

National Federation of the Blind of Hawai'i

Organized in 1960, our 58th Annual State Convention Saturday and Sunday, September 29 and 30, 2018 1901 Bachelot St. Honolulu, Hawai'i

NFB Pledge

I pledge to participate actively in the efforts of the National Federation of the Blind to achieve equality, opportunity, and security for the blind; to support the policies and programs of the Federation; and to abide by its constitution.

The mission of the National Federation of the Blind is to achieve widespread emotional acceptance and intellectual understanding that the real problem of blindness is not the loss of eyesight but the misconceptions and lack of information which exist. We do this by bringing blind people together to share successes, to support each other in times of failure, and to create imaginative solutions.

2018 Convention Theme "Raising Expectations, Building Our Federation"

AGENDA Saturday, September 29, 2018

7:30 - 8:30 AM NFBH Student Division meeting, 1901 Bachelot St. conference room

> 8:00 - 9:00 AM Registration, Breakfast

> > 9:00 AM

Call to Order/Opening Ceremony - Nani Fife, President, NFB of Hawai'i Invocation - Brandon Young Pledge of Allegiance and NFB Pledge - James Gashel Convention Logistics - Katie Keim, NFBH Convention Coordinator

9:15 - 10:00 AM National Report - Jeannie Massay, NFB National Treasurer, board member

10:00 - 10:15 AM Maureen Bates, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Administrator

10:15 - 10:30 AM NFBH member on NFB Melissa Gerber, Honolulu Chapter

10:30 - 10:40 AM

Lea Dias, Branch Administrator, DVR Ho'opono Services for the Blind, Honolulu Hawai'i

10:40 - 10:50 AM

Katherine Ann Leilani Tuider, Director & Co-Founder, Honolulu Biennial Foundation, 2018

Update on Art and the Blind

10:50 - 11:00 AM

Baron Baroza, Director, Hawai'i Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Honolulu, Hawai'i

11:00 - 11:10 AM

Pankaj Bhanot, Director, Department of Human Services, Honolulu, Hawai'i

11:15 - 11:20 Reading of 2018 Resolutions & proposed NFBH constitution amendment Katie Keim, Resolution Committee Chair, NFB of Hawai'i

11:20 AM - 11:45 AM

Virgil Stinnett, NFB of Hawai'i State Legislative Director Hawai'i legislators and candidates Dale Kobayashi, House Representative District 23 Lynn B. Mariano, Senate Candidate District 12

11:45 - 11:55 AM

Jodie Asato, Kokua, Special Services Office - University of Hawai'i - Manoa Campus, Honolulu Hawai'i

11:55 AM - 12:00 PM Debbie Gabe, President, Braille Division, NFB of Hawai'i

> 12:00 - 2:00 PM Luncheon Program

12:30 - 1:15 PM

Keynote Speaker - Jeannie Massay, President, NFB of Oklahoma

1:15- 1:30 PM Ed Case, Hawai'i First Congressional District, House Candidate

1:30 - 2:30 PM Exhibit Presenters - Introduction- Walk and Talk with our Exhibitors

> 2:30 - 2:45 PM NFBH member on NFB Donald Sakamoto, Anuenue Chapter

2:45 - 2:50 PM Newsline, Virgil Stinnett, Hawai'i Newsline Coordinator

2:50 - 3:00 PM Kathleen Fujimoto, Business Enterprise Program, DVR Ho'opono Services for the Blind, Honolulu Hawai'i

> 3:00 - 3:30 PM Makana Risser Chai - Author of "Mindful Multi-Tasking", Honolulu, Hawai'i

3:30 - 4:00 PM

Jim Kennedy, Fido Hawai'i Legislation

Educating our public on the new Hawai'i law relating to service animals

4:00 - 4:30 PM NFB of Hawai'i - Chapter and Division Reports

4:30 - 5:00 PM

Let's Put Our "Thinking Caps On!" - Fundraising for the future of NFB of Hawai'i Dean Georgiev, NFBH Treasurer and Jeannie Massay, NFB National Treasurer

5:00 PM Adjourn General Session

5:30 PM

Evening Program, Join our Social Network, Downtown location, Aloha Tower

Sunday, September 30, 2018 - General Session Continued

8:00 - 9:00 AM Registration, Breakfast

9:00 AM Call to Order - Nani Fife, President, NFB of Hawai'i

9:00 - 9:15 AM NFB Member on NFB James Gashel, Honolulu Chapter

9:15 - 9:20 AM

Dean Georgiev, Supervisor, New Visions training center, DVR Ho'opono, Services for the Blind, Honolulu Hawai'i

9:20 - 9:45 AM

New Visions Students, First time attendees, 2018 NFB National Convention Ho'opono, Honolulu Hawai'i

> 9:45 - 10:15 AM Peggy Chong, Blind History Lady, on the blind of Hawai'i, NFB of Colorado

> > 10:15 - 10:30 AM NFBH member on NFB Will Friesen, West Hawai'i Chapter

10:30 - 10:45 AM NFB of Hawai'i, Reflections and our vision for the Future; President's Report Nani Fife, President, NFB of Hawai'i

> 10:45 AM - 11:00 AM 2018 Resolutions Katie Keim, Resolution Committee Chair

11:00 - 11:30 AM

Let's Build our Federation!

Membership Outreach for the Future of NFB of Hawai'i

Dean Georgiev, Katie Keim, and Jeannie Massay

11:30 - 11:45 AM NFB of Hawai'i Proposed Amendment to the Constitution Katie Keim, Secretary, NFB of Hawai'i

> 11:45- 12:15 PM Light Snacks

12:15 - 12:30 PM Scholarships and Awards

12:30 - 1:15 PM NFBH Business Meeting - Nani Fife, President, NFB of Hawai'i Secretary, Katie Keim Treasurer, Dean Georgiev PAC Plan

> NFBH Elections, Nani Fife Nomination Committee, Dean Georgiev

NFBH Board of Directors

President, Nani Fife; Vice-President, Virgil Stinnett; Secretary, Katie Keim; Treasurer, Dean Georgiev

Directors: Sally Hammond, Doug Moises, and Tammy Robar

1:15 PM Closing Remarks

You can live the life you want; blindness is not what holds you back. Together with love, hope, and determination, we transform dreams into reality.

Mahalo! 1:30 PM Adjourn