

**HISTORY OF
THE FLORIDA RECREATION AND PARK ASSOCIATION**

Compiled by:

Basha Schlazer, FRPA Historian, City of Miami
Debbie Weeks, Intern, Florida State University
Cathy Barker, Intern, University of Florida

Updated by:
The FRPA Executive Office

The Florida Association of Recreation Workers was the original name of the Florida Recreation Association. Although many records were lost, information available shows 1942 as the first year of a state convention, which was held in Orlando, with Nash Higgins as President.

The first Superintendent of Recreation in Orlando, Mr. Thomas W. Lantz (1924-29), stated that in 1924-29 there was no state organization and recreation work was truly in its pioneer state.

Nathan L. Mallison adds facts regarding a gathering held in Jacksonville at the George Washington Hotel in the fall of 1926. Roy Smith Wallace of the NRA was guest speaker. Attendance was approximately fifty people. Mr. J.B. Williams was Florida's District Representative of the NRA. William J. Sanford, Jr., Director of Recreation for the City of Jacksonville, was the host. Entertainment was a motor trip to Pablo Beach.

Marion Wood Huey adds, "among members of the original organization were: J.B. Lemon, Superintendent of Miami Beach; Clarence Varner, who would become Recreation Director of Orlando; and P.V. Gahan, St. Petersburg Director of Recreation. Mr. Gahan was from the Philadelphia area, where he worked with Mrs. Edna Bracher, wife of Howard Bracher, the founder of the NRA. Mr. Gahan was very active in our early organization.

Pioneers in Florida recreation placed a great deal of emphasis on camping, dramatics, and individual group activities. Cooperation of recreation departments with schools, churches, and civic groups in special events and activities have developed into our total playground programs and outdoor water sports. The total playground program includes athletics, arts and crafts, and special events.

Solving the problems of finance, balanced programs, administration of one-person departments, improved personnel, facility development, membership, better public relations, establishing a State Recreation Director of the Florida Development Commission, and many other phases of recreation has been accomplished through the organized efforts of the Florida Recreation Association. It can be seen that our organization has achieved its goal and has continued to work and build better recreation for all ages, giving them a chance to express themselves physically, as well as spiritually and mentally. In this fast moving industrial and scientific age, some of our important projects have been:

- establishment of a Director of Recreation in the Florida Development Commission,
- job and salary classification on a state level,
- setting up five state districts to function at district levels and yet work together as one state organization. In 1974-75 forming seven districts; in 1975-76 forming eight districts.
- improving standards in sports,
- improving relations with allied organizations,
- recreation major established at Florida State in 1951, and at the University of Miami in 1955,
- printed Florida Recreation News
- In 1972, changed our name to the Florida Recreation and Park Association,
- establishing FRPA Certification Exam in 1961 for the voluntary registration of Recreation and Park personnel in the State of Florida in order to establish standards for professional leadership in the field of recreation and parks to identify leaders engaged in the field and to certify that those persons who fulfill the prescribed standards are professionally qualified by training and experience to conduct and administer recreation and parks programs, areas, and facilities,
- growth of the organization to approximately 1,200 members throughout the state. These accomplishments must in part be credited to the pioneer leaders of our Association.
- employment of the first full-time Executive Director on January 1, 1981.
- incorporation of the FRPA, recognized as a non-profit corporation as of May 17, 1982.
- membership reached a record high of 1,850 in 1988.
- a Manual of Procedures and Conference Manual were completed, which set standards and guidelines for service.
- in 1984, FRPA awarded its 1,000th certification in the voluntary certification plan.
- the board designated funds for the purchase of a micro-computer for the FRPA Executive Office.
- the first legislative forum was held in 1985.
- the 1st Annual Golf Tournament was held and over \$2,200 was raised.
- FRPA won the NRPA Membership Award for improved membership in NRPA in 1986 and Southern Region gave us \$140 toward our scholarship fund.
- in 1987, FRPA showed an increase of 15% in membership.
- first ever grant from the Department of Education was received by FRPA for a Drug Prevention

Program, to provide technical assistance to 10 departments on how recreation and parks can provide alternatives to drug and alcohol abuse activities.

– the first _Florida Perfect for Parks and Recreation_ calendar was developed and made available.
– in 1992, FRPA purchased its Executive Office headquarters building in Tallahassee.

– FRPA was instrumental in passing the Florida Volunteer Immunity Legislation in the 1992 legislative session.

– FRPA is instrumental in securing twice the usual funding for the FRDAP program.

– FRPA formulates in first ever Long Range Strategic Plan to be updated each year by the FRPA Board of Directors, in 1992.

– FRPA formulates and implements its first ever Financial Guidelines Document to guide and implement procedures for the spending of Association financial resources at the state, district and interest section levels.

OBJECTIVES

To unite in one organization all recreation leaders in the State of Florida.

To develop and stimulate an intelligent interest in the possibilities of, the need for, and the values of adequate recreation programs in the State of Florida.

To foster and maintain high standards in recreation.

To assist the universities and colleges of Florida in the recruitment, training, and employment of qualified recreation personnel.

To function in such other ways as will further the interest of the recreation movement.

To cooperate with other agencies or organizations, both private and public, with similar or related objectives.

ASSOCIATION AWARDS

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ACHIEVEMENT AWARD</u>	<u>FELLOW AWARD</u>
1954	Marion W. Huey (Mrs.) Nathan L. Mallison Ralph B. Van Fleet	
1955	Julian Olsen	
1956	Temple Jarrell	
1957	Woodrow W. Dukes	
1958	Frances Joyner (Mrs.)	
1959	Jack Puryear	
1960	A. H. Peavy, Jr.	
1961	Tom Starling	
1962	Walter Edge Denson Hambleton Dr. Roy Leilich	
1963	Jervy Gantt, Jr. Madge Williams	Ralph B. Van Fleet Marion W. Huey (Mrs.) Nathan L. Mallison
1964	Ralph Carter	Ben York Woodrow W. Dukes A. H. Peavy, Jr.
1965	Jack Woody	
1966	Catherine Sample	Jervy Gantt, Jr.
1967		James Hadaway Ralph Carter
1968	Ruth Stenger (Mrs.)	Denson Hambleton Walter Edge
1969	Sue Herndon	Dr. Roy Leilich
1970	J. Walter Reid Mary Ann Reid (Mrs.)	James Sayes
1971	Betty Palmer Tom Sperling	Dr. W. J. Tait Jack Puryear Joker Merchant
1972		J. Walter Reid
1973	Jean Fountain	Tom Sperling Jack Woody
1974	Dr. Frances Cannon	
1975	Robert Frankhauser William Swartz Howard Rohrbacher Betty Daniel	
1976	Gordon Sprague Basha Schlazer	
1977	Jack Haskin O.B. Johnson	Sue Herndon McCollum
1978	Don Brannon Walt Rothenbach Ray Massey	Robert Frankhauser
1979	Stu Taber Randy Trousdell Mary Stewart	Betty Daniel
1980	William Vickery Robert Gould Tom Kindred	
1981	Robert Conn Allen Edelman James Jernigan	Walt Rothenbach
1982	James McMahon	Frances Cannon

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ACHIEVEMENT AWARD</u>	<u>FELLOW AWARD</u>
1983		Tom Kindred
1984	Debbie Regnone Betty Douglas Irene Devin	William Vickery Don Brannon
1985	Julian Barrs Charles Swisher	James McMahan
1986	Cheryl Beeler Tom Farnsworth	
1987	Cathy Santa Dottie Abrams	Tom Farnsworth
1988	Rosie Keween	
1989	Bill Bird Robert Burdett	
1990	Cliff Crawford	
1991	Art Robbins Jerry Jones Mark Eynatten	Cathy Santa
1992	Joe Abrahams Fran Mainella	Debbie Regnone
1993		Randy Trousdell
1994	Margaret "Mitzi" Nelson	William Swartz Mark Eynatten
1995	Mary Ann Davis Christi Flood Howard Gregg	
1996	Harriet Orr	Cheryl Beeler
1997	Collier Clark Tommy Purvis	W. Howard Gregg
1998	Patrick Byrne Adrienne Kurtz	
1999	Rosemary Prince	Robert Conn, Sr.
2000	Leah Hoffman	Tommy Purvis
2001	Steve Miller	Collier Clark
2002	Mark Abdo	
2003	Barbara Manzo Julia Recker	Patrick Byrne
2004	Terri Messler	
2005	Karen Palus	Barbara Manzo
2006	Elaine Smith	Leah Hoffman
2007	Lucille Vaillancourt-Kreider	
2008	Nancy Sigoloff-Taback	Julia Thompson
2009	W. Greg Scott	Karen Palus
2010	Don Decker	Terri Messler
2011	Joe Abel Cathy Norris	
2012	Donna Trafford	
2013	T. Michael Stavres	
2014		Don Decker
2019	Joan Byrne	
2022	Jennifer Cirillo	

