

# CFSC *In-Basket*

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE  
COLORADO FAMILY SUPPORT  
COUNCIL

2017 SPRING EDITION

*Our Mission: Training the Colorado Family Support Professional Since 1974. The Colorado Family Support Council is a non-profit corporation whose purpose is to update and train individuals and agencies on the laws and procedures related to child support establishment and enforcement.*



Greetings and welcome to the Spring edition of the CFSC In-Basket,

As spring quickly approaches, so does the next CFSC Conference in Vail. With a little over three months to go, the CFSC board is working hard to make this year's conference one of the most memorable. Please take time to review this edition of the In-Basket as it provides important information about the upcoming conference in June.

Registration for this year's conference will open March 1, 2017. You may register by visiting our website at [www.cfscinc.org](http://www.cfscinc.org). You will also be able to make your hotel reservations with the Marriott

at Vail, directly from our registration page.

I'm excited to announce our two key note speakers for the opening sessions. *Yes, there are two!* As mentioned in the previous In-Basket, the board has decided to soar a little higher this year and provide opening sessions on both Monday and Tuesday. The key note speakers for the sessions will be Colorado Supreme Court Justice, Brian Boatright, and Jeannie Davis, president of Now Hear This, Inc., a Colorado-Based communications training company that specializes in telephone customer services. We'll also be rolling out a new fun and alternative training forum for the Wednesday morning session prior to the brunch. The conference agenda with session descriptions will be available soon on the CFSC website.

I would also like to thank everyone who submitted nominations for this year's charity, and congratulate the winning organization, **CASA in Colorado**. Let's start working on donation baskets to show that Colorado Child Support Services rocks on for our chosen charities.

Thank you for working so hard to make a difference in the families you impact. We look forward to seeing you in June!

**Thank you,**

***Shelbie Sundeen, CFSC Board President***

*It is our pleasure to announce the  
2017 CFSC charity winner.....*

# CASA in Colorado

Volunteers for **CASA in Colorado** serve the best interest of children and youth, aiding in ending the cycle of abused and neglected children in hopes of reconnecting them with their families or providing them a fresh start. CASA in Colorado helps to provide additional assistance for those families and children who may need the support, guidance and authority, helping reconnect broken families or identifying situations of abuse where children's needs are not lost in the system flooded with the dire situations and not enough aide and resources.



*Thank you to everyone who took the time to nominate a charity!!*

**Vail Conference  
Registration  
Opens**

**March 1, 2017**

**VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT:  
[WWW.CFSCINC.ORG](http://WWW.CFSCINC.ORG)**

**CONFERENCE COSTS**

**Conference Registration Cost—\$250/person**

**Room Rate Single Occupancy—\$125**

**Parking Valet—\$5/day**

**Cost for Additional Meal Tickets:**

- \* Plated Breakfast—\$30/person**
- \* Buffet Lunch—\$40/person**
- \* Banquet dinner—\$60/person**

# *Helpful Information on the Beautiful Vail Marriot Resort*

*715 West Lionshead Circle, Vail CO 81657*

**Reservation Due Date: Friday, May 12, 2017** - All reservations must be made on/before this date in order to guarantee contracted rates and rooms. Reservations requested after this date/that exceed the contracted block are subject to availability and rate changes.

**Guests should use the following link to book their reservations:**

<https://aws.passkey.com/go/cfscvail2017>

## **The Basics**

- Resort Fee - Waived
- Valet Only – \$5.00 per day
- Check-in: 4:00 PM Check-out: 11:00 AM Express Checkout Video Review Billing, Video Checkout
- Smoke-free Policy - This hotel has a smoke-free policy
- Pet Policy - Pets not allowed
- High-Speed Internet Guest rooms
- Lobby and public areas: Complimentary Wireless
- Property spans over 7 floors, 344 rooms, 12 ADA rooms, 20 meeting rooms, 21,000 sq ft of total meeting space.

The Resort has in-room dining options as well as two restaurant options and Starbucks on-site. Detailed information can be found at:  
[www.vailmarriottvideo.com](http://www.vailmarriottvideo.com)

**The Board is looking forward to seeing everyone!  
Stay tuned to our Summer In-Basket for even more  
information!**

# WE NEED YOUR HELP

## Donations... Donations... Donations!!!

It's that time of year to start gathering your donations for your county baskets for this year's conference! Here are some things to remember when putting your baskets & individual items together:

- List the items in your basket so everyone knows what they are bidding on.
  - *Please* put your county name on baskets & individual items.
    - List a total value of your basket or item.
    - Have fun putting your baskets together!

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An updated donations letter is on the CFSC website. If you would like everyone to have a sneak peek at what will be in your basket, take a picture and submit to either Frank Shamoon or Brandy Davis and your pictures will be put on our Facebook page!



*Calling all nominations!!*

# **AWARDS TIME!**



This year the Awards Committee has updated the nomination forms. Please visit the CFSC website to check out the nomination forms and start thinking of that special person in your office who deserves to be recognized!

***Nominations will open March 1, 2017***

***and deadline is April 15, 2017***

It is *very* important to get those nominations in before the deadline as it could be missed. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Lupe Abeyta either by email at [labeysa@bouldercounty.org](mailto:labeysa@bouldercounty.org) or by phone at (303) 678-6320.

Check out the “Award Nomination Tips” on our website. It has some good tips for submitting a nomination.

Lupe would like to give a huge thanks to Co-Chair, Cheryl Curtis, and the committee members, Gina Tyler, Joanna Finney, and Kathy Marcantonio for their support.

