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Leading the Professional Pace AAfPE National Conference

Indianapolis, Indiana, October 27-30, 2010

Sybil Taylor Aytch

Phoenix College

Member of the National Conference Committee

Indianapolis, Indiana ("Indy"), Indiana's largest city and the 14th largest city in the U.S., is the site of the 2010 AAFPE National Conference. Dubbed the "Crossroads of America," Indy has a diversified economy supported by the fields of education, health care, and finance. Tourism is also a vital part of its economy and the city plays host to numerous conventions and sporting events, including the annual Indianapolis 500. Other major sporting events include the Brickyard 400 and the Men's and Women's NCAA Basketball Tournaments. Indy is also known for its cultural events and is home to 4 museums, 24 art galleries and over 20 performing arts theaters. It ranks second only to Washington, D.C. in the number of monuments inside its city limits.

Lead the professional pace by joining your colleagues at AAFPE's 29th National Conference at the Hyatt Regency located in the heart of downtown Indy and connected by skywalk to the Circle Centre Mall and the Indiana Convention Center.

The National Conference is the perfect opportunity to acquire essential and cutting-edge information and resources for educators to ensure that paralegal students are as knowledgeable and marketable as possible in the continuing challenging legal market.

American Association for Paralegal Education
29th Annual Conference



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The dynamic and contemporary topics at the 29th National Conference include:

- Who Wants to be a Citationaire?
- The Techno-Savvy Paralegal: Incorporating Technical Certifications Into the Paralegal Curriculum
- Three Prong Approach to Increasing Student Enrollment
- Research Options on a Budget
- Creating Courses for the Next Generation of Paralegals: Ideas, Issues, and Implementation
- Peer Review and Grading Issues
- Establishing and Assessing Diversity and Multicultural Competencies
- The Changing Face of Paralegal Education from Associate Degree to Beyond
- Adjunct Faculty Meetings – How to Run Them
- The Who, What, When, Why, and How of Using Paralegals
- External Assessment Techniques: Graduates' and Employers' Viewpoints
- Acting Out: Using Storytelling to Spice up Lectures
- Service Learning
- Social Media Tools
- Peer Research
- Thinking Outside the Box: Marketing Beyond the Norm
- Addressing the Needs of the Growing Hispanic Influence in the Legal Profession
- Academic Advising: Defining Your Role
- Implementing Technology Across the Curriculum
- Regional Recruitment and Retention Practices That Can't Miss
- Developing and Documenting Blended/Hybrid Legal Specialty Courses
- Dealing with Problem Students
- Internships/Externships and the Portfolio Process
- National Exam Review Courses
- What You Need to Know About the Americans with Disabilities Act as Amended
- Research Tools: ALWD, the Bluebook, and Beyond



View down Central Canal towards downtown Indianapolis, Indiana. Alongside the canal is the Medal of Honor Memorial. ©Photo courtesy iStockphoto.com/veni.

- Designing and Writing Research Projects
- The Future of the Paralegal Profession: Sustaining Viability in a Sharply Competitive Industry
- Starting a Mock Trial Team
- Expanding Your Students: Teaching to Other Majors
- Thinking Outside the Box: “Second Life” in Paralegal Education to Enhance the Classroom Experience

Are you up for ABA reapproval, seeking initial approval or just interested in what's new with the ABA? As always, ABA representatives will be attendance.

ABA-related sessions include:

- Initial Approval
- Interim Approval
- Reapproval
- Open Forum

The Conference will also showcase the popular Traditional Teaching and Distance Teaching competitions.

Seize the opportunity to revitalize your educational acumen by attending AAFPE's 29th National Conference in Indy, the “Crossroads of America.” Can you lead the professional pace in paralegal education?

2010 Annual Conference Hotel and Registration Fee Information

As you are preparing budgets for next year, you may need to know about the costs for the AAFPE Annual Conference October 27-30, 2010.

