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NWPVA Sports Director Russ Norris (left) at the National Veterans Wheelchair Games



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Our Mission

The Paralyzed Veterans of America, a congressionally chartered veterans service organization founded in 1946, has developed a unique expertise on a wide variety of issues involving the special needs of our members-veterans of the armed forces who have experienced spinal cord injury or dysfunction.

PVA will use that expertise to be the leading advocate for:

- Quality health care for our members,
- Research and education addressing spinal cord injury and dysfunction,
- Benefits available as a result of our members' military service,
- Civil rights and opportunities which maximize the independence of our members.

To enable PVA to continue to honor this commitment, we must recruit and retain members who have the experience, energy, dedication, and passion necessary to manage the organization and ensure adequate resources to sustain the programs essential for PVA to achieve its mission.

The Northwest Chapter Paralyzed Veterans of America (NWPVA) a member chapter of Paralyzed Veterans of America accomplishes it's mission by coordinated efforts through programs that:

- Provide opportunities for health promotion, recreation, employment, sports and recreation, service and camaraderie for paralyzed veterans;
- Elevate society's information level about the attitudinal, physical and legal barriers that confront persons with disabilities in order to influence the removal of those barriers;
- Advocate for and monitor the delivery of high quality and appropriate health care benefits and service;
- Cooperate with and seek the support of other groups and individuals that share NWPVA's objective;
- Educate the public with the current and ongoing needs and current and past contributions of America's veterans.

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Matthew Mickunas Presidents Message

ore than 750,000 people in the United States, including Veterans, live with spinal cord injury or disease (SCI/D). Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) supports research toward a single mission; Improved quality of life for everyone with SCI/D. Our founders were pioneers in promoting research into treatments and cures for SCI/D. They recognized that paralysis does not only affect Veterans, but can happen to anyone at any stage of their lives. Until recent-

ly, most scientists believed that paralysis due to spinal cord injury was impossible to reverse. However, ongoing research investment from PVA and others have produced promising results. From transplanting cells and regenerating damaged nerve fibers to designing adaptive canoe seats, the PVA Research Foundation supports innovative research and fellowships that improve the lives of those with **spinal cord injury** and disease (SCI/D).

The PVA Research Foundation is focused on funding projects grounded in basic laboratory science and the education of scientists working on breakthroughs directed toward a cure for paralysis, secondary health effects and technologies associated with spinal cord injury or disease (SCI/D). These projects should be designed to find better treatments and cures for paralysis and support efforts to improve the quality of life of individuals with SCI/D until improved clinical treatments, technologies or cures are discovered, as well as to train post-doctoral fellow investigators and encourage them to specialize in the area of spinal cord research.

PVA Research Foundation Grant Categories:

- Basic Science; Laboratory research in the basic sciences to find a cure for SCI/D.
- Clinical; Clinical and functional studies of the medical, psychosocial and economic effects of SCI/D, and interventions to alleviate these effects.
- Design and Development; Of new or improved rehabilitative and assistive technology/devices for people with SCI/D to improve function, which also includes improving the identification, selection and utilization of these devices.
- Fellowships; For postdoctoral scientists, clinicians and engineers to encourage training and specialization in the field of spinal cord research.

Eligible grantee institutions must be located in the United States or Canada. However, investigators and Fellows are not required to be U.S. or Canadian citizens. All grant applicants must have a professional degree: Ph.D. or M.D. preferred. Senior fellows are encouraged to apply as principal investigators. Post-doctoral scientists are eligible to apply for fellowship support within four years of receiving a Ph.D. or completing M.D. residency. Graduate students can participate in Foundation-related research and be paid from a Foundation award. However, graduate students cannot apply for a PVA Research Foundation grant as a fellow or as a principal investigator. Grant applications undergo a stringent, Independent Peer Review for scientific merit and relevance to spinal cord dysfunction. A panel of reviewers, assigned by the Peer Review Contractor, will evaluate each eligible application. Reviewers will utilize the following criteria to evaluate the applications; Innovation and significance, approach,



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oin the more than 16,000 proud members of Paralyzed Veterans of America! As a member, you'll become part of a family of men and women united to make the world better for Veterans and all people with disabilities.

