**2018 Annual Conference and Convention Program**

**March 20-25, 2018**

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**The Uber Annual Banquet**

**The Uber International Luncheon**

**The Sprint Registration and Volunteer Booth**

**The Sprint Technology Luncheon**

**The Vanda Pharmaceuticals NON-24 Educational Breakout**

**The Vanda Pharmaceuticals Leaderships Dinner**

**The Vanda Pharmaceuticals Women’s Breakfast**

**The Wells Fargo Financial Literacy Workshop**

**The Wells Fargo Live Streaming Studio**

**The Energy Upgrade CA Fellowship Riverside Walk**

**The Energy Upgrade CA Dog Quiet Room and Relief Area**

**The Energy Upgrade CA GSGDHI Luncheon**

**Dear CCB Conference/Convention Attendees:**

**Welcome to our 2018 Conference/Convention where we have lots of events in store for you, a number of which are new this year. We also have more sponsors than ever before, and I hope you’ll not only visit them in the Obbie Schoeman Exhibit Hall, but thank them for their generous support.**

**Join us as we work hard and play hard throughout our time together. And be sure to say hello as our paths cross.**

**Judy Wilkinson, President**

**California Council of the Blind**

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**General Information**

**If you require an assistive listening device for the general sessions or other special accommodations, please contact the Sprint registration table and volunteer booth.**

**Please wear your badge at all times during the Conference and Convention (badge with red dot required for voting).**

**Donations of door prizes to be given throughout the Conference and Convention should be brought to the Sprint registration table and volunteer booth.**

**If your chapter plans to make a contribution to our scholarship or general fund during the Conference and Convention, you are urged to have a representative from your chapter present it at the Uber Banquet.**

**If you would like to pay your member-at-large dues for 2018 or pay CCB Life Member dues, you may do so at the Sprint registration table and volunteer booth.**

**You may also sign up for the ACB Monthly Monetary Support Fund, from which, through automatic deductions, you can give CCB up to 50% of your monthly donation. If you are already an MMS contributor, you may also modify your existing MMS donation.**

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# Hotel Information and Amenities

**Hotel check in time is 3:00 PM. Check out time is 12 Noon. Later check out time is subject to hotel availability. Please inquire at the front desk.**

**The room numbers are located adjacent to the door’s opening. Inside of the hotel room the bathroom is located on the wall adjacent to the door’s opening.**

**Each guest room contains one bottle of shampoo, conditioner, lotion, and a bar of facial/bath soap located on the bathroom counter to the left of the sink.**

**The hotel has a very limited number of bathmats by request only.**

**The hair dryer will either be connected to the wall on the right hand side of the counter next to the light or hanging on a hook to the right of the shower.**

**Next to the bathroom are double sliding doors for the closet. These closet doors are also mirrors. Inside of the closet you will find hangers, an ironing board and a folding luggage stand.**

**Past the closet the room opens up. If the room has 1 bed there will be side tables on either side. If the room has two beds there will be a long table in the middle of the two beds that holds a phone and lamp with outlets on it.**

**We have replaced our clock radios with the Cubie Blue Radio. This offers Bluetooth only connection from a phone as well as a clock and 2 USB plug-ins. When the guest turns the device on, they will hear a beep and can connect their phone.**

**We recommend having the Front Desk call their room for a wakeup call if the guest needs to be woken up in the morning.**

**Across from the bed is a tall dresser that has a TV on top. To the right of this dresser is a cabinet that contains a mini fridge. To the left of the dresser is a chair and desk that has a phone and lamp on top.**

**The coffee makers are located on the opposite side of the windows in an alcove next to the bed.**

**There is a trash can located against the front right leg of the desk. The wall opposite the door is a window with two pull curtains. The curtain closest to the window is see-through and the second curtain is not. Along the window is a chair and table with a lamp behind it. Next to the bed and across from the window is a desk built into the wall. This desk contains the coffee maker which comes with regular, decaf, tea & condiment package, the ice bucket and two cups. This desk also has a mirror mounted on the wall behind it.**

**The location of the coffee maker will depend on which side of the Hotel the guests are staying on.**

**Example, guests with the window on the left of the room will find the coffee maker located on the right side the room.**

**The thermostat is located on the wall next to the built in desk, near the end of the bed. There are two types of thermostats used in hotel guest rooms. Hotel staff will be able to provide you with information about the thermostat and other guest room amenities when they escort you to the room.**

**Hotel telephone instructions:**

**There are 3 phones in every guest room. One located on the night stand next to the bed, one in the bathroom and one on the desk. Please dial “0" for the hotel operator, who can assist with any needs.**

**To check Voicemail in your guest room: Dial “2599” to retrieve your voicemail messages. If you do have a message, the computer voice will guide you through the process of what numbers to press to retrieve your messages.**