The 29th Annual Conference will take place at the Hyatt Regency in Indianapolis, Indiana. Located in the heart of downtown Indianapolis and connected by skywalk, the Hyatt Regency offers easy access to Circle Centre Mall and the Indiana Convention Center. A dramatic 21-story lobby atrium welcomes guests into the Hyatt Regency Indianapolis. The hotel features 497 recently renovated guestrooms, over 30,000 square feet of meeting space, including a new 8,130 square foot ballroom. Guests can work out any time of day in the 24-hour state-of-the-art StayFit@Hyatt gym or take a dip in the indoor pool. There are plenty of restaurant choices, from fine dining at the Eagle's Nest to brunch at the hotel's new Italian American restaurant.

The guaranteed AAFPE room rate for the conference is \$169 single/double occupancy plus applicable state and local taxes. To make your reservations, call 888-421-1442 or visit <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/aape>. Please identify yourself as attending the AAFPE Conference. Hotel reservations **must** be made by Sunday, October 3, 2010 to receive the conference rate and are based on availability. Reservations made after October 3rd will be based on availability at the Hotel's prevailing rates.

AAFPE recognizes that you have a number of options when securing hotel accommodations for the annual conference. We would like you to understand that AAFPE has contracted a block of guestrooms (based on conference history) that must be met. Not to do so has severe financial implications for AAFPE as the entire costs of the conference at the facility go up. By negotiating the lowered room rate we hope that you will see the benefits of supporting AAFPE by booking your room at the host hotel.

The conference committee is creating a full schedule of sessions. We will hold the business meeting in the Indiana Legislative Chamber in the State House. An optional activity is scheduled for Thursday evening at the NCAA Hall of Champions, so bring your school colors with you! We also have two pre-conference workshops scheduled: one is The Techno-Savvy Paralegal: Incorporating Technical Certifications Into the Paralegal Curriculum; and the other will be an iBlaze training from CT Summation.

New this year will be "AAFPE Gives Back" which will consist of a silent auction headed by Laura Alfano (Virginia College) laura.alfano@vc.edu, with proceeds going to a local charity in the Indianapolis area. At this time, we are looking for a charity with legal connections. You are invited and encouraged to donate items to make this a fun and charitable evening.

Sound exciting? Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information coming soon.

CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FEES

Online Registration Opens June 2010

	On or Before	On or After
FULL CONFERENCE	9/9/10	9/10/10
First AAFPE Member	\$420	\$475
Additional Representative	\$355	\$400
Non-Member	\$520	\$575
Additional Non-Member	\$455	\$500
PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS	9/9/10	9/10/10
Pre-Conference 1	\$75	\$125
Pre-Conference 2	\$75	\$125
ONE-DAY FEE	9/9/10	9/10/10
Educators/Paralegals	\$170	\$195
Students	\$50	\$80
SPOUSE/GUEST REGISTRATION	9/9/10	9/10/10
Includes all on-site meals	\$95	\$115

Message from the President



I wanted to touch base to wish everyone a wonderful spring-summer break. Even if we have to teach, this time of the academic year seems to slow down a bit, allowing us time to regroup with family and friends. We've got a lot to be proud of as we head into this season of well deserved R&R.

Those of you that are suffering budget cut backs, I hear you. I want to assure you that the Board is very aware of the budget issues many of our members are facing. I want to assure you that before we make many of our decisions as your Board, we have a lively discussion about the economic impact, if any, of any given decision.

Here's what is happening:

Annual Conference October 27-30, 2010

- We will be recharging our professional batteries at our Annual Conference in Indianapolis on October 27-30, 2010. I cannot wait to see each and every one of you at this conference. The National Conference Committee is hard at work.
- I want to encourage you to respond, promptly, to the call for panelists. I find that one of the great benefits during our information sharing at the conference is to hear from individual members about their experiences involving the topic at hand. Please don't be reticent to sign up to help with the discussion. Remember: the strength of AAFPE is in each of us. No one of us can accomplish as much alone. Please offer you knowledge and experience by serving as a panelist at the Indy Annual Conference. You'll be glad that you did so!
- We're hoping to unveil a new AAFPE website at the Annual Conference.
- Get into a competitive spirit! Because an event at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway proved cost prohibitive, we will be going to the NCAA Hall of Champions for our optional event. There, you can experience all 23 sports of the NCAA via hands-on displays, retro gym, and sports simulations. Now, that's my kind of competition! I'm hoping for some inter-regional competition! What do you say?

