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 Not present: Angela Craig and Lou Hall

“DON’T STOP THINKING ABOUT TOMORROW”



ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Join us at the Marriott Downtown Greensboro
<http://marriott.com/property/propertypage/gsoDt>

August 15-17, 2007

DON'T STOP THINKING ABOUT TOMORROW!!!

From your President: Tony C. Dalton
Contract IV-D Attorney, Transylvania County



I am proud to be the 25th president of the NCCSC. I have large shoes to attempt to fill. I have had the pleasure of personally knowing most, if not all, of the preceding Presidents of the organization. I have been a member of this organization for over twenty years and have witnessed its growth. As I noted in my acceptance speech at Atlantic Beach, when Dean Willis P. Whichard gave the graduation address at the Norman Adrian Wiggins School of Law at Campbell University this year, he noted that in the Doug Marlette's Kudzu comic strip the main character Rev. Will B. Dunn was standing in front of a casket. In the first frame he says – “What a pity – nobody came to Gary’s funeral.” In the second frame he says – “When he was young, he was such a decent, likeable lad.” In the third frame, Rev. Dunn simply pauses, gazing pensively at the casket, before saying in the fourth frame - “I begged him not to go to law school.” Dean Whichard noted that for some of us, it was too late to avoid the fate that Rev. Dunn perceived as a tragedy. I do not perceive it as a tragedy. I am proud to be a IV-D attorney. We are all child support professionals called upon to use our skills and expertise to establish paternity of children and to collect child support.

Our theme for the year is:



- ***Don't Stop Thinking About Tomorrow***
- ***Don't Stop Making Wishes Come True***
- ***Don't Stop Making a Difference from the Beginning to End***
- ***Don't Stop Making Tomorrow a Little Brighter for Our Children***

I challenge you to become involved this year by signing up and participating on the NCCSC committees.

I look forward to seeing you in Greensboro. Have a joyous Holiday Season!

Thanks to Everyone!



Atlantic Beach was a blast! I hope you enjoyed the 2006 conference. If you weren't able to attend; I hope that someone has shared what they learned with you.

I just wanted to tell you again how much I have enjoyed serving on the Council Board for the past 6 years and serving as your President last year. It has been a wonderful experience. Most of all, it has allowed me to get to know so many more of you through the committees, the conference meetings, and just networking with you. We all share a common interest.

We are a family, whose hearts are blazing, lighting up the sky for the children we serve, raising the standards for what is acceptable, and lighting the way for those who follow behind us. Thanks to each of you for the tremendous job you do, and you do it well!

As the sun rises and sets each day, may it shine directly on each of you as you continue to "Go Light Your World"!



May God Bless You!

Angela Talley, Past President

ATTENTION ATTORNEYS AND PARALEGALS:

A special "Thank You" to our presenters!

Thank you to all those who attended the conference in September - we had a great time in spite of the rain! Did you like the topics? Did you like the presenters? Did you like the room set up?

If so, we'd like you to be involved. If not, we'd really like for you to be involved!

We are in the process of planning our 2007 conference CLE and CPE and we need YOU! There are many ways to participate on the committee... you can submit your ideas and suggestions for topics and presenters... you can be a coordinator and contact person for a presenter... you can assist at the conference... you can be a presenter or a moderator... Please contact me if you have questions or if you want to be on the committee.

Melinda.cope@co.wake.nc.us.

See YOU in Greensboro!

North Carolina Child Support Council Conference 2007

Opening Session

The North Carolina Child Support Council will be celebrating its 25th anniversary in 2007. Twenty-five years ago, several people got together to explore the idea of creating Family Support Council in North Carolina. Join us during Opening Session as we go back to when the Council started, maybe a little further than that! Let's start this celebration off right as we disco into the Opening Session. Search your closets for those bell-bottom pants, pull out that wig you have been dying to wear again and let's reminisce about the early eighties during Opening Session!



"A Night of Elegance" Celebrating 25 years!

Because you "Don't Stop Thinking About Tomorrow" we've come a long way. NCCSC has brought you twenty-four conferences sharing with you the latest tools for doing your job and opportunities of collaboration with your co-workers across the State. The President's Reception and Dance, we will present to you "A Night of Elegance" Celebrating 25 years! Ladies pull out that little black cocktail dress and men that tux or suit. Get ready for a night of glamour, excitement and fun!!!!



See you in Greensboro August 15, 2007!

Alice McCoy
President-Elect 2007

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NORTH CAROLINA CHILD SUPPORT COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

The 2007 Membership Campaign has officially begun. Membership is available to anyone interested in Child Support. The fee is \$10.00 per year. You must be a member to attend the 2007 Child Support and Attorney's Conference at The Marriott Greensboro Downtown in Greensboro, N.C. on August 15-17, 2007. The Early Bird Membership Campaign will run from January 1st to March 2nd, 2007. This campaign also kicks off the Early Bird Registration for the North Carolina Child Support Council for 2007. You may register for the Conference and send your Membership fee in one transaction.

