key West

October

- 6 **Deadline for August Full Board Meeting Reports:**
 Executive Committee & Chairs send to: gwenlo50@hotmail.com Area Reps send to: 1thechildcareprovider@gmail.com Chapter Reps send to: weluvkids@comcast.net
 13 Annual Infant/Toddler Conference, St. Petersburg
 19 ELAC Meeting, Miami
 20 Pasco/Hernando Early Learning Conference, Spring Hill
 27 **FFCCHA Training/Full Board Meeting, Ocala**

November

- 14-17 NAEYC conference, Washington, DC
 17 **Deadline for January newsletter**

December

- 1 Children First Conference, Miami

January

- 10 **Deadline for Board Applications for 2-year terms to start July 1, 2019:**
 President, Vice President, Fundraising, Area Rep Coordinator, Latino Liaison

February

- TBA **FFCCHA Leadership Summit**
 17 **Deadline for April newsletter**

March

- 19 **Deadline for Parent Choice Awards**
 22 Hanging of the Hands, Tallahassee
 25 Children's Week Advocacy Dinner, Tallahassee
 26 Children's Day at the Capitol, Tallahassee
 29 **Deadline for Outstanding Accredited Provider award**

April

- 9 **Deadline for Essay Awards: Hall of Fame, AHAP, Chapter**
 TBA **FFCCHA Training/Full Board Meeting, Ocala**

May

- 10 National Provider Appreciation Day

June

- 19-22 **NAFCC Conference, Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel, Orlando**
 22 **FFCCHA General Meeting & Awards, Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel, Orlando**

Spring Membership News

Membership Officer – Amanda Wallace

Congratulations to our Membership Drive Winners!!

The Monthly Membership Drive :
Palm Beach County FCC Association (March)
South Florida Home CC Association (April)
South Florida Home CC Association (May)

The winners for the current Membership Drive will be announced during the next Full Board Meeting in Ocala. Remember, acknowledgements are given to the Chapter that submits the most new, renewals, or advocates members monthly. Providers who submit the most new parent members are also acknowledged each month. Please renew your membership before it expires, to avoid a lapse in your membership. Your expiration date is located on the back of the FFCCHA's newsletter, The Grapevine, just above your name on the address label. All FFCCHA Members can join NAFCC at a \$5 discounted rate through your local Chapter.

Membership breakdown as of 5/31/2018:

Chapters: 18
 Chapter Providers: 439
 Co-Providers: 40
 Individual Members: 56
 Advocates: 29
 Lifetime & Honorary Members: 8
 Parent Members: 34
 Agencies: 0
 Total: 624



Thank you for your patience and assistance! Email: amandawallace42@bellsouth.net



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FFCCHA Awards Voting

Submitted by Awards Chair: Renie Roach

We used **Survey Monkey** for the first time this year, to vote on the nominations for the FFCCHA State Awards.

I hope that you had an opportunity to vote, if not please remember to vote during next year's voting period.

These awards are based on participation by an FFCCHA member or advocate, to support and promote Family Child Care to recognize outstanding providers!



Please congratulate all of the winners for a job well done!

For more info, contact Renie at 904-436-5799 or rrroach@bellsouth.net.



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More ways to support FFCCHA

Submitted by Fundraising Chair: Cynthia Chipp

Amazon Smile - When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Florida Family Child Care Home Association Inc. <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/650392120> Bookmark the link and support us every time you shop. Also Share this link with others to help us too!

Benevity.org - Florida Family Child Care Home Association Inc. is registered with causes.benevity.org and is eligible to receive donations and matching corporate donations.

Coin Rally – Keep a container near your entry way to collect loose change from your parent clients and bring coins to quarterly meeting.

Green Table – continue to bring your gently-used child care items to Ocala to donate for resale.



Chapter News

Submitted by Bernie Heikkila
Chapter Coordinator

**Congratulations to the
Chapter Rep of the Year!!**

Mercedes Pridgen



I am very happy how well the Chapter Reps quarterly meeting went. We accomplished a lot and now we are working on handing in all required paperwork and reports that are past due. This has been an exciting time for Chapter Reps and we would like to see all of the chapters represented at our FFCCHA Quarterly meeting on August 11, 2018, in Ocala, FL.

Just a reminder that Chapters from Areas 1 - 5 are to donate a gift or gift card in the amount of \$25.00 for the door prizes for the quarterly meeting.

For Chapter info: contact Bernie Heikkila at weluvkids@comcast.net or call 941-371-0344

Area Rep News

Submitted by: Lucinda Hightower
Area Rep Coordinator

**Congratulations to the
Area Rep of the Year!!**

Adrienne Shawn
Donaldson

and Area Rep of the Quarter!!!

Diana Bembery-Rhodes



Come JOIN the Area Rep Family & Be a VOICE for your AREA!!!

