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President Report
Anne Robinson

Hello TPVA Members, Family & Friends,

Congratulations to all our TPVA athletes that attended the National Veterans Wheelchair Games in Orlando, Florida this month, a whole lot of gold, silver, and bronze were brought home. A huge thank you goes out to our coaches, José Laguna, Bruce Kuker, Derrick Thomas, and JaMarcus Handy for guiding the athletes and helping them to achieve things they never thought possible. Next year's wheelchair games will be in Louisville, Kentucky, so if you've never participated and you would like to get involved, please contact your recreational therapist or the chapter and will tell you how.

The time is nearing again for the annual Jack Sanders Banquet, which will be held in San Antonio this year on October 12 at the Magnolia Pancake Haus (same place as last year). We pass out awards to very deserving individuals, and it is time for those nominations to be submitted to the chapter. Here is the list of categories and you can either e-mail, call, or mail your nomination in.

- ***Jack Sanders-(must not have won it before, be a member for at least 10 years)***
- ***Excellence Award-nonmember award, business or associate member who has helped***
- ***Volunteer of the Year-Houston and San Antonio***
- ***VA Employee of the Year-nomination from Houston and San Antonio***
- ***Spirit of the Games-must have attended National veteran's wheelchair games and nominated by athletes that participated***

The Texas Chapter has been appointed a new VP Liaison from National, Mr. Robert Satterwhite. He will hold the fourth VP seat, as Charlie Brown is now the Senior Vice President. VP Satterwhite comes with many credentials that would benefit the chapter, as he has served as the Mid Atlantic Chapter President for five years and has served on many national committees.
VP Satterwhite retired from the Army after 21 years, he is a T2 paraplegic and at one point in his military career he served as a Drill Sergeant, so he will have an easy time with Texas.

I just wanted to take a moment to remind everybody about the spinal cord patients that are cooped up in the VA hospital for months at a time, or that there are consistently new injuries that happen and need visitors from time to time, because nothing is better than carrying on a conversation with those that know the military background as well as the injury. If you find yourself with some free time, go chat with some of our impatient and make their day.

Thank you to all of the spouses and caregivers that were right beside their athlete at the games, none of us could have done it without you!!

Vice President Report
Tammy Jones

Weekly Ongoing Events

San Antonio

ALMVA SCIC

Location, unless stated otherwise, ALM SCIC Rec Room
Monday - 1pm Adaptive Gaming
Tues - 10am Indoor Archery Boerne Leading Edge
1pm Boccia
Wed - 9am Bowling Oak Hills Lanes
1pm Table Tennis 9 ball, etc.
Thurs - Wellness and Social
Friday - 9:30am Air Rifle/Pistol

STRAPS

Location Morgans Wonderland unless stated
Sunday - 9am Spurs w/c Baskball
3:30pm Power Soccer
6pm W/c rugby
Monday - 6pm W/c soccer
Wed - 3:30pm Boccia
Thurs- 3:30pm Spurs W/c Baskball
7:30pm Adapted Crossfit Mind Body Soul

Austin/Harker Heights (www.texasregionalparalympicsports.org)

Sunday- 5:30-7pm Sled Hockey Northcross Mall Ice Rink
Monday- 8:30am-11am Rowing for All (every other Mon) Call Genny 210-241-2508; Texas Rowing Center
Tuesday- 1:30-4:30pm Archery; Harker Heights Rec Center
Saturday- 8:30-11am Rowing; Texas Rowing Center (www.texasrowingforall.org)
4-6pm W/c Basketball Harker Heights Rec Center

Houston Area

Houston Parks & Recreation
Metropolitan Multiservice Center (1475 W. Gray)

Monday- 6-9pm W/C Basketball open gym
Tuesday- 6-8pm Basketball/Rugby Off season Training Program
Wed- 6-9pm W/C Basketball open gym
7-9pm Kayak Basketball League
Thurs- 7-9pm W/C Rugby League
Friday- 7-8:30pm W/C Tennis
Saturday- 10-11am Sled Hockey Memorial City Mall Ice rink