The First Six Months and AAFPE's Initiatives

- The Electronic Research Library (ERL) is off to a great start. I hope that you will let us know about your reaction to ERL and contribute to it.
- We're now working with Google Groups on our Listserv.
- An AAFPE Facebook page should be up very soon. We believe Facebook will be a big plus for marketing AAFPE.
- The Regional meetings were very successful. I had the privilege of attending both the Pacific Regional and my own, North Central meeting. Each meeting was terrific. The Regional hosts are to be congratulated for jobs well done: Dora Dye, Pacific; Ann Schacherl and Norma Kropp, North Central; Marcy Delesandri, South Central; Bill McSorley, Southeast; and Pat Lyons, Northeast. Thank you for providing a wonderful forum for the exchange of ideas.

Finally, THINK INDY. We want our conference to be a success. With the help of each of you, we cannot miss!

Have a wonderful and safe summer season. As always, please let me know your thoughts and ideas.

Nancy Caine Harbour
Your AAFPE President

Academic Version of Software Saves Money

Dora J. L. Dye

City College of San Francisco

AAfPE Director, Associate Programs

At the recent Pacific Regional conference, there was a discussion on academic and professional versions of software. While some retailers offer an additional discount on the versions listed below, most colleges and universities offer an excellent deal to faculty and students through their school bookstore.

Microsoft currently offers the following versions:

1. Office Home and Student 2007 which contains Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and OneNote for \$149.95. Students and faculty at my College have been able to purchase this version at our school bookstore for less than the above amount by showing school identification.
2. Office Standard 2007 which contains Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook for \$399.95.
3. Office Small Business 2007 which contains Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, and Publisher for \$449.95.
4. Office Professional 2007 which contains Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook, Publisher, and Access for \$499.95.
5. Office Ultimate 2007 which contains Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneNote, Outlook, Publisher, Access, Groove, and InfoPath.

There is a suite for everyone, but for the majority of students, the student version will suffice.

As I write this article, Microsoft is preparing to launch Microsoft Office 2010. You can check www.microsoft.com for the free download of Office 2010 if you did/will purchase Office 2007 between March 5, 2010 and September 30, 2010.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP IN AAFPE

Each year, up to two persons who have provided outstanding service to AAFPE, but are no longer involved in paralegal education, are conferred with honorary lifetime membership. A nominee must have two (2) letters of recommendation from two (2) different AAFPE member institutions.

If you are interested in nominating someone for this achievement, please send your letters of recommendation, on institution letterhead by August 1st, to: Nancy Caine Harbour, Eastern Michigan University, 21 Sill Hall, Ypsilanti, MI 48197 or email to nharbour@emich.edu with a copy to AAFPE Headquarters, attn: Gene Terry, 19 Mantua Road, Mt. Royal, NJ 08061, gterry@talley.com.

AAfPE 2010 Calendar of Events

June 1

Board Nomination Forms and Candidate Statements due

June 15

Paralegal Educator Articles due for fall issue

June 18-19

Board of Directors Meeting
Denver, CO

August 1

Honorary Membership Nominations due

August 15

Teaching Competition Proposals due

October 26-27

Board of Directors Meeting
Indianapolis, IN

October 27-30

29th Annual Conference
Indianapolis, IN

November 1

Paralegal Educator Articles due for winter issue

REMINDER Pay AAFPE Dues

Membership Renewal notices were emailed in mid-November. Please remember to pay your dues. Renew online at <http://secure.aafpe.org>; or mail your dues to AAFPE Headquarters.