**Dial 7 and then the room number to dial another guest room in the hotel.**

**Hotel Telephone Directory:**

**Housekeeping: 1323**

**Engineering Team: 1293**

**Engineering Chief: 1293 or 1232**

**Front Desk: 51 or 1317**

**Bell Stand: Call Front Desk**

**Room Service: 54**

**Formaggio Restaurant: 55**

**CCB Registration Table: 916-267-6757**

**CCB Volunteer Table: 916-861-2215**

**Other Hotel Services:**

**Our Fitness and Business centers are both 24/7 with room key access.**

**For Dry Cleaning: articles of clothing given to the Bell Staff by 9AM will be returned to the guest by 6:30PM on the same day, Monday- Friday. There is no weekend service. The guest may also call “At Your Service” for pickup.**

**Guest Room Internet:**

**Basic guest room internet is complimentary and Premium is $12.95 per day.**

**Your room number and last name of the registered guest will be your pass codes for either of these two purchase options.**

# Calendar of Events

**Wednesday, March 21, 2018**

**Pre-Convention Activity**

**2 PM - 6 PM The Wells Fargo Financial Literacy Workshop, Moderated by Karen Shrawder, CCB Board Member. Board Room**

**5:30 - 8 PM “Insights” Artist Reception, Sponsored by the Cordova Community Council and the California Council of the Blind.**

**Thursday, March 22, 2018**

**9:00 AM - 5:00PM Pre-registration packets can be picked up at the Sprint registration and volunteer booth in the Lobby.**

**7:30 AM - 2:00 PM Capitol Day**

**9:30 AM - 11 AM A Journey Into Magic. Noel Runyan. Carmel Room**

**11:30 AM - 1 PM Project Athena Adventure Luncheon, Sarah Harris Project Athena Ambassador, Pam Metz CCB Board Member. Board Room**

**1 PM - 3 PM Technology Committee Meeting Gabe Griffith and Andrea DeKlotz, co-chairs. Junior Ballroom**

**3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Credentials Committee Meeting, Pam Palagi Chair. Board Room**

**5 PM Nominations Committee Meeting, Pam Palagi Chair. Board Room**

**5:45 PM - 10 PM Dining in the Dark. California Ballroom**

**7 PM - 1 AM Uber Hospitality Suite hosted by the ACB Capital Chapter. Folsom Room**

**Friday, March 23, 2018**

**9 AM - 5 PM Sprint registration and volunteer booth**

**The Obie Shoeman Exhibit Hall will be open from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM. Rancho Cordova/Los Angeles Rooms**

**7:00 AM - 8:30 AM Vanda Pharmaceuticals Women's Breakfast. Folsom Room**

**8:00 AM CCB Resolutions Committee. Gabe Griffith and Jeff Thom, Co-Chairs. Board Room**

**9:00 AM – 10:15 AM Braille Revival League of California (BRLC) Business Meeting Linda Porelle, President. Junior Ballroom**

**9:30 AM – 10:30 AM Vanda Pharmaceuticals NON-24 Break out. Folsom Room**

**10:30 AM – 11:45 AM California Library Users of America (CLUA) Bonnie Rennie, President. Junior Ballroom**

**9:00 AM – 12:00 PM “Access and Advocacy” Co-moderators Steven Mendelsohn and Jeff Thom. Carmel Room**

**10 - 11AM $15, Healing Vibration & Sound Bath, Patty Meier Facilitator, Hosted at the Double Tree Hotel** [11260 Point E Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742](https://maps.google.com/?q=11260+Point+E+Drive,+Rancho+Cordova,+CA+95742&entry=gmail&source=g)

**12:00 PM – 1:15 PM BRLC/CLUA Luncheon. Junior Ballroom**

**12:00 PM – 1:15 PM International Luncheon, Susan Glass, Moderator. Folsom Room**

**1:30 - 4:05 PM First CCB General Session, Judy Wilkinson, CCB President presiding. San Francisco/Sacramento Rooms**

**4:15 PM Constitution and Bylaws Committee Gabe Griffith Chair. Santa Barbara Room**

**4:15 PM Committee on Access and Transportation Eugene Lozano, Jr, Chair. San Diego Room**

**4:15 PM First Timers Meeting, Vivian Younger Membership Committee Chair. Carmel Room**

**4:15 PM Golden state Guide Dog Handlers Walk, GSGDHI President Alice Turner. Meet at the Santa Rosa Room**

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**Frank Welte, CCB First Vice President presiding**

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**The Resolutions Committee will meet in the board room at the close of the General Session.**

**Saturday, March, 2018**

**9:00 AM - 3:00 PM - Sprint registration and volunteer booth**

**The Obie Shoeman Exhibit Hall will be open from 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM. Rancho Cordova/Los Angeles Rooms**

