ACTIVE AGING WITH LOW VISION

Focus on Technology and Low Vision

Keynote presentation by:

YULUN WANG, PHD
Chairman and CEO of InTouch Health

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3:00 PM.................Registration

3:15 PM.................Welcome and Introductions
  Michael Lazarovits, Executive Director, Braille Institute Santa Barbara

3:20 PM.................A Look Back at Yesterday’s Technology
  Michael Lazarovits

3:30 PM.................Keynote: “Evolving Healthcare at Internet Speeds”
  Yulun Wang, PhD, Founder, Chairman & CEO, InTouch Health

3:55 PM.................Today’s Accessibility Technology
  Nate Streeper, Library Coordinator, Braille Institute Santa Barbara
  Tracy Alfino, Low Vision Services Coordinator, Braille Institute Santa Barbara
  Greg Benavidez, Access Technology Specialist, Braille Institute Santa Barbara

4:10 PM.................The Future of Low Vision Technology
  Mark Greget, Founder, NuEyes

4:30 PM.................Break and Refreshments

4:40 PM.................Panel Discussion moderated by Michael Lazarovits
  Greg Benavidez
  Mark Greget
  Ken Richardson
  Nate Streeper
  Yulun Wang

5PM.................Braille Institute Tours (Optional)
Keynote Speaker:

YULUN WANG, PHD
*Founder, Chairman & CEO, InTouch Health*

Yulun Wang founded InTouch Health in 2002 (www.intouchhealth.com). Named one of the top 100 health companies in the US by Inc. magazine, InTouch develops telemedicine systems that let physicians diagnose and consult with patients from remote locations. Wang has long been a pioneer in medical technology with over 100 patents in his name. After earning his PhD in electrical engineering, he founded Computer Motion and invented the first FDA-approved surgical robot, known as Aesop, which was widely used in minimally invasive surgery. Wang has received numerous entrepreneurship and leadership awards and was elected to the National Academy of Engineering in 2011. He is on the board of directors at Novaerus and the American Telemedicine Association and is a member of the Engineering Advisory Board at UC Santa Barbara. He also served as a board member for Hoag Hospital from 2008 – 2015.

TRACY ALFINO
*Low Vision Services Coordinator, Braille Institute Santa Barbara*

As Low Vision Services Coordinator, Tracy provides a variety of services for Braille Institute students. She oversees the Vision Services Programs, demonstrates technology, and provides Low Vision Consultations - both at the center and with in-home visits. Previously she worked with Braille Institute as Vistas store manager, where she researched, ordered and demonstrated various devices specifically for those with vision loss.

GREG BENAVIDEZ
*Access Technology Specialist, Braille Institute Santa Barbara*

Greg was diagnosed with Retinitis Pigmentosa in 1984 and became a student at Braille Institute Santa Barbara in 1991. In 2003 he was hired as the Receptionist for the center and in 2005 he assumed the position of Access Technology Specialist.
MARK GREGET  
**Founder, NuEyes**  
Mark is an entrepreneur and product distribution specialist in the low vision technology field. Mark has more than 5 years of experience in the assistive technology industry and has developed into a leader in the changing low vision technology industry while raising its standards by creating new and innovative ways to grow awareness among the organizations who serve those challenged with vision loss. Over the last several years, Mark has built his current entrepreneurial venture, Los Angeles Low Vision, into the dominant market leader in the hyper competitive Los Angeles area. Mark has successfully assisted in the introduction of 5 new low vision technology products and has quickly become a top distributor in his field. Mark is passionate about utilizing cutting edge technology to improve the quality of life for those individuals who are dealing with vision loss.

KEN RICHARDSON  
Ken first came to Braille Institute in 2006 after being diagnosed with Macular Degeneration. He was looking for vision resources so he could complete his book, *Hughes After Howard*. Ken retired in 1991 as President and Chief Operating Officer of Hughes Aircraft Company. He served for forty years in key technical and management positions. Ken’s best contribution to advancing state-of-the-art projects involved creating unique methodologies for managing effective teams performing systems engineering and program management of large complex electronic developments.

NATE STREEPER  
**Library Coordinator, Braille Institute Santa Barbara**  
Through the Braille Institute Library, Nate provides talking books from the National Library Service to people who are blind, visually impaired, learning disabled, and physically disabled. He enjoys introducing new patrons to the service, acting as a reader advisor, and performing local outreach. With the development of technology, he also works with Braille Institute students and patrons to demonstrate accessible features of mainstream technology like the iPad and the Kindle, as well how to download digital books from the internet using the Braille and Audio Reading Download (BARD) program.
TOP 12 APPS FOR PEOPLE WITH LOW VISION

1. Aipoly Vision: Object Identifier
2. Ariadne-GPS: Indoor/outdoor Navigator
3. Around Me: GPS Indoor/outdoor Navigator
4. BARD: Talking Books
5. Big Browser: Internet Browser
6. Bigger Brighter: Magnifier
7. DropBox: Document file
8. KNFB: Print Conversion
9. Looktel: Money Identifier
10. TRP News: Talking news
11. ViA: App Aggregate for Visually Impaired
12. VisionSim: Vision Simulator
ABOUT BRAILLE INSTITUTE
LOW VISION CONSULTATIONS:

Learn new ways to do what you love!

• Read and write.       • Watch television and movies.
• Use technology to connect with others.  • Adapt to your changing vision.
• Hear about services that may help you perform tasks more easily.

Low Vision Rehabilitation Appointment At-a-Glance:

• Benefit from a free one hour service (that you schedule as your visions, goals, and questions change).

• Work with a Low Vision Rehabilitation Consultant who can work with your eye doctors to help you access helpful services.

• Try devices that make objects larger, brighter, clearer or bolder when eyeglasses no longer can correct your vision.

• Get suggestions for low vision devices.

*Note: These appointments do not include eye exams or eye glass prescriptions.*

For more information, contact Tracy Alfino, Braille Institute Low Vision Services Coordinator (805) 682-6222.
NOW AVAILABLE AT BRAILLE INSTITUTE SANTA BARBARA

FREE IN-HOME SERVICES FOR TRI-COUNTY AREA ADULTS WITH VISION LOSS

By focusing on each person’s specific goals, degree of sight loss & home environment, consultants address:

- Quality of life changes resulting from vision loss
- Kitchen confidence and safety
- Marking/labeling
- Using technology
- Orientation and mobility (getting around the community)
- Low vision services

Caregivers and family members are a welcome part of this program. Many techniques are designed to help family and friends understand the continued capability of their loved ones. With simple solutions, people of all ages with vision loss can continue to live safely and independently in their homes and communities.

To get more information call 1-805-682-6222.

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