



## TEXAS CHAPTER PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA

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You and your caregiver are invited to join your board members on Sunday, February 6 at the Doubletree-Austin University Area, 1617 IH-35 North, Austin, TX 78702 at 5 p.m. to watch the **Super Bowl** in the Wallflower Room.

Refreshments and pizza will be served.

**Note from David Fowler, President**—I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and got rested up to start the new year.

Your chapter office and board has hit the road running. We are in the final stages and should have our annual report ready to mail with this newsletter.

I'd like for the members to note that the registration packets for the 31st National Veterans Wheelchair Games which is held in Pittsburgh this year, are available. Please contact the chapter office of the VA rec therapy departments if you are interested in going.

In mid-February there will be a site visit in San Antonio at which time, PVA will send a team in to help ensure that you are receiving the highest quality care. If you have any issues to bring up, please contact Satellite Director Anne Robinson or PVA's NSO Norm Hungerford.

Please note that we are now taking nominations for the upcoming elections for the positions of Vice President, Treasurer, Board Member #2 and Board Member #3. If you're interested in running for one of these positions or if you'd like to nominate someone, please see the TPVA Nomination Committee block in this newsletter.

On February 8th, there will be a face to face Board of Directors Meeting in Austin. If you're interested in seeing how your board works, I'd encourage you to attend. We rotate these meetings to the different areas to help make these meetings more accommodating or accessible for you, **our members**, to attend.

If you're interested in helping the Chapter accomplish it's mission, please consider volunteering. We are an organization that runs on volunteers and we need your help.

### NOMINATION COMMITTEE, GARLAND JENNINGS, CHAIR—

Nominations for the upcoming election for Vice President, Treasurer, Board Member #2 and Board Member #3 are open from now until the April 2011 Board Meeting. Please submit your dated written nominations to any Nomination Committee Member (Garland Jennings, Chair (Gej1@satx.rr.com or 210-325-0893); Anne Robinson, (arobinson6@satx.rr.com or 210-632-1263), Derrick Perkins (Rico281@comcast.net or 713-569-0367); or John Taylor (jtaylor004@stx.rr.com or 888-382-3830).

**E. Maginot Program**—Scope: The Texas Chapter PVA is extremely grateful to Mr. Phillip Maginot for designating the Texas Chapter as a primary recipient for his estate. Mr. Maginot named the Texas Chapter to receive substantial funds our Board of Directors chose to honor Mr. Maginot by carefully designating primary use of these funds for membership related expenses.

Use: TPVA has devised innovative ways of using the monies for the greatest membership benefit. An initial plan covering ten years was crafted that allocated funds in the following manner:

Sports: Provide an annual fully paid sports sponsorship in the name of Mr. Maginot for one [1] TPVA member [includes attendant if eligible] to attend the Winter Sports Clinic [WSC] and the National Veterans Wheelchair Games [NVWG].



Memorabilia was developed highlighting the sponsorship.

WSC/NVWG's—The TPVA BOD will, under the direction of the TPVA Sports Director in advance of the WSC, review all submitted WSC applicants for consideration of selection of the Maginot Scholarship [fully paid expenses]. The TPVA BOD shall discuss and select the applicant.

1] Selection consideration can include, but is not limited to the following:

- Open to all regular members of TPVA, excluding BOD members;
- Sports points are not a qualifying factor;
- **Member needs to submit a letter of interest to attend and a completed events application prior to the TPVA deadline date for consideration under this program;**
- This is applicable only to those who have not or may not have accumulated sufficient points for eligibility;
- The BOD may allow for reasonable deviation of selection criteria to include consideration of members or potential members under unique or extenuating circumstances;
- The Sports Director will inform the applicant of the scholarship and coordinate the forwarding of the Maginot Memorabilia to the applicant prior to event;
- Chapter will publish an announcement in the Chapter Newsletter in October/November for the WSC and in January/February for the NVWG's.

# February 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>2</b>	San Antonio Satellite Member Forum 5 dinner/6 mtg	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
TPVA Super Bowl party Doubletree Austin Wallflower Room-5 p.m. www.texaspva.org	TPVA Advocacy/Legislative Seminar-Doubletree Austin Wallflower Room-9 a.m. www.texaspva.org	TPVA Board Meeting Doubletree Austin Wallflower Room-9 a.m. www.texaspva.org	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	 Houston Member Forum @ noon SCI Dayroom	Austin Satellite Member Forum Noon @ the Satellite Office	So TX Satellite Member Forum, contact John Taylor 361-225-2360	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>					

## HOUSTON RODEO

### LINEUP

Members call the Chapter

Office for free tickets

800-933-4261

Clay Walker- 3/1

Trace Adkins - 3/2

Sugarland - 3/3

Janet Jackson - 3/4

Billy Currington -3/5

Selena Gomez - 3/6

Tim McGraw -3/7

Keith Urban - 3/8

Martina McBride -3/9

Rascal Flatts - 3/10

Lady Antebellum - 3/11

Gary Allan - 3/12

La Arrolandora Band El

Limon/La Leyenda - 3/13

Kid Rock - 3/14

KISS - 3/15

Miranda Lambert -3/16



Zac Brown Band - 3/17

Alan Jackson - 3/18

Brad Paisley - 3/19

Jason Aldean - 3/20

# March 2011

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## LET'S GO BOWLING!



Practices will be held at Palace Bowl and will begin in February and will be available to SCI in and out patients 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The location is 4191 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, TX 77025. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me, thanks!  
**JeMarques D. Handy, Recreation Therapist—Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center, (713)791-1414 ext. 3537**