

# THE WHEEL

HELLO, VAUGHAN CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP, AND  
HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OF YOU.

From the Executive Director's desk,

The Vaughan Chapter promises you that 2024 will be the year that keeps you extremely busy and active. With the assistance of Keith Cooper, sports director, and Ryan Dalton, communications director, we plan to schedule more sports and recreation events and outings for you to enjoy throughout the year. 2023 was a great year, but this year will be more significant, and for this to happen, we need your participation, starting by attending the bi-monthly membership meetings so you can give your input, opinions, and ideas. The Vaughan Chapter would like to see your involvement and participation in ALL events for 2024 so that we can continue running two of our eight mandated programs that are the most prominent for membership participation in sports and membership. The Officers and Board of Directors have approved changes to a few policies to encourage members to participate.



For 2024 and moving forward, the board has approved sending a cash birthday gift to Vaughan voting members; all you must do is call us on your birthday. The life enjoyment fund is increasing from \$150 to \$200 per fiscal year (10/1/23 – 9/30/24); see the description of this fund in this issue.

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**Vaughan PVA Members**  
**Call Us on your Birthday for a FREE**  
**Gift to You on behalf of Vaughan**  
**Chapter PVA.**  
**(800) 727-2234**

**2024 Bi-Monthly Membership Meetings**

Vaughan Chapter's goal this year is to reach out to every member in the surrounding areas; for this to happen, we will conduct in-person membership meetings near you. We will still have a few meetings in the Multipurpose Room at the Hines VA Hospital, Spinal Cord Injury Building #128, and in different areas of the Hines VA. As usual, the Chapter office will send reminders for the upcoming meetings; please mark your calendar for the 2024 membership meetings to attend in person; we are excited to see you there. All membership meetings offer FREE lunch and now door prizes.

**Membership Meeting Dates:**

Wednesday, March 27th  
Wednesday, May 22nd  
Wednesday, July 24th  
Wednesday, September 25th  
Wednesday, November 27th

**Door Prize Winners**



Photos captured at the VPVA Nov.  
Membership Meeting

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Dennis Scanlan, Secretary  
Gerald Brown, Treasurer

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# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

## Cover Story

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The 3k annual sponsorship grant for voting members allows you to participate in any Vaughan sporting and recreation event with no volunteer hours required. Reimbursement will be up to a maximum of \$3,000 per year for voting members and \$1,000 a year for associate members; this includes fees paid to your approved attendant. See the description of these two grants in this issue. The Chapter will reimburse .50¢ per mile round trip for attending the bimonthly membership meetings, and if you have a caregiver, they will get a \$65 stipend and must be with you during the membership meeting. Vaughan Chapter's goal this year is to reach out to every member in the surrounding areas; for this to happen, we will conduct membership meetings near you so you can attend. The Officers and Board of Directors will contact you via phone to chat and find out how we can help you; please answer your phone if you see Paralyzed Veterans of America; Vaughan Chapter is calling you. In the meantime, I encourage you to utilize social networks, including our website, [www.vaughanpva.org](http://www.vaughanpva.org), Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter. Please check your inbox emails to stay updated with all the recreational sports activities, events, and outings.

Please remember that we are only a phone call away; please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions, concerns, needs, or assistance; we are here to serve you. We want to see you participating in as many events as possible this year and enjoying the outdoors; if you need special assistance preventing you from attending, please let us know, and we will do our best to accommodate your needs. NOTE: This is a critical reminder to please call our office to update your contact information; if you move or get a new phone number or email address, it is vital for us to have your updated contact information to keep you informed of everything that the Chapter is doing and for you not to miss any of the benefits

Lastly, see attached photos from 2023 sporting events: Bowling, Bass tournament, Curling, Boccia, Trap shoot, Cubs game, Busse Woods fishing derby, Picnic, Veterans Day Dinner, and Christmas Luncheon.