Benefits of Membership:

PVA membership opens up a world of <u>programs and services</u> designed to help you live your best life: assistance with your earned VA benefits; help with employment and higher education; sports and recreation opportunities; and a window into our important research and advocacy efforts.

PVA membership is open to anyone who:

- is a citizen of the United States or its territories:
- is a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces and whose discharge was other than dishonorable; AND has a spinal cord injury or disease (SCI/D), see below.

Related diseases include:

- Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) (all Veterans qualify)
- Multiple sclerosis (MS) (all Veterans qualify)
- Cauda equina syndrome
- Poliomyelitis
- Spina bifida
- Spinal cord tumor
- Severe spinal stenosis (causing neurological impairment)
- Syringomyelia
- Transverse myelitis

We welcome Veterans with service-connected and non-service-connected disabilities. If your condition is not listed here, please contact members@pva.org.

QUESTIONS? WE'RE HERE TO HELP!

Contact **Christi Hillman**, Associate Director, Membership & Volunteer Program, at members@pva.org or 800-424-8200 Ext. 776.

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feasibility, investigators, facilities, & budget.

The PVA Research Foundation Board of Directors, composed

entirely of PVA, considers reports from the Peer Review. Final funding decisions rest solely with the Directors. At the close of the grant cycle, upon notification of grant decisions, applicants will receive copies of

their grant reviews. For mor information please email Lindsay Perlman; PVA's Associate Director for Research: LindsayP@pva.org

Women Veterans Column Page 6

Tracy Storms

102-Year-Old Black Female Army Vet



eet Romay Davis, Female Army Veteran Honored with Gold Medal.

Romay Davis is the oldest of six survivors of the first all-female, all women of color unit to serve in the U.S. Army years before the 1948 integration of the military.

All Romay wanted in her early 20s was to follow her five brothers into the U.S. Military, by leaving rural Virginia, the one area she shared with her supportive parents and chose a little adventure along the way.

Now at the age of 102, as the oldest of six survivors of the groundbreaking 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, She's a new recipient of the Congressional Gold Medal, the highest honor Congress can bestow.

"I was surprised", Davis tells PEOPLE of learning about the award. "I'm still surprised, very much so because I didn't do anything out of the ordinary, except go in the military."

The presentation also marked the 74th anniversary of Executive Order 9981, which integrated the Armed Forces in 1948, several years after Davis enlisted.



The NEW Veterans Crisis Line Number

By: Dan Stewart



he Veterans Crisis Line has a new Nation-wide number: **Dial 988 then Press 1**.

Effective July 16, Veterans have the option to use this new, shorter number to connect with caring, qualified responders for 24/7 crisis support.

During a crisis, every second counts. The new, shorter number directly addresses the need for ease of access and clarity in times of crisis, both for Veterans and non-Veterans alike.

This change is a result of the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020, which <u>requires all telephone service providers in the U.S. to activate 988 by July 16, for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (Lifeline).</u>

This initiative is aligned with the President's Roadmap to Empower Veterans and End a National Tragedy of Suicide (PREVENTS) program, a nationwide plan to raise awareness about mental health, connect Veterans and others at risk of suicide to federal and local resources.

Because VA administers the Veterans Crisis Line through Lifeline's national network, access to the Veterans Crisis Line is updated by this transition.

Veterans and their loved ones will still be able to call 1-800-273-8255 and Press 1, chat at VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat, or text 838255 to reach responders.

If you or someone you know is having thoughts of suicide, contact the Veterans Crisis Line to receive free, confidential support and crisis intervention available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

Call **988, Press 1** or Call **1-800-273-8255 and Press 1**, **text to 838255**, or chat online at **VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat**.

Brent King





Northwest Chapter

July 12, 2022

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To Whom It May Concern:

The NWPVA utilized the \$5,000.00 in funds donated by your organization to purchase a very lightly used Para-Golfer adaptive golf cart. This cart when still produced sold for \$31,000.00. This cart is available for use by any Disabled Veteran golfer in the Inland Empire area to utilize. It is also available to be utilized by the local HOPE Golf Program that is taught by Chris Runyan.

We have the cart stored in Medical Lake in a conditioned storage area with electricity to keep the batteries charged.

Thank you so very much for assisting our local Disabled Veterans and keeping them active in the amazing local golf programs!

