

Central Florida Paralegal Association, Inc. – May 2019



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NALA AFFILIATE HIGHLIGHTS ARTICLE

The Central Florida Paralegal Association, Inc.'s 2019 year is off and running! This year, to celebrate our 35th year anniversary, CFPA is offering complimentary Continuing Legal Education Seminars to all of our members. We are extremely proud of our vibrant committees and events. Every month, CFPA offers volunteer opportunities and networking events. Our organization is dedicated to giving back to our community and to promoting paralegal education and support. So far this year, CFPA members have been involved in the following:

- 10 Community Service Events;
- 4 Networking Lunches;
- 2 Continuing Legal Education Seminars; and
- 1 General Membership Meeting/Networking Happy Hour.

In February, we kicked off our Community Service Events by serving dinner at the Coalition for the Homeless and also by serving breakfast at Give Kids the World. In March, CFPA members participated in a Habitat for Humanity build. Our President, Cassie Snyder, and our Community Service Chairperson, Peonca Grier, attended the dedication ceremony and presented the homeowner with a toolkit, compliments of CFPA.



Every year, CFPA sponsors a nonprofit charity. Throughout the year, CFPA members volunteer at the charity's events and also raise money for the charity. Our charity for 2019 is the Altamonte Springs Advisory Board for the Disabled and in April, CFPA members helped chaperone the Super Heroes Dance. Additionally, in April, our Student Relations Committee hosted a table at Seminole State College's Law Day. This was a networking event for Seminole County High School and Seminole State students who are interested in pursuing a legal career. CFPA members were on hand to answer students' questions.

Each month, CFPA hosts networking lunches that alternate locations between downtown Orlando and Winter Park/Maitland.

In March, CFPA and two of its Patron Members, sponsored a ½ day Education Seminar: Intro to LGBTQ Issues and on May 3rd, CPFA and one of its Patron Members, hosted a "Night with NALA" event. Nancy Jordahl, NALA Area 1 Director, gave a NALA and an ethics presentation: "Name that Paralegal Ethics Tune". Several NALA members, including Peonca Grier, NALA Affiliated Associations Secretary, Caroline Wilkerson, NALA CEC Committee Member, Jennifer Finch, NALA PDC Committee Member, and Julie McLean, CFPA NALA Liaison, answered questions regarding NALA membership, the CP exam, and NALA benefits.

Each quarter, CFPA schedules a general membership meeting and networking happy hour event. Our Annual Membership Meeting occurred on March 3rd. Our finances were discussed and we raised money for our sponsored charity.

Respectfully submitted on May 5, 2019.

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