Braille Literacy For Life

Did you learn Braille when you were over 18? Are you still practicing those skills to maintain and increase your speed? Would you like to have fun reading with an experienced braille-reading blind mentor who will encourage you to practice on a regular basis?

From Labor Day 2017 to Louis Braille's birthday, January 4, 2018, the National Federation of the Blind of Maryland (NFBMD)will hold a contest for adults who learned braille over the age of 18. By participating in the contest you will:

* Win a monetary prize up to $150
* Make several new friends who are also working on improving their braille skills
* Receive tips and other information about braille and the NFBMD

The rules of this contest are simple! You can read books, magazines, religious materials, and/or textbooks. All you have to do is keep track of the books and/or magazines you have read. Include the title, author, number of pages read, and the date the book was completed. Prizes will be awarded based on the number of pages read. A panel of judges reserves the right to ask you questions about materials you have read for contest credit. Get a head start and register early. Registrations will not be accepted after December 1.

Throughout the contest, you will receive updates as to who is in the lead, ideas for setting good practice habits, and much more.

Don't know what to read? The NFB of Maryland will put together a list of books on a variety of subjects you can borrow from the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (LBPH) or download from the National Library Service (NLS).

Registration: Simply complete the attached registration form and send it to Ellen Ringlein, Chair of the Braille Literacy For Life contest.

You will receive an e-mail or phone call acknowledging your registration. You will then be matched with your mentor who will work with you to get started, and follow your progress throughout the contest.

Tell a friend about this exciting contest. Members of the National Federation of the Blind of Maryland look forward to getting to know you, and, even more important, to encouraging you as you improve your braille skills.