ICBV Office Update

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**\*\*1** Calendar of Events

**October 15, 2017**

White Cane Safety Day is a national observance in the United States, celebrated on October 15 of each year since 1964. The date is set aside to celebrate the achievements of people who are blind or visually impaired and the important symbol of blindness and tool of independence, the white cane.

On October 6, 1964, a joint resolution of the U.S. Congress, H.R. 753, was signed into law as Pub.L. 88–628, and codified at 36 U.S.C. § 142. This resolution authorized the President of the United States to proclaim October 15 of each year as "White Cane Safety Day".

President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the first White Cane Safety Day proclamation within hours of the passage of the joint resolution.

In 2011, White Cane Safety Day was also named Blind Americans Equality Day by President Barack Obama.[1]

**October 17, 2017 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM CDT**

OrCam is hosting a Demo Day in Chicago on October 17! Click below to sign up for a demonstration of the OrCam MyEye and discover how it reads text, recognizes faces and identifies products.

Click to RSVP for the Demo Day <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/orcam-myeye-demonstration-chicago-tickets-37527426543?utm_campaign=US%20Demo%20Days&utm_source=hs_email&utm_medium=email&utm_content=56223688&_hsenc=p2ANqtz-9GkwThgZNGn6hqWaFh2GL8DURp2w1apMXZC3ZS9M8465mG2UXJHFQUgWEuYWsVUMBeConCfAVpgE1s2KHsVWc0_G7Usg&_hsmi=56223688>

Interested in a demo, but unable to make the date? Contact us and we will be in touch to set up a demo for you.

About OrCam

OrCam MyEye is the world's most advanced wearable assistive device, utilizing breakthrough artificial vision technology to empower people with vision or reading disabilities.

**October 27, 28, and 29, 2017**

**NFB of Illinois State Convention, Chicago Naperville Marriott**

The site for our convention will be the Chicago Naperville Marriott, 1801 Naper Blvd., Naperville, IL 60563 phone (630) 505-4900. Room rates are $104 per night plus applicable taxes. Please indicate that you are with the NFBI to get this special rate. Make reservations by calling (800) 228-9290. Reservations must be guaranteed with a credit card or a one night deposit. Our cutoff date for reservations is October 6.

**November 16-18, 2017**

Mark your calendars for the **ICBV Fall Conference**

Location: Springfield’s President Abraham Lincoln Hotel. 217-544-8800. Mention that you are with Illinois Committee of Blind Vendors to get rate.

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 16

1:00-4:00 PM Subcommittee Meetings Locations TBA

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17:

9:00-1:00 PM ICBV Board Meeting Abe Lincoln Hotel

1:00 PM \*\*\*TENTATIVE\*\* Van departs 53 W. Jackson –

Arrival Springfield 4:30 PM \*

5:30-7:00 Dinner on your own

6:00-7:00 Registration

7:00-9:00 PM ICBV Training Session 1: Agenda TBA

Giovanni Francese ICBV Training Chariman

Katy Ungaro ICBV Business Manager, Raven Pulliam BEP

Director, Donnie Anderson ICBV Chairman

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18:

7:00-8:00 Registration

8:00-11:30 AM Training Session II Agenda TBA: Giovanni Francese, ICBV Training Chairman, Matt Cunningham BEP Director of Training and Personnel

12:00-1:00 PM LEADERSHIP AND AWARDS LUNCH

Mike Boldry, ICBV Awards Chairman, Matt Cunningham Director BEP Training and Personnel

LUNCH MENU TBA

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**\*\*2** Shared by Flying Blind, LLC **iOS 11**

iOS 11 made its scheduled appearance, and AppleVis has reported extensively on it.

What's New in iOS 11 Accessibility for Blind, Low Vision and Deaf-Blind Users Submitted by Scott Davert on 19 September, 2017 and last modified on 22 September, 2017

iOS 11 has arrived for users of the iPhone 5S and later; the iPad fifth generation and later; and the iPod Touch 6th Generation. Mainstream changes such as the revamped Control Center, new HomeKit options, the new Files app, and many other enhancements have been added. Other blogs and videos will cover these changes, but as is the case with all major iOS releases dating back to iOS 5, there are many changes specific to accessibility which may not be well documented.