TIRR Memorial Hermann
http://tirr.memorialhermann.org/patient-resources/adaptive-sports/

For more information on the sports below visit the website(above) or call 713-797-5928
W/C Basketball - Jr. Hotwheels & Adult Hotwheels Teams
Quad Rugby - TIRR Texans
W/ C Ultimate Frisbee
Handcycling
Paralympic Sport

July 11 – 16, 2019
Louisville, KY
www.wheelchairgames.org

March 31 - April 5, 2019
Snowmass, CO
www.wintersportsclinic.org

Membership Events

August

3-5 - Abilities Expo Houston NRG Stadium Hall E -Volunteers needed
9 - SAS Member Forum ALM SCIC Rec Room 5pm meal 6pm Meeting (2nd Thursday**DATE CHANGE)**
9 - Women w/SCI Support Group 1:30pm ALM SCIC Dayroom
20-21 - All Can Ski, register www.youcanski.org or 210-820-2100
24 - Missions Game 6:30pm Wolff Stadium San Antonio 3rd Base Will Call
7/28-8/1 - National Veterans Golden Age Games
29 - Houston Member Forum 12pm MED SCIC Rec Room

September

6 - SAS Member Forum ALM SCIC Rec Room 5pm meal 6pm Meeting
8-9 - STRAPS Power Soccer Clinic 9am - 5pm Morgan's Wonderland
13 - Women w/SCI Support Group 1:30pm ALM SCIC Dayroom
21-22 - DITW Fishing Weekend Island Queen II Port Aransas (Fri. Evening & Saturday 1-5pm) register at www.ditw.org
24-26 - Valor Games Southwest, San Antonio various venues
26 - Houston Member Forum 12pm MED SCI Rec Room
29 - Adapted Sailing at Canyon Lake, reg. at www.ditw.org
Ongoing - Dove Hunts contact Josue Lopez, David Bradshaw, Alvin Guererro

October

4 - SAS Member Forum ALM SCIC Rec Room 5pm meal 6pm meeting
11 - Women w/SCI/D Support Group 1:30pm ALM SCIC Dayroom
12 - Jack Sanders Awards Banquet; Magnolia Haus San Antonio, TX
13 - TPVA Board Meeting
31 - Houston Member Forum 12pm MED SCIC Rec Room

November

1 - SAS Member Forum ALM SCIC Rec Room 5pm meal 6pm meeting
4 - Daylight Savings Ends
10 - SA Veterans Day Parade line-up 10am, roll off 12pm; contact Chapter office if interested
11 - Houston Veterans Day Parade RSVP Chapter Office if interested
22 - Thanksgiving

Government Relation Advocacy/Legislative

Boy what a Hot Summer!

As you are all aware Texas Paralyzed Veterans of America (TPVA) just concluded our own elections for board positions. I urge you just like I have in previous articles to reach out to your local, state and federal officials to voice your concerns and that includes TPVA.

While I am an appointed Government Relations Director by the TPVA President I thought you might want to know my job description:

Plans, coordinates, and implements Paralyzed Veterans' relations with the United States Congress and federal departments and agencies. Through our
relationships with federal, state, and local policymakers, Paralyzed Veterans works to ensure that veterans, their dependents, and survivors, receive the best benefits and highest quality health care available. These benefits include compensation, pensions, insurance, housing and employment.

There is no way I could do this job without the help of the TPVA full time staff and our board. This position has me communicating with our elected officials in Austin, Houston, San Antonio and Washington, DC. I am happy to report that a few of our elected officials in Washington, DC reach out to us quite a bit to get a sense of what the TPVA membership. TPVA consistently is invited to various Veterans events in each of the cities mentioned above and that gives our organization the opportunity to speak with elected officials one on one.

Thanks for all you do and thanks to all our care givers.