*****KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK AREA REPS*****

We are currently looking for new Area Representatives for the following Areas: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 and 30

If you like working as an Advocate in your community, sharing resources and networking, this is the perfect job for you.

Please contact Lucinda Hightower 904-475-0458 or
Email: 1thechildcareprovider@gmail.com

Nominations Report

Submitted by: Karan Heister

**"No one can do everything but
EVERYONE can do something!"**

If you are a family child care provider and have a passion for your profession and are interested in promoting our mission, please submit an Executive Committee or Chair application.

Our Executive Committee Positions are all filled! We are still in need of several Area Representatives to fill in positions! Please contact Area Rep Coordinator, Lucinda Hightower.

Apply NOW for Open Chair Positions to start immediately: Advisory, Chaplain, Historian, Latino Development, Nominations, Parliamentarian, Credential Scholarships and Translation Chair.

Questions? Contact Nominations Chair, Karan Hiester at educate71@hotmail.com or call 386-957-4482 or 386-689-3046.



M.E.N.T.O.R. NEWS

Abbie Bill, Mentor Program Chair

Congratulations to the following providers who attended the 12 hour Mentor Training at our June conference: Marie Demerville, Kelly Patterson, Latonya Richardson, Lesia Crichlow, Mercedes Pridgen, Shannon Richardson, Adrienne Donaldson, Kissha Ballard.

Upon completion of their five volunteer hours and submission of required paperwork by October 1st, they will be Certified Mentor I. Questions? E-mail flmentorgpm@aol.com or call 561-482-6038.



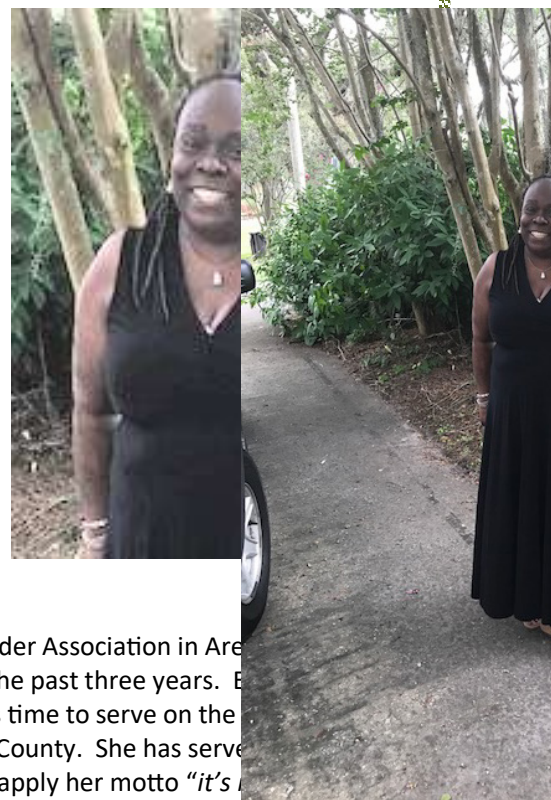
TALK OF THE TOWN Area #21 (Hillsborough)

Cynthia Chipp

Cynthia Chipp is the owner of Cynthia Chipp FCCH, which is located in Hillsborough County. She has owned and operated her business since 1999. Cynthia Chipp FCCH is Nationally Accredited through NAFCC for over ten years and participates in the Performance Funding Pilot program. Mrs. Chipp has always had a passion for Early Childhood Education at an early age. During her years in Tampa Bay Technical High School she was enrolled in the Early Childhood Education program, and went on to achieve her Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education.

Mrs. Chipp is a wonderfully dedicated mother of three and grandmother of eight. Even though Mrs. Chipp's children are adults, she has found the strength to foster two beautiful little girls, ages one and four. Mrs. Chipp is so passionate about the work that she does in the community, that she has earned her Mentorship Certificate, and has encouraged many other providers to open up their own family child care homes in Hillsborough County.

Cynthia Chipp is the current President of Hillsborough County Child Care Provider Association in Area 21. She has held this position for the last 8 years. She's the Fundraiser Officer for FFCCHA for the past three years. Because her business is open 24 hours to support the needs of the community, Mrs. Chipp finds time to serve on the Hillsborough County Child Care Licensing Advisory Board as an extended voice for the community in Hillsborough County. She has served on several boards at her local community church and has always encouraged other people to apply her motto "it's all about the children" to their everyday living.



Please submit a "Talk of the Town" article about someone special from Areas 24-30. Submissions must be submitted by August 10, 2018 to the Newsletter Editor: ruud3@aol.com Thank you!

