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*Rollin' Times from the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America*



The 2011 Detroit Free Press Marathon  
Wheelers get ready to set out onto the 26.2 mile course  
through Detroit and Canada on Sunday, October 16, 2011

*Photo By: Kelly Whalen*





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The 2011 Detroit Free Press Marathon took place this past October and the MPVA once again sponsored the Disability Division of the race. See the Detroit Free Press Marathon Special Edition of this newsletter for more details.

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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

## How to Register your Service Dog with Department of Veteran Affairs

If you or someone you know is a veteran and utilize a service dog, there are VA benefits available to you for the care and maintenance of your service dog.

To qualify for VA benefits relating to certain expense for the care of your service dog, your disability does not have to be service connected, however you must be enrolled or enroll in the VA health care system.

Ask your clinician to complete the VA form 10-2641 on your behalf. These forms must be completed by VA personnel. To have these forms completed, you must make an appointment with your case worker to start the application process. When you make your appointment, be sure to inquire what types of documentation you will need and be sure to bring them with you to the appointment.

A completed and properly filled out application is the key to making sure your claim is filed and processed. You should receive an official response in 3 to 4 weeks.

Once you are approved, the VA will pay for veterinary care and the equipment (e.g. harness and/or backpack) required for optimal use of the dog. Veterinary care includes prescribed medications, office visits for medical procedures, and dental procedures where the dog is sedated (one sedated dental procedure will be covered annually). Vaccinations should be current when the dog is provided to the veteran through an accredited agency. Subsequent vaccinations will be covered by the VA. Prescribed food will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Veterinary care does not include over-the-counter medications, food, treats and nonsedated dental care. Flea and tick medications are considered over-the-counter and are the responsibility of the



*Ginny Elya, my service dog*

veteran along with over-the-counter dental care products (bones, dental treats, etc.). Grooming, boarding and other routine expenses are not covered.

For more information go to [www.va.gov](http://www.va.gov) and search for the words "service dog." As a veteran of this country your benefits include care for your service dog. I hope you enroll in this program—I know my dog Ginny and I are glad that we are enrolled in it!



**WELCOME ABOARD NEW MEMBERS**

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

*Sincere Condolences to the families of:*

*Michael A. Anderson*

*Giovanni Bonacci*

*Solomon Gilmore*



# Executive Director's Report

By Mike Harris

## House Bill 4936: Bad for MPVA Members

**M**embers of the Insurance Committee voted in favor of legislation that will fundamentally destroy the Michigan Auto No-Fault system as we currently know it.

In October, the Michigan House of Representatives Committee on Insurance held three separate hearings at our State Capitol in Lansing where people were allowed to give testimony on House Bill (HB) 4936. Each hearing was packed with an overflowing crowd of people spilling into other rooms to watch the proceedings on television. I tried testifying at each hearing but was not able to do so because of the overwhelming demand of people wanting to testify in opposition of HB 4936. The turnout by people that have been seriously injured in an automobile accident was truly amazing.

The Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America opposes HB 4936 because the effects of the legislation will have on our membership. In 1994, voters defeated Proposal C, which included many of the same provisions as HB 4936. House Bill 4936 includes the following:

- Impose lifetime caps on auto injury benefits between \$500,000 and 5 million.
- Mandate government price controls in the form of workers compensation fee schedules on healthcare providers treating auto accident victims.
- Set attendant care and nursing payment rates for persons caring for catastrophically injured accident victims. Testimony at the House of Representatives Insurance Committee indicated that care could not be provided at maximum \$11 per hour cap.
- Block voters from their constitutional right to seek a referendum to overturn the legislation. A \$50,000 appropriation was included in the bill. Appropriations bills cannot be overturned via public referendum.

The Michigan No-Fault Automobile Insurance Act was adopted by the Michigan Legislature in 1972 and went into effect in October of 1973. The Michigan law has the

broadest and most generous medical expense and patient care provisions of any no-fault statute in the United States. The statute states that a person is entitled to recover certain allowable expenses which are described as: "all reasonable charges incurred for reasonably necessary products, services and accommodations for an injured person's care recovery or rehabilitation." Allowable expenses are payable for life and payable without dollar limitation.