Thank You for letting me serve you,

Maria Hernandez  
Executive Director



Photo captured at  
the VPVA 2023  
Christmas Luncheon



# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To my fellow veterans,

Hello and happy new year, my fellow Veterans; I hope this year will bring you joy and happiness, as the chapter is here to help you facilitate it. We have a brand new bus and trailer to assist in your travel to our variety of events being held this year. We are so proud to have started an adaptive bowling team composed of chapter members, and we are looking forward to seeing how our bowling program evolves. In addition to bowling, we also have active curling and bocchia ball programs.

Thank you to all the Veterans who attended our Christmas party last month. We had so much fun, so this year, I like seeing more of the guys and gals participating in our planned events.

Don't forget to fill out the membership survey in this newsletter, as it is an instrumental part of letting the chapter know how we are doing and how we can better fit your needs and serve all our chapter members.

Sincerely,  
Anthony Powell -President  
Vaughan Chapter, Paralyzed Veterans of America



Anthony Powell at the 2023  
Vaughan Chapter Christmas  
Luncheon

## Notice to Vaughan Chapter members.

Vaughan Chapter members please call our office at 708-947- 9790 or send us an email message to [vpva@vaughanpva.org](mailto:vpva@vaughanpva.org) with your current mailing address and phone numbers and email address to receive all the Vaughan chapter's benefits and valuable information we provide.

If we contact you and your phone is disconnected, and you do not have an email address where you can receive the communications, you will miss out on what Vaughan has to offer for you. Please let us know your accurate contact information as soon as possible.



# SPORTS AND RECREATION

**Curling: Portage, WI.** Vaughan PVA athletes traveled to Portage, WI through the VA Adaptive Sports Grant award to participate in their first "away" bonspiel. The competition was fierce, and the Vaughan Curlers learned a lot of valuable curling lessons. I want to say they won a few games, but the team will have to wait until their upcoming trip to Georgia's GNCC Wheelchair Curling Championship, March 15-17. Do you want to get involved in Wheelchair Curling? The team practices 6-7 PM every Thursday at Windy City Curling in Villa Park. The VA Adaptive Sports grant allows the Vaughan chapter to request money for emerging wheelchair sports like curling. This expands the current sports budget and will enable resources to go to other opportunities like bocchia, bowling, and trap. Big Thank You to the VA Adaptive Sports Grant team.



## **Upcoming: Pick-up Sticks Curling bonspiel and Hillside Bowling Practice**

All ability-level curlers are invited to participate in our Pick-Up Sticks bonspiel. This awareness curling event pairs wheelchair curlers with standing curlers to raise awareness for wheelchair curling. Registration is now open. [Click here to sign up](#)

Wheelchair Bowlers, the Vaughan Chapter is hosting bowling practices Every Tuesday at 11 AM at the Hillside Bowling Alley. If you need equipment or transportation, please get in touch with [Keithc@VaughanPVA.org](mailto:Keithc@VaughanPVA.org). These practices are intended for new bowlers to get the required games to participate in the upcoming Bowling Tournament in Romeoville, IL on May 3-5.



Photo captured at the VPVA 2023  
Up & Down Fundraiser



Photo captured at the VPVA 2023  
Pick-Up Sticks Spiel

**Attention wheelchair games athletes.** Registration is open! Please inform the chapter as soon as you register. The Vaughan Chapter will provide polos and hats for The Vaughan and Windy City Rollerz teams. So that you know, you will need an open recreation therapy goal to attend the Windy City Rollerz. There is no such requirement to travel with the Vaughan team. If you have never participated in the Wheelchair Game, please let the VA or the Vaughan chapter know immediately; the VA has funds for novice participants. Thank You. Keith Cooper-Sports Director [keithc@vaughanpav.org](mailto:keithc@vaughanpav.org).

