



NCCSC Newsletter

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*Ain't No Mountain
High Enough.....*

From your President:

To borrow a phrase from Etta James- **At Last!** I cannot begin to convey how proud I am to be this year's president of the NCCSC. I feel both overjoyed and humbled at the same time. I know so many talented and dedicated individuals have served as President of the Council. It is through the hard work and dedication of those individuals, their Board Members and Volunteers that has kept this Council alive and prosperous. My desire is that I can continue to serve you as well as they have.

The mere fact that you have elected me as President means either you are all planning on retiring in the next few months or you are truly a brave group of individuals!

My challenge to the Council and to each Child Support professional in the Great Tarheel State is to be all that we can be and then some. This year I want us as a Council to push further and both think **and step** outside the box. I want you as the Child Support Community to demand that we continue to "amp" up our annual Training Conference. Remember we are here to represent and serve **you**.

It is my desire that our Council takes on new challenges and moves another step forward in providing representation, assistance and support for the North Carolina Child Support Community as a whole

Our theme for this year is:

Ain't No Mountain High Enough, Ain't No Valley Low Enough, Ain't No River Wide Enough.....

And we intend to PROVE it!!!

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

Look forward to seeing you in Asheville.

Pat Stone-Smith-President

Thank you Sponsors...our good friends of child support.

The North Carolina Child Support Council would like to thank the sponsors of the 2011 NC Child Support Conference.

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CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

We would like to give a big THANK YOU to those who served as workshop monitors or presenters at the 2011 NCCSC as it could not have been successful without you!



It's not too early to let us know what workshops you would like to have for next year's conference. We are looking for creative, fresh, and innovative ideas and suggestions!

Help us get off to a great start in planning the 2012 Conference Workshops.

We need many Curriculum Committee volunteers for the 2012 Child Support conference that will be held in Asheville on August 22nd through 24th.

Please contact the Curriculum Committee Co-Chairs

Carol Wallace cwallace@ywcass.com or **Dena Balbach**

balbacd@labcorp.com if you are interested or if you have suggestions!



“Ain’t No Mountain High Enough!”

The NC Child Support Council website is your one stop location for the 2012 Conference and all your Child Support Council needs.

Visit today to find:

- **Membership application to join the NC Child Support Council;**
- **Past conference slide shows and newsletters;**
- **Information on the Council and committees;**
- **2011 Scholarship winners;**
- **Links to Child Support resources.**

Interested in joining the website committee? Contact us today at webmaster@nccscouncil.org.

Visit today at <http://www.nccscouncil.org>



2011 NCCSC Banner Contest

There were five counties that participated in the Banner Contest at the NC Child Support Conference in Cary, NC:

THE COUNTIES: *Cabarrus, Columbus, Graham, Harnett and Union*

THE THEME: *"Welcome to the Triangle".*

THE JUDGES: *Fluent Language Solutions, Labcorp, Deloitte and SMI*

The Judges had the difficult task of selecting a winner out of the creative and artistic banners submitted.

THE SPONSORS: *FSI (Forms & Supply, Inc.) and HUCKS & REGAN, LLP*

THE WINNER: *Cabarrus County*

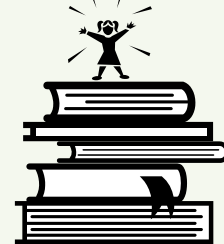
"Ain't No Mountain High Enough!"

...to keep you from helping us continue great Child Support Conferences....



NOMINATIONS FOR NCCSC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

It is time to start thinking about nominations for the North Carolina Child Support Board of Directors. If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors or know someone who would like to serve, please email nominations to Edna Futrell – efutrell@dss.co.lenoir.nc.us or Veronica Pinion – VPinion@Policy-Studies.com.

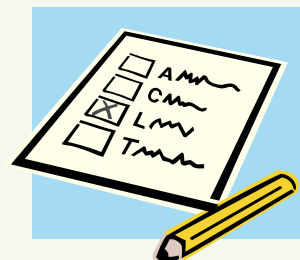


Deadline is May 1, 2012!