Executive Officer Report by Amanda Saunders

The American Legion, Department of Texas selected the Texas Chapter PVA as the recipient of their Veterans Employment and Education Commission Employment Service Award in the Enhance the Lives of Disabled Persons Award Category for 2018. The award was presented to me at their 100th Annual Convention last month in San Antonio. Anne and Tammy were also there for the award presentation.

Texas Governor Greg Abbott was the first speaker to greet the delegates and he was followed by United States Senator John Cornyn. Next up was San Antonio Mayor Ron Nirenberg and then lastly, Texas Senator Jose Menendez addressed the crowd. All of the speakers gave warm and welcoming messages.

It was an honor to attend The American Legion, Department of Texas 100th Annual Convention and I was proud to accept the award on behalf of the Texas Chapter.

National Veterans Wheel Chair Games by: Steve Holbert

What can I tell you about the 38th annual National Veterans Wheelchair Games that where held this year in Orlando Florida? For all of our Texas PVA chapter members that have been to the games before you already know how much fun they can be. You already know how busy or challenging or maybe even how stressful they can be as you strive to win a medal in one of your events. Or maybe how relaxing they can be as you cruise around the motel and convention center just being a spectator at one of the many very entertaining to watch events like quad rugby or slalom, the wheelchair obstacle course event. You already know how each city that hosts the event has its own unique characteristics or sightseeing opportunities such as Disney World that you can check out if you feel like it.

For those of you that have never been it's really hard to put into words what it's like. For me there seems to be a whole lot more than just the competition and winning medals. There is something about seeing hundreds of guys and gals in wheelchairs all roaming about and competing with you. There is something about seeing the hundreds and hundreds of volunteers there working and helping to make it all possible for us to get to experience it all. But the thing that made the biggest impact on me this year was what one of my softball teammates said to me after our last game. He said it had been less than a year since he had his leg amputated and how inspired and motivated he was by seeing old paralyzed guys like me racing around in our wheelchairs doing things he never realized was even possible. He said seeing all of that and experiencing the games has made such a huge impact on him and he just wanted to share that with me. I'm glad he did share that with me and I'm sure that all of us that have ever attended have felt something similar our first year and it feels good to be able to pass that on to the next young guy.

So, no matter if it's your first year attending the games or many, you can accept the challenge and conquer it, be inspired or inspire. It's the National Veterans Wheelchair Games!

NVWG Texas Medal Count

Houston Athletes

William "Bill" Klotz	*Bronze Bowling*
Frank Daebelliehn	*Gold Archery, Bronze Cycling and Slalom, Silver in Track 100m*
Steve Holbert	*Silver Archery, Bronze air pistols, Gold trap shooting, Silver Air Rifles*
Norris Honeycutt	*Competed in Boccia, Bowling, Discus, Air Rifles*
Emmitt Richardson	*Bronze Motor Rally, Gold Bowling*

San Antonio Athletes

Fred	*Bowling handle 1C, GOLD, Swimming 50-meter backstroke III- GOLD Swimming 50-meter freestyle III GOLD, Swimming 75-meter IM III*
Irma	*Gold Bowling, Silver Javelin, Gold Shot put, Gold Rally, Bronze Slalom*
Anne	*Silver Boccia, Gold Slalom*
Tammy	*Gold Boccia, Gold Bowling, Gold Field Club, Gold Slalom*
JR	*Bronze Boccia*
Gabe	*G Bowling, G Discus, Bronze Javelin, Gold Shot put, Gold Table Tennis*
Brent	*Gold Basketball, Gold Bowling*
Edgar	*Gold Quad Rugby, Gold Table Tennis*
Karlton	*Gold Powerlifting, Gold Track 200m*
Bennie	*Silver Air R, Silver Boccia*
Nathan	*Gold Air R, Gold Slalom*
Ricardo	*Gold Bowling, Gold Power Soccer*
Josue	*Bronze Air P, Bronze Archery, Silver Discus, Gold Javelin, Bronze Field Club*
Jim	*Gold Air R, Gold Boccia, Silver Bowling*
Marco	*Gold Air P, Silver Archery, Silver Softball*
David	*Gold Air R, Bronze Boccia, Silver Discus*
Candor	*Silver 9-Ball*
Jason	*Gold Archery, Silver 9-Ball*
Danny C.	*Gold Bowling, Gold Power Soccer*