# SPORTS

**2023 Pick Up Sticks Spiel**



**2023 PVA Trap Shoot Tour Stop St.Charles**



**2023 Bowling Tour Stop Romeoville**



**Chicago No Limits  
Fishing Charters**



**2023 PVA Bass Tour Series Land of  
Lincoln Tour Stop**



**2023 Boccia Tournament**





# RECREATION

2023 Busse Woods Fishing Derby



2023 VPVA Annual Membership Picnic



2023 Veterans Day Luncheon



2023 Memorial Day Parade



2023 Christmas Luncheon



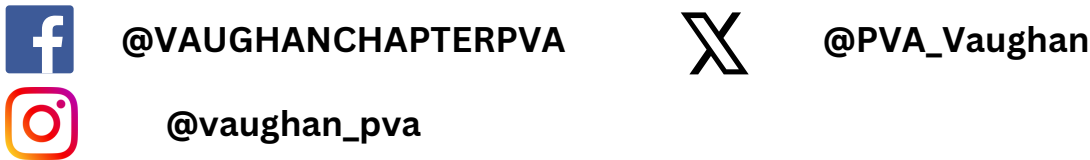


## Communications Our Efforts for 2024

Hello members, Ryan Dalton the Communications Director for the Paralyzed Veterans of America Vaughan Chapter here. 2023 was a fantastic year for the Vaughan Chapter which hosted some incredible events that I was very grateful to be a part of. Every since my hiring as the Communications Director for this Chapter it has been my goal to capture the 'member experience' via both photo and video at all of our events to make sure everyone feels included and can look back on those events fondly. In 2024 I want to reaffirm that effort and take some more fantastic photos and videos to share with you all, while improving my skill with the camera. I cant wait to see what 2024 has in store but I for one can't wait for the 2024 Pick-Up Sticks Spiel, it was incredible to attend last year, we hope to see you all there, **Register with the QR Code Below.**



As always keep up to date with the latest Vaughan Chapter events and dates by visiting our website **VaughanPVA.org** or check out our social media pages:



## Upcoming Chapter Programs

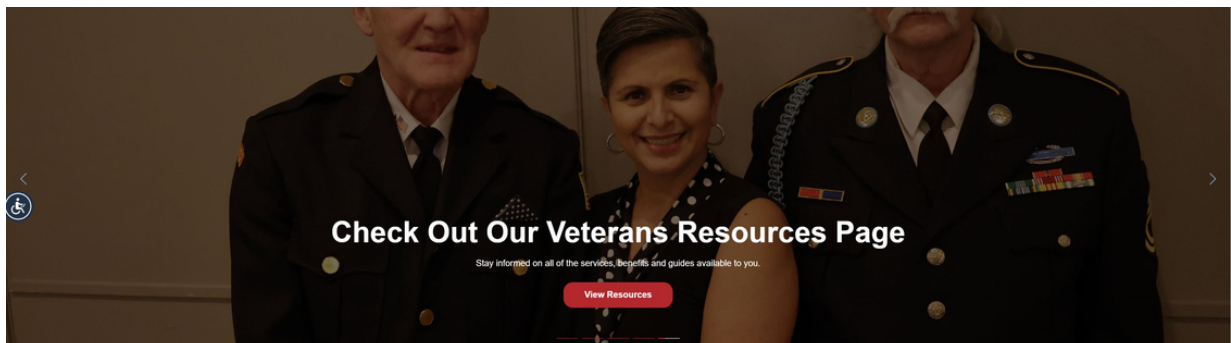
The PVA Vaughan Chapter is dedicated to making your 2024 special and with that we are planning on introducing some new and excellent programs for our Veterans to tryout including; Chess and Esports.

To aid in this effort the chapter is planning on purchasing 25 iPad so we can run various events within the Hines VA center for our members such as Chess and Bingo to name a few. As for our Esports program (Esports) *meaning competitive gaming* we are planning on hosting some in chapter practices and tournaments in the month of June to prepare for the 2024 National Veterans Wheelchair Games Esports tournament held in New Orleans. So far the Game is looking like it will be Street Fighter 6. We will have more information later in the year on how to get involved in the Vaughan Chapter Esports program if interested. Stay Tuned!

## Be sure to check out our resources page:

The PVA Vaughan Chapter is very proud of its extensive library of resources we offer to our Veterans. Check out our resources list at <https://vaughanpva.org/resources-2/> where you can gain access to **National VA Resources, State and Local Resources, Assisted Living Resources, Education and Employment Resources** and many more! We are always excited to be adding to this extensive list every day to keep our Veterans informed of their options.