*Hope to see many of you at the 2017 CFSC Conference being held in Vail!*

# Say Cheeeeeeese!!



## **ROLL CALL PICTURES**

**We want to see your smiling faces!!**

**Please take a few moments to round up the child support staff in your county to take a group photo for roll call at our opening session at the conference.**

**We would love to see the hardworking staff members that do so much for the children of Colorado.**

**Don't forget our theme...**

# **Soaring to the Summit!**

**Colors are purple, yellow, and white.**

**Deadline for photos is May 22, 2017!**

## PLEASE STAY TUNED!

### *The Summer Edition of the CFSC In-Basket will feature:*

- *Directions to The Vail Marriott Resort*
  - *Activities to do in the area*
  - *Banquet dinner options*
- *Exciting details of “The Roaring 20’s” entertainment night*
  - *Impressive bio’s for our keynote speakers!*

*In case you missed it! Prior editions of the In-Basket can be found on our website along with information about the Colorado Family Support Council and registration*



# Board Member Bios!



## Shawny Comer Prowers County

Hi I am Shawny Comer. I am the IVD Administrator with Prowers

County CSS. I started out as the secretary to the Director for six months and then transferred to child support unit where I have been for 25 years. This is my 10th year on the board and I am the Valley Vice-President. Previously, I had served as the treasurer for six years. I am blessed to be a part of the CFSC board and have the privilege of being involved in the planning of the annual training conference each year. I have been married for 22 years and have three great kids and three grandkids. My daughter is a senior in college at West Texas A&M and a member of the livestock judging team. My son is a junior in high school and a terrific wrestler. My step-daughter is a trainer and auditor for Del Taco in California and has provided us with an 11 year old grandson, who is terrific in baseball, a 9 year old granddaughter and a 5 year old granddaughter. I am the leader of a 4H club and very much involved in various fairs throughout the summer. We raise pigs and steers to show at the fairs. I have one dog and one cat and basically they think they are the queen and king of the house. I enjoy travelling and going out with friends. My favorite hobby

is, of course, playing Candy Crush. I look forward to seeing everyone at the CFSC Conference in Vail.



## Kelly Keane Denver

Hi, Kelly Keane here. I am an Assistant City Attorney in Denver. I have been here for 5

and a half years and was in private practice prior. I am new to the Board and very appreciative of all the hard work after so many years of attending the CFSC Conference. I grew up in Littleton and still live near my parents. I have 2 "kind of" adult kids and one very cute dog named Wellington. I love to travel and spend time with family and friends.

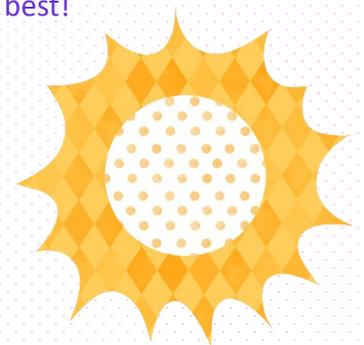


## Suzanne York Larimer County

I am a Colorado native living the dream in a quiet subdivision in the

Johnstown area. My professional career has been in the legal world. I worked as a litigation and appellate paralegal for 15 years in Phoenix and Denver. I then worked in municipal law and family law in Greeley for 15 years.

I joined Human Services in 2008 as the AP Hearing Officer in Weld County and then moved to Child Support seven years ago establishing and modifying child support orders. I have been with Larimer County for the past two years as an establishment tech. This is my second year on the CFSC Board serving as the Vice President for the Northeast Region. This year I am enjoying chairing the Professional Growth Committee. I've been married to my best friend and husband for the past 33 years. Together we have welcomed three wonderful children into the world who have blessed us (so far) with five grandchildren. I am looking forward to seeing you all in Vail at the 2017 Conference. It should be one of our best!



# Board Member Bios Continued!



**Frank Shamoon**  
**State Office**

Hello, my name is Frank Shamoon (pronounced Sha-Moan) and I

have been in the child support program since December of 1999. I started in Adams County CSS as a college intern for 3 months (Non-Paid) and was hired on permanently shortly thereafter. I worked in Intake, Establishment and Enforcement. In 2011 I went to the state office where I worked for the FSR. Now I work as an Operations Analyst with the OA team, resolving problem logs and working on implementing and testing changes to the system before they are released to the production environment. This is my 2<sup>nd</sup> year being the Historian and AV Chair on the CFSC board. I hope that I can help assist with putting on an excellent CFSC conference for 2017, and I hope to see everyone in Vail.



**Gina Tyler**  
**La Plata County**

Hola, I am Gina Tyler, I am an enforcement tech for La Plata & San Juan Counties. My

career in Child Support Services started almost 17 years ago here in La Plata County. I continue to love the work I do on a daily basis and see great things continuing in the child support program. I was born and raised in Durango, Colorado. I am married to a very wonderful man and have a beautiful daughter and a few 4 legged babies. I have a passion for baking and thus have a serious addiction to sugar. I was very proud to have won La Plata County Human Services Cupcake War competition in 2016 (I have since retired from competition). I am delighted to continue to be on the CFSC Board as Southwest Vice President and also co-chair of the Donations and Public Relations committees. I look forward to another amazing conference and look forward to seeing old colleagues and friends as well as meet and make new ones. Stop by the Donations and PR Booth and say HI!



**Lisa Covington**  
**Arapahoe**

I have been an attorney in Denver for over 23 years focusing primarily in the area of Family Law. I have been an Assistant County Attorney in Arapahoe since 2011. I enjoy working in Arapahoe with my great coworkers helping families in Colorado obtain financial stability by receiving their regular child support payments. This is my first year on the CFSC board. Although I am not a "true" Colorado native, I moved to Colorado with my family in 1971 while still in grade school. I love hiking, salsa dancing and cooking for my family and friends.





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