

REGION 6 NEWS

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Call for Board of Director Nominations Deadline is August 1, 2010

The call for nominations for the 2011-12 Officers and Directors has been announced. Believe it or not, it is now time for YOU, the members of NALS, to nominate YOUR leaders for next year. Please consider making a nomination of one or more of your fellow NALS members for the following positions: President-Elect, Secretary/Treasurer, Certification Director, Education Director, Marketing Director, Membership Director, and all eight Regional Directors.

The Official Call for Nominations can be found in the summer issue of @Law or on the NALS website. All nominations must be postmarked or faxed to the Resource Center or submitted online by August 1, 2010.

THINK BIG! Change your association by nominating your future leaders! Change yourself by running for the NALS Board.

THINK BIG! REGION 6 TEAM RED!!

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NALS WEBED WEBINAR SCHEDULE



Me enjoying dinner with Brynne Williamson, PP, PLS, NALS Region 7 Director, and other members at the Region 7 Conference in Seattle, WA

STUDYING FOR THE ALS, PLS OR PP COMING UP IN SEPTEMBER (DEADLINE IS AUGUST 1, 2010)? THE ONLINE STUDY GROUP STARTS AUGUST 10, 2010.

NOTE: All sessions are at 8p.m. CST in the Online Learning Center

August 10th - Written Communications
August 17th – Office Procedures/Legal Knowledge
August 18th – PP Review: Concentration on Substantive Law
August 24th – Ethics, Human Relations
August 31st – Legal Knowledge
September 7th – ALS Review
September 14th – PLS Review
September 21st – PP Review
September 22nd – Test Taking Tips

NOTE: All sessions are held in the Online Learning Center at 8 p.m. CST unless otherwise noted.

August 12th – Everything You Wanted to Know About the NALS 60th Annual Education Conference & National Forum – October 2011 (presented by the Marketing Committee) **FREE TO MEMBERS!**

August 19th - Think Big – Insight to the Knowledge Needed to Serve at the National Level
FREE TO MEMBERS!

6-week Nuts & Bolts of Written Communications & Grammar starts Thursday, July 22nd

If you sign up for all six weeks, the cost is \$150. That is a \$60 savings over individual registrations. The Nuts & Bolts series is a written communications and grammar refresher that is good for everyone, but an excellent opportunity for those studying for the certification exams.

Don't delay – sign up today!



ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE – EARN A NALS CERTIFICATION!

*“An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest.”
Benjamin Franklin*

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



June New Members

Danielle Bonanno, San Antonio LSA (TX)
Celeste Bowman, Houston ALP (TX)
Irene Bernal, San Antonio LSA (TX)
Michelle Friend, Austin LSA (TX)
Marcus Fuentes, Austin LSA (TX)
Elizabeth Tetmeyer, Austin LSA (TX)
Joanna Cook, Springfield Area LSP (MO)
Kristin Edstrom, Greater Little Rock LSP (AR)
Emily Carter, Greenwood LPA (MS)
Virginia Gordon PP, Metro LPA (MS)
Velma Robertson, Greenwood LPA (MS)
Deborah Kilp, Heart of America LPA (MO)
Tara Zimmerman, Heart of America LPA (MO)

May New Members

Miller Baugh, Gulf Coast LSP (MS)
Monica Herrin, Metro LPA (MS)
Debbie Williams, Gulf Coast LSP (MS)
Kathleen Cooke, Lubbock LPA (TX)
Angela Majed, Oklahoma Member at Large
Amy Deatherage, Oklahoma Member at Large
Marci Mosley, Springfield Area LSP (MO)
Suzanne Headley, Houston ALP (TX)
Richard Basile, Oklahoma Member at Large
Angela Feldt, El Paso County LSA (TX)
Grace Lee, El Paso County LSA (TX)
Michaela Garfield, Oklahoma Member at Large
Classic Watts, Oklahoma Member at Large