**7:00 AM - 9:00 AM Board of Directors Breakfast. Judy Wilkinson, President. Junior Ballroom**

**9:15 AM - 10:15 AM Golden State Guide Dog Handlers GSGDHI Business Meeting Alice Turner, President. Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms**

**10:15 – 11:45 AM Golden State Guide Dog Handlers Program. Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms.**

**9:15 - 10:15 AM California Council of Blind Students Business Meeting, Robin Patche, President. Carmel Room**

**10:30 AM - 12 PM California Council of Blind Students Program. Carmel Room**

**10:30 AM – 11:45 AM Randolph-Sheppard Vendors of California (RSVC) Business Meeting, Paul Patche Jr. President. Board Room**

**12:00 PM – 1:15 PM Energy Upgrade CA GSGDHI Luncheon. Sacramento/San Francisco Room**

**12:00 PM – 1:15 PM The Sprint Technology Luncheon. Junior Ballroom**

**1:30 PM 4:15 Third CCB General Session Gabe Griffith, CCB 2nd Vice President presiding. Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms**

**4:30PM Resource Development Committee, Frank Welte, Chair. Folsom Room**

**4:30 PM Governmental Affairs Committee, Jeff Thom, Chair. San Diego Room**

**4:30 – 6:00 PM Scholarship winners’ reception, Judy Wilkinson, President and Christy Crespin, CCB Scholarship Committee Chair. President’s Suite**

**5 – 6:30 PM Beethoven and Friends Orchestra. Rancho Cordova Room**

**6:00 PM No Host "Attitude Adjustment Hour"**

**7:00 PM The Uber Banquet. Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms**

**If needed, the CCB Resolutions Committee will meet in the board room directly after the Banquet.**

**The Uber Hospitality Suite will be open from the close of the Banquet to 1:00 AM.**

**Sunday, March 25, 2018**

**7:30 AM Devotional Services, Karen Shrawder. Junior Ballroom.**

**8:30 AM – 12:00 PM Fourth CCB General Session. Sacramento/San Francisco**

**12:30 - 4 PM Energy Upgrade CA’s Fellowship Riverside Walk in Collaboration with the American Foundation Parkway Foundation.**

**Conference and Convention Program**

## **Wednesday, March 21, 2018**

**Pre-Convention Activity**

**2:00 PM - 6:00 PM The Wells Fargo Financial Literacy**

**Workshop, Moderator Karen Shrawder, CCB Board Member. Board Room**

**Which do you enjoy more: saving money or spending it? Do you pay bills online, or are you still writing paper checks? Are you seeking employment and wondering what will happen to your SSI/SSDI when you start your new job? Did you know that SSI recipients now have an option for saving money? Are you wondering how to help your student, who is maxing out their credit cards? Please join us as we discuss the answers to these questions and more during our Wells Fargo Financial Literacy workshop! This workshop will be divided into modules. Come for certain modules, or stay for the entire thing! There will be hands-on activities and plenty of interaction throughout!**

**5:30 PM - 8:00 PM “Insights” Tactile Art Show**

**The Cordova Community Council and the CCB are proud to present, “Insights” Tactile Art Show at Mills Station Arts and Culture Center.  Volunteers will be available to help facilitate light rail transportation to and from the Marriott and will stay to assist BLV attendees to enjoy the show on Wednesday night from 5PM-8PM for the Artists’ Reception. The art show will run on the weekend Friday, March 23 from 3PM-6PM and Saturday & Sunday, March 24-25 from Noon-6PM. Free Admission. Don’t miss this amazing experience!**

**Meet at Starbucks patio at 4:40PM for group light rail facilitated transportation.**

## **Thursday, March 22, 2018**

**9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Pre-registration packets can be picked up at the Sprint registration and volunteer booth in the Lobby.**

**7:30 AM - 2:00 PM Capitol Day**

**Come join us as we storm the state Capitol to advocate on important issues of concern to people who are blind or have low vision. Your voice does matter!**

**Meet at Starbucks Patio at 7:00 AM for group light rail facilitated transportation.**

**9:30 AM - 11:00 AM A Journey Into Magic, Noel Runyan. Carmel Room**

**Join us for a quick journey into magic as a hobby or potential career path. Roundtable discussion, demonstration and hands on exercises.**

**11:30 AM - 1:00 PM Project Athena Adventure Luncheon. Board Room**

**Join Fresno Chapter President and first “Blind Athena”, Sarah Harris and Board Member Pam Metz as they describe the amazing work of Project Athena and how it can transform the lives of people who are blind or have low vision.**

**1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Technology Committee Meeting Gabe Griffith and Andrea DeKlotz Co-chairs. Junior Ballroom**

