# AgendaCatch the Wave: Collaborate! 2023 NLS Northern and Southern Regional Conference, May 2-4, 2023 Daytona Beach, Florida

**Location: The Shores Resort and Spa,** 2637 South Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118

NLS Staff pending, times/sessions may be shifted as needed.

## **Tuesday May 2**:

8:00 **Breakfast with Colleagues,** Registration table open

9:00 **Welcome remarks** State Librarian Amy Johnson; Message from Sec. of State Cord Byrd (tentative); **What’s Unique About FL** (Steve Prine) ; **Roll Call of states**

10:00 **NLS updates**

10:45 Break

11:00 **Speed Networking**

12:00: **Lunch at the FL Braille and Talking Book Library, Tour of Blind Services campus**

2:00 **NLS: Wave of Equipment.** Includes DS1 and DA1 basic repair and operation, updates on inventory, and special sneak peak of the DA2! E Readers introduced. Led by Joseph Dorsey, Kevin Watson, Neal Graham.

Back to Hotel

3:00 (Panel) **Wave of Support: Ereader Examined**. Network led. Includes lessons learned on distribution, ways to maximize use, encourage braille literacy, etc. (Angela Fisher Hall, AL, Barbara Penegor and Tracey Mania, KY, Mark Santagelo, NLS)

3:30 Break

3:45 **Tidepool: Q and A session with NLS staff and Network Consultant**

4 - 5 (Presentation/ Panel) **Turn the Tide: Youth Engagement!** (Call for network presenters, panel includes preview of Summer Reading Donna Koh)

-End for day-

6:00 **Welcome reception and dinner** (blind services advocate Paul Kurtz, speaker, trumpeter will perform)

## **Wednesday May 3:**

8:00 **Breakfast with Colleagues**

9:00 -(Panel/ Presentation) -**Wave of Success: Remote Strategies**. Includes best practices for Remote programming, Hybrid programming, and creating digital communities.

10:00 **Turn the Tide: Best of what's new in tech** (call for network presenters, Steve Prine NLS)

**10:30 Turn the Tide: Podcasting in Libraries** (Craig Hayward NC)

11:15 Break

11:30 **ILS meetups (KLAS and WebReads)**

12:30 lunch

1:45 - **NLS: Summer Reading** (Donna Koh, NLS, Mary Beth Parks, PA, and LaShawn Myles, MD)

2:30 - (Panel)- **Wave of Information: Outreach Initiatives** includes remote outreach, new approaches that worked, proven success stories (call for presenters, Steve Prine, Mark Santagelo, NLS)

3:15 **Brain Coral Sessions:**

**1. Applications** Digital from the Start and Electronic Storage (call for presenters, (Neal Graham,

**2.Tactiles in the Library** (call for network presenters)

**3. Working with patrons with multiple disabilities**.,)

3:45 -break

4:00 **Turn the Tide: Programming.** Panel including NLS and presenters from the networks (call for proposals)

4:45: **Regional conference business meetings**

5:15: **Tidepool**: **Q&A with NLS staff and Network Consultant**

5:30 end

6:30 Group dinner option TBD

## **Thursday May 4**:

8:00 **Breakfast with Colleagues**

9:00 **Brain Coral Sessions**

**1. NLS: Advanced Machine Repair and Other Topics** battery life, etc.Neal Graham, Joseph Dorsey, Kevin Watson, NLS

**2. Planning a conference of disabled authors,** Network Consultant Marybeth Wise and Steve Prine on panel.

 **3. Collaborative programming** across network libraries and cross-advertising initiatives. NLS staff to brainstorm TBD.

9:30: **Turn the Tide: Innovative Partnerships** (call for network presenters, Steve Prine NLS)

10:00 **Local author keynote: TBA**

11:00: Break

11:15 **NFB Newsline updates**

11:45 **Bookshare updates**

12:15 **Tidepool: Small group discussion tables:** Suggested Themes: NLS staff and network. Assistive Technology news and coaching (Steve Prine); Summer Reading follow up (Donna Koh); Programming Follow Up, Outreach Follow Up.

12:45: Closing Remarks

1:00 - END.