CORRECTIONS

- In the fall 2010 *Paralegal Educator*, Joan Marler was listed incorrectly as the Director, South Central Region. Joan is the Director of the Southeast Region.
- The email address for Pat Lyons, Director, Northeast Region was listed incorrectly. You can contact Pat at plyons@rwu.edu

Professional Pursuits

Lynn Lisk, Director, Paralegal Programs, University of Arkansas – Fort Smith, has been appointed to the Arkansas Supreme Court's Committee on Continuing Legal Education, which has the responsibility of overseeing and approving proposed CLE programs for the state and enforcing the state's CLE requirements for practicing attorneys. Lynn will serve a three-year term.

Arlene Joe, Paralegal Adjunct, was selected to receive one of three Faculty Excellence Awards at Tacoma Community College (WA) for the current year. Arlene's contributions to student learning, program assessment and fundraising, and community pro bono work were recognized.

Mary Hatfield Lowe, Paralegal Program Coordinator, was selected as the Outstanding Faculty Member of Northwest Arkansas Community College for 2008-09.

Toni Marsh, Director, Paralegal Studies Program, George Washington University, is pleased to announce the George Washington University Paralegal Studies Program was named the Distance Learning Program of Excellence by the University Continuing Education Association. The program was named not just the best online paralegal program, but the best program overall. Toni also received a George Washington University grant to develop the International Rule of Law Paralegal Clinic in Tanzania.

Cathy Underwood, Paralegal Instructor, Pulaski Technical College (AR) will receive a Golden Gavel award at the Arkansas Bar Association Annual Meeting in June for outstanding service to the association as chair of the Online Legal Research Committee.

2010 LEX Scholarship Winners

Blythe Black

Kankakee Community College (IL)

LEX Chapter Advisor: Kristine Condon

Sharon Doherty

Duquesne University (PA)

LEX Chapter Advisor: Pamela Bailey

William Welch

Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College (IN)

LEX Chapter Advisor: Kathryn Myers

LEX SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY TOPIC

Facts: Anne and Barbara marry in Vermont. Anne and Barbara have a falling out and Barbara moves to Texas. Texas does not recognize the marriage as it is against the state's public policy. Barbara also likes men; she falls in love with Carlos and marries him in Texas.

Issues Presented: 1) Is the marriage between Barbara and Carlos valid according to Texas law? 2) Should Vermont recognize the Texas marriage? 3) Have Barbara and/or Carlos committed the crime of Bigamy according to Texas or Vermont law?

The winning essays will be published in the fall issue of *The Paralegal Educator*. AAFPE will award three \$500 scholarships specifically for the pursuit of the student's paralegal education.

Forming a LEX Chapter

Lambda Epsilon Chi (LEX) is the national honor society founded by the American Association for Paralegal Education. There are approximately 133 Chapters throughout the United States with well over 2,000 inductees who have been honored for their outstanding academic achievements.

Each year host institutions select those students who meet high academic criteria and cite them for their accomplishments by inducting them into Lambda Epsilon Chi. These students are recognized through a formal ceremony and the awarding of a Certificate of Induction and a special pin. They are also entered into the permanent records of LEX.

LEX serves to recognize students who have demonstrated superior academic performance in an established program of paralegal/legal assistant studies offered at an institution that is an AAfPE Institutional Member in good standing.

A student is eligible for induction into LEX if the student:

- Has completed not less than two-thirds of the program requirements to complete such program as determined by the institution; and
- Has demonstrated superior academic performance by achieving an overall grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

The institution may establish any other additional criteria necessary to qualify for their Chapter so long as the above criteria are met. These may include, but are not limited to:

- 3.5 or higher grade point average in paralegal/legal assistant program specialty courses
- Evidence of community service
- Essay

The student to be inducted must demonstrate superior academic performance to make membership in LEX a true and meaningful academic honor within the institution and a recognizable indication of superior academic achievement to members of the legal profession in the geographical area served by the institution. An institution may induct students into LEX at any time or times during the year.