**We will be discussing technology tips and tricks and possibly more.**

**3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Credentials Committee Meeting, Pam Palagi Chair. Board Room.**

**Your Chapter need not send a representative to this meeting unless you are changing any information submitted in the credentials form due by February 22, 2018.**

**5:00 PM Nominations Committee, Pam Palagi Chair. Board Room**

**5:45 PM - 10:00 PM Dining in the Dark. California Ballroom**

**The Dining in the Dark fundraising gala, to be held at the Sacramento Marriott, Rancho Cordova, will bring together community leaders, industry professionals and caring citizens for an evening of fine dining to raise awareness and resources for the California Council of the Blind. Guests will be invited to enjoy their meals wearing eye shades in low light conditions and will utilize their other senses to maximize this unique culinary experience. The event will feature Christine Ha, Blind Chef, and winner of Master Chef Season three.  There will also be an exclusive auction, local Celebrity Emcees Dan & Michelle from MIX 96.1 Married Mornings Show, and dance music provided by blind DJ’s, Regina Brink and Joe Green, from J & J FM.**

**7:00 PM - 1:00 AM Uber Hospitality Suite hosted by the ACB Capital Chapter. Folsom Room**

**This year there will be something for everyone in the hospitality suite during Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings. Are you interested in playing some accessible iOS or Android game apps with others, or some old-fashioned board and card games? Would you like to show off some of your talents during the Talent Showcase and Open Mike night? How about winning some fun prizes in the Bingo parlor? If any of these sounds interesting to you, then come join us in the hospitality suite. Let’s have some fun together!**

## **Friday, March 23, 2018**

**9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Sprint registration and volunteer booth**

**Name badges are available at the Registration Table.  Please wear your badge at all times during the Conference and Convention. Your badge must contain a red dot for voting.**

**The Obie Shoeman Exhibit Hall will be open from 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM in the Rancho Cordova/Los Angeles Rooms**

**7:00 AM - 8:30 AM Vanda Pharmaceuticals Women’s Breakfast. Folsom Room**

**How do you get past the fear of going out, traveling, learning modern technology? A panel, led by Ardis Bazyn, will facilitate a discussion where women can share their fears and what helped them take the next step to try something new.**

**8:00 AM CCB Resolutions Committee. Gabe Griffith and Jeff Thom, Co-Chairs. Board Room**

**9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Braille Revival League of California (BRLC), Business Meeting, Linda Porelle, President. Junior Ballroom**

**9:30 AM – 10:30 AM Vanda Pharmaceuticals, NON-24 Educational Break Out. Folsom Room**

**10:30 AM - 11:45 AM California Library Users of America (CLUA) Bonnie Rennie, President. Junior Ballroom**

**As part of the CLUA business meeting, Mike Marlin, Director of the Braille and Talking Book Library, will provide an update on library events and services.**

**9:00 AM - 12:00 PM “Access and Advocacy”  
Co-moderators Steven Mendelsohn and Jeff Thom. Carmel Room**

**9:05 AM “Integrating access and functional needs - We fail or succeed together”, L. Vance Taylor, *Chief, Office of Access and Functional Needs,* California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services**

**Learn what you, as a person with a disability, can do to prepare yourself for a potential disaster situation.**

**10 AM “Voting Privately and Independently”, Fred Nisen and Paul Spenser, attorneys from Disability Rights California's Voting Rights Unit will discuss the state and federal requirements for accessible voting. The presentation will cover how to request accessible election materials and outline your many options for voting privately and independently. They will go over long-time requirements, such as accessible voting systems for in-person voting, and new technology that will allow for accessible vote by mail. They will also talk about some countie’s shift to vote centers in 2018 and beyond, and opportunities to join local committees to help improve election accessibility.**

**11 AM “A Legal and Advocacy update on Website access”, Michelle Iorio, Staff Attorney, Disability Rights Advocates. Ms. Iorio will provide an update on recent cases involving the accessibility of websites, and will also inform you how you can become an advocate for such accessibility.**

**10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Healing Vibrations Sound Bath**

**Healing Vibrations Sound Bath. $15, Chair yoga and meditation that is accented by vibrations that relax brain waves, lower heart rates, clear energetic and physical blockages, treat insomnia and reduce anxiety. Results will vary by person. Great for seniors and people with some physical limitations. Open to everyone. Hosted by the Double Tree Hotel 11260 Point East Drive, Rancho Cordova, CA 95742.**

**9:45 AM Meet at the Starbucks patio**

**12:00 PM - 1:15 PM BRLC/CLUA Luncheon. Junior Ballroom**

**Come and share with us a book series you have recently enjoyed reading. We all benefit from hearing about books or authors with which we may not be familiar.**