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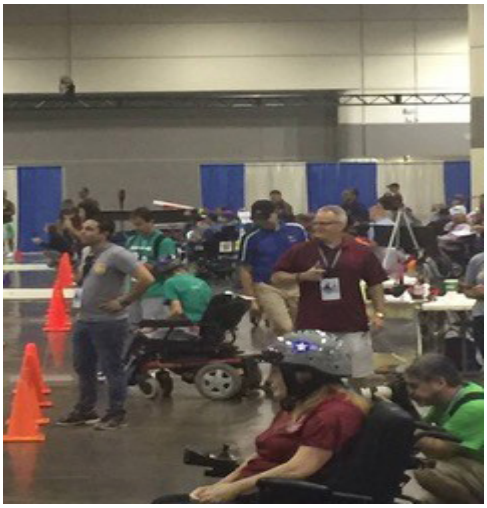

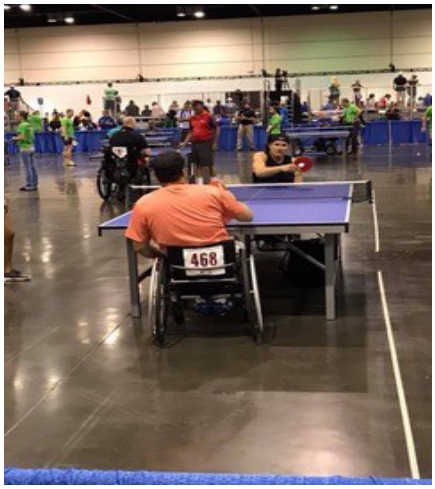
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Emergency Planning

As you know, most emergency preparation and response efforts are handled at the state and local levels and there is a certain degree of responsibility that falls on individuals when mass natural disasters occur. A wealth of information about emergency preparation, response and recovery can be found at Ready.gov.

Partner with your local/state disability coalition - If your chapter has not previously connected with allies in the disability community, you should reach out to your local Center for Independent Living (CIL) or Statewide Independent Living Council (SILC) - [a directory for local CILs and SILCs can be found at www.ilru.org] or to your state Protection and Advocacy (P&A) system [a directory for which can be found at https://www.acl.gov/programs/aging-and-disability-networks/state-protection- advocacy-systems]. Ask your SILC or P&A if there is a disability emergency preparedness and response coalition in your state and how your chapter might become involved with that group or at least get a briefing about what your chapter members need to know in the event of a catastrophic emergency.

Contact your State and Territorial level resources – This page contains contact information for emergency management agencies and offices - https://www.fema.gov/emergency-management-agencies.

Is there a VOAD in your state, city or county? Some nonprofits are part of Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD) or Community Organizations Active in Disaster (COAD), which are responsible for meeting disaster-caused unmet needs of disaster survivors. State VOADs work pre-disaster to promote training and preparedness. They work post-disaster to facilitate coordination of response and recovery efforts to assist in immediate coordination of voluntary agency response. The state VOAD often serves as advocate and liaison between member agencies and the state government agencies. Some communities develop COADs, which are coalitions of organizations based within a community or geographic area and composed of representatives from public, private, and not-for-profit agencies.

Reach out to the FEMA Regional Disability Integration Specialist - Each regional office for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is supposed to have a Regional Disability Integration Specialist (RDIS) tasked with ensuring that people with disabilities are included in preparation, response and recovery plans. Your chapter should consider contacting the RDIS in your state to develop relationships with these individuals through invitations to your meetings or other community events. Below is a regional disability integration specialist; Six-Denton Christin Bradley Recovery Division ***christin.bradley@fema.dhs.gov***

Federal resources - Finally, this link - https://www.dhs.gov/civil-rights-emergencies- and-disasters - connects to a website for the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties that contains resources for ensuring nondiscrimination in disaster preparation, response and recovery. It also contains links to transcripts from listening sessions conducted in California, Florida, Texas, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands concerning FEMA's response to the 2017 disasters in those states which may offer to advocates suggestions for improving disability inclusion in emergency preparedness in their own communities.