FRPA LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

George D. Butler	Mrs. Marion Huey	Mrs. Mary Ann Reid
Ben York	Mrs. Alice Forman	Mrs. Cordelia Hunt
J. Walter Reid	Mrs. Estelle Wells	Pierce Gahan
Temple Jarrell	Willard Sutherland	Mrs. Madge Williams
Walter Edge	Herb Ball	Jack Puryear
O.B. Johnson	Joker Merchant	Harriett Johnson
Lee Dunn	Dwight Hunter	Ralph Carter
Denny Hambleton	Julia Dunn	Jervy Gantt, Jr.
Patrick Heneghan	James Sayes	Ruth Stenger
Stuart Taber	Phyllis Dewey Sheldon	Betty Palmer
Charles Parks	Howard Rohrbacher	Ray Massey
Dr. Frances Cannon	Dorothy Abrams - 1991	William Haycock - 1992
Charles Swisher - 1992	Robert Gould - 1993	James McMahon - 1993
Dr. Roy Leilich - 1994	Sue Herndon McCollum - 1995	Allen Edelman - 1996
Thomas Kindred - 1997	Jerry Jones - 1998	Betty Douglas - 2000
William Red Vickrey - 2002	Cathy Santa - 2003	Walt Rothenbach – 2004
Randy Trousdell – 2005	Collier Clark – 2006	William 'Bill' Swartz – 2007
Margaret 'Mitzi' Nelson – 2009	W. Howard Gregg – 2011	Dr. Cheryl Beeler – 2012
Barbara Manzo – 2012	Phyllis Bush - 2013 (posthumously)	
Jack Kardys – 2017	Chester Pruitt – 2018	Leah Hoffman – 2019
T, Michael Stavres – 2022		

OTHER STATE AWARDS

(These statewide awards were implemented after 1997)

Distinguished Service to the Association Award (began in 2010)

2010 - Linda Goberna
2010 - Andrea King
2013 – Mary Wilson Palacios
2015 – Mark Abdo
2017 – Marcia Bowen

Distinguished Service to the Profession Award (began in 2010)

2010 – Kevin Dunbar
2011 - J.T. Almon
2012 – Jack Kardys
2016 – Rosemary Prince
2016 – Elaine Smith
2019 – Ernest Burkeen (posthumously)
2020 – Eric Call
2022 – Joseph Abel

Distinguished Young Professional Award – renamed Rising Star Award in 2012

1997 - Ashley Edwards, CLP
- Anthony Stevens
- Howard Tripp
1998 - Domino Ireland, CLP
1999 - Amy Wolf, CLP
2000 - Julia Henderson, CPRP
2002 - Libby McWilliams Olive, CPRP
2003 - Lorenzo Hall
2004 - Rick Audet
2006 - Mandy Petersen
2007 - Tony Lopez
2009 - Mathew Eberius
2011 - Holeigh Morin
2014 - Ali Burg
2016 - Cassi Waren
2017 - Amy Zengotita
2018 - Megan Leary
2019 - Rachel Ivey
2020 - Brad Lympamy
2021 - Lyndsey Marsh
2022 - Mary Cales

Outstanding Student Award

1997 - Jean Horgan

Parks Professional Award

2015 - John Fussell
2016 - Greg Brown
2017 - Danny Barcia
2019 - Chris Lisenby
2019 - Suzanne Shuffitt
2020 - Greg Wright
2021 - Chris Sanz
2022 -Andrea Andersen

Corporate Support Award

- 1997 - Planning & Financing Consulting Team Services
- Recreation Design and Construction
- 1998 - Gus Machado Ford, Hialeah
- National Alliance for Youth Sports
- 1999 - Coral Gables "PARKnership" Foundation
- 2000 - USTA Florida Section
- Trust for Public Land
- First Federal Savings Bank of Live Oak
- 2001 - City of Hialeah and the University of Miami
- 2002 - City of Hialeah and the Florida Panthers Alumni Association
- 2005 - Daimler Chrysler Services, Hollywood, Florida
- Pointe West, Indian River County
- Rotary Club of Seminole, Seminole, Florida
- 2006 - Lowes Home Improvement, Pensacola, Florida
- 2007 - Dunedin Blue Jays Baseball Club
- 2008 - Palms of Largo
- 2009 - Kiwanis Club of Tamarac
- 2010 - Orange County Parks and Recreation and The Orlando Magic
- 2011 - Tampa Bay Rays
- 2012 - Suntan of St. Pete Beach
- 2013 - Benderson Development
- 2014 - Parks Foundation of Miami Dade County
- 2015 - Village Inn Largo, Florida
- 2016 - JM Family Enterprises
- 2016 - Dominica Recreation Products
- 2017 - Butters Construction & Development
- 2018 - Belleair Community Foundation – Belleair
- 2019 - Fort King Heritage Association
- 2021 - Pinellas Realty Organization
- 2022 - Pinellas Community Foundation

Voluntary Service Award

- 1997 - Peg Creed, City of Tampa Parks Department
- 1998 - Bruce McManus, City of Largo
- 1999 - Individuals
- 1999 - Group
- 2000 - Individual - Ele Colburn
- 2000 - Corporate - Lake County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board
- 2000 - Corporate - Oviedo Citizens in Action Corporation
- 2000 - Group - Students Working Against Tobacco - New Port Richey
- 2001 - Individual - Julie Grady
- 2001 - Group - Olustee Battlefield Citizen Support Organization
- 2002 - Individual - Otto Hough
- 2002 - Group - Volunteers in the Arts of Largo (VITAL)
- 2003 - Individual - Terry Redman
- 2003 - Group - Rotary Clubs of Cape Coral
- 2004 - Individual - Walter Oliver
- Group - Venetian Aquatic Club
- 2005 - Individual – Shirley Dietrich
- Group – Largo Rotary Club
- 2006 - Individual – Betty Willis
- Group – Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts Advisory Board
- 2007 - Individual – Nadine McCrae
- Group – Friends of Six Mile Slough
- 2008 - Group – Friends of Matanzas Pass Preserve
- 2009 - Individual – Mr. Earl Carter

- 2010 - Group - Siesta Key Ambassadors
- 2010 - Individual – Mr. John Allbritton
- 2011 - Group – New Port Richey Youth Advisory Board
- 2011 - Individual – Gay Gentry
- 2012 - Group – Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful
- 2012 - Individual – Richard Schwartz
- 2013 - Group – Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation Volunteer Group
- 2013 - Individual – Dr. Lou Zagaar
- 2014 - Group – Friends of Largo Nature Parks
- 2014 - Individual – Nat West
- 2015 - Group - Guardian Angels for Special Populations - Cape Coral
- 2015 - Individual – Joy Phillips
- 2016 - Group – Largo Flying Club
- 2016 - Individual – Christian Isaly
- 2017 - Group – Suwanee Friends of Heritage Park and Gardens
- 2017 - Group – Largo Central Railroad
- 2017 - Individual – Sue Ann Ginster
- 2018 - Group – Suncoast Performing Arts Foundation
- 2018 - Individual – Vivian "Coach Cookie" Hall
- 2019 - Group - Friends of Barefoot Beach – Collier County
- 2019 - Individual – Grace and Fred Whitehouse
- 2020 - Group – New Port Richey Youth Advisory Board
- 2020 - Individual – Stephen Martin
- 2021 - Group – City of West Park Youth Council
- 2021 - Individual – Dave and Erma Miller
- 2022 - Group – Pinellas Park TeenWorkx
- 2022 - Individual – Russel Johnsons
- 2022 - Group – Frost Museum Volunteers

Media Excellence Award (renamed Public Relations in 2014)