**12:00 PM - 1:15 PM The Uber International Luncheon, Susan Glass Moderator, President Silicon Valley Council of the Blind, Jamie Gibson-Barrows, Independent Living Skills Instructor, Jeff Thom, immediate past president of CCB. Folsom Room**

**Come learn about the partnership between the national park system, the University of Hawaii, and The American Council of the Blind which will result in audio described materials for every national park in California. Learn about the experiences of the CCB members who worked on this project at the Yosemite National Park and the continued involvement of CCB.**

**1:30 PM - 4:05 PM First CCB General Session, Judy Wilkinson, CCB President presiding. San Francisco/Sacramento Room**

**1:30 PM Announcements and Introductions.**

**1:35 PM Invocation Peter Pardini, CCB Treasurer**

**1:40 PM Presentations of colors and Pledge of Allegiance, Cordova High JR ROTC**

**1:45 PM Welcome to Rancho Cordova, Linda Budge Mayor, City of Rancho Cordova**

**1:55 Pm Report from the Nomination Committee. Pam Palagi Chair.**

**2:00 PM President’s Message, Judy Wilkinson CCB President**

**2:25 PM Update from the Braille and Talking Book Library, Mike Marlin**

**Mr. Marlin will let us know about all that is new with California’s library services for persons who are blind or have low vision.**

**2:50 PM Major Gifts Ramp Up Campaign, Louis Fawcett, President, National Association of Non-Profit Organizations and Executives**

**Learn about our new major gift campaign, under which key donors will partner with CCB to create a sustainable future for the organization.**

**3:35 PM Sponsor Presentation**

**3:45 PM Legislator of the year award presentation, Assembly Member Evan Low**

**4:05 PM Adjournment**

**4:15 PM Constitution and Bylaws Committee Gabe Griffith Chair. Santa Barbara Room**

**4:15 PM Committee on Access and Transportation Eugene Lozano, Jr, Chair. San Diego Room**

**4:15 PM First Timers Meeting, Vivian Younger Membership Committee Chair. Carmel Room**

**CCB Membership Committee invites new attendees, Members At Large and those who have not attended a CCB Convention recently to participate in the First Timer’s Seminar. Do you want to become involved in CCB, but don’t know how to get started? The membership committee will provide you with a panel discussion about CCB, highlighting our committee structure and their activities. By learning about the CCB committees, we hope that you will find how your interest and talents can enable you to become an important contributor to CCB.**

**4:15 PM Golden state Guide Dog Handlers Walk, GSGDHI President Alice Turner. Meet at the Santa Rosa Room**

**Join us for a guided walk, led by reps from guide dog schools. Rejuvenate yourself and your guides with a bit of fresh air and walking.**

**5:30 PM - 6:45 PM Vanda Pharmaceuticals Leadership Dinner. San Francisco/Sacramento Rooms**

**Join ACB Executive Director, Eric Bridges for an interactive discussion on the qualities necessary for leadership in today's society.**

**7:00 PM Second CCB General Session, Frank Welte, CCB First Vice President presiding. Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms**

**7:05 PM Credentials Committee Report Pam Palagi Credentials Committee Chair**

**7:20 PM American Council of the Blind report, Eric Bridges, ACB Executive Director**

**7:50 PM Sponsor Presentation**

**8:00 PM CCB Governmental Affairs Report, Jeff Thom, Chair Governmental Affairs Committee**

**8:20 PM Elections of CCB Officers and Directors**

**The Uber Hospitality Suite, hosted by the ACB Capital Chapter will be open from the close of the General Session to 1:00 AM**

**The Resolutions Committee will meet in the Board Room at the close of the General Session.**

## **Saturday, March 24, 2018**

**9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Sprint registration and volunteer booth**

**The Obbie Schoeman Exhibit Hall will be open from 9:00 AM - 2:30. Rancho Cordova/Los Angeles room.**

**7:00 AM - 9:00 AM Board of Directors Breakfast. Judy Wilkinson, President. Junior Ballroom**

**Everyone, including those not having breakfast, are cordially invited to attend CCB’s board meeting to learn about the business of the organization.**

**9:15 AM - 10:15 AM Golden State Guide Dog Handlers GSGDHI Business Meeting, Alice Turner, President. Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms**

**10:15 AM - 11:45 AM Golden State Guide Dog Handlers program. Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms**

**This program will feature a presentation entitled “Helping our Guides Overcome Trauma.” This interactive panel discussion will be led by representatives from Guide Dog Schools.**

**9:15 AM - 10:15 AM California Council of Blind Students CCBS Business Meeting, Robin Patche, President. Carmel Room**

**10:30 AM - 12:00 PM California Council of Blind Students Program “The keys to students’ success”. Carmel Room**

**We will explore the keys of success and how to obtain them. Specific topics will include: note taking, advocacy, (what it really means), and different types of resources and where to find them.**