Various court decisions have established that allowable expenses benefits include a wide variety of products and services, including medical and hospital expenses; in-home nursing or attendant care; residential accommodations; room and board expenses; physical and vocational rehabilitation; special motor vehicle transportation; medical transportation mileage; etc.

No-fault benefits also include limited benefits for loss of income. When an injured victim cannot work as a result of an auto accident, work loss benefits are payable for up to a maximum of three years from the date of the accident. Under the statute, work loss benefits are payable at the rate of 85% of gross pay, including overtime. However, the work loss benefit cannot exceed a monthly maximum.

In exchange for these benefits, Michigan motorists gave up the right to sue in auto accidents, except when someone is killed or very seriously injured. Because of this, disputes over who was at fault in an accident will not hold up payment of medical bills. Michigan is unique in that damage to vehicles fall under the no-fault system. This, too, saves time and money in claims payment. Michigan drivers must buy collision and/or comprehensive insurance to cover damages to their own car.

The Michigan Catastrophic Claim Association (MCCA) was created by the Michigan legislature as a means of spreading costs across all Michigan motorists for providing these unlimited medical benefits and other no-fault benefits. As of July of 2011, the MCCA reimburses no-fault insurers for benefits that exceed \$500,000. All insurers that sell auto insurance in Michigan must pay the MCCA an annual fee for each vehicle insured. That fee

is known as the MCCA assessment, and is passed on in whole or in part to the policyholders.

The current assessment rate of \$145 per vehicle is an outstanding value for the peace of mind and the services it provides. Any time a driver gets into a vehicle alone or with multiple people, they have the peace of mind that if there is an accident, whether they are at fault or not, their expenses will be covered as a lifetime benefit.

### **Overview: House Bill 4936**

HB 4936 would allow Michigan drivers to purchase as little as \$500,000 of personal injury protection (PIP) coverage from the current uncapped lifetime medical benefits in an effort to lower insurance costs. The insurance industry estimates it might save auto owners 15% if they choose less coverage. However, nothing in the legislation guarantees any savings would result in lower insurance premiums.

It is anticipated that 95% or more of drivers will choose the \$500,000 level. Unfortunately, the savings to consumers are minimal. The cost to the driver, if they are injured significantly, may be catastrophic AND the cost to taxpayers in the State of Michigan will be catastrophic. Another troubling aspect of the bill comes to provisions dealing with in-home care and fee schedules. Under HB 4936 family provided attendant care is limited to a total of 56 hours per week (capped at 8 hours per day) and is payable at the hourly rate of \$11 per hour for basic care and \$17 per hour for skilled care, regardless of how severe the injury or the extent of the patient's needs.

The changes to in-home attendant care for No-Fault benefits appear to be retroactive in this bill. This means that this bill, if it becomes law, will be applicable to all current and future auto accident injury victims who receive and require attendant care.

The legislation also calls for health care providers to be reimbursed under Michigan's workers compensation fee schedule. These fees were intended for catastrophic auto accident cases and would arbitrarily reduce payments to providers without regard to the intensity of the services necessary to care for and rehabilitate seriously injured patients.

The majority of Michigan PVA members that have a non-service related spinal cord injury are a direct result of an auto accident. The PIP coverage provided by the Michigan No-Fault law has been a tremendous help to our members. This coverage has benefited us in dealing with the many physical, psychological, and financial aspects of this life altering condition. To dismantle Michigan No-

Fault insurance for some possible cost savings would be devastating for our members and for those injured in weeks, months and years to come.

Prior to my injury, my understanding of Michigan No-Fault Law was no different from the majority of people that I knew. We all thought when an automobile accident occurred that nobody was at fault. I never knew that the Personal Injury Protection was an unlimited coverage that pays all of your medical cost for the rest of your life. I am convinced that if I had been given the opportunity to select the minimum amount of coverage, I would have done so. If this had happen, it would have been the worst decision I ever made.

Back in 1986, my hospital bill at the University of Michigan was \$86,000. When inquiring what the same medical care would cost in today's dollars I was informed by their Physical Medicine & Rehab Department it probably would cost about \$700,000.

When my injury occurred 25 years ago my health insurance through my employer could not have begun to cover everything that was needed. The medical cost throughout the life of my injury has been around \$1.5 million.

