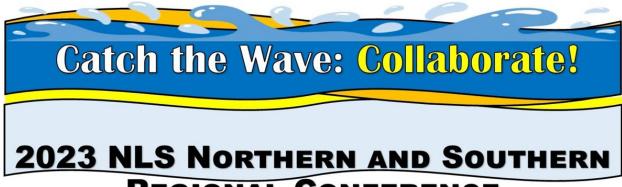
Agenda



REGIONAL CONFERENCE

May 2-4, 2023 Daytona Beach, Florida

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

Tuesday May 2:

Preconference activity: Post on Surfing for Answers challenge board

8:00 Breakfast with Colleagues, provided. Registration table open

9:00 **Welcome remarks** State Librarian of Florida Amy Johnson; Message from Sec. of State Cord Byrd (tentative); or DOE Division of Blind Services Director Robert Doyle III, Deputy Director NLS Jason Yasner

9:30 Roll Call of states

10:00 **NLS updates**: Jason Yasner, Steve Prine, MaryBeth Wise, Meredith Beckhardt 10:45 Break

11:00 Speed Networking

12:00: Lunch Provided at the FL Braille and Talking Book Library, and Tour

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.

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)

3:30 Break

3:45 (Presentation/ Panel) **Turn the Tide: Youth Engagement!** (Call for network presenters, panel includes Donna Koh)

4:30 – 5:00 Tidepool: Q and A session with NLS Staff and Network Consultant

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

Wednesday May 3:

8:00 Breakfast with Colleagues, provided.

9:00 -(Panel) -**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, Jason Yasner 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 provided.

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 (Sarah Smedley, FL) (call for presenters) 3:15 **Brain Coral Roundtable:** Call for presenters, moderators

- 1. Applications Digital from the Start and Electronic Storage; Steve Prine for NLS plan
- **2.Tactiles in the Library** (Mark Lee and Steven McMillan PA)
- 3. Leads session with Meredith Beckhardt

3:45 -break

4:00 (Panel) **Turn the Tide: Programming.** Panel including NLS and presenters from the networks (Pandemic and beyond, Sarah Smedley, FL) (call for more presenters)

4:30: Regional conference business meetings

5:00: Tidepool: Q&A with NLS staff and Network Consultant

5:30 end

Thursday May 4:

8:00 Breakfast with Colleagues, provided.

9:00 Brain Coral Roundtable: Call for presenters, moderators

- **1. NLS: Advanced Machine Repair and Other Topics** battery life, etc. Joseph Dorsey, Kevin Watson, NLS
- 2. Planning a conference of disabled authors
- **3. Collaborative programming** across network libraries and cross-advertising initiatives.

9:30: NFB Newsline updates

10:00 Local author keynote: TBA

11:00: Break

11:15 **Treading Water: Surfing for Answers** Selection of topics for discussion (collected on board from start of conference).

11:45 Open Waters: Small group discussion tables, discuss the solutions to "Treading Water".

12:45: Closing Remarks

1:00 - END.