

**National Federation of the
Blind of Kentucky
76th Annual State Convention
October 6th, 7th, & 8th 2023
Hilton Garden Inn Northeast
9850 Park Plaza Ave.
Louisville, KY 40241**

We are pleased to welcome so many of you from across Kentucky to our 76th Annual Convention of the National Federation of the Blind of Kentucky.

Our National Federation of the Blind Representative this year is Everette Bacon, President of the Utah Affiliate. Everette is the Secretary of the National Federation of the Blind.

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Friday October 6, 2023

9:00 AM – 4:30 PM Technology Assistance Division Symposium & Business Meeting: Todd Stephens, President, Technology Assistance Division; First Vice-President, NFBK

7:00 PM – 10:00 PM Social: Ashley Swafford, Social Committee Chairperson; President, NFBGL

Saturday October 7, 2022

7:00 AM Scholarship Breakfast: By Invitation of the Committee

9:00 AM - Call to Order: Jayne Seif, President NFBK

Moment of Silence

Pledge of Allegiance: Anthony Brettnacher, 4-time BELL participant

The Singing of our National Anthem: Addison Clarkson, 3-time BELL Participant
NFB Pledge: Ashley Swafford, President NFBGL
Introductions and Welcome: Jayne Seif, President NFBK

NFB Pledge

I pledge to participate actively in the effort 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.

9:15 AM – 9:30 AM Presentation of Proclamation: Representative Josie Raymond, Forty-first District

9:30 AM – 10:00 AM Learn what's new from the Kentucky Board of Elections: Karen Sellers, Executive Director State Board of Elections

10:00 AM - 10:20 AM Partnering with our Kentucky Legislature: Representative Josie Raymond, Forty-first District

10:20 AM Fit Break

10:30 AM – 11:00 A message from our National Federation of the Blind National Office: Everette Bacon, President Utah Affiliate, Secretary National Federation of the Blind

11:AM – 11:30 AM BELL families and staff share what they learned this summer: Angela Henderson

11:30 – 11:50 What is new and exciting at the Kentucky School for the Blind: This year BELL was hosted on sight at the school, who were both generous with their time and facilities. We Thank you. Peggy Sinclair-Morris, Principal Kentucky School for the Blind

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM
Interactive Lunch
Activities & Conversation

Saturday Afternoon, October 7, 2022

2:00 PM Call to Order: Jayne Seif, President NFBK

2:05 PM - 2:30 PM GoodMaps: Recently, the GoodMaps team presented at several venues in the Louisville area. We were invited to send a representative to the GoodMaps Rally and some of our members attended their event at the Frazier Museum.

2:30 PM – 2:45 PM Presentation by the University of Kentucky Vision Program

2:45 PM - 3:05 PM Talking Ira with our National Representative: What to know from both a person who is blind, and an employee of the company. Everette Bacon, Utah Affiliate President, Secretary National Federation of the Blind

3:05 PM – 3:10 Fit Break

3:10 PM – 4:00 PM

“I’m just a bill.

Yes, I’m only a bill.

And I’m sitting here on Capitol Hill.

Well, it’s a long, long journey to the capital city.

It’s a long, long wait while I’m sitting in committee,

But I know I’ll be a law someday at least I hope and pray that I will, but today I am still just a bill.”

What does it take to make our voices heard, and why does it take so long? Join in an interactive presentation featuring community partner Justin Jeter from the Kentucky Human Development Institute. Justin serves as Public Policy Coordinator on Developmental Disabilities and will present collaboratively with the National Federation of the Blind Legislative Team.

4:00 PM – 4:15 PM Presentation of Scholarship Finalists: Lora Stephens, Secretary NFBK

4:15 PM – 4:45 PM We invite you to be a part of the Resolutions Committee Meeting live. Learn what happens before a resolution goes to the floor. You can be in the know for our business meeting on Sunday morning.

Saturday Evening, October 7, 2022

6:00 PM – 8:00 PM Annual Banquet of the National Federation of the Blind of Kentucky: Mistress of Ceremonies, Mary Harrod, NFBGL Member

6:00 PM Invocation

6:45 PM Keynote Address: Everette Bacon, President Utah Affiliate, Secretary National Federation of the Blind

7:10 Presentation of Awards: Angela Henderson, Board Member NFBK

7:20 Scholarship Presentation: Laura Stephens, Secretary NFBK

7:40 Announcement of NFB-NEWSLINE \$150 and \$100 Visa Give-aways, Todd Stephens, State Coordinator, NFB-NEWSLINE Kentucky, First Vice President NFBK

7:50 Wrap-up of any other awards from local chapters

Sunday Morning, October 8

9:00 Call to order & Presidential Report: Jayne Seif President NFBK

9:25 – 9:45 Resolutions: Chairperson Lonnie Swafford, Secretary NFBGL, State Board Member

**9:45 Business Meeting: Jayne Seif,
President, NFBK**

Treasurer's Report: Todd Stephens, Acting Treasurer, NFBK

Consideration of Constitutional Amendment: Phil Seif & Todd Stephens

**Report from the Nominating Committee: Sandra Williams, Vice President
NFBGL; Board Member NFBK**

Election of Board Members

Wrap up & Fairwell.