Paralyzed Veterans from other states cannot believe the incredible coverage that Michigan provides for people that are seriously injured in an automobile accident. I've always compared it to the coverage our members with a service related spinal cord injury receive from the VA. The only difference is that they receive monthly compensation for the rest of their life.

Nearly two-thirds of Michigan voters oppose the insurance industry's effort to avoid paying for the extensive medical care the state's auto no-fault law requires them to provide for severely injured motorists a survey released by the Coalition Protecting Auto No-Fault (CPAN).

Michigan citizens realize that people that are seriously injured in an auto accident can get the medical care they need without bankrupting their families and turning to welfare. They understand that it is not worth throwing away the best auto insurance system in the United States just to save a couple of bucks.

The insurance industry's attempts at reform may be good for profits, but this legislation is bad for drivers, bad for accident victims and bad for Michigan!

One final thought:

Throughout our history, veterans have served our country with distinction to defend our democratic principles.

With that being said, I was extremely disappointed to learn that \$50,000 appropriation was included in HB

4936 with the sole purpose of prohibiting Michigan citizens from being able to exercise their constitutional right to petition the government in favor of and/or against policies that feel strongly about.

By deliberately drafting legislation with language that eliminates the ability of Michigan citizens to challenge legislation through a ballot initiative is a slap in the face of every veteran who has ever served this country.

In my opinion, it is unconstitutional to approve legislation that bypasses the rights of voters. The fact that this was

allowed to happen disappoints me more than the actual legislation being proposed on Michigan No-fault.

I urge everyone to contact their representatives and ask them to oppose HB4936 as it moves to the House floor for debate. At the same time, as Americans we need to make it perfectly clear that it is unacceptable to take away our right to vote!



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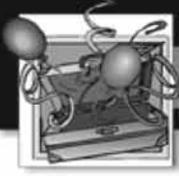
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Charles R. James	November 02	Dickie J. Mahlum	November 21	Richard L. Fezatte	December 07
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Rudolph M. Sexton	November 03	Sanford Kornwise	November 22	Dollie Linton	December 09
Anthony J. Borum	November 05	James E. Spears	November 22	Ralph Beuhler	December 10
Gerald Weber	November 05	John D. Acker	November 23	Robert T. Reed	December 10
Ronald J. Buhl	November 06	Michael A. Karjala	November 23	Peter C. Scavarda	December 10
Gordon K. Davis	November 06	Dennis R. Beaudoin	November 24	James Faust	December 11
William J. Rudd	November 06	William H. Mania	November 25	Michael A. Armitage	December 13
Randy M. Krampien	November 07	Richard K. Pavley	November 25	Edward Price	December 13
James P. Ford	November 08	Robert A. Warren	November 26	Paul A. Etenhoffer	December 14
Timothy H. Friske	November 08	Kathy A. Adams	November 28	Andrew Bell	December 15
Dennis Mingus	November 08	Ronald M. Dennis	November 28	Robert D. Boyd	December 15
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John K. DeBono	November 10	Virgil D. Deselm	November 29	Robert A. Alpeter	December 17
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Brian L. Gripentrog	November 11	Bernard J. Stanaway	November 29	Randall C. Bowers	December 21
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Shane M. Ranta	November 17	Clifton L. Howard	December 03	Ronald J. Muschong	December 28
Vincent R. Koster	November 19	Raymond D. Vachon	December 03	Randall F. Miller	December 30
Thomas J. Lahaney	November 19	Carulus E. Giddings	December 04	Donald J. Riggins	December 31
Brian A. Davis	November 20	Leonard J. McCulloch	December 04		
Solomon Gilmore	November 20	Alphonso Riley	December 04		
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## DECEMBER





# Special Edition

By: Jaclyn Kochis

## 2011 Detroit Free Press Marathon

The 2011 Detroit Free Press/Talmer Bank Marathon took place on Sunday, October 16, 2011 and welcomed approximately 40 handcyclists and wheelchair racers to take on the 26.2-mile course through Detroit and Canada. Once again, the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans (MPVA) of America proudly sponsored the Disability Division of the race which welcomed nearly 20 more participants than the previous year.