- 1998 - Coral Gables Parks & Recreation Department
- 1998 - Hollywood Department of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Affairs
- 1999 - Print - Largo Recreation and Parks
- 1999 - Web Site - Largo Recreation and Parks
- 1999 - Videos - Hialeah Parks and Recreation
- 2000 - Print - Tallahassee Parks & Recreation
- 2000 - Electronic - Kissimmee Parks & Recreation
- 2000 - Electronic - Hialeah Recreation & Community Services
- 2001 - Electronic - Tampa Recreation
- 2001 - Print Category - Coral Gables Parks and Recreation
- 2001 - News Release - Pasco County Parks and Recreation
- 2002 - Print - Coral Springs Parks and Recreation
- 2002 - Electronic - Video - Pensacola Leisure Services
- 2002 - Electronic - Web Site - Broward County Parks and Recreation
- 2002 - Electronic - CD Brochure - Hialeah Parks and Recreation
- 2003 - Print - Broward County Parks and Recreation
- 2003 - Electronic - Video - Hollywood Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs
- 2004 - Print - Coral Gables Parks and Recreation
- 2004 - Print - Naples Community Services
- 2005 - Electronic - Video - Pensacola Parks and Recreation
- 2005 - Print – Catalogue – Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts *PLAY!*
- 2005 - Print – Circulation – Florida State Parks Passport Book
- 2005 - Print – Magazine – Florida State Parks – Florida State Parks Guide
- 2005 - Other – Tallahassee Parks and Recreation – Gold Medal Media Campaign
- 2005 - Audio Visual – Electronic Media – Florida State Parks Suwannee River CD
- 2005 - Audio Visual – Electronic Media – Florida State Parks On-Line Guide
- 2005 - Audio Visual – Electronic Media – Pinellas County Culture, Education and Leisure Agency Video
- 2006 - Print – Catalogue – Naples Community Services
- 2006 - Other – Nick Sortal

- 2007 - Electronic / Video – Tampa Recreation and Parks
- 2007 - Catalogue – Miami Beach Parks and Recreation
- 2007 - Circulation – Weston Parks and Recreation
- 2007 - Magazine – Hollywood Recreation, Parks and Cultural Arts
- 2007 - Photographs – Lee County Parks and Recreation
- 2007 - Other – Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts
- 2007 - Video/Electronic – Tampa Parks and Recreation
- 2007 - Website – Battle of Olustee Citizen Support Organization
- 2008 - Catalogue – Safety Harbor Leisure Services
- 2008 - Photography – Largo Recreation Parks and Arts
- 2008 - Video/Electronic – Safety Harbor Leisure Services
- 2008 - Website – Plantation Swim Team
- 2008 - Other – Steve Yeskulsky
- 2009 - Catalogue – Miami Beach Parks and Recreation
- 2009 - Magazine – Miami Dade County Parks and Recreation and City of Weston
- 2009 - Video/Electronic – Miami Parks and Recreation
- 2009 - Other – Cape Coral Parks and Recreation
- 2010 - Catalogue – Dunedin Parks and Recreation
- 2010 - Catalogue – Pensacola Parks and Recreation
- 2010 - Print – Other – Marion County Parks and Recreation
- 2010 - Electronic Media DVD – Tamarac Parks and Recreation
- 2010 - Website – Port Orange Parks and Recreation
- 2011 - Catalogue – Safety Harbor Leisure Services R.E.A.L.
- 2011 - Magazine – Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts *PLAY*
- 2011 - Print – Other – Marion County and City of Ocala Fun Times
- 2011 - Website – Miami Beach Parks and Recreation
- 2011 - Video/Other – Seminole County Leisure Services
- 2012 - Print – Magazine – Winter Haven Community Services “Play Well”
- 2012 - Print – Other – Cape Coral Parks and Recreation
- 2012 - Electronic – Video – Dunedin Parks and Recreation
- 2012 - Electronic – Website – St. Petersburg Parks and Recreation
- 2013 - Print – Catalogue – Dunedin Parks and Recreation
- 2013 - Electronic – Video – Tallahassee Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Affairs
- 2013 - Electronic – Other – Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation
- 2014 - Print – City of Seminole “Play Zone”
- 2014 - Electronic Media – Video – Deerfield Beach Parks and Recreation
- 2014 - Electronic Media – Catalogues – Cape Coral Parks and Recreation
- 2014 - Electronic Media – Social Media – Martin County Parks and Recreation
- 2014 - Electronic Media – Other – Weston Peace Mound Park Blog
- 2014 - Other – Mascot – Largo “Captain Play”
- 2015 - Print – Catalogue - Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts – “Play”
- 2015 - Electronic Media – Social Media – Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation
- 2015 - Other – Mascot – Safety Harbor Leisure Services – “Fiona Fun”
- 2016 - Palm Beach County “Prescription for Healthy Living” PSA
- 2017 - Melbourne Parks and Recreation “Get Out and Play Campaign”
- 2018 - Campaign - Dunedin - LiveWell Dunedin
- 2018 - Electronic Media - Palm Beach County - Four Pillars Animated PSAs
- 2019 - Campaign/Initiative – Tallahassee – Southside Farmer’s Market
- 2019 - Electronic Media – Cape Coral – Fun Mobile
- 2020 - Campaign/Initiative – Davie Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts - #SaferBy4
- 2020 - Electronic Media – Palm Beach County – Power of Parks Podcast
- 2021 - Campaign/Initiative - Charlotte County Community Services - Easter Egg-Scursion
- 2021 - Electronic Media - North Port Parks and Recreation – Scoop, Scoop, Baby
- 2021 - Print Material – Sarasota County Parks and Recreation – A Walk in the Park
- 2022 - Campaign/Initiative – Port St Lucie Parks and Recreation - Community Input Program
- 2022 - Electronic Media – St Petersburg Parks and Recreation – TR Program Brochure
- 2022 - Print Material – Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation – Nature Adventure Journal

Sports Tourism Award presented in conjunction with the Florida Sports Foundation

- 2014 - Small Market – Pensacola Neighborhood Services
- Large Market – Lee County Parks and Recreation
- 2015 - Small Market – Leon County Parks and Recreation
- Large Market – Clearwater Parks and Recreation
- 2016 - Small Market – Tallahassee Parks, Recreation and Neighborhood Affairs
- Large Market – Sarasota County Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources
- 2017 - Small Market – Charlotte County Parks and Recreation
- Large Market – Plantation Parks and Recreation
- 2018 - Large Market - Seminole County Leisure Services
- Small Market - Collier County Parks and Recreation Division
- 2019 - Large Market – Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation
- 2020 - Mid/Large Market – Osceola County Parks and Recreation
- Small Market – Leesburg Parks and Recreation
- 2021 - Mid/Large Market - Winter Haven Parks, Recreation and Culture
- 2022 - Mid/Large Market – Sarasota County Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources
- Small Market – Pasco County Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources

Agency Excellence Award (note: this category was reformatted in 2015)

Category I

- 1998 - Ft. Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department
- 1999 - St Petersburg Leisure Services Department
- 2001 - Clearwater Parks and Recreation Department
- 2003 - Collier County Parks and Recreation
- 2006 - Miami Parks and Recreation
- 2007 - Lee County Parks and Recreation
- 2009 - Miami Dade County Parks and Recreation
- Tampa Parks and Recreation
- 2010 - Collier County Parks and Recreation

Category II

- 1998 - North Miami Beach Parks & Recreation Department
- 2005 - Pembroke Pines Parks and Recreation
- 2006 - Ft. Lauderdale Parks and Recreation
- 2009 - Cape Coral Parks and Recreation
- 2012 - Cape Coral Parks and Recreation

Category III

- 2003 - Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation
- 2004 - Hollywood Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts
- 2007 - Boca Raton Parks and Recreation
- 2008 - Miami Beach Parks and Recreation
- 2010 - Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts
- Hollywood Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts

Category IV

- 1997 - Winter Haven Leisure Services Department
- 2000 - Coral Gables Parks & Recreation
- 2002 - Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts
- 2003 - Ormond Beach Leisure Services
- 2005 - Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts
- North Miami Beach Parks and Recreation
- 2007 - Village of Wellington
- 2008 - Tamarac Parks and Recreation
- 2009 - Dunedin Parks and Recreation
- 2011 - Pensacola Parks and Recreation
- 2013 - Ocala Parks and Recreation
- 2014 - Doral Parks and Recreation