All it takes to form a chapter is completion of the application and a one-time payment of \$100. All necessary forms and contact information can be found on the members only side of the AAfPE website www.aafpe.org, and Headquarters staff is available to answer any of your questions (856-423-2829).

Isn't it time your paralegal program had a LEX Chapter?



LEX Graduation Sash

AAfPE is now offering Lambda Epsilon Chi graduation sashes to all inductees. These sashes are purple satin, have the LEX Greek letters, and display the honor society seal embroidered in gold.

The sashes are available at a cost of \$30 (payable by credit card or check made out to AAfPE). Payment is required with submission of order. Orders must be placed within two weeks prior to commencement ceremonies.

AAfPE will continue to pay standard mailing costs for orders placed within a two-week delivery date. As of January 2010, express shipping costs for induction certificates, pins, and sashes will be billed to the LEX chapter.

Please visit the www.aafpe.org to download an order form and to preview the sash.

Summary of AAfPE Board of Directors Meeting February 2010

The AAFPE Board of Directors held its February 2010 meeting on Friday, February 19 and Saturday February 20, 2010.

The meeting took place in Indianapolis, Indiana at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, site of the October 2010 AAFPE National Conference.

The President reviewed the RFP process for selection of a management company for AAFPE. Since October of 2009, under the leadership of past president Marisa Campbell, the Board conducted extensive review and discussion of submitted applications. This was done via email. After this review and with much discussion, the board voted to approve a new contract with Talley Management Group (TMG).

The Board heard reports from the President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Board also heard from AAFPE Executive Director, Gene Terry and Chuck Sapp of TMG.

The Board reviewed financials for the past year. AAFPE made money at the 2009 Portland conference despite concern about the economy and the location. Attendance was up by 13%.

The schedule for national conferences is Indianapolis in 2010, Baltimore in 2011 and Savannah, Georgia in 2012.

The Electronic Resource Library is up and running. The Board discussed the importance of continuing to update and provide valuable and timely resources to our members.

The Board discussed the upcoming 2010 regionals. All of the spring 2010 regionals have dates and were ready to go with the South Central Region still tweaking their program.

Dora Dye listserv manager and Associates Degree Director, reported on the move of the listserv to Google Groups. Things have gone smoothly. Dora is also working on setting up the AAFPE Facebook page.

Mission:

To provide greater access to legal service by promoting quality paralegal education

The Board reviewed committee reports from Access to Justice, Alternative Delivery, Technology Committee, Membership, and LEX.

Board members discussed the website and under the terms of the new contract there is more attention to website management. A subcommittee was established to work with Gene on evaluating and updating the AAFPE website. Mary Carol Parker and Scott Hauert will help with this.

The Board reviewed and approved updates to the Policy and Procedures Manual to reflect the current dues structure.

The board discussed the issue of multiple listservs for different committees, regions and programs. The Board agreed that for now there should be just one AAFPE listserv that allows for equal access to all members. The Board will review this issue after some research on platforms that could be more user friendly and provide for access to all with specialty topics.

Finally, the board agreed to look more closely at vendor relationships and how we can enhance our partnerships with these important vendors. A small subcommittee will look at vendor contracts, services and relationships over the next year.

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Smucker
AAfPE secretary
April 20, 2010



2010 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

At the Annual AAfPE Conference in Indianapolis, IN, AAfPE institutional members will be electing officers and directors for the following positions:

President-Elect: This individual serves a 3-year term, beginning as President-elect, whose major responsibility is chairing the AAfPE Membership Committee. Upon assuming the Presidency in the 2nd year, this individual will help guide AAfPE and act as its voice and then, in the 3rd year, mentor the incoming President and President-elect.

Director, North Central Region: Serving a 3-year term, this individual must represent an institutional member of the North Central region, and will act as the region's liaison to the AAfPE Board of Directors. A regional Director also assists the President-elect in the annual membership drive and local hosts in the preparation of the annual regional conference.

Director, South Central Region: Serving a 3-year term, this individual must represent an institutional member of the South Central region, and will act as the region's liaison to the AAfPE Board of Directors. A regional Director also assists the President-elect in the annual membership drive and local hosts in the preparation of the annual regional conference.