## Pick-Up Sticks Spiel Registration



# Registration for the 2024 NVWG Out Now

It's that time again - for you to consider representing our chapter and participating in the 2024 National Veterans Wheelchair Games.

This year's event will be held in New Orleans during the last week in July.

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN !**

For your convenience, here is the link to register, along with all of the necessary information you will need in preparation for the NVWG:

<https://wheelchairgames.org/athletes/registration/>

**VERY IMPORTANT:** When you do complete your registration, we encourage you to inform our chapter as soon as possible.



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## Multiple Sclerosis & PVA Assistance with VA Claims

According to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, “**Multiple sclerosis (MS)** involves an immune-mediated process in which an abnormal response of the body’s immune system is directed against the central nervous system (CNS). The CNS is made up of the brain, spinal cord, and optic nerves. **MS deteriorates your nerves.** From there the damages leave behind scar tissue which is how the disease is given its name; multiple sclerosis, or “multiple areas of scarring.”.



Paralyzed Veterans of America National Service Officers assist our veterans with development of complex claim related to MS. There are multiple **reasons claims for VA benefits for MS may be denied**. The most common being:

- Inability to prove service-connection. If you have filed outside of the 7-year window for presumptive service-connection, it may be difficult to prove.
- Difficulty with a diagnosis. Because MS can be so difficult to diagnose, the VA may require more evidence than usual to verify your MS.
- Symptoms Aren't Serious Enough. MS is a degenerative disease meaning that it progressively gets worse over time. At first, the symptoms of MS can be fairly mild which means that the VA may determine you are not in need of benefits.

Because of the unique nature of those living with MS, there can be a higher degree of difficulty in putting together a foolproof VA claim. Be sure to be comprehensive as you file, in order to have the best chance of getting the full benefits you deserve as a veteran.

Write a letter to tell your story to the VA. Your medical records and the claim form document give specific information like name or diagnosis code – a personal letter can share how your condition or disability has affected your life – it’s what we call ‘the rest of the story’.

Lay statements for family, friends, and other veterans. If they have first-hand knowledge through observation, your friends and family can also contribute a statement with details about the injury, event, or disease and how it has affected your activities, relationships, etc.

A Veteran Service Officer (VSO) can be your advocate throughout the VA claims process. VSOs can be a sounding board and a second set of eyes. A VSO can review service treatment records, lay information, and ask relevant questions. NSO’s are knowledgeable about eligibility, regulations, forms completion, required and recommended “proof documents”; telling your story in the most complete and efficient way in the strongest claim packet that can be submitted.

If you are a veteran and denied this type of claim, please contact PVA National Service Officer for further assistance.

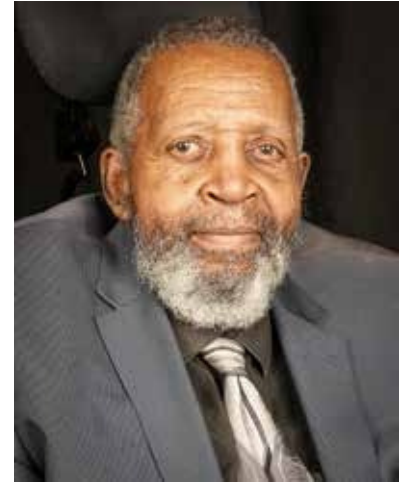


## From The Treasurers Desk:

I want to take this opportunity to give a shout out to the Vaughan chapter finance committee, a group of volunteers managing the chapters cash and cash equivalent which includes our portfolio. The volunteer members of the finance committee are Anthony Powell, Winston Woodard III, Leo Moore, Daniel James, and Robert Arciola.

The finance committee meets the 1st Friday of each month to manage the chapter's portfolio and the cash flow for annual operating expenditures. This team of chapter members have consistently made good trades during the market's period of volatility. Allowing the chapter to maintain a return on investment of approximately 5% since inception.

Therefore, as chair of the chapters finance committee thank you gentlemen for the work you are doing.