Category V

- 1999 - Aventura Community Services
- 2002 - Miami Shores Village Recreation
- 2007 - Naples Community Services
- 2008 - New Port Richey Parks and Recreation
- 2009 - New Port Richey Parks and Recreation

Community Building

- 2020 - Largo Recreation Parks and Arts
- Hillsborough County Parks and Recreation

Environmental Sustainability

- 2015 - Cape Coral Parks and Recreation
- 2016 - Collier County Parks and Recreation
- 2018 - Miami Parks and Recreation
- 2019 - Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation
- 2020 - Charlotte County Community Services, Parks and Natural Resources

Economic Impact

- 2017 - New Port Richey Parks and Recreation

Health

- 2018 - Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts
- 2019 - Miami Parks and Recreation
- 2022 - St. Petersburg Parks and Recreation

Super Category

- 2015 - Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts
- 2016 - Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation
- 2017 - Miami Parks and Recreation
- 2018 - Lee County Parks and Recreation

Innovative Programming Award

- 1998 - Largo Parks & Recreation Department's "Outreach Program"
- 2014 - Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts "Footgolf" Program
- 2015 - Safety Harbor Leisure Services "Eco Egg Hunt"
- 2016 - Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts Department "Largo Community Connections"
- 2017 - Largo Recreation Parks and Arts – "Avian Veterans Alliance"
- 2018 - Health - Step Up Your Health, Doral! – Doral
- Community Building – Inshore Insight - Charlotte Co
- Environmental - STREAM Program – Miami
- Economic Impact - 2017 World Rowing Championships - Sarasota Co
- 2019 - Health – Southside Farmer's Market – Tallahassee
- Community Building – Summer in Paradise Fairytale Playhouses – West Palm Beach
- Community Building – North Pole Express – Largo
- Environmental – Southside Farmer's Market – Tallahassee
- Economic Impact – North Pole Express – Largo
- 2020 - Health – Port St. Lucie Parks and Recreation – Opioid Epidemic Awareness Trainings & Public Forum
- Community Building – Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts
- Economic Impact and Development – Largo Recreation, Parks and Arts
- 2021 - Health - Town of Jupiter and Palm Beach Gardens – Ignite the Fight Virtual 5k
- Community Building- Port St Lucie Parks and Recreation - Healthy U: A Series of Conversations
- Environmental – Miami Dade Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces - Zoo Miami Conservation Action Center
- Economic Impact – Gulf Breeze Parks and Recreation - Reverse Holiday Parade
- Exceptional Circumstances - Weston Parks and Recreation - Cypress Bay Drive Thru Graduation
- 2022 - Health - St Petersburg Parks and Recreation - *Healthy St Pete Healthier Together*

- Community Building- Broward County Parks and Recreation - Special Populations Section
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion - Palm Beach Gardens Recreation - Love Serving Autism
- Therapeutic Tennis Camp

Excellence in Research Award

- 2003 - University of Florida and Dr. Bertha Cato
- 2006 - Florida State University – Dr. Cheryl Beeler, Joohyun Lee, Rosie Keween
- 2007 - Terry Cain, Lee County Parks and Recreation

It Starts in Parks Award

Category I

- 2006 - Tampa Parks and Recreation
- 2007 - Broward County Parks and Recreation
 - St. Petersburg Leisure Services
- 2008 - Palm Beach County Parks and Recreation
- 2009 - Seminole Leisure Services

Category II

- 2006 - Cape Coral Parks and Recreation
- 2007 - Cape Coral Parks and Recreation
- 2008 - Cape Coral Parks and Recreation
- 2009 - Pembroke Pines Parks and Recreation

Category III

- 2006 - Clearwater Parks and Recreation

Category IV

- 2006 - South Daytona Parks and Recreation
- 2007 - Boynton Beach Parks and Recreation
- 2008 - Doral Parks and Recreation
- 2009 - Doral Parks and Recreation
- 2010 - Tamarac Parks and Recreation
 - Doral Parks and Recreation

Category V

- 2007 - Doral Parks and Recreation
 - Riviera Beach Parks and Recreation
- 2008 - Safety Harbor Leisure Services
- 2010 - Safety Harbor Leisure Services

Presidential Recognition Award for ISIP

- 2013 - Marion County Parks and Recreation

Special Recognition Award

- 2019 - Robert Matassa and Joshua Long – Port Orange – life saving

CONFERENCE SITES

1942	Orlando, Florida
1943	Jacksonville
1944	Miami Beach
1945	Lakeland
1946	Daytona Beach
1947	Tampa
1948	Miami Beach
1949	Tampa
1950	Winter Haven
1952	St. Petersburg
1953	Key West
1954	Fort Pierce
1955	Jacksonville
1956	St. Petersburg
1957	Miami Beach
1958	Clearwater
1959	St. Petersburg
1960	W Palm Beach
1961	Jacksonville
1962	Tallahassee
1963	Tampa
1964	Fort Pierce
1965	Tallahassee
1966	Gainesville
1967	Tampa
1968	Hollywood
1969	Cape Kennedy
1970	Tallahassee
1971	Gainesville
1972	St. Petersburg
1973	Hialeah
1974	Palm Beach Gardens
1975	Tallahassee
1976	Jacksonville
1977	Orlando
1978	Tampa
1979	Orlando
1980	Miami
1981	Fort Lauderdale
1982	Daytona
1983	Jacksonville
1984	Palm Beach Gardens
1985	Tampa
1986	Miami
1987	Fort Lauderdale - Bonaventure
1988	Orlando - Hyatt Orlando
1989	Jacksonville - Omni Jacksonville
1990	Tampa - Saddlebrook
1991	Marco Island - Marco Island Marriott
1992	Orlando - Hyatt Orlando
1993	Tampa - Saddlebrook Resort
1994	Tampa - Saddlebrook Resort
1995	Miami - Crown Plaza
1996	Fort Lauderdale - Bonaventure Resort & Spa
1997	Winter Haven - Grenelefe Resort
1998	Winter Haven - Grenelefe Resort
1999	Kissimmee - Hyatt Orlando
2000	Kissimmee - Hyatt Orlando

2001 Saddlebrook Resort - Tampa
2002 Wyndham Resort and Space (formerly Bonaventure) – Ft. Lauderdale
2003 Westin Innisbrook - Palm Harbor
2004 Westin Innisbrook - Palm Harbor
2005 Saddlebrook Resort - Tampa
2006 Caribe Royale - Orlando
2007 Caribe Royale – Orlando
2008 Disney Coronado Springs Resort – Orlando
2009 Disney Coronado Springs Resort – Orlando
2010 Caribe Royale – Orlando
2011 Caribe Royale – Orlando
2012 Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek - Orlando
2013 Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek - Orlando
2014 Hilton Orlando
2015 Hilton Orlando
2016 Caribe Royale – Orlando
2017 Omni Championsgate - Orlando
2018 Caribe Royale – Orlando
2019 Omni Championsgate – Orlando
2020 Omni Championsgate – Orlando
2021 Caribe Royale – Orlando
2022 Caribe Royale – Orlando
2023 Caribe Royale – Orlando
2024 Caribe Royale – Orlando

FRPA EDITORIAL BOARDS

1946	Editors Unknown
1947	Cordelia Hunt
1952	Dr. William J. Tait
1953	Temple Jarrell
1954-55	Ed Schoedinger
1956	Ed Lawrence
1957	Edmond Shea
1958	Ron Perry
1959-60	Ron Perry & James Sayes
1961	Art Peavy & James Sayes
1962-63	Art Peavy & Ron Perry
1964	Bob Rhinehart & Crownson Publishing
1965	Mike Zotti
1966-68	Ruth Stenger
1969-72	Jean Fountain
1973	Cheryl Beeler
1974	Jean Fountain
1975-76	Jan Ziff
1977-78	Walt Rothenbach
1979-82	Dick Jackson
1983	Joan Murray, Lynda Bragg and Chrys Sullivan
1984	Rosemary Prince, Lynda Bragg and Chrys Sullivan
1985	Jeanne Clark, Phyllis Bush, Ruthie Pfaff
1986	Jeanne Clark, Phyllis Bush, Ruthie Pfaff
1987	Ruthie Pfaff, Phyllis Bush
1988	Phyllis Bush, Jerrie Lindsey, Bob Bradley
1989	Jerrie Lindsey, Bob Bradley, Katy Johnston
1990	Jerrie Lindsey, Katy Johnston, Bill Bibby
1991-94	Phyllis Bush, Katy Johnston, Bill Bibby
1994-96	Phyllis Bush, Katy Johnston, Ashley Edwards
1996-97	Phyllis Bush, Katy Johnston, Ashley Edwards, Pete Sampson
1997-98	Phyllis Bush, Katy Johnston, Ashley Edwards, Candy McCrary, James Stamborski, Dave Borisenko
1998-99	Julia Recker
1999-00	Pamela Post and Julia Recker
2000-01	Pamela Post
2017-19	Don Decker and Terri Messler
2020-21	Richard Durr, Brynn Frazier, Jen Guerrant, Laura Ansel, Brie Ondercin, Terri Messler, Christopher Korbelak, Fred Couceyro
2021-22	Terri Messler, Robert Chenier, Lynn Gordon, Mike Koenig, Christopher Korbelak, Fred Couceyro, Jen Guerrant, Laura Ansel, Brie Ondercin