**10:30 AM – 11:45 AM Randolph-Sheppard Vendors of California (RSVC) Business Meeting, Paul Patche Jr. President. Board Room**

**12:00 PM - 1:15 PM Energy Upgrade CA’s GSGDHI Luncheon**

**Guide Dog School with representatives at the convention will provide us with updates about each of their schools. Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms**

**12:00 PM - 1:15 PM The Sprint Technology Committee Luncheon.** **Gabe Griffith and Andrea DeKlotz co-chairs. Junior Ballroom**

**Bring an appetite for a tasty lunch, where we'll be discussing...What else? The kitchen! But you'll have to sing for your supper! We want to hear about your favorite kitchen gadgets, as well as your best food-related tips and tricks.**

**1:30 PM Third CCB General Session, Gabe Griffith, CCB 2nd Vice President presiding. Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms**

**1:30 PM, Announcement and introductions.**

**1:35 Welcoming remarks, Darryl Steinberg, Mayor of the city of Sacramento.**

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**1:50pm, Report from the Department of Rehabilitation, California Department of Rehabilitation**

**Director Joe Xavier and his executive team will provide a report on activities of the Department of Rehabilitation, including programs within Specialized Services Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired and Deaf and Hard of Hearing.  The report will also include a discussion on services to students and adults with vision loss preparing for or obtaining employment.**

**2:15 PM Debate and vote on new California Council of the Blind Bylaws**

**3:30 PM Sponsor Presentation**

**3:45 PM - 3:40 PM Energy Upgrade CA Presentation**

**3:55 PM Message from Paul D Shane, Chief Executive Officer**

**4:30 PM Resource Development Committee, Frank Welte, Chair. Folsom Room**

**The California Council of the Blind is undertaking an extraordinarily ambitious major gift campaign, which will enable us to find persons of means who desire to partner with us to improve the lives of persons who are blind or low vision. Chair Welte will present information about this campaign and the exciting opportunities it will create for the future of CCB.**

**4:30 PM Governmental Affairs Committee, Jeff Thom, Chair. San Diego Room**

**4:30 PM - 6:00 PM Scholarship winners’ reception, Judy Wilkinson, President and Christy Crespin, CCB Scholarship Committee Chair. President’s Suite**

**Meet and congratulate our CCB Scholarship winners.**

**5:00 PM - 6:30 PM Beethoven and Friends Orchestra. Rancho Cordova Room**

**This free community concert, open to the CCB members and public, is limited to 60 registrants. You are encouraged to pre-register for this event.**

**6:00 PM No Host "Attitude Adjustment Hour".**

**7:00 PM The Uber Banquet. Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms**

**Join us for a lively evening of entertainment: in addition to awards and other presentations, the banquet will feature the incredible Sacramento Banjo Band and blind motivational speaker and media personality, Tommy Edison.**

**If needed, the CCB Resolutions Committee will meet in the board room directly after the Uber Banquet.**

**The Uber Hospitality Suite will be open from the close of the Uber Banquet to 1:00 AM.**

## **Sunday, March 25, 2018**

**7:30 AM Devotional Services, Karen Shrawder Junior Ballroom**

**8:30 AM – 12:00 PM Fourth General Session.  Sacramento/San Francisco Rooms**

**12:30 - 4:00 PM Energy Upgrade CA’s Fellowship Riverside Walk in Collaboration with the American Foundation Parkway Foundation.**

**The American River Parkway Foundation and the California Council of the Blind proudly present our first Fellowship Riverside Walk. The walk will take place adjacent to the American River Parkway in Rancho Cordova. The length of the event will be a .5-4-miles for 45 people who are blind and low vision and 25 volunteers. No charge. Open to the public. Participants must be registered in advance.**

**Exhibitor List**

1. **Access Ingenuity**
2. **ACB Capital Chapter**
3. **BackTpack LLC**
4. **California Telephone Access Program**
5. **CCB San Francisco Chapter**
6. **Disability Rights California**
7. **Elegant Insights Braille Creations**
8. **Energy Upgrade California**
9. **En-Vision America**
10. **Golden State Guide Dog Handlers**
11. **Guide Dogs for the Blind**
12. **Guide Dogs of America**
13. **Guiding eyes for the Blind**
14. **HumanWare**
15. **Lighthouse for the Blind and Visually Impaired San Francisco**
16. **Mary Beth’s World of Scent**
17. **Marquez Products for Independent Living**
18. **Mindful Insurance Solutions, Inc.**
19. **Rancho Cordova Children’s Museum. Tactile Interactive Science demonstrations and exhibits.**
20. **Sacramento County Voter Registration and Elections**
21. **Sacramento Society for the Blind**
22. **Sterling Adaptive**
23. **Sprint**
24. **The Seeing Eye Inc.**
25. **Uber**
26. **Vanda Pharmaceuticals**
27. **Victim of Crime Resources Center**
28. **Vision Services Plan (VSP)**
29. **Wayfinder Family Services (Formerly Junior Blind)**

