

SPRING FLING CONFERENCE



Friday, March 17, 2023 8:15 a.m. – 3:15 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres following the conference – Project VIEW 3:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. Lied Lodge, Nebraska City

We are excited to announce that this year's Spring Fling will be brought to you by NCECBVI and UNL's Project VIEW, and will be held at The Lied Lodge Conference Center in Nebraska City!

Get ready for a day of learning and participating in a presentation by Dr. Renae Bjorg, co-author of *Guidelines and Games for Teaching Efficient Braille Reading, Second Edition*. Renae Bjorg, PhD, is an assistant professor and teacher educator at the University of North Dakota. She is the coordinator of the visual impairment specialization in the Masters of Special Education program. She has a wide variety of teaching experiences with children in grades PK-12 and children, ages birth to age 3, who are medically fragile and visually impaired and their families.

The conference will include an introduction and history of braille, the science of reading, guidelines and games for the reader at beginning levels, and a hands-on activity. Participants will receive a free copy of the book, *Guidelines and Games for Teaching Efficient Braille Reading, Second Edition*. Participants are encouraged to bring a book or game they wish to adapt during the conference.

| Registrations for Spring Fling are due by Friday, March 3, 2023. The cost to attend is \$. | 50. Registration |
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| <u>Link.</u> ACVREP CEU's will be available for O&M Instructors. | |

You are strongly encouraged to stick around after the conference for hors d'oeuvres and casual conversation, courtesy of UNL's Project VIEW! We hope you can join us in enjoying some free hors d'oeuvres, catching up with colleagues, and hearing about what is happening with Project VIEW research across the state!

We're excited to see the AER auction return for Spring Fling! It's so fun to see the variety of items that people donate for the auction, and we hope you will consider bringing an item(s), basket, or gift card to support the Nebraska Chapter of AER, which in turn supports students and members statewide. Anything appropriate for school is welcome! If you have any questions about the AER Auction or information about what you plan to donate, please contact Audrey Graves, agraves@esu4.net.

Lodging: As always, lodging will be available at NCECBVI for a small fee of \$25. If requesting lodging at NCECBVI, please note that on the registration form, and know that transportation to the Lied Lodge for the conference will be on your own. If you prefer instead to stay at the Lied Lodge (location for the conference this year), you are welcome to call and reserve your room on your own accord.

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