Without a doubt, there will be other features not written about here that people discover as they have their play with iOS 11. While I've been running the betas since June, I am certain I will learn of more changes as the masses get their opportunity to play with the update. While I consider myself a decent Tech Detective, I’m sure there are things I’ve missed. Please note that this article is not intended as a comprehensive guide to iOS 11; rather, it is designed to document changes likely to be of particular interest to users who are blind, have low vision, or who are deaf-blind.

Before proceeding, I would like to acknowledge the hard work that went in to documenting the visual modifications in iOS 11 done by Ryan Pugh of the NFB’s International Braille and Technology Center. Without his input, the details with regard to visual changes would not have been possible.

Read the full story here: <http://bit.ly/2xgIT5B>

Also shared by Hadley School for the Blind and Visually Impaired

**Get yourself up and running quickly on iOS11 with our iFocus videos!**

The purpose of making updates available for your iPhone’s operating system is to improve your experience. But even changes for the better can throw you for a loop if you don’t know what’s changing.

To ease your transition into iOS11, Douglas Walker has updated our **iFocus** videos with instructions that incorporate the new operating system features.

**What’s changed?**  
iOS11 introduces several new features that are explained in these videos:

* [Adding Control Center Items](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=16457095&msgid=821637&act=3JPY&c=225701&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fhadley.edu%2FPlayVideo.asp%3Fvid%3D136)
* [Navigating the Today Screen](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=16457095&msgid=821637&act=3JPY&c=225701&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fhadley.edu%2FPlayVideo.asp%3Fvid%3D135)
* [Navigating the “News For You” Tab](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=16457095&msgid=821637&act=3JPY&c=225701&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fhadley.edu%2FPlayVideo.asp%3Fvid%3D138)
* [Adding a Publication to News](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=16457095&msgid=821637&act=3JPY&c=225701&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fhadley.edu%2FPlayVideo.asp%3Fvid%3D137)

iOS11 also slightly changed how other things work, so Douglas updated instructions for these videos, too:

* [Accessing the Control Center](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=16457095&msgid=821637&act=3JPY&c=225701&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fhadley.edu%2FPlayVideo.asp%3Fvid%3D27)
* [Searching and Downloading from the App Store](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=16457095&msgid=821637&act=3JPY&c=225701&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fhadley.edu%2FPlayVideo.asp%3Fvid%3D13)
* [Navigating the Notification Center](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=16457095&msgid=821637&act=3JPY&c=225701&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fhadley.edu%2FPlayVideo.asp%3Fvid%3D80)
* [Exploring the News App](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=16457095&msgid=821637&act=3JPY&c=225701&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fhadley.edu%2FPlayVideo.asp%3Fvid%3D72)
* [Selecting, Copying and Pasting Text](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=16457095&msgid=821637&act=3JPY&c=225701&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fhadley.edu%2FPlayVideo.asp%3Fvid%3D14)
* [Arranging Apps](http://click.icptrack.com/icp/relay.php?r=16457095&msgid=821637&act=3JPY&c=225701&destination=https%3A%2F%2Fhadley.edu%2FPlayVideo.asp%3Fvid%3D44)

“One thing I really like in iOS11 is ‘enhanced dynamic type.’ This allows you to enlarge text across all Apple’s native apps, including Settings. Shows, once again, how Apple really is dedicated to making their devices accessible to everyone. ”

- Douglas Walker,  
**iFocus** Instructional Video Program Leader,  
Assistive Technology Specialist for Hadley Institute

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**\*\*3** Shared by Second Sense - **Grants for Athletes**

If you are involved in a sport that requires training, equipment or travel expenses and have a financial need, you will want to check out the Challenged Athletes Foundation. In 2017, the foundation awarded 2,448 grants for athletes as young as five and as old as 83. This grant may be especially helpful if you are interested in attending a 1Touch coaching certification course. Deadline for applications is Dec. 1. <http://www.challengedathletes.org/programs/grants/>

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**\*\*4** Shared by Denise Avant, President NFBI - **Hurricane Relief**

You are welcome to send contributions to the National Federation of the

Blind marked as Hurricane Relief and we will work with our affiliates in

Puerto Rico, Florida, and Texas as needed. Obviously, our Texas relief

effort is doing well so I would anticipate our focus being on Puerto Rico.