Additional select state level resources - Some states and major cities have incorporated disability personnel into their emergency planning. Below are some names and contact information for disability integration officials in those states and territories with the greatest exposure to natural disasters that PVA has been able to collect through contacts in the disability advocacy community. If you don't see your state or major urban center listed, you can reach out to your state or local government emergency management agency for that information.

Houston, Texas - Maria Town is the city's disability specialist and may be able to point to the right people to connect with at the state level. Her email is ***maria.town@houstontx.gov and her number is 713-204-3832.***

Additional On-Line Resources

- *Pacific ADA Center – this member of the network of ADA Centers has developed particular expertise in emergency preparedness and response for people with disabilities. They sponsor regular webinars on relevant topics and can be reached at https://www.adapacific.org/.*
- *National Organization on Disability (NOD) – has developed a number of fact sheets on disaster readiness:*
- *Portlight Inclusive Disaster Strategies - Portlight Strategies, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization, founded in 1997 to facilitate a variety of projects involving people with disabilities, including post-disaster relief work. http://www.portlight.org*
- *Pass It On Center – national and state resources for reuse of assistive technology*
- *https://texashelp.tamu.edu/browse/disaster-preparedness-information/hurricane-evacuation-planning-for-people-with-special-needs/*

Dear Cici

Dear Cici,

We have a dilemma. My father-in-law, a retired veteran who is now wheelchairbound, lives in Fort Walton Beach, FL. e suffers with dementia, but he has many moments of clarity, and in those moments, he's made it clear that he wants to move closer to us so hecan enjoy the grandchildren on a regular basis before he dies. As a matter of fact, it would be a lot easier on everyone if that happens.

The problem is with Mom. For whatever reason, she doesn't want to leave FL. Although she pretends to want what's best for Dad, she makes no effort to make progress she has not contacted a realtor or even thought of going through the motions that make moving easier. My husband and I have made several trips to FL this year trying to convince her to make the move, but so far, we've been unsuccessful. Dad is worse each time we see him. Mom will not be able to care for Dad by herself much longer. She jokes that he has "gotten lost" in the immediate neighborhood on four separates occasions now.
We are at a loss for what to do. What would you recommend?
Marcia & Bryan in TX

Dear Marcia and Bryan,

Conflict is never easy, but with patience and careful listening on both sides, things can be resolved. Have you asked your mom why she doesn't want to leave FL? Most elderly people are reluctant to leave the things and people that give them comfort and support. They fear the unknown. It's common for everyone to feel that way, but it is especially hard for the elderly.

It's time to have a serious conference with all parties concerned. Consider getting your parents' doctors involved to persuade your mom. Another possibility is to suggest to Mom that they make an extended visit to TX to "test" the waters. In that time, the two of you could introduce them to the things she enjoys in FL. Solicit the help of your children to help make them both feel "at home" in TX.

You did not say whether they own their home or not; but if they do, you can suggest renting the property for a year. That way Mom would feel that she is not letting go of the things that are important to her. Gentle persuasion and heartfelt understanding go hand in hand. Acknowledging your mother's fears and concerns coupled with your father's needs and wishes will go a long way in convincing Mom.

Good luck to all of you.
Cici

Paralyzed Veterans of America

Texas Chapter

IBCA
International Bar-B-Que Cookers Association

BBQ Cook-Off

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&
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JUSTICE NEWS

Department of Justice

Office of Public Affairs

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Thursday, August 4, 2016

Justice Department Files Suit Against Harris County, Texas, Over Polling Place Accessibility for Voters with Disabilities

The Justice Department filed a complaint today in the Southern District of Texas alleging that Harris County, Texas, violated the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) by failing to provide accessible polling places for voters with disabilities. Many polling places in Harris County have architectural barriers – such as steep ramps and narrow doors – that make them inaccessible to voters who use wheelchairs or have mobility impairments, or voters who are blind or have vision impairments.