PAST OFFICERS

1942-43

President - Nash Higgins
Other Officers - no records

1943-44

President - Nathan L. Mallison
Other Officers - no records

1944-45

President - Cordelia Hunt
Other Officers - no record

1945-46

President - R.B. Van Fleet
Vice President - Marion Wood Huey
Secretary - Robert Doty

1946-47

President - Marion Wood Huey
Vice President - Dr. K. Montgomery
Secretary - Cliff Kerby
Treasurer - Robert Black

1947-48

President - Julian Olsen
Vice President - Dr. K. Montgomery
Secretary - Dwight Hunter
Treasurer - Peter Roberts

1948-49

President - Dwight Hunter
Vice President - Nash Higgins
Secretary - Ned West

1949-50

President - Nash Higgins
Vice President - James Boswell
Secretary - Janet Wells
Treasurer - Victor Larson

1950-51

President - James Boswell
Vice President - Mary Sawyer
Secretary - Margaret Sykes
Treasurer - Victor Larson

1951-52

President - Dr. Howard Danford
Vice President - Tom Starling
Secretary - Margaret Sykes
Treasurer - Dwight Hunter

1952-53

President - Tom Starling
Vice President - Woodrow Dukes
Secretary - Ruth Brokaw
Treasurer - Jack Puryear

1953-54

President - Woodrow Dukes
Vice President - A. H. Peavy, Jr.
Secretary - M. K. Moore
Treasurer - J. J. Gantt, Jr.

1954-55

President - Jack Puryear
Vice President - J. J. Gantt, Jr.
Secretary - Mary Sawyer
Treasurer - Temple Jarrell
District I - Helen Lewis
District II - Bert Kurland
District III - Bud Keathly
District IV - Temple Jarrell

1955-56

President - J. J. Gantt, Jr.
President Elect - Clifford King
Secretary - Thelma Bolton
Treasurer - Denson Hambleton
District I - Helen Lewis
District II - Kert Kurland (resigned) Tom Starling
District III - Bud Keathly
District IV - Temple Jarrell

1956-57

President - Clifford King (resign 10/56)
President Elect - Ben York
Secretary - Alice Forman
Treasurer - Denson Hambleton
District I - Ben Page
District II - James Sayes
District III - Bud Keathly
District IV - A. H. Peavy, Jr.

1957-58

President - Ben York
President Elect - A. H. Peavy, Jr.
Secretary - Bill Richter
Treasurer - Don Donley
District I - James Hadaway
District II - James Sayes
District III - Ted Wilson
District IV - Jack Woody

1958-59

President - A. H. Peavy, Jr.
President Elect - James Sayes
Secretary - Mary Reid
Treasurer - Mark McDonald
District I - James Hitzman
District II - Howard Rohrbacher
District III - Eddie Moore
District IV - Dennis Hambleton

1959-60

President - James Sayes
President Elect - Temple Jarrell
Secretary - Mary Faust
Treasurer - Lou Presti
District I - Joe Johnson
District II - Bill Stott
District III - Emilie Moore
District IV - Walter Judd

1960-61

President - Temple Jarrell (resigned)
 appointed James Sayes
President Elect - Roy Leilich
Secretary - Madge Williams
Treasurer - Lou Presti
District I - William Vickery
District II - Ron Perry
District III - Robert Rhinehart
District IV - Walter Reid
District V - Walter Edge

1961-62

President - Dr. Roy Leilich
President Elect - Dennis Hambleton
Secretary - Madge Williams
Treasurer - Betty Palmer
District I - Don James
District II - Sandy DeSandro
District III - Don Donley
District IV - Jeannette Hunt
District V - Walter Edge

1962-63

President - Dennis Hambleton
President Elect - Ralph E. Carter
Secretary - Madge Williams
 Treasurer - Herb Ball
District I - Betty Palmer
District II - Mark K. McDonald
District III - Robert Curry
District IV - Tom Miller
District V - Gene Fuller

1963-64

President - Ralph E. Carter
President Elect - Bob Rhinehart
 Secretary - Madge Williams
Treasurer - George Boyd
District I - Betty Palmer
District II - Tom Sperling
District III - Robert Hill
District IV - Pat Heneghan
District V - Eugene Fuller

1964-65

President - Robert Rhinehart
President Elect - James Hadaway
Secretary - Sue Herndon
Treasurer - Tom Sperling
District I - Buddy Elliott
District II - Ray Massey
District III - Gary Garretson
District IV - Ron Perry
District V - Walter Edge

1965-66

President - James Hadaway
President Elect - Jack Woody
Secretary - Sue Herndon
Treasurer - Tom Sperling
District I - William Vickery
District II - Madge Williams
District III - Gary Garretson
District IV - Walter Reid
District V - Dave Gessner
Parliamentarian - Woody Dukes

1966-67

President - Jack Woody
President Elect - Walter Edge
Secretary - Sue Herndon
Treasurer - Tom Sperling
District I - Randy Trousdell
District II - Jim Jernigan
District III - Mike Tully
District IV - Tom Gibbons
District V - Jack Miller
Parliamentarian - Denny Hambleton

1967-68

President - Walter Edge
President Elect - Tom Sperling
Secretary - Sue Herndon
Treasurer - Walter Reid
District I - Randy Trousdell
District II - Bob Gould
District III - Gerald Gow (resigned) George Boyd
District IV - Mary Ann Reid
District V - Gabe Prescott
Parliamentarian - Woody Dukes

1968-69

President - Tom Sperling
President Elect - Pat Heneghan
Secretary - Sue Herndon
Treasurer - Walter Reid
District I - Bill Farramore
District II - Bob Fleming
District III - George Boyd
District IV - Guy Carretta
District V - Billy Hankins
Parliamentarian - Woody Dukes

1969-70

President - Pat Heneghan
President Elect - Dr. William Tait
Secretary - Sue Herndon
Treasurer - Walter Reid
District I - Judy Coryell
District II - Jerry Jones
District III - Ruth Stenger
District IV - Bill Guinn
District V - Gordon Sprague
Parliamentarian - Walter Edge

1970-71

President - Dr. William Tait
President Elect - William Vickery
Secretary - Sue Herndon
Treasurer - Walter Reid
District I - Gayle Winchester
District II - Charles Swisher
District III - Ruth Stenger
District IV - Herb Ball
District V - Woody Dukes
Parliamentarian - Walter Edge

1971-72

President - William Vickery
President Elect - Walter Reid
Secretary - Sue Herndon
Treasurer - Bob Frankhauser
District I - Randy Trousdell
District II - Winston Needham
District III - Ream Wilson
District IV - Basha Schlazer
District V - Bill Swartz
Parliamentarian - Woody Dukes

1972-73

President - Walter Reid
President Elect - Gordon Sprague
Secretary - Sue Herndon
Treasurer - Bob Frankhauser
District I - Joe Ferolito
District II - Helen Riles
District III - Walt Rothenbach
District IV - Basha Schlazer
District V - Nick McMullin
Parliamentarian - Curtis Bradford

1973-74

President - Gordon Sprague
President Elect - Bill Swartz
Secretary - Sue Herndon
Treasurer - Bob Frankhauser
District I - Ron Ferris
District II - Moody Adkins
District III - Walt Rothenbach
District IV - Basha Schlazer
District V - Nick McMullen
Parliamentarian - Curtis Bradford