Respectfully,

Brent King

NWPVA Executive Director Bkinghomes@gmail.com

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VETERAN'S PICNIC @ SEAHURST PARK*

Join us for a picnic to celebrate Veterans and their family members. Enjoy lunch and entertainment by the banks of the Puget Sound. Shuttle between the upper lot to the lower lot will be provided. **Must register by June 6.**

Age: 50+ years

Wed 11:30 am-2:00 pm

Jun 15 #6380

FREE

*If inclement weather occurs, event will be moved indoors at the Tukwila Community Center, from 12-2:30 pm.

WATERWAYS LUNCH CRUISE

Veterans and their family members are invited to a day on the water to enjoy a classic Seattle dining cruise. Lunch and transportation will be provided from Tukwila Community Center to the Seattle Waterfront and back again. **Must register by August 15.**

Age: 50+ years

Wed 11:00 am-4:00 pm

Sept 7 #6383

FREE

SEATTLE MARINERS VS NY YANKEES GAME FOR VETERANS AND FAMILY

Veterans and their family members are invited to a day at the "park" to enjoy a game between the Seattle Mariners and the NY Yankees. A gift card for lunch and transportation will be provided from Tukwila Community Center to T-Mobile Park and back again.

Age: 50+ years

Wed 11:00 am-5:00 pm

Aug 10 #6382

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Veterans, Seniors & Human Services Levy





2022 PVA Scholarship Award Winner

aralyzed Veterans of America's (PVA) primary goal has been to assist its members and their families in improving the quality of their lives. This goal has been addressed through a wide variety of activities, including support of programs designed to provide education and training.

PVA established an Educational Scholarship Program to assist PVA Members and their immediate families in gaining a post-secondary-education.

Congratulations to the Northwest Chapter winner and we wish you the best as you embark on your educational journey.

Ethan Halsted (University of Hawaii at Manoa) Son of R. Sean Halsted-Northwest Chapter

PVA Scholarship Program

aralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) wants to invest in you and your higher education! PVA is proud to offer funds to PVA Members and their immediate family members through our Educational Scholarship Program. We will award scholarships in the amount of \$2,500 to full-time students and \$1,000 to part-time students.

Eligibility

Qualified members are:

A PVA member, the spouse of a member, or an unmarried child (under 24 years of age) who is dependent (as defined by the IRS) on the member for principal support.

A citizen of the United States.

Accepted and enrolled as a full-time or part-time student in an accredited U.S. college or university.

Please Note: Previous award recipients may apply, but are limited to a total of two scholarships in a lifetime.

Submission: Submission for 2023-24 applications will open on **March 1, 2023**.

Questions? Contact christih@pva.org







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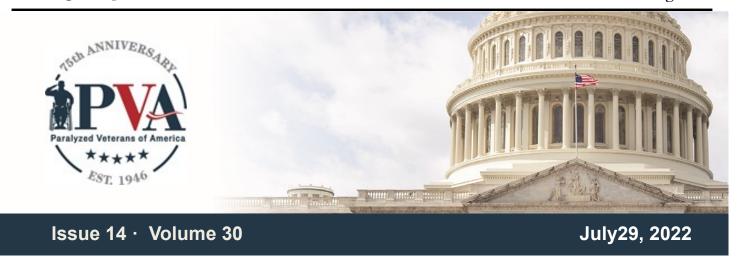
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SENATE CONFIRMS VA UNDER SECRETARY FOR HEALTH

fter waiting more than five years, the Veterans Health Administration finally has a Senate-confirmed official leading it. The Senate voted 66-23 on July 21 to confirm Dr. Shereef Elnahal as VA's Under Secretary for Health. Following Dr. Elnahal's confirmation, PVA Executive Director Carl Blake issued the following statement:

"We are pleased that the Senate has confirmed an Under Secretary for Health to lead the Veterans Health Administration (VHA)" said PVA Executive Director Carl Blake. "This position has been vacant for far too long and Dr. Shereef Elnahal's arrival is very overdue. This is a critical time for the Department of Veterans Affairs as it continues to move forward with Electronic Health Record Modernization, deals with the impacts of the COVID pandemic and

staffing shortages, plans to care for more veterans exposed to toxic substances, and considers the need to address VA's aging infrastructure. We look forward to working collaboratively with Dr. Elnahal to advance the mission of VHA and ensure it continues to meet the unique needs of veterans with spinal cord injuries and disorders."

