

Central Florida Chapter

ANNUAL REPORT 2021/2022



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<u>President</u>

Steve Kirk

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Roger Sack

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David Rountree (Class of 2024)

National Director

Craig Enenbach

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Sports Committee: Roger Sack, Tim Wolfe, Jimmy Green, Amir Pishdad, Brian Terwilliger, Eddie Hawks, David Rountree, Steve Kirk



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Paralyzed Veterans of America Central Florida, a congressionally chartered veteran's service organization, provides a platform of advocacy, education and research, communication, adaptive sports and recreation for veterans paralyzed as a result of spinal cord injury or dysfunction, in an effort to afford them with the highest quality of healthcare and life experiences.

OUR COMMITMENT

Paralyzed Veterans of America Central Florida strives to keep veterans, with spinal cord injuries or dysfunction, connected through core programs that assist them in obtaining veteran's benefits in a timely manner, by providing them with a liaison with VA Medical Centers or other institutions where members receive healthcare, by publishing a monthly magazine that keeps them informed of what is happening nationally and locally in legislature that directly effects them and their families and by providing opportunities in adaptive sports and recreation in an effort to enhance a lifetime of health and fitness, in order to offer a better quality of life.



Message from the President

Steve Kirk

We began the New Year and expanded the Chapter security system. John gave a good update. We are still waiting on office furniture that was ordered some time ago. Brian reported that the Building Committee was working on getting a perk test of the area being considered for a building location. David reported that the Holiday Party was awesome. I concur completely. John reported that the parking lot repairs are complete and the parking lot was power washed and restriped. It looks great! Tim made a motion and Ken second to sponsor the Taste of Lake Mary as the same level of sponsorship as last year. They are a great organization and have helped us in the past. It was decided to contract Steve Telkamp for IT Services. It will be a great investment. Brian Terwilliger made a motion and Eddie Hawks 2nd to approve up to \$250, 000.00 on construction of the new building. John gave update on the eighth Annual Jerry Dugan Memorial Charity Golf Tournament to be held 14 May 2022. In February, a motion was made to appoint Craig Enenbach as our National Director for a term of three years. Motion was passed unanimously. He has always done a great job. In March, Craig Enenbach made a motion to make available, upon request, a \$500 death benefit to the families of chapter members, to help with funeral expenses. In April, preparations were being made for the National Veteran Wheelchair Games. Roger made a motion to fund travel, housing and per diem for a representative from the local VA to attend the Wheelchair games in Tempe, AZ. To help coach our team members. A Poker Run was proposed, and it -looks favorable. President Steve Kirk introduced Mike Sheets and gave him the floor. We are trying to establish the best interactions possible. Building Addition: We are still waiting for the civil engineer to do a site visit and for the final plans to arrive from U.S. Patriot Steel. May provided a Poker Run, where we received a donation of \$3,200 from the organization that conducted the poker run. Great people. Eddie Hawks made a motion and Brian Terwilliger second the motion to give \$500 to the Lake County Teen Sport Association. Jimmy Green and Ken Weas were re-elected to the Board of Directors for three-year terms. In the month of June, David Rountree made a motion to donate \$1000 to the Rotary Club of Lake Mary for a sponsorship of the Champions Ride for Charity. Building Addition. We accepted plans and we are waiting on a site visit for engineering. Eighth Annual Jerry Dugan Golf Tournament took place and was very successful. We made our goal and then some. The building is in the permitting stage. A new date and a new place for the PVACF charity golf tournament was set to be May 6th at Red Tail golf course. Later in the year it was determined the Champion's charity ride will be held on Oct 22nd. Executive Director John DeMauro submitted an engagement letter from the accounting firm Schafer, Tschopp, Whitcomb, Mitchell & Sheridan, LLP. Craig Enenbach made a motion to accept the letter and Roger Sack second the motion. John mentioned that the Policies and Procedures concerning bereavement leave was not specific as to what was considered "immediate family". Over a short period, they were amended with much better verbiage. Craig Enenbach reported on the National Fall Board Meeting. He mentioned that he was the recipient of the Speedy Award this year. The board congratulated Craig on his receiving this prestigious award. Craig also reported on the resolutions passed at the meeting. GRD Time Wolfe reported on what is happening both locally and nationally. He also mentioned a webinar that is taking place on November 17th dealing with automobile adaptive equipment. We finished the year with another great Holiday Party for our members and our valuable volunteers.



