# The Melbourne Space Coast Chapter, National Federation of the Blind

# Newsletter, December, 2024

## December activities

There is no chapter business meeting in December, we have something much better! A Holiday party, no host, including karaoke!this will take place on Thursday, December 12, from 5:00-8:00 P.M. at Rooney’s, 2641 Palm Bay Road, Palm Bay. If you need bus transportation, you may still be able to get it if you call Maria soon and request it.

Back by popular demand is Line Dancing on Saturday, December 21, from 9:00 A.M.-Noon at the Cocoa Library. Again, call Maria soon if you want to take the bus. ((321)795-7376.)

## Coming up in January

We in the MSCC Chapter have the chance to provide a public service by working for the Hunger Project to fill packages so that economically disadvantaged children can eat over the weekends when there are no school meals. We work from noon to 2:00 on Wednesday, January 8. As always, call Maria so she can arrange bus transportation.

 Our regular business meeting will take place on Saturday, January 11, from 10:00-Noon at the Brevard Hispanic Center, 4670 Babcock St., NE, Palm Bay. Maria can arrange bus transportation for you to attend, but only if you call her in advance. The annual $10 dues are due at this meeting.

## ReJoyce Update

We are so fortunate in Brevard County to have ReJoyce, a non-profit organization through which the blind help the blind gain independence. If you want to learn to use a computer or an iPhone with speech output, or to take a stab at braille, call Dr. Joyce Taylor at (321) 473.8719. the January term is full, but you can slip in for April or October.

Dr. Joyce has pictures of the recent White Cane Day event. Visit <https://drjoycetaylor.com> under the Independent Living Classes section.

## Congratulations to Camille

Camille Tate has been rewarded for her years of tireless service to the Federation by being elected State President of the Florida chapter. Good job, Camille!

## Belief Message of the National Federation of the Blind

 The National Federation of the Blind advances the lives of its members and all blind people in the United States.

We know that blindness is not the characteristic that defines you or your future. Every day we raise the expectations of blind people, because low expectations create obstacles

between blind people and our dreams. Our collective power, determination, and diversity achieve the aspirations of all blind people.

## NFB Pledge, and a contest

Can you recite the NFB Pledge? If so, your name will appear in this newsletter:

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.