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# News-N-Notes

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Gulf Coast Association of Legal Support Professionals  
*Affiliated with NALS, Inc.*  
"TOGETHER WE CAN"

May 2004 Edition  
Jeannie Shaw, PLS, Editor

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## 2003-2004 Board

President	Karen Kuhn, PLS
Vice-President	Banita Ford
Secretary	Mary Bibey
Treasurer	Misty Lewis, PLS
Director	Beth Steverson

## National News

### 2004-5 Online Learning Center Schedule

1. May 5 - Membership State and Local Membership Chairs Q&A
2. May 12: Email Security - Both At Home And In The Office
3. May 19 - Professional Development: How to Manage Multiple Projects and Make it Look Easy (1 CLE)
4. May 26 - Marketing / Certifying Board: Professional Paralegal - What does it Really Mean to you?

**Don't forget to read e-learn@nals** this month's article concerns the Educational System's role in underage drinking prevention. MADD President testifies opposite Alcohol Industry Representative.

## Region 6 News

**July 30 - August 1, 2004**  
Region 6 Meeting  
Little Rock, Arkansas - Wyndam Riverfront  
For information contact - Julie Abernathy

## State News

The Annual Membership Meeting and installation of new officers is scheduled for April 30 through May 2 at Philadelphia, Mississippi (Golden Moon Hotel & Casino). Early registration ends April 1<sup>st</sup>. Script ticket is \$80.00. This includes Registration, Friday Night Social, Saturday breakfast, lunch, banquet and Sunday breakfast. Installation of 2004/2005 officers will be at the Saturday night banquet. Your choice of Friday afternoon seminar (1) Estates and Estate Planning (2) ALS Mini-Mock Exam (3) PLS Mini-Mock Exam (4) PP Mini-Mock Exam; plus bonus session – The Wired Courtroom by Mr Chad Lamar, US Attorney's Office, Oxford, MS. Deadline for Registration is April 16th. Please see the Profile for additional information or contact Kim Knox (601) 948-3103 ext 6976 or Reba Pedan, PP, PLS (601) 948-3103 ext 2006.

Glenda Gregory, PLS  
State President 2003/2004  
Mississippi Division of NALS, Inc

## Local News

Due to new security rules at the Harrison County Courthouse, we will no longer to meeting in the Board of Directors Training room. The May meeting will be held at the Harrison County Election Commission Building at 2600 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Gulfport, on May 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:45 p.m.

Election of Officers was conducted at the April Meeting. Congratulations to our new board

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***President's Message***

It has truly been an honor and privilege to have served as President of Gulf Coast Association of Legal Support Professionals this year. I appreciate the opportunity you gave me to have served in this capacity. I look forward to next year and have confidence that Banita Ford will lead us into a very success year. Please remember to attend our installation ceremony on May 13th at our new location in the Harrison County Election Commission building at 1600 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Gulfport

*Karen Kuhn, PLS, President*

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

Karen Kuhn	May 15
Banita Ford	May 18
Jeannie Shaw	May 25

Our sympathy goes out to Mae Hazzard for the loss of her sister and to Renee Roddy and Jamie Roddy for the loss of their Grandfather/father.

Please call me at work 374-2685 or home 831-9312 if you know of any illness, accident or death in a member's immediate family so that I may send out the appropriate card. It's never too late to send a card but I would like to get them out as close to the occasion as possible.

Sheila J. Schultz  
Care Committee Chairman

***Vice President's Message***



I would like to thank everyone for the vote of confidence. I am looking forward to being the President of this Great association for 2004-2005. We have had many wonderful Presidents in

the past years and I pray that I can live up to the high standards that have been set before me. I would like to invite everyone to the installation of the 2004-2005 officer. This installation will take place at our new location: 2600 – 24th Avenue, Gulfport. Come prepared to have a gem of a time.

***Lunch N Learn***

The Gulf Coast Association of Legal Support Professionals is sponsoring Lunch-N-Learn seminars the third Friday of each month.

To be Announced.

If you have any questions, please give me a call at 867-6005 or reply to this e-mail. I hope to see everyone at the seminar.

*Banita Ford*

***Program Chairman***

Guest Speaker - Due to installation of officers there will be no quest speaker this month.

*Banita Ford*  
*Program Chair*

***Care Committee Report***

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:**

Misty Lewis	May 14
Cindy Boseman	May 17

**NALS Mission Statement**

*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.*

*Integrity and high standards of conduct are fundamental to the success of our professional association.*

**NALS Code of Ethics and 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 the 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; and*
- *Pursue a high order of professional attainment.*

*This Code is promulgated by the NALS and accepted by its members to accomplish these ends.*

**Editor's Notes**

*The deadline for next month's issue of News-N-Notes is May 25th. Contributions for publication are greatly appreciated! Please let me know if you have any suggestions on ways to improve our bulletin.*

*Jeannie Shaw, PLS  
Editor*

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**Quotes to Live by:**

*It really doesn't matter if the person who hurt you deserves to be forgiven. Forgiveness is a gift you give yourself. You have things to do and you want to move on . [Unknown](#)*

*[When a thing is done, it's done. Don't look back. Look forward to your next objective. George C. Marshall \(1880 - 1959\)](#)*

*[Help others get ahead. You will always stand taller with someone else on your shoulders. Bob Moawad](#)*