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**NFB of Colorado State Convention**

**October 25-28th**

**Millennium Harvest house Hotel**

**Boulder, CO**

**Please read the following update for the most up to date information about the NFB of Colorado State Convention on October 25-27th in Boulder, Colorado!**

The NFB of Colorado is working hard to plan and deliver an awesome state convention that will exceed your expectations! In order to do so, we have to make sure that you have some very important pieces of information.

**Dates to Remember:**

* **September 15th:** Pre registration begins. Pre-registration can be completed by going to our website at [www.nfbco.org](http://www.nfbco.org), going to the NFBCO State Convention link and then going to the pre-registration link.

**Pre Registration Rates**

Registration-$15.00

Friday Luncheon-$15.00

Saturday Luncheon-$15.00

Banquet-$30.00

**Total-$75.00**

**NOTE:** There are two forms on this page, the first one is for preregistration. Complete this form and find the continue button to go to the payment page. DO NOT CONTINUE TO THE SECOND FORM FOR SPONSORS AND EXHIBITORS. If you are planning to be a sponsor or exhibitor please complete the second form and DO NOT complete the first pre-registration form. If you need assistance with registration, please contact Lisa Bonderson at lbonderson@labarrelaw.com or 303-504-5979

* **October 1st:** Last day to reserve your hotel room at the special rate of $85.00 per night (no limit on room occupancy). To reserve your room at the Millennium Harvest House Hotel, please call 800-545-6285. BE SURE TO MENTION THAT YOU ARE WITH THE NFB OF COLORADO STATE CONVENTION.

To book your room online visit the following link: <http://www.millenniumhotels.com/boulder> then select Group Code, under the Corp/Promo Code and enter: **1210NATFED**

* **October 15th:** LAST DAY OF PRE REGISTRATION
* **October 16th:** General registration begins.

**General Registration Rates:**

Registration- $20.00

Friday Luncheon-$20.00

Saturday Luncheon-$20.00

Banquet-$40.00

 **Total: $100.00**

 **NOTE: Be sure to pre-register to save $25.00**

**NOTE: If you are planning to ride the bus leaving and returning to Littleton, please contact Lisa Bonderson at** **lbonderson@labarrelaw.com****.**

**Convention Weekend Outline!**

**Thursday Morning-Early Afternoon:** Boulder Tours

**NOTE:** Tour availability is determined by interest level so if you are interested in participating in one of the exciting tour opportunities offered by the Boulder Valley Chapter, please submit your name to Maryanne Migliorelli at mrsmigs@migliorelli.org. Please do this ASAP!!!

**Thursday Late Afternoon:** The History of NFB of Colorado. During this seminar, special guests including Mary Ellen Jernigan will discuss the history of the National Federation of the blind of Colorado, our accomplishments and achievements, and how we got to be the thriving affiliate we are today.

**Thursday Night:** Thursday night we will have a social event. If the weather permits, the event will include a bonfire in the hotels fire pit. If the weather is not as nice our social event will be held inside.

**Friday 8:00-10:00:** Exhibit Hall: A variety of venders will be available to share information about their products. Whether you need information about technology, how to stay active in Colorado, or how to be a dynamic and effective leader; we will have exhibitors to meet your needs.

**Friday 10:00-Lunch:** General Sessions: During this time we will have exciting and dynamic speakers including persons from Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, state representatives, United States Association of Blind Athletes, and much more! Our state president Scott LaBarre will give the NFB of Colorado report. Speakers and sessions will be diverse and will serve as a means to keep us informed about Colorado Happenings!

**Friday Luncheon:** Meet the Scholarship Class: This luncheon will give us the opportunity to meet the NFB of Colorado Scholarship Class of 2012. This is a dynamic group of individuals who and it will be a pleasure to get to know them better!

**Friday Afternoon:** Seminars: On Friday afternoon we will have interactive seminars on a variety of topics including health and fitness, employment, technology, and much more!

**Friday Reception and Hollywood Party:** The Boulder Valley Chapter will be rolling out the red carpets for the Hollywood style reception and after party. There will be an MC who will be describing the happenings of the evening and we have even be told that celebrities should watch out for the paparazzi. During the evening, there will be lots of Hollywood themed games for children and adults, Oscar awards will be presented, and much more.

**NOTE**: **Please come dressed as your favorite Hollywood Celebrety, musician, movie character, book character, tv character, etc… If you do not want to come in costume, you can impersonate your celebrity/character. Costume and impersonation awards will be presented.**

**Friday Night:** During the fun and festivities Friday night, there will be a silent auction. Other items will be auctioned throughout the weekend. Several items will be auctioned at the banquet.

**Friday Night:** Resolutions Committee Meeting: A resolutions committee meeting will take place on Friday evening.

**NOTE: If you have a resolution or an idea for a resolution please submit to Brent Batron** **bbatron@cocenter.org** **or Tom Anderson** **tanderson@cocenter.org** **ASAP!**

**Saturday Morning:** General Sessions: During the Saturday General session we will hear reports from our National Representative, Anil Lewis, the Colorado Center for the Blnd, and more. We will also have a special presentation from our guest Mary Ellen Jernigan. There will be a “My Blindness Myself” panel as well as a presentation about our Goodwill Industries protests.

**Saturday Luncheon:** During our working luncheon, we will have exciting speakers and topics that will keep us busy while enjoying a delicious midday meal.

**Saturday Afternoon:** Division meetings: This is an exciting time for our divisions and special interest groups to get together for seminars and annual business meetings.

**Saturday Banquet:** A delicious meal will be served, awards will be presented, the winning ticket for the Amazing Vacation Travel Raffle will be drawn, and Anil Lewis, our National Representative, will give the keynote address. A fun time will be had by all!

**NOTE: ONCE AGAIN, THE WINNING VACATION RAFFLE TICKET WILL BE DRAWN AT THE BANQUET!!! This means it is time for us to sell sell sell!!! Send out e-mail blasts, blast your facebook, tweet tweet tweet on twitter, send group messages to everyone in your phone, and do whatever you need to do to SELL THOSE TICKETS!!! Currently NFBCO is able to provide many great programs and lots of financial assistance to the blind of Colorado. WE CANNOT DO THIS WITHOUT MONEY!!! We need YOUR help to sell these tickets and have an extremely successful fundraiser! If you need assistance setting up blasts via e-mail, twitter, facebook, phone, etc… please feel free to contact Jessica Beecham at** **jbeecham@cocenter.org** **or 303-778-1130 ext 223. You can also contact Lisa Bonderson at** **lbonderson@labarrelaw.com** **or 303-504-5979.**

**Saturday Social Hour:** NFB of Colorado will enjoy a spectacular performance by Ann’s Band!

**Sunday Morning:** There will be a few sessions in the morning including the annual business meeting. At the business meeting, elections will be held, resolutions will be adopted, and more.

**If you have questions or need assistance with registration, booking hotel rooms, etc… please contact Lisa Bonderson at** **lbonderson@labarrelaw.com** **or 303-504-5979.**

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AT CONVENTION!!!**