1974-75

President - Bill Swartz
President Elect - Jean Fountain
Secretary - Basha Schlazer
Treasurer - Bob Frankhauser
Asst. Treasurer - Don Brannon
District I - Ron Ferris
District II - Jerry Jones
District III - Wayne Struble
District IV - Jim Altaffer
District V - Jim McMahan
District VI - Don Wanicha
District VII - Ron Tietgen
District VIII - Phyllis Dewey
Parliamentarian - Robert Fleming
Administrative Assistant - Sharon Sofford

1975-76

President - Jean Fountain
President Elect - Ray Massey
Secretary - Basha Schlazer
Treasurer - Bob Frankhauser
Asst. Treasurer - Don Brannon
District II - Julian Harris
District III - Betty Daniels
District IV - Brock Cunigan
District V - Jim McMahan
District VI - Bob Stevens
District VII - Randy Wilkinson
District VIII - Phyllis Dewey
Parliamentarian - Ron Tietgen
Administrative Assistant - Sharon Sofford

1976-77

President - Ray Massey
President Elect - Ron Tietgen
Secretary - Zoe Gray
Treasurer - Walt Rothenbach
Asst. Treasurer - Don Brannon
District I - Bill Hammond
District II - Gail McCall
District III - Jack Masson
District IV - James Altaffer
District V - Jim McMahan
District VI - Bob Stevens
District VII - Dottie Abrams
District VIII - O.B. Johnson
Parliamentarian - Bob Gould
Administrative Assistant - Jack Haskins

1978-79

President - Robert Gould
President Elect - Walt Rothenbach
Secretary - Zoe Gray Roseman
Treasurer - John Wintermeier
Asst. Treasurer - Jack Masson
District I - Sue McCollum
District II - Jim Sparks
District III - Charles Swisher
District IV - Margaret Spurrier
District V - Thomas Kindred
District VI - Bill Swartz
District VII - Ralph Gonzalez
District VIII - Irene Devin
Parliamentarian - James McMahan
Executive Director - Jack Haskins

1979-80

President - Walt Rothenbach
President Elect - Dr. Frances Cannon
Secretary - Jack Masson
Treasurer - John Wintermeier
District I - Jody Skelton
District II - Jim Sparks
District III - Wes Crile
District IV - Margaret Spurrier
District V - John Dance
District VI - Bill Swartz
District VII - Ralph Gonzalez
Parliamentarian - Bob Conn
Executive Director - Jack Haskins

1980-81

President - Dr. Frances Cannon
President Elect - Tom Kindred
Secretary - Debbie Regnone
Treasurer - Don Brannon
District I - Jody Skelton
District II - Don Jordon
District III - Wes Crile
District IV - Margaret Spurrier
District V - John Dance
District VI - Bill Swartz
District VII - Ralph Gonzalez
District VIII - Cecil Nall
Parliamentarian - Bob Conn
Executive Director - Nancy Francois

1982-83

President - Gary Bliss
President Elect - Steve Riser
Secretary - Donna Darracott
Treasurer - Don Brannon
District I - Barbara Berger
District II - Linda Hall
District III - Tom Fransworth
District IV - Cathy Santa
District V - Bob Burdett
District VI - Bob Stevens
District VII - Sherman Mills
District VIII - Bob Blake
Parliamentarian - Jim McMahon
Executive Directors - Nancy Francois '82
Fran Mainella '83

1984-85

President - Tom Farnsworth
President Elect - Bob Burdett
Secretary - Rosie Keween
Treasurer - Mark Eynatten
District I - Cheryl Beeler
District II - Bill Trahan
District III - Art Robins
District IV - Lee Metzger
District V - Michelle Park
District VI - Maley Brancaccio
District VII - Howard Gregg
District VIII - Bob Blake
Parliamentarian - William James
Executive Director - Fran Mainella

1981-82

President - Tom Kindred
President Elect - Gary Bliss
Secretary - Debbie Regnone
Treasurer - Don Brannon
District I - Barbara Berger
District II - Don Jordon
District III - Tom Farnsworth
District IV - Margaret Spurrier
District V - Bob Burdett
District VI - Rosie Keween
District VII - Sherman Mills
District VIII - Cecil Nall
Parliamentarian - James McMahon
Executive Director - Nancy Francois

1983-84

President - Steve Riser
President Elect - Tom Farnsworth
Secretary - Donna Darracott
Treasurer - Don Brannon
District I - Cheryl Beeler
District II - Linda Hall
District III - Art Robins
District IV - Cathy Santa
District V - Bob Burdett
District VI - Bob Stevens
District VII - Howard Gregg
District VIII - Bob Blake
Parliamentarian - Jim McMahon
Executive Director - Fran Mainella

1985-86

President - Bob Burdett
President Elect - Cathy Santa
Secretary - Cheryl Beeler
Treasurer - Mark Eynatten
District I - Andy Holdnak
District II - Bill Trahan
District III - Wes Crile
District IV - Lee Metzger
District V - Michelle Park
District VI - Maley Brancaccio
District VII - Harriet Orr
District VIII - Suzanne Haller
Parliamentarian - William James
Executive Director - Fran Mainella

1986-87

President - Cathy Santa
President Elect - Michelle Park
Secretary - Cheryl Beeler
Treasurer - Rosie Keween
District I - Andy Holdnak
District II - Julian Barrs
District III - Wes Crile
District IV - Nilo Menendez
District V - Chuck Proulx
District VI - Dan Loubier
District VII - Harriet Orr
District VIII - Ken Richardson
Parliamentarian - William James
Executive Director - Fran Mainella

1988-89

President - Mark Eynatten
President Elect - Howard Gregg
Secretary - Cheryl Beeler
Treasurer - Rosie Keween
District I - Collier Clark
District II - Nancy Kirts
District III - Christi Flood
District IV - Robert Steve Miller
District V - Robert Dent
District VI - Chris Holley
District VII - Maureen Gregg
District VIII - James Romano
Parliamentarian - William James
Citizen Board Member - Gary Steele
Executive Director - Fran Mainella

1990-91

President - Don Brannon
President Elect - Nilo Menendez
Secretary - Cheryl Beeler
Treasurer - Rosie Keween
District I - Gerry Norris
District II - Tommy Purvis
District III - Christi Flood
District IV - Mary Ann Davis
District V - Robert Dent
District VI - Mary Ellen Donner
District VII - Maureen Gregg
District VIII - Dan Keefe
Parliamentarian - William James
Citizen Board Member - Gary Steele
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

1987-88

President - Michelle Park
President Elect - Mark Eynatten
Secretary - Cheryl Beeler
Treasurer - Rosie Keween
District I - Collier Clark
District II - Nancy Kirts
District III - Wayne Struble
District IV - Nilo Menendez
District V - Robert Dent
District VI - Dan Loubier
District VII - Sue McKay
District VIII - Ken Richardson
Parliamentarian - William James
Executive Director - Fran Mainella

1989-90

President - Howard Gregg
President Elect - Don Brannon
Secretary - Cheryl Beeler
Treasurer - Rosie Keween
District I - Gerry Norris
District II - Nancy Kirtz
District III - Christi Flood
District IV - Robert Steve Miller
District V - Carol Olsen
District VI - Chris Holley
District VII - Maureen Gregg
District VIII - James Romano
Parliamentarian - William James
Citizen Board Member - Gary Steele
Executive Director - Fran Mainella '89
Eleanor Warmack '90

1991-92

President - Nilo Menendez
President Elect - Lynn Sordel
Secretary - Cheryl Beeler
Treasurer - Rosie Keween
District I - Rosemary Prince
District II - Tommy Purvis
District III - Julia Recker
District IV - Mary Ann Davis
District V - Chris Dafoe
District VI - Mary Ellen Donner
District VII - Greg Pessolano
District VIII - Dan Keefe
Parliamentarian - William James
Citizen Board Member - Jean Edwards
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

1992-93

President - Lynn Sordel
President Elect - Jerry Jones
Secretary - Cheryl Beeler
Treasurer - Rosie Keween
District I - Rosemary Prince
District II - Mitzi Nelson
District III - Julia Recker
District IV - Mark Abdo
District V - Chris Dafoe
District VI - Barbara Manzo
District VII - Greg Pessolano
District VIII - Steve Person
Parliamentarian - William James
CBM - Jean Edwards
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

