

If you went to the Denver National Veteran Wheelchair Games, please email your pictures and articles for the August newsletter which is dedicated to the games.



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RESOLUTION NO. 003-06-30-10

ELECTION TIMELINE - BYLAWS

RESOLUTION SUBJECT

WHEREAS, the SRC requires a election to be conducted within 30 days of the April Board Meeting, and the SRC requires no notice to go out 30 days prior to the election,; and

WHEREAS, a chapter newsletter will be going out to the members sometime after the April board meeting and before the 30 day limit; and

WHEREAS, at the urging of National PVA, the bylaws were modified to reflect that the SRC defines the election process, and the bylaws should be compatible with the Chapter Policy Manual.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Texas Chapter, PVA amend ARTICLE IV OFFICERS, *Section 2: Election and Term, line 4, in their* bylaws by striking "less than 30 days" and inserting "less than one week (7 days)," thus changing where present bylaws state:

"SECTION 2: *Election and Term.* All active members of TPVA in good standing may vote on any issue which comes before the membership. **The election procedures contained within the chapter's policy manual (Standing Rules of the Corporation or SRC) will be utilized for election of officers and directors TPVA.**

Prior notice of not less than thirty (30) days nor more than sixty (60) days shall be given members preceding a General Mail Ballot. This notice may be published in the official newsletter of TPVA (*Speedy Gazette*) or disseminated by direct mail."

And if this resolution is adopted the bylaws would then state:

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if passed this will be entered into the Texas Chapter, Paralyzed Veterans of America Bylaws, and become effective immediately. This change in the bylaws will be published in the chapter newsletter.

RESOLUTION adopted THIS DATE [1ST READING] Garland, Greg

Note from David Fowler, President

I've been going into the chapter office with the exception of the week during the NVWG's. While at the games I checked in with the chapter office by phone as well as by email. I'm proud of the 2010 NVWG Texas Team and how well everyone performed. Please see the August *Speedy Gazette* for stories, pictures and a run down on who brought home the bling.

July 26th celebrated the 20th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. This law opened doors for the disabled community throughout the United States. Below is a link to the latest news release about the 20th anniversary of the ADA:

http://www.pva.org/site/News2?abbr=news_&page=NewsArticle&id=16139

On August 11th I've been asked to give the opening remarks at the Reeve Foundation's "Live Without Limits" Event as a representative of both the Texas Governors Committee on People with Disabilities and as the TPVA President. It will be an honor to do this event.

I'd like to thank Darrell Wilson and Amanda Saunders for their hard work on preparing the Annual Budget. I also want to thank Alvin, Anne, Cathy and John for also working on and sending in their proposed budgets to help expedite the tedious budgeting process.

We have storms building in the Gulf at this writing. Are you prepared? Have you called 211 and gotten registered? Do you have an emergency kit for evacuation ready? Do those close to you know where you will evacuate to? Please refer to Jane Wiley's article in the June *Speedy Gazette Newsletter* on page 8 to review emergency preparedness.

I'd like to congratulate the recent TPVA election winners. Please see the Election Tally Sheet included in this summary newsletter. I'd like to thank the members who voted for me. I plan to serve our membership to the best of my ability. A huge thanks goes out to the Election Committee who spent many hours making sure this election came off without a hitch.

Please go to the Governor's Committee of People with Disabilities website and click the link to take the veterans survey at www.governor.state.tx.us/disabilities which states: "According to the Texas Veterans Commission Strategic Plan 2009-2013, Texas is home to approximately 1.7 million veterans, many with disabilities. Issues important to veterans with disabilities are a concern and interest to the Committee. Your participation in this survey will help us understand what services or needs you currently have and what services have been helpful to you. Your responses will help direct our work and policy recommendations in the future. All responses are anonymous. The survey will be up on the Committee's website until September 1..."

August 2010

A NOTE FROM BOARD MEMBER #1, DAVID BRADSHAW: We have two slots for a Cow Elk hunt in October, and slots for an 2 antelope hunters: 9-12 Oct. All expenses paid except transportation to Douglas WY. Antelope hunters will Hunt w/Jim Zumbo. At this time all expenses except for transportation are covered. hunting will be wheelchair accessible for persons who are fairly mobile in chair. Need applications asap!!! Also Stan has an Elcan digital scope available for \$950.00.

I need volunteers for Range Day.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	San Antonio Satellite Member Forum ALM VAMC	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	Houston Member Forum @ MED VA 1 p.m. lunch, 1:30 p.m. meeting	Austin Satellite Member Forum @ 11 a.m.	South Texas Satellite Member Forum @ 12 noon	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

KIDS FISHING FOR FUN DAY is October 16th. Please contact John Taylor at 361-225-2360 or 888-361-3830 and leave your name and a number where you can be reached.

September 2010

2010 Election

June 18, 2010

Ballots out 593
Ballots received 284

President

David Fowler 208
Mike Sutton 53
Mike Spurlock 1
Greg Joyce 2

Secretary

Kate Callahan 180
Mike Spurlock 51
John Taylor 31

Board Director #1

David Bradshaw 136
Derrick Perkins 126
Dick Morgan 1

Respectfully submitted,

David A. Fowler
President

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			1	San Antonio Satellite Member Forum ALM VAMC 5 p.m. dinner, 6	3	4
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26	27	28	29	30	10/8—Jack Sanders Banquet Westchase Hilton, Houston 6:30 p.m.	

Please refer to page 7 in the *Speedy Gazette* for updated events.

Ongoing member meetings are scheduled for:

- The first Thursday of every month is the San Antonio Satellite meeting in the day room at Audie L. Murphy VA 6 p.m. (dinner at 5 p.m.), contact Anne Robinson, TPVA San Antonio Satellite Director, 210-632-1263 or e-mail address-arobinson6@satx.rr.com
- The third Tuesday of every month is the Houston area member forum in the day room at Michael E. DeBakey VA at 1 p.m. (lunch at 12:30 p.m.), contact the chapter office at 800-933-4261 or info@texaspva.org
- The third Wednesday of every month at noon is the Austin Satellite meeting at 316 W. 12t St., #401, Austin, contact Cathy Bourget at 512-542-3311 or email tpvaustin@hotmail.com
- The third Thursday of every month at noon is the TPVA South Texas Satellite meeting, contact John Taylor for location at 361-225-2360 or email jtaylor004@stx.rr.com