The marathon festivities were kicked-off on Friday, October 14, 2011 at an Expo held at Cobo Hall in Detroit. Thousands of runners, walkers, wheelers, and interested supporters came out to see what sponsors who were supporting the race, and charities receiving support, had to offer.

The MPVA teamed up with local friends, Bob and Patricia Temple, who were representing the Buoniconti Fund, a nonprofit organization that works to find a cure for paralysis by supporting research for new or improved treatments for spinal cord injury/disease (SCI/D), to set up a rousing display which included a wheelchair obstacle course.

The Detroit Free Press Expo ended on Saturday evening after 39 individuals who had registered for the Disabilities Division had checked in to collect their race bibs and packets. Bright and early the following morning, the MPVA met all 39 racers at the start line. Some had traveled from Arizona, California, Florida, New York or Canada to compete and they were eager to get out onto the course.

However, this year brought forth an interesting new change. Before the participants in the Disability Division sought out onto the race route, they were to be paired up with bicycle escorts who were assigned one-to-one with each racer. According to Bill Laitner of the Detroit Free Press, the bicyclists were “accomplished cyclists from metro Detroit” who “rolled at more than

20 m.p.h. on Sunday at the Free Press/Talmer Bank Marathon.”

The addition of the bicyclists seemed to be a hit with the disability participants who can sometimes encounter problems with their equipment ranging from flat tires or broken chains which can greatly hinder their race time. Likewise, the bicycle escorts came across the finish line expressing their admiration and marvel over the tough feat that the handcyclists and wheelers had accomplished.

The MPVA also had the opportunity to greet the Achilles Freedom Team of Wounded Veterans who brought 20 military members and veterans from all across the country to participate in this year’s marathon.



*Photo Credit: Kelly Whalen*

David Randall, 37, of Ontario, Ohio, was the first handcyclist to reach the finish line with a time of 1:21:55. Smiling from ear-to-ear, David, who is a member of the U.S. Paralympics National Team, graciously put on his race medal and proceeded to answer dozens of questions from media staff that had come out to cover the event.

Meanwhile, the first and only woman to enter the

Disability division, Tabitha Landon, 17, of Lake Odessa, was working her way to the finish. She, too, concluded her race with a smile at the impressive time of 2:48:52. This was her second time competing in a marathon and when asked how she felt she simply exclaimed "Great!"



*Photo Credit: Bill Laitner,  
Detroit Free Press*

Michael Harris, MPVA Executive Director, who served on a board which advised the Detroit Free Press Marathon staff on this year's race stated, "I am always thoroughly impressed by the athletes that participate in this race. Each year that we have been able to sponsor, I have witnessed the work that goes into this race

from both the planning perspective and the athletes' perspective. It takes a great deal of work on both sides. This year was absolutely no exception. I hope that we continue to see the Disability Division of this race grow as we have this year. It truly proves how limitless individuals with disabilities can be."

The Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America would like to congratulate each and every person who competed in this year's Detroit Free Press Marathon! We look forward to next year's event and supporting the 2012 Disability Division.

To view photos from the Detroit Free Press Marathon, please go to the inside, back cover over of this issue.



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By: Bonnie J. Williams, Chapter Service Officer

## Do you know your Spinal Cord Clinic Teams

**H**ave you ever had an issue with your medical care or needed to contact your Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) team to discuss a medical issue or renew some prescriptions? Here is a complete list which will provide you with the proper contact information and how to reach an SCI team in your area:

### VA ANN ARBOR SCI STAFF:

SCI Chief Lisa Diponio

SCI Nurse Manager John Bushbacker

SCI Coordinator Amanda Raine

734-845-3821

PVA Service Officer: Bonnie Williams

734-769-7100 EX 57415

### VA BATTLE CREEK SCI STAFF:

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SCI Coordinator Tanya Berlin

269-966-5600 ex.31641

Staff Physician Sung Cho

PVA Service Officer: Charles Henning

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SCI Coordinator Ann Brady

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989-497-2500 ex. 11783

If you are in need of more specialty care, each facility belongs to what is referred to as a "HUB." A HUB is a hospital that cares for our SCI populations more urgent needs. The HUB sites for veterans located in our geographic area are in Cleveland, OH and Hines, IL, but you may be authorized to go to other facilities if needed.