1994-95

President - Cheryl Beeler
President Elect - Steve Person
Secretary - Mary Ann Davis
Treasurer - Walt Rothenbach
1st Vice President - Julia Recker
2nd Vice President - Dan Keefe '94
Mark Abdo '95
District I - Joe Ferolito
District II - Patti Evans
District III - Tom Richmeyer
District IV - Bob Sheffield
District V - Sherman Conrad
District VI - Mark Thornton

District VII - Adrienne Kurtz
District VIII - Vaughn Black
Parliamentarian - Rosie Keween
CBM - Jean Edwards
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

1996-97

President - Barbara Manzo
President-Elect - Julia Recker
Secretary - Mary Ann Davis
Treasurer - Walt Rothenbach
1st Vice President - Greg Pessolano
2nd Vice-President - Mark Abdo
District I - Rosemary Prince
District II - Patrick Byrne
District III - Ainsley Fry
District IV - Peg Cummings
District V - Mickey Gomez
District VI - Annie Pappalardo
District VII - Sandra Hill
District VIII - Tom Messenheimer
Parliamentarian - Vaughn Black
CBM - Jean Edwards
Southern Region - Tommy Purvis
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

1993-94

President - Jerry Jones
President Elect - Cheryl Beeler
Secretary - Mary Ann Davis
Treasurer - Walt Rothenbach
District I - Joe Ferolito
District II - Mitzi Nelson
District III - Tom Richmeyer
District IV - Mark Abdo
District V - Sherman Conrad
District VI - Barbara Mano
District VII - Adrienne Kurtz
District VIII - Steve Person
Parliamentarian - Williams James
CBM - Jean Edwards
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

1995-96

President - Steve Person
President Elect - Barbara Manzo
Secretary - Mary Ann Davis
Treasurer - Walt Rothenbach
1st Vice President - Julia Recker
2nd Vice President - Mark Abdo

District I - Rosemary Prince
District II - Pat Byrne
District III - Ainsley Fry
District IV - Bob Sheffield
District V - Mickey Gomez
District VI - Mark Thornton - 4/96
Annie Pappalardo
District VII - Sandra Hill
District VIII - Vaughn Black
Parliamentarian - Rosie Keween
CBM - Jean Edwards
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

1997-98

President - Julia Recker
President-Elect - Ross Ferlita
Secretary - Mary Ann Davis
Treasurer - Walt Rothenbach
1st Vice President - Sara Devilder
2nd Vice President - Mark Abdo
District I - Pete Sampson
District II - Patrick Byrne
District III - Karen Overstreet
District IV - Peg Cummings
District V - Michael Bocchino
District VI - Annie Pappalardo
District VII - Joe Abel
District VIII - Tom Messenheimer
Parliamentarian - Vaughn Black
CBM - Jean Edwards
Southern Region - Tommy Purvis
Administrators - Sharon Kent
Aquatics - Marie Sheba
Athletics - Linda Probert - continued on next page

1997-98 continued

Community Centers - Kyle Kent
Ethnic Minority - Janice Cartwright
Leisure Arts - Mary Margaret Gruszka
Parks and Natural Resources - Paddy Cunningham
Therapeutic Recreation - Stephanie Smock
Wellness - Katy Johnston
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

1998-1999

President - Ross Ferlita
President-Elect - Mark Abdo
Past President - Julia Recker
Secretary - Mary Ann Davis
Treasurer - Walt Rothenbach
1st Vice President - Sara Devilder
2nd Vice President - Patrick Byrne
District I - Pete Sampson - 9/98-1/99
- Bill Bibby 1/99-9/99
District II - Greg Scott
District III - Karen Palus
District IV - James Sheets
District V - Mike Bocchino
District VI - Janis Keim
District VII - Joe Abel
District VIII - Becky Thacker
Parliamentarian - Vaughn Black
CBM - Jean Edwards
Southern Region - Tommy Purvis
Administrators- Sharon Kent
Aquatics - Marie Sheba
Arts & Events - Mary Margaret Gruszka
Athletics - Linda Probert
Community Centers - Ire Bethea
Ethnic Minority - Janice Cartwright
Parks & Natural Res. - Paddy Cunningham
Therapeutic Recreation - Stephanie Smock
Wellness - Terri Messler
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

1999-2000

President - Mark Abdo
President-Elect - Joe Abel
Past President - Ross Ferlita
Secretary - Mary Ann Davis
Treasurer - Steve Miller
1st Vice President- Bob Sheffield
2nd Vice President - Patrick Byrne
District I - Bill Bibby
(Ashley Edwards 1/00-9/00)
District II - Greg Scott
District III - Terri Owen
District IV - Leah Hoffman
District V - Leah Rockwell
District VI - Janis Keim
District VII - Amy Wolf
District VIII - Becky Thacker
Parliamentarian - John Holland
CBM - Ray Massey
Southern Region - Tommy Purvis
Administrators - Susan Miller
Aquatics - Marie Sheba
Arts & Events - Mary Margaret Gruszka
Athletics - John Allen
Community Centers - Ire Bethea
Ethnic Minority - Josie Davis
Parks & Natural Resources - Ed McIntyre
Therapeutic Recreation - Amanda Wuster
Wellness - Terri Messler
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

2000-2001

President - Joe Abel
President-Elect - Bob Sheffield
Past President - Mark Abdo
Vice President - Terri Messler
Vice President - T. Michael Stavres (2000-2001 to replace Sheffield)
Secretary - Karen Palus
Treasurer - Steve Miller
District I - Ashley Edwards
District II - Diane Leaf
District III - Terri Owen
District IV - Leah Hoffman (left the state) Jim Sheets replaced
District V - Leah Rockwell
District VI - Sara Devilder
District VII - Amy Wolf
District VIII - Sharon Kent
Parliamentarian - John Holland
Citizen - Ray Massey (resigned) Beth Darnell replaced
NRPA Southern Region - Bill Swartz
Administrators - Susan Miller
Aquatics - Bruce Fassett
Arts & Events - Mary Margaret Gruszka
Athletics - John Allen
Community Centers - Pamela Henry
Ethnic Minority - Josie Davis
Parks & Natural Resources - Ed McIntyre
Therapeutic Recreation - Amanda Wuster
Wellness - Katy Johnston
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

2001-2002

President - Steve Miller
President-Elect - vacant through March 2002 - Sara Devilder
Past President - Joe Abel
Vice President - Terri Messler
Vice President - T. Michael Stavres
Vice President - Amy Wolf (resigned) Cathy Santa - replaced
Secretary - Karen Palus
Treasurer - Terri Owen
District I - Ashley Edwards
District II - Diane Leaf
District III - Marie Sheba
District IV - Jim Sheets
District V - Sue Miller
District VI - Sara Devilder
District VII - Jackie Shakespeare
District VIII - Sharon Kent
Parliamentarian - John Holland
Citizen - Beth Darnell (resigned) left vacant
NRPA Southern Region - Mark Thornton
Administrators - Charlotte Presensky
Aquatics - Bruce Fassett
Arts & Events - Mary Margaret Gruszka
Athletics - Arthur Avellino
Community Centers - Pamela Henry (resigned) Nancy Apperson
Ethnic Minority - Barbara Miller
Parks & Natural Resources - Richard Sanger
Therapeutic Recreation - Mary Wilson Palacios
Wellness - Katy Johnston
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

2002-2003- President - Steve Miller

President-Elect - Sara Devilder

Past President - Joe Abel

Vice President - Terri Messler

Vice President - T. Michael Stavres

Vice President - Cathy Santa

Secretary - Karen Palus

Treasurer - Terri Owen

District I - Ashley Edwards

District II - Ire Bethea

District III - Marie Sheba

District IV - Elaine Smith

District V - Amy Blackman

District VI - David Lykins

District VII - Jackie Shakespeare

District VIII - Donna Trafford

Parliamentarian - John Holland

Citizen - Dan Stanley

NRPA Southern Region - Nancy Taback

Administrators - Charlotte Presensky - resigned January 2003 – Alan Burton through August 2003