As mentioned earlier we do not yet have a sense of what the needs are so I

hesitate to put out a hard call for support until we have more data.

Contributions to the National Federation of the Blind Hurricane Relief

Project and be sent to:

National Federation of the Blind

Attn: Hurricane Relief

200 East Wells Street

Baltimore, Maryland 21230

Online Contributions can be made at

<https://nfb.org/donate>

Be sure to note your contribution is for Hurricane Relief

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**\*\*5** Shared by ‘Keeping in Touch with NAMA’ - 12 habits of Successful Young Leaders; Forbes

When Airbnb was founded, CEO Brian Chesky was 27 years old. Steve Jobs was 25 years old when Apple went public. Bill Gates was only 20 when he founded Microsoft. Young business leaders have the ability to achieve amazing things despite inexperience. If you want to be a successful young leader, you will need to acquire a few common traits shared by the world’s most successful young businesspeople. Here are 12 habits of successful young leaders, so you can put yourself on track to reaching new heights professionally. READ MORE <https://www.forbes.com/sites/deeppatel/2017/09/24/12-habits-of-successful-young-leaders/#606ed4324940>

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**\*\*6** **This week on Eyes On Success**

1739 Running with a Remote Aira Guide (Sep. 20, 2017)

Aira is a service developed to give the blind instant access to information using a smart phone, a video camera, and a remote sighted agent. Hosts Nancy and Peter Torpey talk with Erich Manser, a blind distance runner and triathlete, and Jess Jakeway, a sighted distance runner who served as Erich's remote guide using Aira at the 2017 Boston Marathon.

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**\*\*7** Shared by NCA SmartBrief - REGULATORY UPDATE

**Study: Soda tax costs Philadelphia grocers over $300,000 monthly in lost sales**

Philadelphia grocers are losing $304,433 monthly as many consumers opt to shop in the suburbs to avoid the city's soda tax, according to a study from Saint Joseph's University professor John L. Stanton. "At a time when food retailers were already confronting headwinds from online shopping and other changes in consumer behavior, this tax is dealing a death blow to an industry that provides access to groceries for families in low-income neighborhoods," said Dave McCorkle of the Pennsylvania Food Merchants Association. The Philadelphia Tribune (9/12)

<http://www.phillytrib.com/news/report-soda-tax-pinching-markets/article_8c46e59b-51a6-5049-a8ba-9d970890aa1d.html>

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**\*\*8** **Vistar News** from Dan Brander

Vistar has a great line of fresh, healthy-for-you salads, wraps and fruit cups. This line has been so successful for us, we have increased our sales over 100% from fiscal 2016 to 2017! Because of that, we are adding several soups. The key to Ready Pac is the freshness and outstanding packaging. My wife eats these at home all the time. This retail presence will help, as well. The products are pricey, but quality does cost a little more.

I have attached the fliers for the new soups. I have also attached some of the other sell sheets. (If you are interested in these please call Dan) Pricing is on MyVistar, but costs are approximately $3.33 for salads, $2-3.00 for Fruit and Veggie Trays, and $5.00 for the new soups. I have watched Panera triple in size the past decade, and their salads and soups are even pricier. People will pay more for quality, so please try this line.

Ready Pac needs to be pre-booked, since they are made fresh. The schedule is below. Also, shelf life is 8-10 days and there is no minimum (i.e. you can get one salad)

Vistar orders Wednesday, for receipt on Monday, and customer deliveries Tues & Wed.

Vistar orders Friday, for receipt on Wednesday, and customer deliveries Thurs, Fri, Mon.

Please call me with any questions about ready Pac.

We appreciate your business very much.

Dan Brander

Vistar Sales and service

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