Director, Southeast Region: Serving a 3-year term, this individual must represent an institutional member of the Southeast region, and will act as the region's liaison to the AAfPE Board of Directors. A regional Director also assists the President-elect in the annual membership drive and local hosts in the preparation of the annual regional conference.

Non-Board Position:

AAfPE Nominee to the ABA Approval Commission – Certificate Program Representative: The person, elected by AAfPE members, will be nominated to serve a one-year term beginning in August 2011 with possible reappointment to a maximum of three years.

Please submit nominations and candidate statements for publication in *The Paralegal Educator* no later than **June 1, 2010** to Carolyn Smoot, Nominations Chair at csmoot@siu.edu, with a copy to Gene Terry, AAfPE Executive Director at gterry@talley.com or via mail to AAfPE headquarters, 19 Mantua Road, Mt. Royal, NJ 08061.

Candidate statements should be approximately 500 words. Please include your name, your position at your institution, why you are seeking this position, what qualifications make you a good candidate, and your vision for AAfPE. Questions about the nomination process should be directed to Carolyn Smoot, AAfPE Immediate Past President, at csmoot@siu.edu.



2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATION FORM

Notice of Nomination

I nominate the following individuals:

President-Elect (three-year term)

Secretary (three-year term)

Director, North Central Region (*one-year term that expires 2011)

*resignation of one board member led to appointment of current board member in 2009, who must run for completion of the three-year term under the AAfPE by-laws

Director, South Central Region (three-year term)

Director, Southeast Region (three-year term)

Non-Board Position:

AAfPE Nominee to the ABA Approval Commission – Certificate Program Representative
(one-year term with possible reappointment to a maximum of three years beginning Aug. 2011)

I am the designated representative of an institutional member of AAfPE in good standing.

Name

Institution

Signature

Date

- Elections will be held during the Annual Conference in Indianapolis, IN, October 27-30, 2010.
- Campaign statements are due to AAfPE Headquarters by June 1, 2010.
- Candidates for the ABA Approval Commission should also submit a résumé.

Please return this form no later than **June 1, 2010**, along with your candidate statement of approximately 500 words, for publication in *The Paralegal Educator*, via email to Carolyn Smoot, Nominations Chair at csmoot@siu.edu, with a copy to Gene Terry, AAfPE Executive Director at gterry@talley.com, or mail to the address below.

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Writing for *The Paralegal Educator*

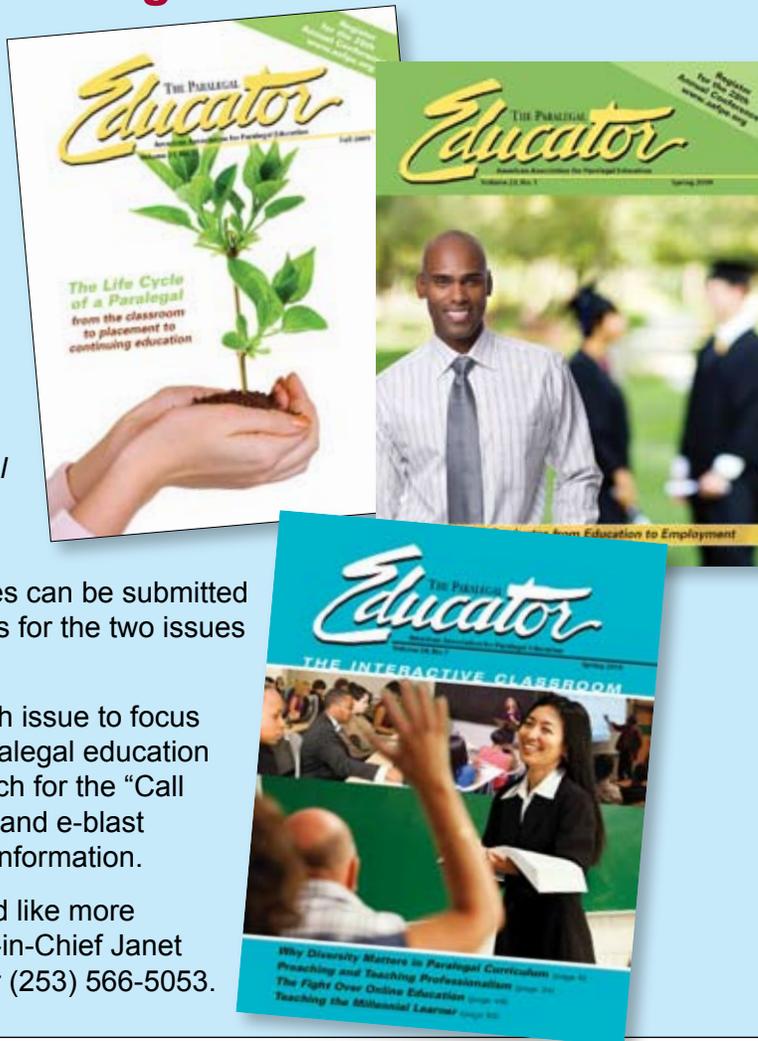
Would you like to impress your boss, your colleagues, your students? Do you have a teaching experience, knowledge relevant to the paralegal profession, or a solution to a problem that you would like to share?