Aquatics - Mark Hartman

Arts & Events - Mary Margaret Gruszka

Athletics - Arthur Avellino

Community Centers - Nancy Apperson - resigned - Colleen Jones elected

Ethnic Minority - Barbara Miller

Parks & Natural Resources - Richard Sanger

Therapeutic Recreation - Mary Wilson Palacios

Wellness - Leah Rockwell

Ex-Officio – Wendy Spencer

Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

2003-2004

President - Karen Palus

President-Elect - Elaine Smith

Past President - Steve Miller

Vice President of Professional Development - Terri Messler

Vice President of Member Resources – Bruce Fassett

Vice President of Advocacy - Greg Scott

Vice President of Finance – Terri Owen

District I - Kim Knox

District II - Ire Bethea

District III - Bill Swartz

District IV - Cathy Norris

District V - Amy Blackman

District VI - David Lykins

District VII - Robert Sherman

District VIII - Donna Trafford

Parliamentarian - John Holland

Administrators - Phil Thornburg

Aquatics - Mark Hartman

Arts & Events - Mary Margaret Gruszka

Athletics - Fred Couceyro

Community Centers - Colleen Gierut

Ethnic Minority - James Whittaker

Parks & Natural Resources - Leah Hoffman

Therapeutic Recreation - Kristy Carter

Wellness - Leah Rockwell

Ex-Officio – Mike Bullock

Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

2004-2005

President - Elaine Smith

President Elect - Terri Owen
Past President - Karen Palus
Vice President of Advocacy - Greg Scott
Vice President of Finance - Jim Sheets
Vice President of Member Resources - Bruce Fassett
Vice President of Professional Development - Terri Messler
Central Region - Cathy Norris
Northern Region - Margaret Nelson
Southeast Region - Chester Pruitt
Southwest Region - Bill Ward
Parliamentarian - Donna Trafford
Ex-Officio – Mike Bullock
Executive Director - Eleanor Warmack

2005-2006

President – Terri Owen
President Elect – Terri Messler
Past President – Elaine Smith
Vice President of Advocacy – Greg Scott
Vice President of Finance – Jim Sheets
Vice President of Member Resources – Leah Hoffman
Vice President of Professional Development – Donna Trafford
Central Region – Cathy Norris
Northern Region – Shorty Robbins
Southeast Region – Chester Pruitt
Southwest Region – Vicki Little
Parliamentarian – Candy McCrary
Ex-Officio – Mike Bullock
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2006-2007

President – Terri Messler
President Elect – Greg Scott
Past President – Terri Owen
Vice President of Advocacy – Kathie Margoles
Vice President of Finance – Jim Sheets
Vice President of Member Resources – Leah Hoffman
Vice President of Professional Development – Donna Trafford
Central Region – Natalie Benton
Northern Region – Shorty Robbins
Southeast Region – Don Decker
Southwest Region – Vicki Little
Parliamentarian – Bruce Fassett
Ex-Officio – Mike Bullock
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2007-2008

President – Greg Scott
President Elect – Jim Sheets
Past President – Karen Palus
Vice President of Advocacy – Kathie Margoles
Vice President of Finance – T. Michael Stavres
Vice President of Member Resources – Leah Hoffman
Vice President of Professional Development – Donna Trafford
Central Region – Lanie Sheets
Northern Region – Kim Sanderson
Southeast Region – Don Decker
Southwest Region – Michael Kalvort

Parliamentarian – John Holland
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2008-2009

President – Jim Sheets
President Elect – Leah Hoffman (through March 2009) T. Michael Stavres (April through August 2009)
Past President – W. Greg Scott
Vice President of Advocacy – Kathie Margoles
Vice President of Finance – T. Michael Stavres
Vice President of Member Resources – Lucille Vaillancourt-Kreider
Vice President of Professional Development – Chip Potts
Central Region – Lanie Sheets
Northern Region – Kim Sanderson
Southeast Region – Fred Couceyro
Southwest Region – Michael Kalvort
Parliamentarian – John Fletcher
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2009-2010

President – T. Michael Stavres
President Elect – Don Decker
Past President – Jim Sheets
Vice President of Advocacy – Julia Thompson
Vice President of Finance – Chip Potts
Vice President of Member Resources – Lucille Vaillancourt-Kreider
Vice President of Professional Development – Kara Petty
Central Region – Marcia Bowen
Northern Region – Jeff Moffitt
Southeast Region – Michelle Zimmer
Southwest Region – Kathy Cahill
Parliamentarian – Jeff Caldwell
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2010-2011

President – Don Decker
President Elect – Leah Hoffman
Past President – T. Michael Stavres
Vice President of Advocacy – Julia Thompson
Vice President of Finance – Chip Potts
Vice President of Member Resources – Lucille Vaillancourt-Kreider
Vice President of Professional Development – Kara Petty
Central Region – Marcia Bowen
Northern Region – Jeff Moffitt
Southeast Region – Michelle Zimmer
Southwest Region – Kathy Cahill
Parliamentarian – Terri Messler
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2011-2012

President – Leah Hoffman
President Elect – Elaine Smith
Past President – Don Decker
Vice President of Advocacy – Jeff Caldwell
Vice President of Finance – Chip Potts
Vice President of Member Resources – Amy Blackman
Vice President of Professional Development – Kara Petty
Central Region – Marcia Bowen
Northern Region – Brian Smatt
Southeast Region – Michelle Zimmer

Southwest Region – Steve Cox
Parliamentarian – Lucille Vaillancourt-Kreider
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2012-2013

President – Elaine Smith
President Elect – Gina Peebles
Past President – Leah Hoffman
Vice President of Outreach – Don Decker
Vice President of Finance – Linda Goberna
Vice President of Member Resources – T. Michael Stavres
Vice President of Professional Development – Lucille Vaillancourt-Kreider
Central Region – Marcia Bowen
Northern Region – Brian Smatt
Southeast Region – Susan Riestra
Southwest Region – Steve Cox
Parliamentarian – Chester Pruitt
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2013-2014

President – Gina Peebles
President Elect – Joan Byrne
Past President – Elaine Smith
Vice President of Finance – Linda Goberna
Vice President – Steve Cox
Vice President - Terri Messler
Vice President – Lucille Vaillancourt-Kreider
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2014-2015

President – Joan Byrne
President Elect – Jack Kardys
Past President – Gina Peebles
Vice President – Greg Brown
Vice President – Steve Cox
Vice President – Linda Goberna
Vice President – Terri Messler
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2015-2016

President – Jack Kardys
President Elect – Chester Pruitt
Past President – Joan Byrne
Vice President – Greg Brown
Vice President – Mathew Eberius
Vice President – Linda Goberna
Vice President – Shorty Robbins
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2016-2017

President – Chester Pruitt
President Elect – Joan Byrne
Past President – Jack Kardys
Vice President – Mathew Eberius
Vice President – Andy Palmer
Vice President – Shorty Robbins
Vice President – Michelle Zimmer
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2017-2018

President – Joan Byrne
President Elect – Felicia Donnelly
Past President – Chester Pruitt
Vice President of Finance – Jennifer Cirillo
Vice President – Sidney Kittila
Vice President – Andy Palmer
Vice President – Michelle Zimmer
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2018-2019

President – Felicia Donnelly
President Elect – Susan Lovallo
Past President – Joan Byrne
Vice President of Finance – Jennifer Cirillo
Vice President – Danny Barcia
Vice President – Sidney Kittila
Vice President – Dave Ramirez
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2019-2020

President – Susan Lovallo
President Elect – Jennifer Cirillo
Past President – Felicia Donnelly
Vice President of Finance – Bryan Nipe
Vice President – Becky Gunter
Vice President – Dave Ramirez
Vice President – Michelle Zimmer
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2020-2021

President – Jennifer Cirillo
President Elect – Kevin Kirwin
Past President – Susan Lovallo
Vice President of Finance – Bryan Nipe
Vice President – Becky Gunter
Vice President – Krista Pincince
Vice President – Chip Potts
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2021-2022

President – Kevin Kirwin
President Elect – Becky Gunter
Past President – Jennifer Cirillo
Vice President of Finance – Charlotte Presensky
Vice President – Terrell Griffin
Vice President – Krista Pincince
Vice President – Chip Potts
Executive Director – Eleanor Warmack

2022-2023

President – Becky Gunter

President Elect – Charlotte Presensky

Past President – Kevin Kirwin

Vice President of Finance – Fernando 'Fred' Couceyro

Vice President – Rick Durr

Vice President – Terrell Griffin

Vice President – Krista Pincince

Chief Executive Officer – Eleanor Warmack