Message from the Vice President

Roger Sack

As part of my duties as Vice President are to assist the President of the chapter and continue to oversee the position of Sports Director. In my role as Sports Director is to continue to build up, maintain and grow different sporting programs for our members to participate in throughout the year. Some of our chapter members participated in Air Rifle, Air Pistol, Archery, Basketball, Billiards, Boccia, Bowling, E-Sports, Fishing (Fresh water and Salt), Golf, Handcycling, Hunting, Sled hockey, Shooting Sports, Softball, Track and Field and Snow Skiing. Our Sports Coordinators, who help oversee many of their various passions for sports, help us to accomplish our programming services to our veterans. As Sports Director, I work alongside them, allowing them the flexibility to create new ways to build our programs with excellence. Our Sports Coordinators are Air Rifle/Air Pistol/ Shooting Sports: Tim Wolf/Roger Sack; Archery: Roger Sack; Basketball: Jimmy Green; Billiards: Amir Pishdad, Jr.; Boccia: David Rountree/Steve Kirk; Bowling: Steve Kirk/Roger Sack; Fishing: Brian Terwilliger/Eddie Hawks; Handcycling: Roger Sack; Hunting: Eddie Hawks/Roger Sack; Sled Hockey: Roger Sack; Softball: Jimmy Green; Track and Field: Jimmy Green/Roger Sack; Snow Skiing: Jimmy Green/Roger Sack. The PVA Central Florida Chapter has members participating with Move United, Brooksville Rehabilitation, Orlando VA Medical Center Sports and Recreation, Heroes United Golf Scramble League, PGA Hope, PVA Bass Tour, PVA Bowling, PVA Handcycling, National Veterans Wheelchair Games, Orlando Dreamplex, Florida Disabled Anglers and Bass Club Florida-Central Florida Region and Patriots 4. Through these PVACF Partnerships, our members continue to participate with and build new relationships in building our Sports programs. Thank You PVACF Sports Coordinators in serving your membership well.

Message from the National Director

Craig F. Enenbach

The Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) holds three Board of Directors (BOD) Meetings per fiscal year. One is a teleconference, which was scheduled for January 20 and January 21, 2022, to satisfy a Better Business Bureau mandate to have three BOD meetings every year. This particular meeting was more involved than previous teleconferences. PVA built a ten-story building in downtown Washington, D.C. in 1982 and at certain times, staff overflowed to many satellite offices. Through the years, PVA has learned to operate with fewer staff and with Covid, learned that it could operate remotely with a much smaller presence at the National Headquarters. Compounding this fact, the building is forty years old and despite periodic maintenance, it is perhaps time for PVA to look for a different site. After significant debate, the BOD decided to sell the existing National Headquarters which took place in early 2022. The new address is: 1875 Eye Street NW, Suite 100, Washington,



D.C. (just one block north from the previous headquarters). The PVA Annual Convention was held at the Omni CNN Center in Atlanta, Georgia, on May 16 - 21, 2022. There were 13 Resolutions presented and 10 passed. Resolutions form the basis for changing PVA's Policy and/or Procedures. Any National Director, Past PVA President, PVA Executive Committee member or the PVA Executive Director can present a resolution. Sometimes there is little or no debate and others command hours of testimony bringing forward the pros and cons of each resolution. The following members were elected to the Executive Committee: President Charles Brown (Florida); Senior Vice President Robert Thomas (Buckeye); Vice President Hack Albertson (Kentucky-Indiana); Michael Negrete (New England); Tammy Jones (Texas); Josue Cordova (Vaughan); Treasurer Tom Wheaton (Mountain States); Secretary Marcus Murray (Texas). David Zurfluh (Northwest) continues as the Immediate Past President. PVA's most prestigious award, the Speedy Award, was given to Dr. Rory Cooper (from Keystone). The Fall Meeting of the PVA BOD was held on October 22 – 24, 2022 at the Rosen Centre Hotel in Orlando, FL. There were 9 resolutions submitted and 8 passed. The following individuals were ratified for the 2023 Speedy Award: Craig Enenbach Member (unanimously); Dr. Stephen Waxman Non-Member (unanimously); Dr. Peter Gorman Non-Member (unanimously); Fred Cowell Member posthumous (unanimously; and Ken Klein Member posthumous (unanimously. The presentation of the Speedy Award will take place at the 2023 Annual Convention scheduled for May 17 – 21, 2023 at the Hilton Hotel in Omaha, Nebraska. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 202-549-2313 or cfevette@gmail.com.

Message from the Secretary

James "Eddie" Hawks

Elected in September of 2021 and sworn in as Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Paralyzed Veterans of America Central Florida Chapter I have been charged with documenting the business of the Board of Directors beginning in October of 2021. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the chapter in this capacity. Copies of board meeting minutes and reports submitted are recorded electronically. Originals are retained in the chapter office. This past year board meetings were hybrid meetings. We anticipate continuing hybrid meetings in the future. Hybrid meetings allow members to listen in on the meetings via Zoom. They also make it easier for board meetings had an ?????% attendance rate this past year with ????? of the meetings having 100% attendance. Meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Thursday of the month, beginning at 10:30am. In order to receive an invitation to attend the meeting, members are required to email a request to our Executive Director at johnd@pvacf.org for the Zoom invitation, This will allow us to protect the integrity and security of the meeting.



Message from the Office Manager

Joanne Poretti

It has been another exciting year here at PVA Central Florida Chapter! Let me start off with once again thanking our outstanding group of Volunteers! We absolutely could not do half of what we do here at the Central Florida Chapter, if it were not for our dedicated group of volunteers. From the endless hours you have all donated, to the constant yearlong preparation it takes to organize our Annual Jerry Dugan Memorial Charity Golf Event, to just showing up when something needs cleaned, set up, moved, picked up, delivered or just sorted! We sincerely thank you all for your dedication to our Veterans and our Chapter!

This year REEP (Repurposed Equipment Exchange Program), helped our community with \$328,800.00 worth of equipment to 482 people in need. I am humbled each time we provide a life-changing piece of equipment to someone in need. It is such a great feeling to see the self confidence in someone's eyes when they get just a sliver of independence back or for caregiver to receive a piece of equipment that helps to make their day a little bit easier. Since we started this program in 2015, we have distributed over \$1,000.000.00 dollars' worth of durable medical equipment to people in need in our community. Picking up and dropping off donations, our truck/van traveled 3260 miles this year, costing the chapter \$2732.20 in fuel. We did receive 22 donations from donors totaling \$12,384.51. This total includes a \$10,000.00 donation, again this year, from a local foundation to facilitate expenses for this program. This is the fifth year this foundation has helped support this program.

A local partner of PVACF, AGED, has been a big asset to helping with this program. We participated in donation days at the AGED office in Longwood again this year, and it was a big success. We are planning to keep this on our agenda, annually, to help insure that people in need get the equipment they are in need of.

We received funds from 2 events held by a local organization in Sanford. Checks totaling \$7,121.50 were presented to us last year. The coordinator expressed to me that they would like to do this on an annual basis to benefit our local chapter (PVACF).

We are gearing up for the 9th Annual Jerry Dugan Memorial Charity Golf Tournament, with the continued generosity of our outstanding group volunteers, sponsors, members and our community we are hoping to top last year's total raised at event.



Message from the Executive Director

John DeMauro

Well, we have seen another successful year in 2022, at the chapter despite the issues early in the year with the pandemic. Our Chapter Activities Directors, David and Rosa Rountee, planned monthly activities throughout the year. Karaoke, the Spring Festival and Car Show, Movie Night, a trip to the Kennedy Space Center, the Annual Chapter Holiday Party and a trip to Dezzerland and the Auto Museum were just some of the activities they planned last year. Sports Director, Roger Sack, worked diligently to provide many sports opportunities (golf, bowling air rifle boccia, fishing, hunting, sled hockey, track and field and of course the National Veterans Wheelchair Games). All of these events are supported by the chapter budget. Additionally, the chapter budget supports the Wheels On the Go, Hand Control, Auto Assistance, Member Relief and Member Scholarship Programs. Also, having established the Paralyzed Veterans of America Central Florida Chapter Endowment at Seminole State College in late 2020, we once again this year, awarded two \$1,000 college scholarships to two veterans attending the college.

This past year we held the 8th Annual Jerry Dugan Memorial Charity Golf Tournament. It was the most successful tournament ever and we raised almost \$70K. After tournament expenses we netted over \$55k. These funds help support the programs of the chapter and allow us to pay for the expenses so that our members do not have to pay anything to participate.

I encourage every member to check the chapter web site at <u>www.pvacf.org</u> and look at our calendar of events and sports to see what is available and when. Let us know if there is something you would like to see the chapter offer our members in the area you live. Remember, we have members from the panhandle to the coast and from the Georgia boarder down to Brevard County. We want to include everyone and we need your help to do just that. Here is looking to another great year at the Central Florida Chapter!



