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Memo To: Executive Officers, Board Members, Chapter & Division Presidents & Others

From: Marty R. McKenzie, President

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Dear Federation Family,

Today is the first day of fall and we have certainly had a hot summer in South Carolina! Fall brings many activities as we lead up to the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. It is a time of harvest and celebration for the successes of the year thus far. We look forward to the many events that will take place during this season of the year.

Congratulations to President Michelle Scott from our Charleston Chapter upon sharing the two events that Charleston will host in recognition of Blind Equality Achievement Month (BEAM). Please share your events for publication in the Positive Note and on the NFB of SC listserv.

From Michelle Scott, President of the Charleston Chapter

The Charleston Chapter presents An Inspiring Talent Showcase, highlighting exceptional performances by Blind & Low Vision Individuals. This event will take place on October 5, 2024 from 4:00–6:00 p.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church located at 1400 Manor Boulevard, Charleston, SC 29407. Admission cost is \$15 or 2/\$25. Kids cost is \$10. Food is heavy hors d'oeuvres, dessert and drinks.

Charleston Chapter presents a White Cane Awareness Day Walk on October 12, 2024 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Marion Square at 329 Meeting Street, Charleston, SC 29403.

Over the past two years, there have been many new members added to the NFB of SC's role. Most get added to the NFB of SC listserv where a great deal of information is disseminated. It is important that new members subscribe to the Braille Monitor and other National Federation of the Blind publications so that we all continue our study in NFB philosophy. To subscribe, visit www.nfb.org. If you need assistance, please reach out and someone will help you.

From Thom Spittle

Win a beautiful handmade 60 by 66 inch blanket featuring the words Rocky Bottom and a picture of mountains and trees. Funds raised will benefit Children's camp.

Tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20. Call Thom Spittle at 803-331-3344 to find out how to purchase your tickets. The drawing will be held at the Rocky Bottom Board Retreat.

From Marty R. McKenzie, President of the Clarendon County Chapter

The Clarendon County Chapter is raffling off a beautiful multi-colored Christmas afghan made and donated by Glenda Culick. Tickets are \$2 each or three tickets for \$5. You can mail a check to Marty McKenzie, 1516 Lucky Road, Lake City, SC 29560 to purchase your tickets. Checks should be made payable to Clarendon County Chapter NFB of SC. The lucky winner will be drawn at the National Federation of the Blind of South Carolina Board Retreat which is scheduled for November 22-24, 2024 at the Rocky Bottom Retreat and Conference Center of the Blind.

From the Senior Division

The Senior Division of the National Federation of the Blind of South Carolina, is ready to warm you up and get you going! We are selling coffee and hot chocolate in whatever form you like (Ground, whole bean or K-Cups). The name of the company is "White Cane Coffee", founded by a blind woman. All the boxes are brailled, as are the individual K-cups. There are numerous flavored coffees to choose from, and the hot chocolate comes in either plain or a mint flavor. All coffee comes in regular or decaf and a variety of roasts are available as well. From a mild roast to "High Octane", there is surely a coffee which will be right for you. Please visit our website at <https://whitecanecoffee.com/ref/NFBSC-Seniors/>

Or call 814-218-2837 to order your coffee or hot chocolate today! When calling, be sure to inform them this is for the NFB of SC Senior Division in order for them to get credit for the sale!!!

Things to remember

- Charleston Chapter BEAM events on October 5 and 12, 2024
- Clarendon County Chapter fundraiser drawing on November 23, 2024
- Senior Division Coffee Sale
- Rocky Bottom blanket drawing at the Board Retreat

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