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**Hotel Description**

**General:**

**The main entrance of the hotel faces south. All of the meeting rooms are located on the first floor, down hallways that run west to east, on either side of the lobby.**

**All of the hotel rooms, restrooms, meeting rooms and ball rooms have print and braille signage located next to the door at head level, about 60 inches above the floor.**

**Event registration will take place at a table in the lobby of the hotel.**

**Main Entrance:**

**The main or front entrance of the hotel faces south. The entrance is located under a large drive up archway. There are three steps leading up to the entrance, with hand rails spaced every six feet. When outside facing the hotel, there is a wheelchair ramp located to the left of the doors. This wheelchair ramp curves along the building and also leads to the designated smoking area. The entrance has two automatic sliding double doors located about five feet apart. There are carpets located immediately outside and inside of the automatic doors. There are also planters located in between the double doors against the glass window.**

**First Floor Description:**

**The front entrance doors lead into the main lobby, which is at the center of the hotel. There are couches against the walls on either side of the doors and a planter in between the two doors. In the middle of the room is a round table. Approximately twenty feet ahead of the two front doors are two sets of double doors which enter the Rancho Cordova Room. The Rancho Cordova room will be used during the day as the exhibit hall. Along the same wall as the Rancho Cordova room are chairs and tables.**

**First Floor East Wing:**

**The Stanford room is about five feet from the main entrance on the right hand side. The braille sign is located three feet to the left of the door. If you pass the Stanford room you must turn right to continue down the east hallway. After turning right you will pass a threshold and the floor will change from tile to carpet. About five feet past the threshold you will find the Los Angeles room on the left or north wall. Five feet further down the hallway on the left is the entrance to the San Francisco room. Across from the entrance to the San Francisco room, on the south wall, is a small hallway with a door that leads outside, a women’s restroom on the left and a men’s restroom on the right. Before entering either restroom you must pass through an outer door. The restrooms are labeled in braille adjacent to the opening of the outer door. If you use the hotel exit located near these restrooms use caution. There is one step down about three feet from the door and another step down about five feet further. If you continue down the original east hallway for another twelve feet you will find the Sacramento room on the left side of the hallway. These three rooms make up the California Ballroom. If you continue eastward down the hallway, the floor changes from carpet to tile. If you continue onto the tile you will approach two sets of double doors with a planter in between the doors and tables against the walls on either side. The doors exit to the hotel parking lot. There are benches and trash cans located outside on either side of the doors. However, before the tile, the carpeted hallway makes a slight left and continues to the Santa Barbara room and San Diego room, on the right side of the hallway. The signs for these rooms are located next to each other, in between the two doors. These rooms are used for smaller convention meetings. This hallway dead-ends into an employee area.**

**First Floor West Wing:**

**When entering the main entrance of the hotel there is a bell desk to the left of the door. If you continue to the end of the carpet and make a slight left you will be approaching three check-in desks. Along the wall, across from these desks, are couches. At the end of the check in desks on the left is a small room with snacks and personal items for purchase. There is also a microwave and utensils available for guests. There is a customer window in this room that allows you to speak with employees behind the check-in desk. Across from the third check-in desk is another lobby area. This lobby area contains three elevators on the east wall, the entrance to the restaurant on the north wall and a hallway leading west.**

**On the first floor the elevator call button can be found between the first and second elevator. The elevators ring once when going up and ring twice when going down. When inside of the elevator facing the door, the buttons are on the right side. All of the elevator buttons are labeled with braille. However the first floor is labeled “main”. Each floor is labeled with braille and tactile print on either side of the metal frame outside of the elevator door.**

**When exiting the elevator doors on the first floor, the entrance to the restaurant is about ten feet forward and on the right or north wall. There are open double doors that lead to a hostess stand on the left hand side. This is where the hostess will greet you and seat you. The bar is located directly behind the hostess stand about ten feet further into the restaurant.**

**On the first floor, a large round table is located less than ten feet from the middle elevator. Across from the elevator closest to the front desk is a hallway that heads west and takes you to Starbucks and more meeting rooms. When you walk through the open doorway there is a door immediately to the left, on the south wall, that leads to the hotel’s business center. Inside you can find a copy machine and two computer stations. Across from the business center, on the right or north wall, is a water fountain with a cup dispenser on the left. Next to the water fountain is an ATM machine. This machine does not have a headphone jack. Continuing along the right wall there is a small hallway with a men’s and women’s restroom. When you enter the hallway, the men’s restroom is on the left and the women’s is on the right. These restrooms have braille signs adjacent to the opening of the doors. Across from this hallway and along the wall is seating with tables. Continuing along the right wall, next to the hallway with the bathrooms is a shelf that indents into the wall and contains informational pamphlets. Past the shelf of pamphlets and on the right is a carpeted hallway that leads to the pool area.**

