### TUESDAY, JULY 5, 2016

**7:15 - 8:45 am**—AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR THE BLIND

7:15 am—Doors open

7:30 am—Breakfast served

The American Foundation for the Blind (AFB) cordially invites you to a complimentary breakfast, featuring welcome remarks from our new president and CEO, Kirk Adams. We hope you will stop in, introduce yourself, and spend some time speaking with AFB staff. Attendance is limited; please RSVP to Sarah Malaier, [smalaier@afb.net](mailto:smalaier@afb.net) or call (202) 469-6831 no later than June 20 to receive a confirmation email with the breakfast banquet room location information.

**8:00 - 8:45 am**—DEVOTIONS

**Wekiwa 10, Level 2**

**8:15 - 8:45 am**—PREREGISTRATION PACKET PICKUP

**Sebastian Ballroom Pre-function Area, Level 1**

**8:15 - 8:45 am**—REGISTRATION ($30)—*Final opportunity to register*

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#### GENERAL SESSION

9:00 am INVOCATION

9:05 am PUTTING NEWS FIRST: BREAKING DOWN STEREOTYPES AS A BLIND JOURNALIST

Gary O'Donoghue, BBC Washington Correspondent; Washington, District of Columbia

9:25 am ENGAGING BLIND PEOPLE IN THE REAL PROBLEMS OF BLINDNESS: A REPORT ON THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF THE BLIND JERNIGAN INSTITUTE

Anil Lewis, Executive Director for the NFB Jernigan Institute, National Federation of the Blind; Baltimore, Maryland

Lou Ann Blake, Deputy Director for the NFB Jernigan Institute, National Federation of the Blind; Baltimore, Maryland

Clara Van Gerven, Manager of Accessibility Programs, National Federation of the Blind; Baltimore, Maryland

9:55 am SLAM THAT! LIVING THE LIFE SHE WANTS BEGINS WITH THE FEDERATION

Jordyn Castor, Software Engineer, Apple, Inc.; San Francisco, California

10:10 am PARTICIPATING IN THE AMERICAN DREAM MEANS PAYING TAXES: THE INNOVATION OF ACCESSIBLE FINANCIAL TOOLS AT H&R BLOCK

Bret Reimer, Technology Manager, H&R Block; Kansas City, Missouri

10:25 am EDUCATIONAL ASSESSMENTS, MATH INNOVATIONS, AND REAL ACCESSIBILITY: PROGRESS AT PEARSON

Jon Twing, Executive Vice President and Chief Measurement Officer, Pearson Education; Iowa City, Iowa

10:40 am BRINGING THE BRAILLE COMMITMENT TO NEW HEIGHTS: THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE BRAILLENOTE

Gilles Pepin, Chief Executive Officer, HumanWare; Drummondville, Québec, Canada

11:00 am INVESTING AND LEADING IN TECHNOLOGY: THE FEDERATION IN ADVANCING ACCESS TO INFORMATION

James Gashel, Vice President of Business Development and Product Evangelist, KNFB, LLC; Secretary, National Federation of the Blind; Avon, Colorado

11:20 am THE LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY: ACCELERATING AND EXPANDING ACCESS TO BOOKS

Karen Keninger, Director, National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress; Washington, District of Columbia

11:35 am REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

Noon ADJOURN

**Noon - 1:45 pm**—AMATEUR RADIO DIVISION BUSINESS MEETING

**Suwannee 11, Level 2;** Rachel Olivero (AD9O), President

**Noon** **- 1:45 pm**—RAFFLES AND DRAWINGS

**Wekiwa 5, Level 2**

**12:15 - 1:45 pm**—NLS QUESTION-AND-ANSWER SESSION

**Wekiwa 10, Level 2**

A question-and-answer session with the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress.

#### GENERAL SESSION

2:00 pm CALL TO ORDER

2:05 pm DR. JACOB BOLOTIN AWARDS

James Gashel, Chairperson, Dr. Jacob Bolotin Award Committee; Secretary, National Federation of the Blind; Avon, Colorado

2:35 pm HOW EXPONENTIAL TECHNOLOGIES WILL IMPACT DISABILITIES

Ray Kurzweil, Director of Engineering, Google, Inc.; Mountain View, California

2:55 pm LIVING THE LIFE SHE WANTS: REHABILITATION PROFESSIONAL, COMMUNITY LEADER, AND MOTHER

Amy Buresh, President, National Federation of the Blind of Nebraska; Lincoln, Nebraska

3:15 PM EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP AT AMAZON: A PLAN FOR ACCESSIBILITY AND EXCELLENCE FOR THE BLIND

Rohit Agarwal, General Manager, Amazon K-12 Education, Amazon.com, Inc.; Seattle, Washington

3:35 pm ELIMINATING ARTIFICIAL BARRIERS: CIVIL RIGHTS AND DISIBILITY AT THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Eve Hill, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Civil Rights Division, United States Department of Justice; Washington, District of Columbia

3:55 pm EQUAL OPPORTUNITY AND DISCOVERING TALENT:

A JOURNEY FROM DISCRIMINATION TO PARTICLE ASTROPHYSICS RESEARCH

Jamie Principato, Undergraduate Physics and Math Student, University of Colorado Boulder; Boulder, Colorado

4:45 pm REPORTS AND RESOLUTIONS

5:00 pm ADJOURN

7:00 pm—BANQUET

**Sebastian Ballrooms I and J, Level 1**

INVOCATION

MASTER OF CEREMONIES: Marc Maurer

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

BANQUET ADDRESS: Mark Riccobono

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS