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Senator Valde Garcia accepting his award at the 2008 Salute to Veterans Gala with Kevin Elya, MPVA President, and Michael Harris, MPVA Executive Director.

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Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America (MPVA) is one of 34 member chapters of Washington, D.C.-based Paralyzed Veterans of America. A Congressionally chartered veterans service organization, MPVA has been assisting veterans with spinal cord injuries or diseases, including Multiple Sclerosis and ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, better known as Lou Gehrig's Disease), in Michigan since 1961.

MPVA programs include:

- Veterans' Benefits
- Wheelchair Sports and Recreation
- Spinal Cord Injury Research
- Equipment Donation
- Advocacy to eliminate architectural barriers and protect civil rights for persons with disabilities
- Referral Services for assistive devices, housing, employment and transportation
- Literature on a variety of topics including self-care, independent living, and disability rights.
- The Pump Guide: an online directory of gas stations throughout Michigan that will pump gas at the self-serve price for persons with disabilities.
- MPVA is a nonprofit organization and receives no federal funding. MPVA relies on grants, sponsorships, and private and corporate donations to support its programs.

The MPVA headquarters is in Novi, Michigan. Our service officers are based out of the McNamara Federal Building in Downtown Detroit.

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# President's Report

By Kevin G. Elya

## Happy New Year

I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays with good company, excellent food, and lots of relaxation! As we start the New Year, I feel particularly pleased with some of the rewarding events that took place at the close of 2008. One of major highlights of 2008 that I would like to take some time to "recap" was the November 6th Salute to Veterans Gala in which nearly 250 people showed up to honor our veterans of all eras.

For years, our friends have voiced a need to have an annual celebration honoring those who served our nation, and we so proud to have hosted the 5th year of the Salute to Veterans Gala. As many of you know, this event specifically takes time to let the men and women who are serving now, and have served previously, know how much we appreciate their service. This year was no exception as many people came to hear the words

of Senator Valde Garcia, who has served 26 years in the military and holds the rank of Colonel in the Michigan Army National Guard, acting as the evening's keynote speaker. The Senator spoke about our countries cultural barriers and the great advancements our nation has had over the past twenty years and noted that these liberties were made possible because of the tireless effort of our Nations service men and women.

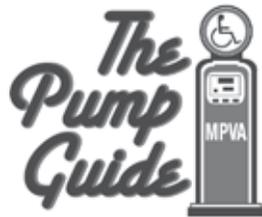
So many notable guests were in attendance that evening, including former television news anchor and Army veteran, Rich Fisher (the evening's Master of Ceremonies), Richard Bernstein of the Bernstein Law Firm, and Brigadier General Carol Ann Fausone, of the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs, who was also able to share a few inspiring words with us. Additionally, an array of businesses and friends went out of their way to support us this year, and in light of the difficult economic times we are having I feel even more appreciative for their generosity. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people once more: Richard Bernstein of the Bernstein Law Firm, Adult Well-Being Services, F. Lax Construction, Legal Help for Veterans, PLLC, UAW Region 1, Wright & Filippis, Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan, American House Senior Living, Huron Valley Professional Center, LLC, SKF USA, WWJ News Radio 950, and the Foundation for American Veterans. I would also like to thank the VistaTech Center at Schoolcraft College for once again donating the hall to us; as a nonprofit organization, that certainly helps us and I have to say that I think the food there is great!

Finally, I would like to thank the staff at the Detroit Service Office and at our chapter headquarters that also helped to make the evening a success. I cannot wait for next year's Gala; be sure to mark your calendar for Wednesday, November 11th, same time, same place! 🍷

## The Pump Guide

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# Executive Director's Report

By Mike Harris

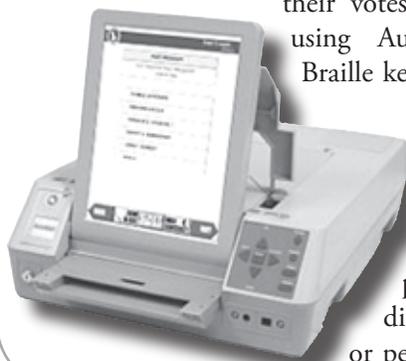
## Accessibility at the Voting Booth

The Help America Vote Act (HAVA) of 2002 mandated for all states to have accessible voting sites for the 2006 federal elections. HAVA has impacted every part of the voting process, from voting machines to provisional ballots, and voter registration, as well as poll worker training. In compliance with HAVA, Secretary of State, Terri Lynn Land, introduced new voting equipment designed to make the casting of ballots easier for voters with disabilities in May of 2006. The effort was intended to advance independence and privacy in voting booths. This new voting equipment was named, AutoMARK.

AutoMark was specifically designed to allow voters with physical disabilities (blind, visually impaired, or otherwise unable to mark a ballot in the usual way) the ability to cast their votes using a special voting system. This new technology resembles a fax machine with a large flip-up screen that also has headphones attached to it. The system was selected after an extensive evaluation process involving more than 80 representatives from the disability community and local election officials. AutoMARK was the overwhelming favorite of both groups and was cited for its accessibility and ease of use.

Throughout the selection process, Secretary Land demonstrated her commitment to the disability community by actively seeking the input of individuals and advocates. The end result was a voting device that not only provides exceptional accessibility features, but also adheres to the principles of inclusiveness by providing people with various types of disabilities the opportunity to mark, verify and cast their votes on the same ballot as every other voting citizen.

Depending on their needs, voters can also cast their votes without assistance using AutoMARK's screen, Braille keypad, or foot pedal.



Additionally, they can use magnification and contrast features on the screen, headphones with an audio function, a wand or personal sip/puff tube

to assist in marking the ballot (at least one of these voting systems is required to be available for use in each of the state's polling locations). When the ballot is completed, it is scanned and is stored with all other ballots. Voters maintain the privacy of their ballot throughout the process.

"We are at the beginning of a new era in voting for people with disabilities," said Land. "This technology is intended to remove obstacles to voting for members of Michigan's disability community and to ensure they are given the same opportunity for access and participation as other voters on Election Day."

Yet, the AutoMARK system has been used for in Michigan during the 2006 and 2008 general elections, and unfortunately issues have surfaced that need to be addressed in order for the new technology to be effective. For example, poll workers at my precinct indicated to me that no one ever uses the AutoMARK voting machine. Quite frankly, I am not surprised, because most people are not aware the machines are available, or they don't know how to use them.

To resolve these problems, the Secretary of State office, in conjunction with city clerks throughout Michigan, need to do an aggressive public service announcement campaign. They need to educate voters with disabilities, reluctant to go to their local polling location because of previous bad experiences, that new technology is available which allows them to cast a secret and independent ballot.

The first time I used the AutoMARK, my ballot would not discharge from the machine. After notifying the poll workers, I waited more than an hour for the problem to be resolved. The solution ended up being simple: the detachable stub on the ballot must be detached before putting the ballot into the machine. I ran into this complication because I read the clear instructions on the stub which stated to "not detach" it, and there were no visible instructions "to detach" it anywhere on the AutoMARK.

The AutoMARK Troubleshooting Guide mentions two possible solutions: "either remove the stub before putting the ballot into the machine, or program the machine to recognize the stub." I am not sure how the AutoMark machine was set at my location, but I do know this frustration could have been avoided if a

message had appeared on the screen instructing the voter to remove the stub from the ballot.

In this year's election, after casting votes for my chosen candidates, the ballot was returned with a check for all of the candidates on the ballot. I then notified a poll worker of my dilemma and they refused to help me because they did not want to leave the area they were assigned to cover. After trying to vote again on three different occasions, I finally gave up and filled out a paper ballot. Once again, confusion resulted because the workers in the polling locations were overwhelmed with the heavy turnout.

It has become obvious that the more complex the voting machine, the more difficulty poll workers and voters may have in understanding how to operate it. Also, the more flexible a system is, the more difficult it is for novices to navigate through the necessary choices in order to arrive at the best solution. The question, ultimately, is whether poll workers and voters will be able to identify and implement the optimal input system without better guidance or expert support.

With a general election held every two years, there is no

way that poll workers and voters can be expected to understand all the operations associated with the AutoMARK, unless the Secretary of State's office, in conjunction with city clerks throughout Michigan, develops a training video on how to properly use the machine. Without an educational piece on this topic, it is unlikely that poll workers, along with the voters, will ever gain the knowledge necessary to operate the system.

It is our hope that all elected officials fully understand their obligations under state and federal law to provide an accessible means of voting for all eligible citizens. Historical fixes, such as absentee ballots or assistance from poll workers, in no way excuses them of this responsibility. The Paralyzed Veterans of America has a long history of advocating for the right to vote. Our members know firsthand, as do all veterans who served our country, the sacrifices that must be made to safeguard our democracy. The right to vote is arguably our most sacred right as Americans citizens. Ensuring that each of us has the opportunity to participate equally in the electoral process is vital to maintaining the health and integrity of our democracy. ♿

# WELCOME ABOARD NEW MEMBERS

*Welcome aboard to new members and members  
who transferred into the Michigan Chapter for 2008.*

Jeremy Ramirez	Shannon Rhodes
Brian Davis	Michael Lewis
Gary Houghton	Virgil Deselm
Christopher Clark	Timothy Bishop
Brian Chalmers	Kenya Hyatt
James Tanner	Linda Froberg
Arthur Radford	Norman D'Angelo
Rebecca Forbes	Robert Vance
Mayquilla Squire	Harold Edwards
Dale Larson	Stephanie Calendar
Ronald Gimik	David Saukas
Margo Bradley Mark	Blair Quillin
Michael Hall	Arthur Evans
Marvin Petty	

**We are proud you are part of the MPVA family!**



# Government Relations & Advocacy

By Bonnie L. Welbaum, Director of Government Relations & Advocacy

## Highlights

**H**appy new year 2009! Let's hope things will improve for Michigan and our country in the new year. After a lot of ugly political advertising during the presidential campaign, we witnessed the electing of our country's first African American President. Now we must proceed and anticipate the positive "change" President Elect Obama said he would initiate. During his campaign he promised to listen close to the needs of the disabled community. We'll be watching, and let's hope that our country will be on the upside this time next year. As for now, I wanted to update everyone on a few things "going on" in veterans' news:

### Santa Comes Through for Some Michigan Veterans

As you may have heard on the news over the past few months, The University of Michigan (U of M) is no longer using Nike athletic apparel and will now be using Addidas athletic apparel. Consequently, U of M had to quickly part from of all of their Nike sporting-good equipment. Thus, the University decided to tap the MPVA in order to donate the goods. The MPVA then turned to Brigadier General Carol Ann Fausone, of Michigan's Department of Military & Veterans Affairs, who organized plans to disperse the gear.

This very generous donation resulted in over 2 semi-trucks full of U of M merchandise that was donated to Michigan-area veterans. This large undertaking turned into a week of unloading, sorting, and distributing shoes (did you ever see a size 23 bas-

ketball shoe?), coats, running pants, sweatshirts, and other items. Members from the Brain Injury Association, Brigadier General Carole Ann Fausone, and I sent out tons of boxes of items for holiday gifts to five VA hospitals, two state veterans homes located in Grand Rapids and Marquette, a homeless veteran's shelter in Detroit, an organization called Southeastern Michigan Veterans Stand Down, a local-area Salvation Army Center, and a few inner-city schools. This was an unbelievably generous donation, and now our veterans will be able to root for U of M in style!

### Voter Registration for VA Communities

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) clarified its policy on assisting veteran's voter registration activities with a primary focus on inpatients and residents of VA Community Living Centers, and patients with limited access to community voter registration resources. The Department will now welcome state and local election officials and non-partisan groups to its hospitals and outpatients clinics to assist VA officials in registering voters at their VA facilities. Patient voting rights will be posted in every hospital and all VA patients will be provided this information when admitted.

### NO GI Bill Outsourcing

The Department of Veterans Affairs decided after much protest from Veterans Service Organizations and others, not to outsource its GI Bill information technology (IT) responsibilities after all. In a news



Jaclyn Kochis and Bonnie Welbaum at Disability Awareness Day this past November.

release, they said they would rely on their own workforce to set up IT programs needed to deliver new educational benefits to post-911 veterans. Previously, the VA claimed they felt incapable of administering the new GI Bill on their own and many could not understand why the VA would even consider outsourcing with the expertise already in the system.

## Improper Handling of VA Claims Deemed Reason to Initiate New Procedures

Veterans, family members, and survivors applying for financial benefits from the VA may have had their paperwork mishandled by VA personnel. Special procedures are now in force for applicants who had applied during the 18 month period between April 14, 2007 and October 14, 2008.

Applicants who believe they had claims in review somewhere around that time should re-apply and will have until Nov 17, 2009 to re-file previously submitted documents.

New procedures included: the immediate ceasing of all shredding activities, a complete investigation of activities while tighter controls were established, and special training for all employees working in claims who work with veterans' applications. All shredding equipment and operations are now under strict control of the facility records management officer. If you have any doubts that your claim was mishandled or not considered, call 1-800-827-1000 for assistance, and a representative will assist you.

## SCI Self-Care Guide Now Available free on the Web

"Yes, You Can!" A guide to self-care for persons with Spinal Cord Injuries (SCI) was published by the Paralyzed Veterans of America. Written by experts, "Yes, You Can!," is a guide for both the newly injured patient in the SCI unit and the SCI patient who is out of the hospital. This tool will also serve as a useful resource for family members.

MPVA believes this manual to be an important reference

## Valuable Dates for 2009

### Board of Directors Meeting

January 6, 2009  
MPVA Chapter Headquarters, Novi

### Membership Meetings

(all meetings are on Thursdays at the  
Novi MPVA office unless otherwise notified)

### January Meeting

January 22, 2009

for those who may have had a spinal cord injury because it provides feedback on how to handle problems and also gives advice on where to turn for help. It is comprehensive and provides easy-to-read practical knowledge on a large number of medical, psychological, social, and vocational issues.

Living successfully with a disability entails being aware of one's health needs, resources, and coping effectively with the stress and difficulties often associated with having a physical disability. Individuals who adjust well to unexpected events generally lead healthy, active, and happy lives after their injury.

We know that there is life, a good life, available to you after spinal cord injury or disease. "Yes, You Can!" will guide you in setting and reaching goals, and in believing in your abilities. "Yes, you Can!" is available by visiting the website [www.pva.org](http://www.pva.org), then click on the word "publications".

## VA Mortgage Options Now Available for Veterans

As a result of the Veterans Benefits Improvement Act of 2008, signed by President Bush in October, the VA will now assist a number of veterans with subprime loans to refinance into more safer and affordable VA Guaranteed loans. Previously the VA did not guarantee subprime loans. The maximum amount for these types of refinancing loans has been raised by Congress from \$144,000 up to \$729,750 depending on location or site. Call 1-877-827-3702 or visit [www.homeloans.va.gov](http://www.homeloans.va.gov) for more information.

That is all for now! I hope you enjoy the new year! 

## *Sincere Condolences* *to all of our MPVA families* *who lost loved ones in 2008*

**Lowell Burton**

**Carl Richard**

**Edward Rumsey**

**Clinton Burnes**

**Joseph Wessels**

**Morris Snead**

**Alvin Holmes**

**Donald Rosbeck**

**Lynwood Howe**

**Robert Kuhn**

**William King**



By Charles Henning, Senior National Service Officer

## Unauthorized Emergent Non-VA Hospital Care Millennium Health Care Bill

**What should you do if you require emergency medical treatment and the Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) facility is not available?**

You should first call 911, or other means, to get to the nearest hospital emergency room. Have someone contact the Veterans Affairs (VA) Fee Basis as soon as possible. The VA Fee Basis Program allows you to inquire about the status of a patient's health care claim that has been submitted. It is not a "health insurance plan," however; it is designed to assist veterans who cannot easily receive care at a VA Medical Center. Be sure to contact the VA Fee Basis within 72 hours of hospital admission. The local hospital can do this, but will request the name of the individual who is contacted.

**Will the Department of Veterans Affairs pay for my care?**

First, your situation will be accessed to determine if it is an emergency. The standard that must be met is "if in the mind of an average person, is the situation considered life threatening, or if there was a delay of care, would the situation be deemed life threatening?"

Next, the VA will check to see if you are in a category that is eligible for payment or reimbursement. This would be based of two types of conditions: service-connected conditions, or non-service-connected conditions. The conditions for service-connected veterans are:

1. If treatment is for a service-connected condition

or is aggravating by a service-connected condition.

2. Any condition for a patient rated with a total and permanent (100%) service-connected disability.

For the veterans without a service-connected disability, there are two things that are considered:

1. If the individual has no other insurance; it is covered. The VA will pay until the emergency is over or the individual can transfer you to a VA facility. If a transfer is offered and refused, VA will not pay from the date that a transfer was possible.
2. If you have any other insurance, the VA cannot pay. They can, however, have you transferred to a VA facility to lessen your expenses.

Most facilities will bill the VA directly. One important thing to remember is: if any other carrier pays any portion, the VA is unable to pay, unless the facility refunds the first payer first. They are required to pay all or none. Sometimes, you must insist that they bill the VA.

**What happens if I get letters from creditors because the bills have not been paid?**

These bills are ultimately your responsibility and non-payment can affect your credit report if they go unresolved. You need to talk to the creditors and can refer them to the VA. You may also contact your National Service Officer (NSO) or the VA Fee Basis section directly. If possible, you can pay the bill and be reimbursed by VA; this is a slow process but the NSO is willing to assist you with this matter.

You must also remember that when you call 911, they are required to transport you to the nearest trauma center that can provide the needed care. VA medical centers are not registered trauma centers. If they were, they could not refuse to treat any emergent patient and they are not manned, equipped, nor funded to do so and could not support their mission of caring for veterans.





# Sports & Recreation

By Scot Severn, Sports & Recreation Director

## Wheelin' Team 5th Annual Deer Hunt

Ray Brown did not have much time to look at the size of the antlers when his guide (Roger Wilcox) told him to get ready. The buck stepped out of a nearby tree-line into the field where Roger had set up a temporary blind. Ray located the deer's shoulder in his scope and squeezed the trigger. The big buck did not get far as Ray had made a perfect 70-yard shot on what turned out to be the largest buck he had ever had the opportunity to have in his sights. The 17-point monster, dressed out at 235 pounds, had antlers that scored over 150 inches.

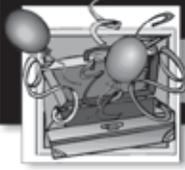
Ray was hunting on the Friday morning of the Disabled Hunt Weekend; something that would not have been possible only a year ago. The Michigan DNR decided to lengthen the time for the special Disabled Hunt Weekend that allows hunters to have a "Hunt from a Standing Vehicle" Permit, enabling hunters to use a shotgun on the third weekend in October for deer hunting on private property. Simply put, that means that if you are confined to a wheelchair and cannot walk more than a couple feet, the DNR will issue a permit that allows you to hunt from a vehicle such as a 4-wheeler, golf cart, or even your car or truck

as long as you're not shooting across a road or onto private property without permission. This year's hunt started on Thursday instead of Saturday, affording the opportunity for disabled hunters to have a better chance to get out into the woods.

The weekend was very successful for the whole group of 23 hunters. Twelve deer were taken and everyone had a good time. The conclusion of the hunt it was no surprise as Ray Brown took home the award for the biggest buck. Yet, an even more rewarding moment took place as we invited quad amputee, John Lee, into the woods, who took home his first deer that weekend. John also had the great opportunity of getting a shot at his first buck during muzzleloader season the first week of December; proving that anything is possible. John has been a quad amputee for a couple years and has been involved with Wheelin' Team 457 for about a year. When he first joined the group, I am sure he had no idea what could be made possible!

The Wheelin' Team would like to thank all the volunteers that were onsite that weekend. Ray Brown would be the first to testify that without the help of his guide, Roger Wilcox, he would not have even had a chance to harvest his big buck. From the guides, to the cooks, and the property owners; we appreciate each and every one of you. 





# BIRTHDAYS



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 Melvin G. Eisenberg January 02  
 Eugene J. Cole January 04  
 Raymond D. Hill January 04  
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 Matthew W. Nedela January 05  
 Jerome A. Winston January 05  
 Michael V. Hall January 06  
 Joe T. Harvey January 06  
 William L. Watts January 06  
 Thomas M. Durkee January 07  
 Richard R. Ference January 07  
 Laverne W. Coleman January 08  
 Patrick L. Smith January 08  
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 John W. Hart January 10  
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 Roy J. Randolph January 10  
 Leonard J. Sposato January 10  
 Michael J. Manfrom January 11  
 Chester J. Grew January 12  
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 David G. Peck January 12  
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 Gary E. Klatt January 13  
 Mary E. Dingeldey January 14  
 William B. Milzarski January 15  
 Richard A. Crawley January 16  
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 Timothy A. Berczel January 17  
 Michael J. Marko January 17  
 James C. Pittman January 17  
 Debra J. Hoogerhyde January 18

John E. Tominac January 18  
 Dennis Minnifield January 20  
 Robert M. Lareau January 22  
 Peter J. Pappas January 22  
 Randall Charon January 23  
 Joan Hamilton-Walker January 23  
 Maurice L. Jordan January 24  
 Robert D. Boyd January 25  
 Tameka R. Citchen January 25  
 Leon S. Tallman January 25  
 Alexander M. Urquhart January 27  
 Pasquale Perna January 29  
 Darrell Robins January 29



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 Fred Lauback January 30  
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 Rebecca A. Forbes January 31  
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 Bradley J. Anderson February 07  
 Nick Ivan February 07  
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 Robert M. Vance February 09  
 Diane L. Dusa February 10  
 Charles P. O'Loughlin February 10

Roberta Brezzell February 11  
 Haile Garrison February 13  
 Jackie Lyons February 13  
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# Paralyzed Veterans

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## 3rd Annual PVA/AWBA Bowling Tournament Series Schedule

### **Nevada PVA Tournament**

December 4–7, 2008  
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### **Virginia Mid-Atlantic PVA Tournament**

April 3–5, 2009  
Virginia Beach, VA

### **Florida Gulf Coast PVA Tournament**

April 24–26, 2009  
Largo, FL

### **Michigan PVA Tournament**

May 29–31, 2009  
Taylor, MI

### **Mid-America PVA Tournament**

July 23–26, 2009  
Oklahoma City, OK

### **Mountain States PVA Tournament**

August 27–30, 2009  
Colorado Springs, CO

**BOWLING**



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