If you have further question regarding your SCI care, please contact us at (800) 795-3608.





# THE MICHIGAN PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA

Presents  
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## Salute to Veterans Gala

*With Keynote Speaker:*

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# Sports & Recreation

By: Coach Carol Clemens

## Wheelin' Team 457 Annual Deer Hunt



**T**here were 20 hunters from Alpena, Lansing, Roseville and many other parts of our great state who traveled out to Lapeer, MI, to participate in this year's Wheelin' Team 457 Deer Hunt. The event was a success as participants were able to harvest 1 buck and 4 antler-less deer.

The only 2 participants to harvest a buck this year were: Bill Horen, from Saginaw, and his guide Jacob Zook from Lake Orion. Jacob, who is only 18 years of age, certainly did a great job as a guide!

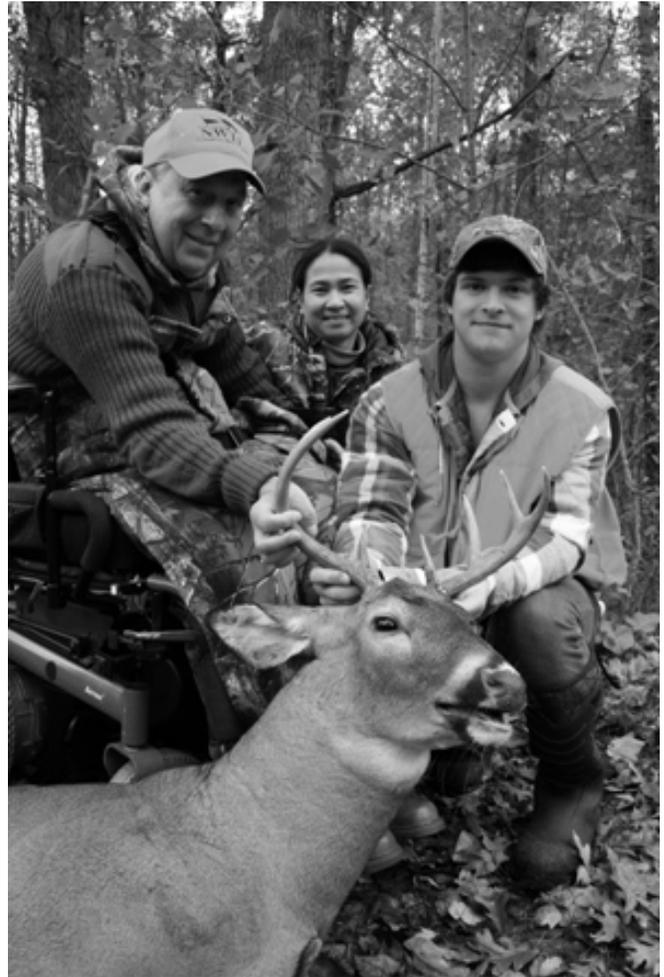
Meanwhile, the antler-less deer were taken by:

- Ray Brown, of North Branch, who was guided by Roger Wilcox of Almont
- Edgar Russell, from Lansing, who was guided by Steve Sharp from Sunfield

- Imlay City residents Marvin Powell, and guide, Gordy Schwab
- Dale Woidan of North Branch and guide, Les Secord, from Fostoria

In addition, Michigan distributors of "Action Trackchair," Lynn Coleman and Jerry Hedrich, came out to our hunt and demonstrated a wheelchair that goes up and down hills with ease. All of our huntsmen were extremely impressed by this chair.

The hunt also welcomed many generous individuals who we truly appreciate! A "mini" Wheeling Sportsman Banquet was kindly put on by Steve Sharp of the National Wild Turkey Federation. The deer processing was donated by Jim Dhooghe of Johnston's Meat Company out of Peck, Michigan. Terry Cavanaugh,



owner of TC Taxidermy out of Metamora, donated a shoulder mount to Bill Horen for his buck.

Many thanks go out to our sponsors, volunteers, guides and property owners for all their time and effort that they put forward for this hunt! Without all of you, this event would have never happened.



# Marathon Special Edition



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