Criteria for nominees are as follows:

- 1) Nominees must be notified and must agree to serve a three year term.
- 2) Nominees must currently be a NCCSC member in good standing.
- 3) Nominees must have approval from their supervisors and should be available to attend scheduled board meetings (usually held quarterly) in Raleigh.
- 4) Nominations should be submitted by current NCCSC members in good standing.
- 5) Nominations must include a brief biography of nominee and why the nominee would make a good board member.

There will be seven openings on the board and elections for these vacancies will be held at the August business meeting at the Crowne Plaza Hotel & Resort, Asheville, North Carolina on August 23, 2012.



BY-LAW CHANGES

Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws can be made by a majority vote of the regular voting members present at the annual meeting. Proposed amendments shall be submitted to the membership in writing at least 45 days prior to the annual meeting.

GREETINGS FROM THE REGISTRATION AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE!
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We would like to thank everyone for a terrific turnout at the 2011 conference in Cary, North Carolina! We would also like to give a shout out to the Durham County and Wake County staff that manned the registration booth this year – they were amazing! 351 people attended this years’ conference, and 437 people joined as members of the Council during 2011.

Membership in the North Carolina Child Support Council runs from January 1st through December 31st.

We will start our membership campaign in January; and for those “early birds” that join before the deadline, we will be having a drawing for some fabulous prizes!

*Joe Crook and Carla West
Registration & Membership Co-Chairs*



The North Carolina Child Support Council Scholarship

Application will be on the Council Website and we will be sending a copy to all of the High Schools in NC

January 2012

Website: www.nccscouncil.org


Please Encourage Qualified Applicants to Apply.

CHILD SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

1. At least one Parent must be a member of the North Carolina Child Support Council or a Client of the Child Support Program (either through Child Support services or Clerk of Court services).
2. Applicant must be a resident of North Carolina and a graduating high school senior.
3. Applicant must have been accepted by a North Carolina school of higher learning: a College, University, Community College or Technical School. Applicant needs to attach copy of acceptance letter.
4. Applicant must have maintained an overall C average or above during his/her high school career.

Angela Bellamy, Scholarship Co-Chair

Linda Flick, Scholarship Co-Chair



**“We are
Working on
Collecting
A Mountain
Of Door
Prizes!**

The Door Prize Committee would like to thank everyone who attended the 2011 Annual Child Support Council Conference that was held in August 2011.

We really appreciated the counties, vendors and everyone that donated door prizes to make the Conference extra special.

Door Prize's is always looking for ways to give back to our fellow co-workers.

If you are interested in showing your co-workers just how special they really are, consider being a member of the Door Prize Committee. We are getting ready to start up for the 2012 Conference that will be held August 22 through August 24 in Asheville North Carolina! We want you to know

“Ain't No Mountain High Enough”

To keep us from giving to you!

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Door Prize Committee, please email your interest to the webmaster@nccscouncil.org.

Door Prize Committee

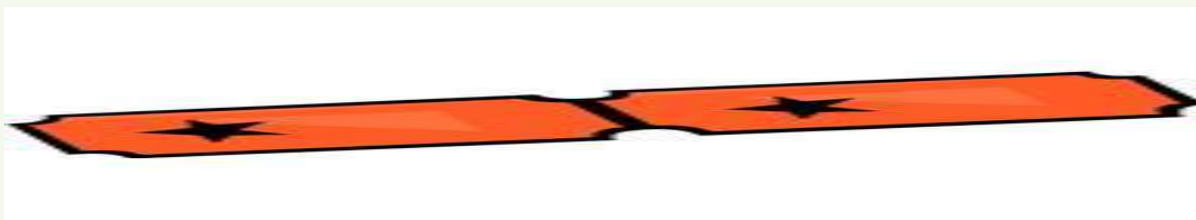


Come one come all,
Exciting prizes arriving in the fall
You do not want to miss your chance to win
So make sure you buy your tickets again and again
Friendly reminders will be coming your way
To let you know when it's purchasing day
So during this holiday season, hold on to a few bucks
Cause if you do not buy a ticket, you will be out of luck

Renee Davis-Jones

Cora Foreman

Raffle Committee Co-Chairs



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

Tammy Pearson, Newsletter Chair