April New Members

Mandy Brookins, Gulf Coast LSP (MS)
Laurencka Willard, Gulf Coast LSP (MS)
Sandra Carlton, Louisiana Member at Large
Naya Wiley, Louisiana Member at Large
Sharon Butler, Franklin County ALSP (MO)
Roberta LaVango, El Paso County LSA (TX)
Stephanie Morrison, Houston ALP (TX)
Monica Ferguson, Austin LSA (TX)
Caylie Holloway, Corpus Christi ALP (TX)
Ellen Smith, Metro LPA (MS)
A. Shea Mathis, Metro LPA (MS)
Monica Acuna, El Paso County LSA (TX)
Linda Canziani, Franklin County ALSP (MO)
Melissa Travis, Oklahoma Member at Large
Araceli Rodriguez, Austin LSA (TX)
Nathaly Morales, Austin LSA (TX)
Judy Rogers, Gulf Coast LSP (MS)

**DON'T FORGET - RECRUIT 5 MEMBERS IN YOUR MEMBERSHIP
CATEGORY AND GET YOUR DUES WAIVED FOR ONE YEAR!**

“Dare to unleash the power that lies within.”

REGULAR REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS AUGUST 1, 2010



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

The NALS Foundation proudly presents the following keynote speakers for the 59th Annual Education Conference & National Forum to be held in Branson, Missouri, October 21-24, 2010.

Erick Burton, CSP is known as the “The Leadership Accelerator TM.” As President of Burton Resources, Erick has partnered with hundreds of corporations and associations as a professional speaker, facilitator, executive coach, and author. He is one of a few speakers in the entire world with the Certified Speaking Professional (CSP) designation. There are no barriers for Erick in the various ways he motivates people. As a division director for a fast-growing Fortune 500 company in the United States, Erick led his division to an annualized growth rate of 350%, proving his practical, hands-on approach. Since 1996, Erick has spoken in 48 states and 4 countries outside of the United States. He is the founder of the Burton Leadership Center, a 28-acre facility near Kansas City, Missouri. It features a Leadership Course designed to develop organizational and personal leadership.

David N. Horowitz graduated from the University of Arizona College of Law, J.D., summa cum laude, 1990. His practice areas are Family Law; Divorce and Annulment; Mediation; Legal Separation; Prenuptial Agreements; Child Custody and Visitation; Child Support Collection and Modification; Spousal Maintenance and Modification; Domestic Partnerships; Grandparent Rights; Guardianship Proceedings; Enforcement Proceedings; Out-of-State Relocation Issues; Alternative Dispute Resolution; and Collaborative Divorce. He is a member of the Arizona Association of Family and Conciliation Courts and is the Immediate Past President of Collaborative Divorce Professionals of Arizona. He is the past president of the Arizona Family Support Council and serves on the Arizona Supreme Court’s Child Support Guidelines Review Committee and the Arizona State Senate Domestic Relations Committee. David is also a member of the State Bar of Arizona’s Family Law Advisory Commission and a member of the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals. David holds an undergraduate degree in Business Economics from the University of Arizona and has been teaching Economics and Legal Studies at Phoenix College since 1990. David is the recipient of the 2005-2006 State Bar of Arizona CLE Award and the 2007 NALS of Phoenix Boss of the Year Award. David served as a Judge Pro Tempore in Maricopa County and is a regular presenter at the State Bar’s course on Professionalism.

SPECIAL TICKETED EVENTS:

Thursday, October 21st
8 a.m. to 12 p.m.
Bonus Leadership Training with
David Horowitz
(ticketed event: **FREE !!!**)

Thursday, October 21st
Dolly Parton’s Dixie Stampede,
fee includes transportation, dinner,
show, & gratuities. Buses will
start departing from the hotel at
4p.m. – **Cost \$55.00**

Friday, October 22nd
1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Executive Coaching Session with
Erick Burton – **Cost \$99.00**

Saturday, October 23rd
7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.
NALS Foundation Event featuring
the Beartones – **Cost \$50.00**

“Resolve to succeed. The greatest discovery one can make is that nothing is impossible.”