U.S. DOT ISSUES BILL OF RIGHTS FOR AIR TRAVEL

n July 8, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) issued its "Airline Passengers with Disabilities Bill of Rights." The document outlines ten fundamental rights of air travelers with disabilities and the obligations of airlines (to include their employees and contractors) under

the Air Carrier Access Act (ACAA). The Bill of Rights does not expand airlines' ACAA obligations or establish new requirements under the law. We hope that it will both empower and educate passengers with disabilities and help hold airlines more accountable for compliance with the law.

DOT was required to do a Bill of Rights following enactment of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Reauthorization Act of 2018. The FAA Reauthorization also required DOT to establish an advisory committee to advise the Secretary of Transportation on the air travel needs of these passengers. PVA was selected to serve on

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this committee and in this role was able to advise the department on the development of the Bill of Rights. Among some of the protections outlined in the Bill of Rights include requirements by airlines to provide prompt, timely assistance from properly trained airline personnel and to better train personnel to be aware of the needs of passengers with disabilities.

ADA 32 CELEBRATED

umerous events took place at the end of July to commemorate the 32nd anniversary of the signing of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on July 26, 1990.

The House Bipartisan Disabilities Caucus held a reception on Capitol Hill in honor of the ADA anniversary and Rep. Jim Langevin (D-RI), co-chair of the caucus who is retiring from Congress at the end of this year. The occasion was also used to introduce the new cochairs of the caucus, Rep. Debbie Dingell (D-MI) and Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA), and to hear remarks from speakers such as Sen. Bob Casey (D-PA), House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D -CA), and Majority Leader Steny Hoyer (D-MD). President Biden, who is recovering from COVID-19, provided greetings by video and the White House issued a statement highlighting actions that the Administration has taken to advance the rights and opportunities for people with disabilities.

The U.S. Department of Transportation held an event that featured Secretary Pete Buttigieg and other leaders from the department as well as Emily Voorde, Associate Director, White House Office of Public Engagement. In his comments, the Secretary cited one of PVA National President Charles Brown's flight experiences as an example of the motivation behind the department's decision to work toward a future rule to allow passengers to remain in their wheelchairs during air travel. The event also featured a discussion of the recently released air travelers with disabilities bill of rights and an announcement that grants are now available to upgrade the accessibility of legacy rail public transportation systems for people with disabilities.

In a U.S Department of Labor blog, Assistant Secretary of Labor for Disability Employment Policy (ODEP) Taryn Williams reflected on the 32nd anniversary of the ADA and its impact on employment. As part of this commemoration, Williams addressed the impact of the 1999 Olmstead ruling and how

it set the stage for advancing competitive integrated employment and explored how the ADA has guided ODEP in responding to changing needs in recent years, including the shifting employment landscape caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and an increased focus on worker mental health.

The U.S. Department of Justice issued a statement highlighting actions taken by the department to address web accessibility, artificial intelligence in hiring, access to transportation, fair treatment for individuals with opioid use disorders, and the segregation and criminalization of people with disabilities.

Finally, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Administration for Community Living (ACL) and Office for Civil Rights (OCR) created a website to celebrate the ADA featuring a history of the law's development, showcasing some of the progress made toward achieving its promise, and sharing some of the work done by ACL and OCR to strengthen and advance disability rights.















Our Girls & Boys of Summer





PVA's Veterans Career Program (Formerly PAVE)

aralyzed Veterans of America's Veterans Career Program, formerly known as PAVE, provides FREE employment support and vocational counseling assistance to ALL veterans, transitioning service members, spouses, and caregivers. Leveraging a high-touch approach, our Employment Analysts and Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors will work with you on your path toward a meaningful career. Our team also has expertise in helping veterans overcome employment barriers and other obstacles at all stages. PVA's Veterans Career Program has helped more than 5,000 veterans, military spouses and caregivers find meaningful work. Recent data shows that more than 80% of our clients stay in their position for more than a year. We work with more than 1,200 nationwide employer and community partners to engage and employ our clients. The Veterans Career Program's vocational rehabilitation counselors are experts in assisting people with barriers to employment. The Veterans Career Program provides a Partner for Life Guarantee. We are always available to help you reach your next career goal!

