

NATIONAL FASTPITCH COACHES ASSOCIATION *NATIONAL CONVENTION*



#MakeWaves

December 9-12, 2026

More at the Shore!



HARRAH'S RESORT ATLANTIC CITY

Atlantic City is a resort city in the southeastern part of New Jersey known for its casinos, boardwalk, and beaches that provide access to the Atlantic Ocean. It initially became famous for its steel pier and boardwalk attractions, as well as being the birthplace of salt water taffy. Atlantic City is the longtime home of the Miss America pageant, and its location and street names were the inspiration for the popular board game Monopoly. The location saw a rebirth in 1976, when New Jersey legalized casino gambling in Atlantic City, and the first casino opened two years later.

PHILADELPHIA TO ATLANTIC CITY SHUTTLE SERVICE REGISTRATION AVAILABLE AT NFCA.ORG

You get all this...

- 🌟 **SPEAKERS, SPEAKERS & MORE SPEAKERS**
- 🌟 **MENTORING & UNLIMITED NETWORKING**
- 🌟 **NEW! TWO BATTING CAGES**
- 🌟 **NEW! ON-FIELD DEMOS**
- 🌟 **MULTIPLE-DAY EXHIBIT SHOW**
- 🌟 **CAUCUS & COMMITTEE MEETINGS**
- 🌟 **HALL OF FAME BANQUET**
- 🌟 **HAPPY HOUR**
- 🌟 **AWARDS BRUNCH**
- 🌟 **POST-CONVENTION VIDEO ACCESS**
- 🌟 **FIRESIDE CHATS**
- 🌟 **OPENING RECEPTION**
- 🌟 **LEGAL COUNSEL ACCESS**
- 🌟 **TWO BREAKFASTS**
- 🌟 **EXCLUSIVE ATTENDEE GIFT**
- 🌟 **LATE-NIGHT SOCIALS**
- 🌟 **MEMORIES THAT LAST A LIFETIME!**



Daily Highlights

WEDNESDAY

1:00 PM-10:00 PM

- Choice of **2** Pre-Convention seminars \$
- Pitching Palooza \$
- Rookie Orientation
- "First Pitch" Opening Welcome
- Opening Reception II Y
- Committee meetings
- Equality Coaching Alliance: LGBTQ+ gathering
- Choice of **2** Fireside Chats (Hitting and Pitching)

+ *Keynote speaker*

THURSDAY

7:00 AM-10:00 PM

- NFCA breakfast II
- **12+** educational sessions
- Caucus meetings
- Visit the Exhibit Hall
- Drills, Drills, Drills
- Youth-specific education
- Hourly batting cage demos
- Director of Ops programming
- Coaches Connection networking
- Happy Hour
- Mentoring Workshop
- **EPIC** Pool Party
- Choice of **2** Fireside Chats (Catching and Defense)

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COMPLETE SCHEDULE AND LINEUP OF SPEAKERS.

FRIDAY

7:30 AM-10:00 PM

- Breakfast II
- Specialty breakouts
- NCAA Playing Rules
- **20+** educational sessions
- Home Run Derby & raffles
- **NEW!** Coaching in Today's World
- Emeriti luncheon II
- **10+** hourly batting cage demos
- Director of Ops programming
- Coaches Connection networking
- NFCA Hall of Fame reception Y \$
- NFCA Hall of Fame Banquet II Y

SATURDAY

8:00 AM-4:00 PM

- Coffee with Emeriti
- **NEW! 2** Drills, Drills, Drills
- NFCA Awards Brunch II
- **14** educational sessions
- Coaches Connection networking
- Batting cage programming
- **NEW!** Live infield demos

+ *Saturday Showcase*
stay late to enjoy it all!

Pre-Convention Education

* extra cost for these events

COME EARLY & BE INSPIRED!

NFCC COURSES: Tuesday 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. | Wednesday 9:00 a.m. - Noon

NFCC COURSE 410 **SEMINAR: THE PITCHING COLLECTIVE** *December 8-9*

The Pitching Collective will change the way you train your pitchers, implement new workouts, manage in-game matchups/strategy, and more. In our BIGGEST pitching event ever, we will bring together some of the most notable coaches in the game to share the way they develop their pitching staffs from start to finish throughout the year. Get ready to be part of the most dynamic pitching program to date.