NALS Foundation Grants –Your \$\$\$ at Work [apply today!]



**Next Foundation Grant
Deadline:
September 1, 2010**

Since 1992 the NALS Foundation has pursued its mission to ensure top-notch legal services by funding quality education programs for legal professionals. One of our strategies to accomplish this mission is our quarterly grant program—designed to assist all NALS chapters, state associations, and regions. Applying for a grant is a simple two step process.

Step One: Decide on a project!

Grants will be awarded for programs which support certification and/or education. Applicants are encouraged to develop new and exciting programs—but it does not have to be a new program! Need program ideas? Check out our extensive program idea bank for award winning, successful programs:

- Jett Awards
- Jett Award catalog

Step Two: Complete the on-line grant application!

Outline your proposal by completing the easy on-line application form and answering each question as thoroughly as possible. To qualify for consideration all requested information must be included with the application. When your application has been completed simply click on the submit button to automatically, electronically submit your grant proposal. The deadlines for receipt of proposals are: March 1; June 1; September 1; and December 1.

You CAN receive a grant - it's that easy!

So what's the catch?

There is no catch! All grant proposals will be reviewed by the NALS Foundation Board of Trustees and grants will be awarded at the discretion of the Board. The only two things the NALS Foundation requires in return are:

1. The grant recipient's participation in a post project follow-up interview and/or report.
2. All marketing and distributed materials relating to the funded program must include the Foundation Logo with the following statement, "This project was made possible through a grant from the NALS Foundation." [Downloadable statements with the logo are available.](#)

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer King at king@nals.org or call her at the NALS Resource Center 918-582-5188 ext. 13.

Applications may also be mailed to the NALS Foundation at 8159 East 41st Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 74145.

"The road to success is always under construction."

MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES



CHAPTERS CELEBRATING MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES

50 Years

Pine Belt LP (MS)
Austin LSA (TX)

30 Years

White County LSP (AR)

25 Years

Greenwood LPA (MS)

5 Years

Lakes Area LSA (MO)

50 Years

Marilyn Huffman, PLS (MO)
Barbara Akins, PLS (TX)
Druann Wiley, PLS (TX)

40 Years

Sondra Heugatter, PP, PLS, TSC (TX)
Beth Walker, PLS, CLA (TX)

35 Years

Virginia Cobb (TX)
Julie Abernathy, PP, PLS (TX)

30 Years

Linda Sullivan, PLS (AR)
Evelyn Hanauer, PLS (MO)
Martha Miller, PLS (MO)
Janice Rider (MO)
Nancy Heavrin, PP, PLS (MO)

25 Years

Ann Simmons (AR)
Patricia Lonardo (MO)
Brenda Parker (MO)
Karen Moss, PP, PLS (TX)
Myra Miles, PLS (TX)
Rosalee Roach, PLS (TX)

20 Years

Michelle Giletta, PLS (AR)
Jeri Pearson, PP, PLS (AR)
Betty Hanson (TX)
Theresa Ann Alba, PLS (TX)
Reynetta DeVeau, PP, PLS (TX)
Cheryl Moseley, PLS, CLA, TSC (TX)

15 Years

Mary Hand, PP, PLS (AR)
Mary New, PLS (AR)
Sandra Berry, PLS (MO)
Cindy Combs, PLS (MO)
Anita Campbell, PP, PLS (MS)
Mary Ellis, PLS (MS)
Cindy Brown (MS)
Candyss Churchwell, PLS, TSC (TX)
Cheri Garcia, PLS (TX)
Pat Phelps, PLS (TX)