2019 NATIONAL FAMILY CHILD CARE CONFERENCE — JUNE 19-22, 2019

**PRE-REGISTER BY 7/31/2018 TO ENTER TO WIN
ONE OF TWO FREE HOTEL NIGHTS!!
LEARN MORE AT:
WWW.NAFCC.ORG/2019CONFERENCE**

Layaway payment plans are available to help attendees plan and participate in the National Family Child Care Conference. Participating in the lay-away payment program is a NAFCC member benefit and each registered attendee must be a current member through June 30, 2019.

The layaway plans allow you to make payments on registration and/or your hotel room. Hotel rooms are available at a special group rate of \$159.00 per night (plus tax). The Rosen Shingle Creek Hotel has no resort fees and no additional parking fees for guests staying at the hotel.

If you have questions, please contact NAFCC at 801-886-2322 or conference@nafcc.org.

*Remember, all training expenses—including registration, travel, lodging, and meals—are tax deductible when they are incurred for maintaining or improving your skills as a professional. Consult your tax advisor for details.

SAVE THE DATE

29TH NATIONAL FAMILY CHILD CARE CONFERENCE

JUNE 19-22, 2019
ROSEN SHINGLE CREEK HOTEL
ORLANDO, FLORIDA

WWW.NAFCC.ORG/CONFERENCE



**FFCCHA Professional Development
Quarterly Training
August 11, 2018
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon**

The Early Learning Coalition of Marion County

2300 SW 17 Road, Ocala, FL 34471 (2 miles East of Exit 350 and I-75)

Registration Fee: \$30.00 (\$25.00 scholarships available)

Registration forms & payment must be **received by July 31, 2018. NO REFUNDS.**

Mail to: **FFCCHA c/o Adrienne Donaldson, 1530 NW 124 Street, North Miami, FL 33167**

Make check or money order payable to: FFCCHA, Inc. Please submit this completed form with payment (Pay only \$5 if you are a FL Registered OR Licensed family child care provider OR co-provider FFCCHA member & complete 30 words below). *Note: Returned checks will be assessed \$47 in additional fees.*
Any questions, please contact: FFCCHA (786) 274-2931 or JittaBugTrainings@gmail.com

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 _____

Deadline: Must be received by July 31, 2018

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

PLEASE NOTE: Arrive as early as 7:45 to sign in. Training starts promptly at 8:00 am!

**___ It's More than Words - Supporting Language Development in Young Children
Presented by Ruby Phillips**

When you think of supporting language development, the first thought is talking and teaching young children the words that are needed to navigate the world. Words are key but supporting language development goes way beyond teaching children words. It's connections and creativity. It's having fun with language and helping children tell their stories. It's conversations and questions.

This interactive fun session will focus on the indicators and behavior markers associated with supporting language development as well as learning to talk the talk while having fun with language. Be sure to bring in your language development materials for exploration and recreation with each other.

___ 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 (786) 274-2931 between 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m Monday through Friday.

Deadline July 31, 2018 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 08/06/2018.



FFCCHA Quarterly Meeting Hotel Application

Best Western Hotel

August 10-11, 2018

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

Hotel reservations are for one or two (2) nights (Friday evening, August 10th & Saturday evening, August 11th) while you are attending the FFCCHA Full Board meeting and/or training at The Early Learning Coalition (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 11, 2018.
3. Complete form(s) and send so they are received no later than July 30, 2018. No Expectations!
4. Include full payment with this form or the application will not be accepted. Payments will be available online via Credit Card (cc) payments. Those making payments by cash/check/MO will be given discounted prices.

Optional Networking Lunch \$10.00 – select one: ☐ Ham Sandwich ☐ Roast Beef Sandwich ☐ Turkey Sandwich
For sandwiches only choose one side: ☐ Pasta Salad ☐ Mandarin Pineapple Dream ☐ Tropical Fruit ☐ Chips
☐ Chef Salad ☐ Roasted Turkey Caesar Salad

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 10-11, 2018

Check one option:

___ **Option 1 Two people to a room for two nights. Each person pays \$73.50 (CC) or \$71.50 (Cash /Check)**

___ **Option 2 Single or Family Room for two nights. One payment of \$147.00 (CC) or \$143.00 (Cash/Check)**

___ **Option 3 Two people to a room for ONE night only - check: ___ Fri 8-10-18 or ___ Sat 8-11-18**

Each person **pays \$36.75 (CC) or \$35.75 (cash /check)**

___ **Option 4 Single or Family Room for ONE night only - check: ___ Fri 8-10-18 or ___ Sat 8-11-18**

One payment of \$73.50 (CC) or \$71.50 (Cash /Check)

*Add'l charges: For 3rd & 4th person in the room, add \$7/each per night. Rollaway beds are \$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, 1530 NW 124 Street, North Miami, FL 33167

Any questions, please contact: FFCCHA (786)274-2931 or JittaBugTrainings@gmail.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 (786) 274-2931 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 6th, 2018.** Please print your e-mail address clearly.

