

## 2023 NFB Kentucky TAD Symposium

### Eleventh Annual

The NFB Kentucky affiliate's Technology Assistance Division (TAD) has tons of great stuff in store for you this year, so don't you dare miss this!

Mistress of Ceremonies will be our incredible Sandra Williams!

The TAD Symposium is sponsored by Retina Associates of Kentucky.

Sandra Williams, Mistress of Ceremonies with Welcome and Introductions

**Scheduled time: 9:00 AM to 9:10 AM**

Dave Wilkinson: Dave, affectionately known as Speedy Turtle has been a TAD fan favorite for over a decade! Dave will be presenting on various technology devices that can aid us in our exercise and training regiments. Remember, healthy body - healthy mind!

**time for presentation: 9:10 AM to 9:50 AM**

Representative from OKO to present virtually on a smart camera app available in iOS and Android that will help you explore your surroundings with real-time.

feedback. Please note that OKO may be useful in conjunction with a long white cane for O&M to enhance independence; however, it is not designed to be a

substitute for the training that you've received to navigate your surroundings effectively and safely.

**Scheduled time for presentation: 9:55 AM to 10:15 AM**

Joseph Hodge, Quality Assurance Manager with APH who also happens to be the TAD Program manager. Joe will be presenting on

Polly,

which is an electronic Wi-Fi enabled device that will assist users in learning and reinforcing braille concepts. Mr. Hodge will also introduce us to a futuristic

braille device that will be on the market soon known as the Monarch, a multipurpose device which can receive digital textbooks from APH and other providers,

significantly reducing the time to fingertips for our students.

**Scheduled time for presentation: 10:20 AM to 10:45 AM**

Last up in our morning session, Lora and Todd Stephens will be presenting on

NFB-NEWSLINE®,

the audio reading service for the print impaired. This is a free audio reading service developed and implemented by the blind, but is not exclusive to the

blind.

Todd and Lora will be available to speak with you and get you signed up during our lunch break.

**Scheduled time for presentation: 10:50 AM to 11:05 AM**

Vendor announcements and Q&As

**Scheduled time: 11:10 AM to 11:30 AM**

We will recess for lunch for an hour and a half where participants can enjoy a complementary boxed lunch and visit with our presenters/vendors.

Diane Ducharme from

BlindShell USA

BlindShell is an intuitive smart phone that drastically reduces the learning curve for operating a smartphone.

**Scheduled time for presentation: 1:00 PM to 1:25 PM**

Cheryl Saucier, owner of

Mountain View Low Vision Services

providing a wide variety of high-quality low vision products to people with vision loss.

**Scheduled time for presentation: 1:30 PM to 1:55 PM**

Dennis McKinney

with Advanced Low Vision Technology. Dennis will deliver low cost and low vision solutions that many of our participants this year can appreciate and embrace.

**Scheduled time for presentation: 2:00 PM to 2:25 PM**

Upon the conclusion of the presentations in the afternoon, you are free to visit with our afternoon presenters.

The TAD symposium will end at 4 PM to make time for the NFB Kentucky TAD annual business meeting from 4 PM to 4:30 PM; so please join us as we put a fabulous

bow on this Symposium!