10 Years

Anna Waker (AR)
Judy Davis (AR)
Jane Basler (MO)
Carol Morin (MO)
Linda Cowan, PLS (MO)
Althea Kittrell, PP, PLS (MO)
Marcia Cottrell, ALS (MO)
Dorothy Aldredge (MS)
Jere Barnett (MS)
S.R. Solis-Champion, PLS (MS)
Vicki Caldwell (TX)
Dannie Mason (TX)
Frieda Davis, PLS (TX)
Connie Sanchez (TX)
Cynthia Barrett, PP, PLS, TSC (TX)
Sandra Warhol (TX)
Melissa Whitaker, PLS, CPS, CAP (TX)
Brenda Atteberry (TX)
Jayne Clark (TX)
Betty Stapleton, PLS (TX)
Page McCoy, PLS (TX)
Ione Mixon (TX)
Rhonda Rogers (TX)
Cynthia Delgado, PLS (TX)
Jane Harrison, PLS (TX)
Vicki Abshier, PLS (TX)
Mary Bernal (TX)
Marlena Johnson, PLS (TX)
Laura McCarty, PP, PLS (TX)
Sharmai Rucker, PP, PLS, TSC (TX)
Vanessa Brock (TX)
Jeri Morgan (TX)
Dolores Chavez (TX)

There are now 2 ways to help Region 6 raise funds: (1) through the Amazon.com link at www.nalsregion6.org and (2) by using GoodSearch & GoodShop.

Click on the Amazon.com link and a portion of your purchase made through Amazon is donated to Region 6. By using GoodSearch as your internet search tool, Region 6 earns money for each search, paid quarterly. If you go through GoodShop for purchases, a percentage of your purchase is also paid to Region 6 (percentages paid vary and are indicated when you click a shopping link).

Tell your family and friends...help raise funds for Region 6 activities!

Region 6 Retention Blitz

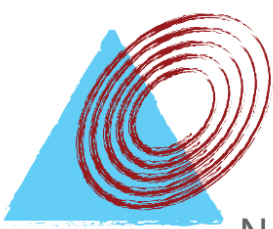
Once again we are in competition with the other regions for this year's Think Big campaign. The region with the highest percentage increase will win \$1000 toward their 2011 region conference. Region 6 will be focusing on retention as well as new, renewing, and sponsoring members. The region's states and chapters will compete against one another. The goal is to have the highest retention percentage by February 1, 2011. What is the grand prize you ask? Well...that's a secret for now, but you know it will be AWESOME!

State and Local membership chairs, here's your mission should you choose to accept it...

1. Have your committee contact those members who are coming up for renewal (the Resource Center sends renewals 3 months in advance) and encourage them to renew. Remind them of all the advantages of belonging to the tri-level association and that you appreciate their being a member, not just for the numbers, but because you believe in what NALS has to offer them;
2. Recognize members who have milestone membership anniversaries with a certificate of acknowledgement at a meeting and/or in your publication;
3. Acknowledge members achievements publicly at meetings and in your chapter's publication; and
4. Remind members who have been laid off about the availability of the dues waiver. Some people are still not aware that this opportunity is out there. They can contact Sandra Bates at the Resource Center for more information.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. So...get out there and Think Big!!

Change your association. Change yourself.



think big.
NALS...the association for legal professionals

NALS Mission

NALS is dedicated to enhancing the competencies and contributions of members in the legal services profession. NALS Accomplishes its mission and supports the public interest through:

- Continuing legal education and resource materials
- Networking opportunities at the local, state, regional and national levels
- Commitment to a Code of Ethics and professional standards
- Professional certification programs and designations

NALS Code of Ethics & Professional Responsibility

Members of NALS are bound by the objectives of this association and the standards of conduct required of the legal profession.

Every member shall:

- Encourage respect for the law and administration of justice
- Observe rules governing privileged communications and confidential information
- Promote and exemplify high standards of loyalty, cooperation, and courtesy
- Perform all duties of the profession with integrity and competence
- Pursue a high order of professional attainment

Integrity and high standards of conduct are fundamental to the success of our professional association. This Code is promulgated by NALS and accepted by its members to accomplish these ends.