"Like all voters, individuals with disabilities deserve the opportunity to vote at their local polling place – where they can greet neighbors, meet candidates and discuss the issues in their community," said Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Vanita Gupta, head of the Justice Department's Civil Rights Division. "But many voters with disabilities in Harris County lack equal access to this basic and most fundamental right. Our lawsuit seeks to safeguard the right to vote and fulfill the ADA's promise of equal opportunity for people with disabilities."

"Access to voting for all eligible citizens is a priority in this district, partially evidenced by the recently created Civil – Civil Rights Section within our office," said U.S. Attorney Kenneth Magidson of the Southern District of Texas. "This division civilly enforces federal civil rights laws including the Americans with Disabilities Act, among many others. We will continue to work with the Department of Justice and investigate and remedy such alleged violations to ensure all U.S. citizens are treated fairly and equally."

The lawsuit seeks a court order that would require accessibility improvements to polling places in all future elections, training for poll workers to implement and maintain accessibility features at polling places as well as changes to the county's polling place site selection process to ensure accessibility.

Title II of the ADA prohibits public entities, such as Harris County, from discriminating against people with disabilities in their programs, services and activities. With respect to polling places, public entities are required to select and use polling places that are accessible. To read the department's findings regarding Harris County's polling places, see https://www.ada.gov/harris_county_lof.htm. To learn more about ADA requirements for polling place accessibility or about the ADA and other laws protecting the rights of voters with disabilities, visit www.ada.gov/ta-pubs-pg2.htm.

Those interested in finding out more about the ADA can call the department's toll-free ADA Information Line at (800) 514-0301 or (800) 514-0383 (TDD), or access the ADA website at www.ada.gov.

Harris County Complaint

Topic(s):
Civil Rights

Press Release Number:
16-907

Component(s):
Civil Rights Division
Civil Rights - Disability Rights Section
USAO - Texas, Southern

For more information please contact:
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Veterans Annual Hill Country Dove Hunt

is happening again and you are invited!

WHEN: **OPENING DAY - SATURDAY, SEPT. 1, 2018**

WHERE: **RANCH 11 11 (JB & Kelly Kolodzey)**
901 Williamson Rd., Buda TX 78610

We love this tradition and want to keep it going. To make sure it does your friends and ours are making every effort to make it happen!

- **Meet at 5:00 a.m. 9/1 at RANCH 11 11.**
- **Lunch provided at the Onion Creek Senior Citizens Center in Buda.**
- **Every** wounded hero can bring 1 extra person with them as an attendant/helper-***RSVP by Aug. 25th***

RSVP/Questions -

Alvin Guerrero	210-488-3472	alvin-guerrero@att.net
David Bradshaw	210-410-1599	dbradshaw1@sbcglobal.net
Kelly Kolodzey	512-461-6506	howl-at-the-moon@austin.rr.com

(We need to know if you need a shotgun provided for you. We will make every effort to have **one available for your** use.)

PLEASE NOTE - BYO (bring your own) ammo, in addition to a chair, hat, eye protection, ear plugs, appropriate shoes (mesquite thorns) and bug spray (chiggers).

A current hunting license with a migratory bird stamp is required.

If you need a hotel, there are several Buda hotels nearby. It's a holiday weekend so don't **hesitate.**

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Texas Chapter

Thanks to our friends for helping to keep this tradition here for the 4th year.

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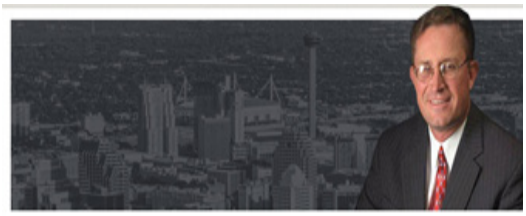

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