**On the north wall, past the hallway leading to the pool is the condiment bar for Starbucks. Across from the condiment bar is the Starbucks pick up counter. If you follow this counter around to the left you will approach the ordering counter. Past the ordering counter are doors that lead outside. There is seating outside and to the left is the designated smoking area. In front of the Starbucks counter is a seating area with tables and chairs.**

**If you continue west down the hallway past Starbucks, the first set of double doors on your right is the entrance to the fitness center. The fitness center is open 24 hours a day and requires key card access. The next set of double doors on the right or north wall is the Carmel room. The braille sign is located to the left of the doors. Across from the Carmel room, but at a slight angle to the right, are the doors to the Folsom room, which will be used as the hospitality suite. The braille sign is located to the right of the doors. If you continue down the hallway past the Carmel room the tile floor turns to carpet and makes a slight left. The first room on your right is the Santa Rosa room. The next door on your right is the Newport room. Across from the Newport room is the Board room. All braille signs are located adjacent to the opening of the doors. These three rooms are all used as smaller meeting rooms. The rest of this hallway contains hotel offices. The hallway dead ends into a door labeled exit. When you go through this door you are in a small room that has a door on your left leading outside to the guide dog relief area and a door on your right leading to the stairwell.**

**Energy Upgrade CA Guide Dog Relief Area:**

**The guide dog relief area will be located outside of the hotel at the end of the west hallway. In order to get there from the hotel lobby, you must pass Starbucks and continue to the end of the west hallway. When you enter the door at the end of the hallway you will be in a small room with two doors. The one on the right leads to the stairs and the one on the left leads outside. Just outside and to the left is a grassy area. A designated portion of the parking lot, adjacent to the grass, will also be used for the guide dog relief area.**

**The Pool Area:**

**When approaching the pool from the hallway across from Starbucks proceed straight down the hall to the pool door. When you enter the pool area, you first come to a patio with chairs and tables. At the end of the patio are three steps that go down to the pool area. The hot tub is located to the left of the pool. If you walk in between the pool and hot tub and then go left you will approach a cement building with an accessible bathroom on the left and a laundry room on the right. There is also a shelf of towels located against this building. The pool area is locked from 11pm to 6am. You can also enter the pool from the fitness center.**

**The Concierge Room:**

**The concierge lounge can be found on the 10th floor. After exiting the elevator and entering the hallway, the concierge room is the first door on your left. This room requires key card access.**

**Guest Floors:**

**The guest rooms are located on floors two through eleven. On these floors, the odd number rooms are on the right and the even number rooms are on the left. With your back to the elevators, across from the middle and right elevator doors is a table with a phone and mirror on top. This phone can be used to call rooms in the hotel. Again, with your back to the elevators, each floor’s guest room hallway is located across from the left elevator door. When entering the hallway, the first door on the right leads to a stairwell. There is a second stairwell located at the very end of the hallway. The stairwells require key card access to enter the floors, on every floor. When walking down the hallway, the hallway will curve left, at this point the ice machine can be found in an unlocked room on the left.**

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**Hotel Emergency and Evacuation Procedures**

**Emergency Procedures:**

**The most important part of our safety program is making sure that you know what to do in the event of an emergency. Exits are shown on the floor plans on the back of your guest room door. Stairs are located at both ends of every hallway on every floor. Pull Station alarms are also located on each floor. In the event of an emergency, please pull the alarm nearest the problem.**

**Fire Safety Procedures:**

**Our Hotel is equipped with state- of- the- art efficient fire emergency stems that includes a sprinkler system and smoke detectors in guest rooms and hallways. We want to make sure you are prepared to exit the hotel safely if any of our detection systems sound as warning; so we ask that you please familiarize yourself with the following procedures:**

1. **Exiting the Hotel:**

* **Take your key**
* **Test your door for heat or smoke before opening it**
* **If the hallways is clear, exit by the nearest stairwell**
* **Do not use elevators**

1. **If Your Door Feels Warm or Is Impassable:**

* **Place wet towels at the base of the door**
* **Press the “At Your Service” button on your phone, giving your name and room number**
* **Turn off your air conditioner or heater to keep smoke from entering the room**
* **Get down on the floor to avoid inhaling smoke**

**QUICK GUIDE:**

**Emergency Numbers**

* **Hotel Security: Press At Your Service**
* **Medical Emergencies: Press At Your Service**
* **Other Emergencies: 9 + 911**