Canon 1. Members of this association shall maintain a high degree of competency and integrity through continuing education to better assist the legal profession in fulfilling its duty to provide quality legal services to the public.

Canon 2. Members of this association shall maintain a high standard of ethical conduct and shall contribute to the integrity of the association and the legal profession.

Canon 3. Members of this association shall avoid a conflict of interest pertaining to a client matter.

Canon 4. Members of this association shall preserve and protect the confidences and privileged communications of a client.

Canon 5. Members of this association shall exercise care in using independent professional judgement and in determining the extent to which a client may be assisted without the presence of a lawyer and shall not act in matters involving professional legal judgement.

Canon 6. Members of this association shall not solicit legal business on behalf of a lawyer.

Canon 7. Members of this association, unless permitted by law, shall not perform paralegal functions except under the direct supervision of a lawyer and shall not advertise or contract with members of the general public for the performance of paralegal functions.

Canon 8. Members of this association, unless permitted by law, shall not perform any of the duties restricted to lawyers or do things which lawyers themselves may not do and shall assist in preventing the unauthorized practice of law.

Canon 9. Members of this association not licensed to practice law shall not engage in the practice of law as defined by statutes or court decisions.

Canon 10. Members of this association shall do all other things incidental, necessary or expedient to enhance professional responsibility and participation in the administration of justice and public service in cooperation with the legal profession.



NALS 59th Annual Education Conference & National Forum
October 21 - 24, 2010 • Branson, Missouri • Chateau on the Lake

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Suffix:

- PP PLS ALS
 CLA CLAS other _____

NALS title for name badge (indicate national, state, or local)

This will be my first NALS National Conference

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Business Phone _____

Fax Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Guest Registration

Guest Name _____

Guest Badge Name _____

Registration Fees

Life Member
 (flat registration fee received by August 1, 2010) \$269

Early Bird (postmarked before July 1, 2010)

Member \$269
 Nonmember \$369
 Educator \$314

Regular (postmarked before August 1, 2010)

Member \$299
 Nonmember \$399
 Educator \$344

Late (postmarked on or after August 1, 2010)

Member \$325
 Nonmember \$425
 Educator \$370

Daily Registration \$225
 Guest* \$99

*includes Welcome Party and Exhibit Hall

PLEASE INDICATE BELOW ANY SPECIAL TICKETED EVENTS YOU WILL BE ATTENDING

Special Ticketed Events

- Bonus Thursday Leadership Training FREE
 Dixie Stampede \$55
 (event, transportation, & gratuities included)
 Friday Executive Coaching Session \$99
 Recognition Luncheon \$50
 NALS Foundation Event \$50
 *Guest will be attending Dixie Stampede \$55
 *Guest will be attending the Recognition Lunch \$50
 *Guest will be attending the Foundation Gala \$50

* must be a registered guest to purchase the guest tickets

Method of Payment

(payment is due with registration)

Total Amount Due _____

Please Check One:

Enclosed is check # _____

Charge the Following:

- Visa MasterCard Discover

Card Number _____ Expiration Date _____

Signature (credit card registrants only)

Print Cardholder's Name _____

PLEASE RETURN COMPLETED FORM TO:

NALS Resource Center
 8159 East 41st Street
 Tulsa, OK 74145
 or fax with credit card payment to 918-582-5907

Please notify the NALS Resource Center (918-582-5188 or info@nals.org) of any dietary or physical restrictions you may have so that special arrangements may be made.

Payment must accompany registration form. Please do not mail the original form if faxing or registering online with credit card payment. A \$20 handling charge will be assessed for returned checks. NALS reserves the right to change speakers or modify program content. Refunds (minus \$50 processing fee) will be given for Regular and Late registrations through August 1, 2010.

NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN AFTER AUGUST 1, 2010.