NFCC COURSE 403 **POSITION PLAY & INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE SKILLS** *December 8-9*

Go in-depth on the defensive side of the game with this two-day course from the NFCA. Join three high-level instructors as they break down the skills, drills, and techniques necessary to play defense at a championship level. Learn individual fundamental components for every defensive position, team defensive drills to take runs off the scoreboard, and challenge what you think you know as you talk shifts and alignments. Get your notebook ready; this class is going to be a gold mine of information.

PRE-CONVENTION SEMINARS: Wednesday 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

PRE-CON #1 **THE PITCHER'S EDGE** *December 9*

Whether you continue your "Pitching Palooza" adventure by adding this three-hour session onto our NFCC 410 class, or take it as a stand-alone program, be sure to ignite your Atlantic City experience with this unique pre-Convention Seminar. Designed to give your pitchers the edge when it comes to their mentality, training, and execution, you will want to be in the room for this one.

PRE-CON #2 **BEYOND THE BARREL: BUILDING THE COMPLETE HITTER** *December 9*

A great hitter has more than a great swing. Approach, preparation, competitiveness, body awareness, and more all play into the output achieved in the batter's box. This three-hour seminar will cover strength & conditioning, mental training, the role of technology, approach/intentionality at the plate, and more to create a toolbox for coaches that goes beyond exit velocity and batting average. If you want to build a complete hitter, you can't sleep on these aspects of the game. Join us for this session to level up your offense.

NFCC 410
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PRE-CON #1
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BUNDLE & SAVE!

Pitching Palooza





Hall of Fame 2026



Ken Eriksen
SOUTH FLORIDA

- 1,205 college coaching victories
- 18 NCAA tournament appearances
- Two NCAA Super Regional berths
- 2012 Women's College World Series
- Led USWNT to two WBSC gold medals & 2020 Tokyo Olympics silver medal



Denny Griffin
ALMA

- 1,057 career coaching victories
- Ranked fourth among active NCAA Division III coaches in wins
- Ranked seventh all-time in NCAA D3
- Ranked 19th among active NCAA softball coaches across all divisions



Kirk Walker
UCLA (RETIRED)

- Spent 23 years on UCLA coaching staff
- Won 828 games, made 18 WCWS trips & won seven NCAA titles with Bruins
- 594 wins as Oregon State head coach
- One of the most visible and outspoken advocates for diversity & inclusion in sports



Veronica Wiggins
FLORIDA A&M (RETIRED)

- 726 wins over 29 seasons as head coach
- First HBCU D1 coach to 700 victories
- 13 MEAC championships, including six of first seven league titles awarded
- Earned eight NCAA tournament berths
- Florida A&M field named in her honor



HOW TO REGISTER FOR CONVENTION

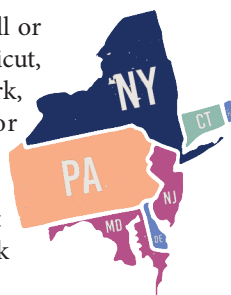
REGISTER online at [NFCA.org](https://nfca.org), or you can download and email or physically mail in your registration form. You can also renew your membership and choose add-ons like Pre-Convention seminars or National Fastpitch Coaches College courses when signing up. Prices increase after Nov. 1, so be sure to lock in the best rates by signing up sooner than later.

ATTENDEE REFUND POLICY

Refund requests must be sent via email to events@nfca.org. Cancellations received on or prior to Nov. 8 will receive a full refund, minus an administrative fee of \$75. Cancellations received between Nov. 9 and Nov. 23 will receive a one-half refund. There will be NO refunds for cancellations made on or after Nov. 24.

SURROUNDING STATES SPECIAL!

ANY high school, travel ball or youth coach from Connecticut, Delaware, Maryland, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania or Rhode Island can receive \$50 off 2026 Convention! However, you **MUST CALL** the NFCA at (502) 409-4600 by Nov. 1 and ask for this discount.



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Featured Speakers + many more!

HEATHER TARR
WASHINGTON

AARON MULLENS
MURRAY STATE COLLEGE

GERRY GLASCO
TEXAS TECH

JOANNA HARDIN
VIRGINIA

KEVIN GRIFFIN
BELHAVEN

KELLY INOUE-PEREZ
& THE UCLA STAFF

LONNI ALAMEDA
FLORIDA STATE

LAURA HEBERLING
KANSAS

COURTNEY DEIFEL
ARKANSAS

MAGGIE MROWKA
CHARLESTON

Batting Cage Education

Happy Hour & Socials

Multi-Day Exhibit Show

The Greatest Softball Show on Earth!

Specialized Education & Breakouts

Awards

Mentoring & Networking