May 2022; IMPACT + OPPORTUNITIES

18 Client Placements 5 Paid Employment 3 Education/Training

Find Your Voice - Tell Your Story

Through storytelling, comedy, improv and the arts, veterans, military spouses and caregivers can find new ways to transition and reconnect. t helps them start real conversations, build confidence, break down emotional walls, strengthen relationships, and advocate on behalf of themselves and others. They gain a voice, and their communities get the opportunity to hear them. The Armed Services Arts Partnership serves as a creative community where veterans thrive through the arts. They provide free storytelling, comedy, improv and art classes to veterans, service members, military family members, and caregivers. And right now they have upcoming classes and workshops early this summer. Learn more @ www.asapasap.org .



Darah Gerou, M.S., CRC PVA's Veterans Career Program Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor (202) 733-8807 DarahG@pva.org (WA, ID, OR, AK, AZ, CA, HI, NV)

Events Calendar Page 16

August

11th August's Full Moon at 6:36 P.M. PST

19th National Aviation Day; Birthday of Orville Wright, first recorded flight in

1903

26th Women's Equality Day; Celebrates the 1920 ratification of the Nineteenth

Amendment.

September

5th Labor Day

8th BOD/General Membership Meeting

11:00 AM

11th Patriot Day; Held in honor and

remembrance.

18th Air Force Birthday

22nd Autumn Begins



WASHINGTON, D.C. (Aug. 2, 2022) – Paralyzed Veterans of America Executive Director Carl Blake released the following statement in response to final passage of the "Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring Our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act of 2022," also known as the PACT Act. Championed as the most comprehensive toxic exposure legislation in U.S. history, PACT expands both VA health care eligibility and presumptions to exposure to burn pits, Agent Orange, and other toxins. It also creates a framework for the establishment of future presumptions of service connection related to toxic exposure, as well as bolsters toxic exposure resources and strengthens research.

PACT was named after Sergeant First Class Robinson, an Ohio National Guard who died in 2000 of lung cancer following prolonged smoke exposure from burning pits during his deployment in Iraq. He left behind a daughter and wife, who now advocate for burn pit victims.

"Paralyzed Veterans of America commends Congress for finally doing the right thing and advancing this groundbreaking legislation that makes veteran care a priority. Our service members are consistently exposed to dangerous environments with exposure to harmful contaminants and toxins. When PACT is signed into law, toxic-exposed veterans from the past, present, and future, will receive their long overdue VA health care, compensation benefits, and justice. They will also no longer have to wait for the vital studies, research, and science they so desperately need today."



Andrew Bechtle

NORTHWWEST PVA IS MISSING SEVERAL WORKING EMAILS WITH YOUR ESSENTIAL INFO AND NEEDS YOUR HELP PROVIDING IT!!!! OUT OF OVER 600 REGISTERED WITH THE NORTHWEST PVA CHAPTER, WE ONLY HAVE APPROXIMANTLY 250 EMAILS ON FILE. TIMES ARE CHANGING AND WITH THE INFLUX OF IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR OUR GENERAL MEMBERS, ASSOCIATE MEMBERS, AND OUR INPORTANT SUPPORTERS, WE MUST HAVE AN AVENUE TO SHARE

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Place: Northwest Paralyzed Veterans of America when you search for a charity.



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Happy Birthday!

August

Howard Burkett
Henry Benavidez
Spencer Nelson
William Bass
Doug Coppin
Roy Goodner
Naomi Newton
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Marcus Duell
Kwan-Su Bae
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September

James Monk Terry Campbell **Timothy Hoff** Terry Chenoweth Ronald Merkel James Hateley James Mushta Kenneth Quilantang Wayne King Warren Emmons **Duane Henry** David McNeil Herbert Coburn Kenneth Van Gerpen Jeffery Blair Kurt Karlson Dana Cooper Walter Swiger

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aralyzed Veterans of America has been on a mission to change lives and build brighter futures for our seriously injured heroes—to empower these brave men and women build brighter futures for our seriously injured heroes—to empower these brave men and women with what they need to achieve the things they fought for: freedom and independence. They returned to a grateful nation, but also to a world with few solutions to challenges they faced. They made a decision not just to live, but to live with dignity as contributors to society. They created Paralyzed Veterans of America, an organization dedicated to veterans service, medical research and civil rights for people with disabilities.

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