If you are thinking “yes” to any part of these questions, then it is time to put your ideas on paper and write an article for AAFPE’s national magazine—*The Paralegal Educator*.

The Educator is published in the spring and fall of each year. Articles can be submitted at any time; the tentative deadlines for the two issues are April 15 and December 31.

A broad theme is assigned to each issue to focus on trends and concerns within paralegal education and the paralegal profession. Watch for the “Call for Articles” on the AAFPE listserv, and e-blast exchange, which will provide this information.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Editor-in-Chief Janet Olejar at jolejar@tacomacc.edu or (253) 566-5053.



“Excellence in Teaching Award” Could Be Yours

Cengage Learning is again sponsoring the Excellence in Teaching Award at our conference in Indianapolis. Enter! The winner receives \$500 and the applause from your colleagues. Applicants must submit a proposal of no more than 300 words to Mary Kubichek (kubichek@caspercollege.edu) by August 30, 2010.

Applicants will be notified no later than the third week in September if they have been selected to compete. Your presentation should be one that your audience can copy and use in their classrooms. Former winners are the judges; The entire audience provides feedback.

If you have competed before and did not win, please try again. Also, remember to pretend that your audience members are paralegal students, not your peers.

Contestants are responsible for their own handouts and other presentation aids. Please see the judging rubric. If you have questions or need your arm “twisted” to enter, contact Mary Kubichek, 307-268-2618. She will provide guidance and TLC. Please enter. We promise to clap loudly.

Cengage Learning Excellence in Teaching Competition Rubric 2010

Circle the appropriate points. Ten (10) is the best. 100 Points is the maximum.

		POINTS
Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce yourself to establish credibility 	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Topic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce topic • Explain why the topic is necessary for paralegal students 	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application to paralegal skills, knowledge or job competencies 	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Organizational Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attention step, internal summaries, smooth transitions, conclusion, clarity 	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Support Materials Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective use of handouts, technology, examples, references, etc. • Level of preparation by presenter • Conforms to time limit – shows that contestant has practiced to conform to 10 minutes 	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reference to rubrics • Reference to samples • Reference to assessment to be used at a later time 	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Pedagogy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear statement of lesson plan objectives • Ties lesson plan to program objectives • Links students' prior knowledge and skills to new knowledge and skills 	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Advanced Thinking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourages independent thinking and understanding rather than rote learning of facts • Stimulates student interest • Provides challenging material 	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
Verbal Delivery and Nonverbal Delivery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clear and appropriate language • Extemporaneous delivery • Appropriate humor • Enthusiasm • Appropriate eye contact, facial expressions, posture, movement, gestures, and vocal variety 	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10