Angela Craig from the Buncombe Child Support Office and Astra Wilson-Kirksey of the State Office are the chairpersons for Membership/Registration for NCCSC for 2007. We would like to challenge each county to have 100% membership for their staff. In 2006 we had 523 members to join the North Carolina Child Support Council. That is approximately 1/3 of the total child support workers in the state of North Carolina and this number included attorneys and paralegals. I would like to challenge every office for that 100% membership. Even if you do not know who will be attending the 2007 Conference, now is a good time to get your Membership fee paid. The North Carolina Child Support Council is about the profession that we work in every day as child support workers. Don't you want to be a member of the only organization in North Carolina that is representative of what you do everyday?

This years Conference is going to be an extraordinary experience because we will be celebrating our 25th Silver Anniversary of the North Carolina Child Support Council. 2007 will mark the 25th year that the North Carolina Child Support Council has been in existence. This is truly an accomplishment because the North Carolina Child Support Council was started as the first North Carolina Professional Association for those who believed in the North Carolina Child Support program. It was started as a way to get together with other professional who believed in and supported what is now the mission of the North Carolina Child Support Council which is to "foster communication, information exchange and education opportunities to support the diverse professionals in their effort to provide the best services available for the children they champion". Next years conference will be filled with great workshops, plenty of food, fun, entertainment, and fellowship. Please plan ahead and get those Registrations and Membership fees paid early.

For those who register between January 1st and March 2nd, 2007, your name will be entered into a drawing for an Early Bird Special Prize. The drawing will be held on March 9th, 2006 at the next NCCSC Meeting.

Membership Committee Co-Chairs

*Astra Wilson-Kirksey
Angela Craig*

Hurry and Get Conference Merchandise While Supplies Last

- NCCSC Sun Visor \$10.00 each
- NCCSC T-shirt (all sizes)..... \$10.00 each
- Unisex Golf Shirt (size 1X only)..... \$10.00 each
- Unisex T-shirt (sizes M & L) \$5.00 each

**For additional information or to purchase any of the above items,
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Submitted by: Stephanie Wells, Archive Chair

“BACK TO THE FUTURE”

By: John Jablonski

No sooner did the 2006 Child Support Conference end than the work of inventorying and warehousing began. Entertainment Committee staff are busy making lists (and checking them twice) of left over beverages and other non-perishables in preparation for the 2007 Conference. Their work is critical in assessing just the right quantities of items to be purchased next year. We are trying to wrap up this work as soon as possible as another outfit somewhere near the North Pole is heavily recruiting staff with these particular skills. It's my understanding that operation is slightly bigger then ours and working with Santa has certain “added benefits”.

A special thanks goes out to all those who made the 2006 Conference such a success. Among these are Sandra Clapp, from Guilford County, who master minded the much heralded “flip flop” contest, Jessica Bulla, from Gene Screen, who assisted with bartending throughout the Conference, Rick Stang who made all the arrangements for the “kegs” in the hospitality suite and Beth Dail who designed the Pirate Treasure Hunt. Many thanks also go out to the Pitt County staff that assisted with every function carried out by the Entertainment Committee and so many more of you whose help was indispensable in making our Conference such a success.

Next year our Conference will be in Greensboro North Carolina. Our Conference theme will be “Don't Stop Thinking About Tomorrow”. So far the best décor we can come up with will be military olive drab green.....%\$@&**(!##>+” Hold everything. This is just in hot off the press. Our Conference Coordinator, Alice McCoy has just announced our next Conference décor to be “A Black Tie Affair”. 2007 marks the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Child Support Council. So to honor the special occasion, we are going “all out”. A strictly black coat, evening gown, tuxedo affair. Ohhhhh- I can't wait for this one! And just to add a little more spice, we wiEll be opening our Conference with a “Disco” dance décor. So if you're into “Grease” or “Staying Alive”, the 2007 Conference will have something for you.

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2007 NC CHILD SUPPORT COUNCIL CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

THE 2007 NC CHILD SUPPORT CONFERENCE will be held at the Marriott Greensboro Downtown in Greensboro, NC on August 15-17, 2007. There will be opportunities for learning, relaxing, shopping, and getting to know your fellow child support peers across the state.

This is **your** conference. **Your** input is valuable.

The Curriculum Committee would like to hear from **you** regarding what subjects you would like to be presented at the conference. Think about the challenges you face in your daily duties. What areas would you like to hear someone speak on that would help you work smarter and better. It may be a workshop you have attended in the past and would like to see brought back for the 2007 conference. You may have heard a co-worker speaking about a workshop they attended and you would like the opportunity to attend that workshop this year.

We want to know what workshops are worth repeating. You may even have a fresh idea that has not been presented before. The desire of the Curriculum Committee is to have workshops available that will inspire, teach, and entertain you.

Please email your suggestions to Millie Bellamy at millie.bellamy@ncmail.net or Dorothy Morrow at dorothy.morrow@ncmail.net.

You also can have input into the CLE (attorney) workshops that are offered. Please email Melinda Cope at Melinda.Cope@co.wake.nc.us with your suggestions for CLE workshops.

Please let us hear from you soon!

Thank You for taking an active role in **your** child support conference!!

The 2007 Curriculum Committee
NC Child Support Council

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