Office Only: Rec'd

Payment Type

Amount \$

Member Date

Scholarship: Approved/Denied



Florida Family Child Care Home Association Quarterly Full Board Meeting & Training, Ocala, FL August 10-11, 2018 Weekend Agenda

Friday, August 10, 2018

Best Western Hotel, Pool Room

7:30 – 9:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting

Saturday, August 11, 2018

Early Learning Coalition of Marion County

7:30 – 7:55 am Sign-in for training

8:00 am – 12:00 noon It's More than Words

Supporting Language Development in Young Children

TWO LOCATIONS:

Best Western Hotel, I-75, Exit 350 West

3701 SW 38th Ave. Ocala, FL 34474
Hotel: 352-237-4848

Early Learning Coalition of Marion County

Exit 350 East
2300 S.W. 17 Road, Ocala, FL 34471

Adrienne Donaldson 786-274-2931



Driving Directions to ELC of Marion County from Best Western Hotel

Allow 10 minutes for driving time

1. Turn Right out of Best Western Hotel
2. Turn Right at stop sign onto SW 38th Ave. (going north on road beside I-75)
3. Turn Right on SW 20th Street (go under I-75 and go for 1 mile)
4. Turn Left on SW 27th Avenue (and go 0.2 of a mile)
5. Turn Right on SW 17th Road
6. Turn Right into ELC of Marion (just after bank/across from storage unit)

Working Lunch – pre-order by July 30

12:15 – 1:15 pm Lunch Meetings: Area Reps, Chapter Reps, Latino Council and First Timers

1:30 - 4:30 pm Full Board Meeting Followed by Conference Team Meeting

7:00 pm Meet & Greet - everyone's invited!

Best Western Hotel, Pool Room

**Hosted by Area 31 – APCID and Latino Liaison
“Pool Side Networking”**

**Wear your swim wear and bring business cards -
Prizes for the “Best Swimsuit”!**



Latino News

Submitted by Patricia Ortiz, Latina Liaison

Que honor tan grande poder compartir con cada una de ustedes en nuestra conferencia "Mejorando Nuestras Mentes en el 2018." Fue fantástica! Un increíble tiempo donde compartimos, bailamos, reímos y hasta lloramos. Ver y escuchar todas las ideas de todos nuestros presentadores su entusiasmos y ánimo hacia nosotras.

Quiero tomar un momento para agradecer a todas las presentadoras latinas que estuvieron con nosotras en nuestra gran conferencia, sin ellas nada de esto hubiese sido posible. Mayra Marquez, y a la asociación de APCID, gracias por compartir y dar tanto amor hacía las latinas. También les quiero agradecer a Gwen Wilson, Tammy Tenner, Karen Hiester por su apoyo incondicional hacía las latinas. Pudimos celebrar el cumpleaños numero 25 de nuestra conferencia.

Les quiero pedir que traigamos una persona nueva y podamos compartir a otros de esta gran asociación. Nuestra proxima reunión va a ser el próximo 11 de agosto de 2018 en Ocala, no te la puedes perder.

Ven y se parte de este gran grupo!

Recuerda somos uno y unidos haremos la diferencia. Nos vemos pronto!

Patricia Ortiz, Latina Liaison



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Hurricane Preparedness

Hurricane season begins on June 1st and lasts through November 30th. In the event of a declared emergency remember to contact your licensing authority to update them on the status of your operation within 24 hours. Also, coordinate with your licensing counselor to ensure that all contact information is up to date as they will be looking to contact you as well.

ISSUES TO CONSIDER DURING A RECOVERY PERIOD:

- If the child care home sustains structural damage, regardless of the extent, an on-site inspection is required PRIOR to caring for children.
- An alternate power source, such as a generator, must be permanently installed and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations and comply with the Florida Building Code and the Florida Fire Prevention Code 69A-60, F.A.C.
- The alternate power source and fuel supply shall be located in an area that is not subject to flooding or damage from storm surge. The alternate power source must be approved by local and state authorities and be in place prior to usage.
- If flooding has occurred within the home, clean up must occur before allowing children in care, including the disposal or sanitization of any toys and equipment impacted by the water.
- Be aware of Boil Water Notices in your area.
- Outdoor areas must be safe for play and free from debris.
- Children may be accepted on a temporary basis; however, the licensed capacity may never be exceeded.

Remember that, regarding damage, each and every situation must be assessed on an individual basis and determinations are made based on protecting the health, safety and well-being of the children in care.

For contact information and other announcements, please visit our website at
www.myflfamilies.com/childcare



FLORIDA FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME ASSOCIATION, INC. – JULY 2018

Executive Committee - Officers		Name	Address	City	Zip	Phone/Fax	Email
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