Message from the Treasurer

Brian Terwilliger

Below are the Paralyzed Veterans of America Central Florida Chapter financials for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. An audit was conducted by the accounting firm of Schafer, Tschopp, Whitcomb, Mitchell & Sheridan, LLP 541 S. Orlando Avenue, Suite 300 Maitland, 32751. The Chapter was successfully able to fulfill all mandates of our charter, with service to our members and our community. Thanks go to our Board, Employees, volunteers, and donors for another great year.

Statement of Support, Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balances 2020/2021

| Support and Revenue | 2021/2022 | 2020/2021 |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Contributions | \$ 38,164 | \$ 15,345 |
| Donated Equipment and Services | 127,340 | 256,990 |
| Membership Dues | 0 | 0 |
| Rental Income | 0 | 0 |
| State Grants | 15,000 | 10,000 |
| PVA Grants | 157,706 | 147,967 |
| Fundraising | 77,821 | 78,322 |
| Other | 5,858 | 4,881 |
| Total Support and Revenue | \$ 421,889 | \$ 513,505 |
| Expenses | 2021/2022 | 2020/2021 |
| Program Services | | |
| Membership and Benefits | \$ 268,908 | \$ 309,670 |
| Public Affairs | 164,380 | 219,067 |
| Total Program Services | \$ 433,288 | \$ 528,737 |



Support Services

| General and Administration Fundraising | \$ 67,586 19,245 | \$ 54,401 20,727 |
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| Total Support Services | \$ 86,831 | \$ 75,130 |
| Total Expenses | \$ 520,119 | \$ 603,868 |
| Support and Revenue over/under expenses | \$ 25,641 | \$ (53,155) |
| Non-Operating Support and Revenue | | |
| Dividend and interest income | \$ 14,288 | \$ 13,643 |
| Realized capital gains (loses) | \$ 53,177 | \$ 28,854 |
| Change in unrealized gain (loss) on investments | <u>\$ (284,501)</u> | <u>\$ 179,323</u> |
| Total Non-Operating Support & Revenue | <u>\$ (217,036)</u> | \$ 221,820 |
| Increase (Decrease) in Unrestricted Net Assets | \$ (315,266) | \$ 131,457 |
| Fund balances, beginning of year Fund balances, end of year | <u>\$ 1,442,344</u> \$ 1,127,078 | \$ 1,310,887 \$ 1,442,344 |

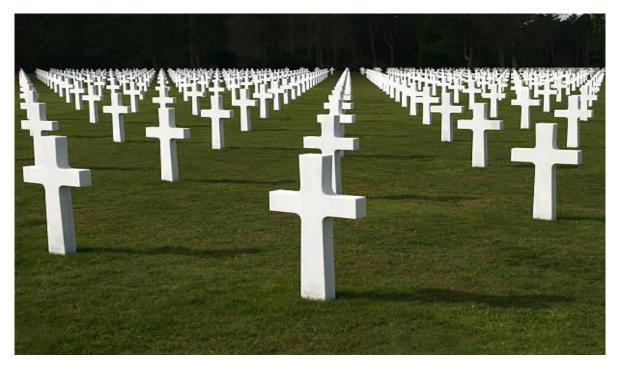
Report of Assets and Liabilities

ASSETS

| Cash and cash equivalents Marketable Securities Durable Medical Equipment, at estimated value Prepaid Expenses Property & Equipment, net of Accumulated Depreciation | \$ 41,576 \$ 803,498 \$ 14,540 \$ 5,269 <u>\$ 265,218</u> | \$ 148,504 \$ 1,080,543 \$ 51,580 \$ 0 \$ 188,894 |
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| Total Assets | \$ 1,130,101 | \$ 1,469,521 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Current Liabilities | | |
| Accrued vacation & sick pay | \$ 3,023 | \$ 27,177 |
| Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions | | |
| Board Designated Funds (Building and Vehicle Funds) | \$ 300,000 | 300,000 |
| Undesignated | <u>\$ 827,078</u> | \$ 1,142,344 |
| Total net assets | \$ 1,127,078 | \$ 1,442,344 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS | \$ 1,130,101 | \$ 1,469,521 |



In Memory



David Anderson

Army

David Cline

Navy

John Coley

Army

Richard Dumas

Air Force

Angel Nieves Rosario

Army