Greetings NFBNJ Members, Family and Friends!

The exclamation point is to share with you our excitement that pre-registration for our 49th annual state convention is now open! The event, whose theme is “Live the Life You Want; Creating Champions”, is being held at a new venue, the APA Hotel (formerly the Woodbridge Hilton), 120 Wood Ave., Iselin section of Woodbridge, NJ from October 23-26, 202 5.

There are some new features this year which we hope you will enjoy:

* Streamlined registration; on just one form, you can register yourself, a SSP or an assistant as well as a child who will be accompanying you.
* You also can select everyone’s meals on this form.
* Affiliate Assistance with Meal Costs; Prices have gone up for meals so the breakfast buffet will remain at $22 and lunches at $25 with the affiliate making up the difference.
* Vegan/Vegetarian meal options including for the Federation Family Meal on Friday and the Banquet on Saturday.
* Hors d’Oeuvres; thanks to the generosity of the Degenshein Family, we’ll be offering a selection of hors d’oeuvres on Thursday evening for registered conventioneers and hotel guests.
* NFB Camp; this is the first time we are offering child care for kids ages 2-10 for Saturday, October 25, during general sessions as well as the banquet. This service is $10 per hour per child as we will be using child care professionals; the affiliate will be subsidizing this cost. You will be responsible for bringing your child’s drinks, meals and snacks. No diaper changes will be provided; these are the responsibility of the child’s parent or guardian.

In addition to our Technology seminar on Thursday afternoon, there will be an exhibit hall on Friday from 8 AM until noon. And we promise you an array of panels, speakers and information-packed general sessions.

There’s time allotted for fun, too, on Friday evening auction and entertainment. Another chance to network and catch up with old and new friends during the Friday Family Federation Meal and during Sunday morning’s breakfast buffet.

So don’t wait – pre-register now for this event here….

<https://www.nfbnj.org/state-convention/2025-registration>

Make room reservations at last year’s rate of $119 plus tax for a double, triple or quad e by calling the APA Hotel directly at 732-494-6200. Be sure to mention the NFBNJ convention to get our special rate.

The hotel is accessible by Access Link and is just a few minutes from the Metropark NJ Transit/Amtrak rail station.

For additional convention information please visit out convention webpage <https://www.nfbnj.org/state-convention>

Warmly,

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To Set up a 30-minute meeting about the National Federation of the Blind of Nj please click on the link below

<https://calendly.com/lindamelendez220/30min>