**Gerald L. Brown, Treasurer**

### Supporting the chapter's FY24 budget as follows:

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| · Chapter Grant Revenue PVA.....             | \$150,656  |
| · Donations and Service Revenue.....         | \$144,500  |
| · Advocacy and Legislation Grant.....        | \$ 2,000   |
| · Newsletter Advertisement Revenue.....      | \$ 1,000   |
| · Membership Dues.....                       | \$ 300     |
| · Corporate Solicitation.....                | \$ 12,000  |
| · Sports and Recreation Revenue.....         | \$ 74,000  |
| · Dividend and Interest Revenue.....         | \$ 65,000  |
| · Transferred in from Portfolio Revenue..... | \$ 203,014 |
| · Total Budgeted Income .....                | \$ 652,470 |

**As illustrated \$65,000+ \$203,014 equals \$268,014  
represents the portfolio's contribution to FY 24 budget  
revenue.**

***Yes, that's correct refunded up  
to \$200.00 per year!***

You can use the funds to cover the travel, lodging, food (NO alcohol), or event ticket/s. If you use a partial amount of the \$200.00, the remainder is available until the fiscal year ends! Call us now for ANY question/s! We're serious, so try us! Can you believe that only a few members use this fund every year?

Neither can I, so let's let the cat out of the bag and do something with our precious summertime and great weather while it lasts! (Fiscal year 10/1/2023 to 9/30/2024).

### RECAPING MEMBER FUNDS PER FISCAL YEAR:

- 1. Lifetime enjoyment fund \$200 per fiscal year:**  
Go to a Movie, take the wife to dinner or a football game, submit your receipts, and the chapter will reimburse you up to \$200:
- 2. Attend an event sponsored by a PVA chapter**  
anywhere in the United States of America and be reimbursed up to \$3000 for the cost of you and your attendance if necessary. Funding is approved based on pre-event submitted requests.
- 3. Finally, if you need to solve some dilemma**  
affecting you or your immediate family, contact one of our service officers. The Vaughan chapter's Governing Body has discretionary funds available to help members in times of need.

Respectfully submitted,

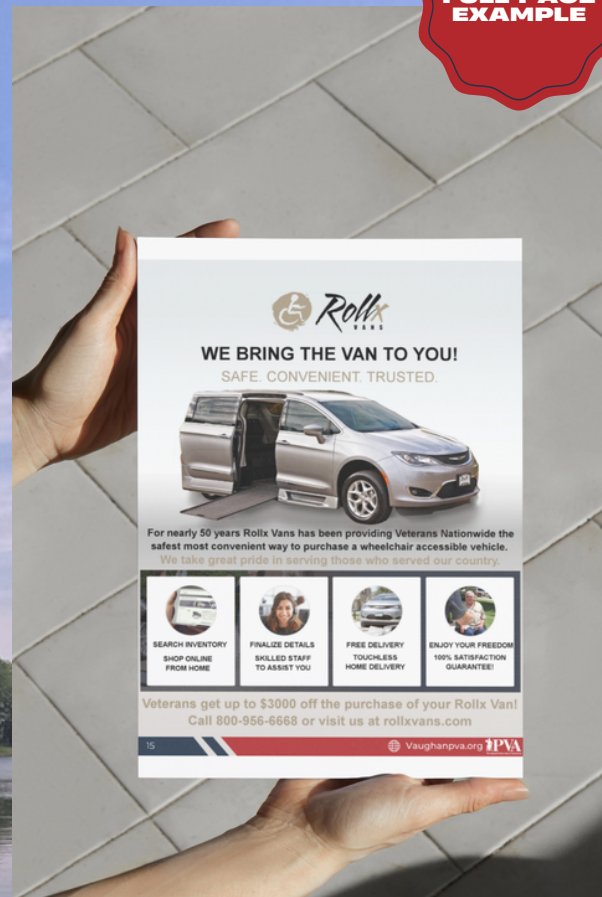
Gerald L Brown, Treasurer VPVA



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| 1/8 PAGE/ BUSINESS CARD | 3.50" X 2.25"  |

## EXAMPLE



## AD RATES:

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| FULL PAGE | \$100 |
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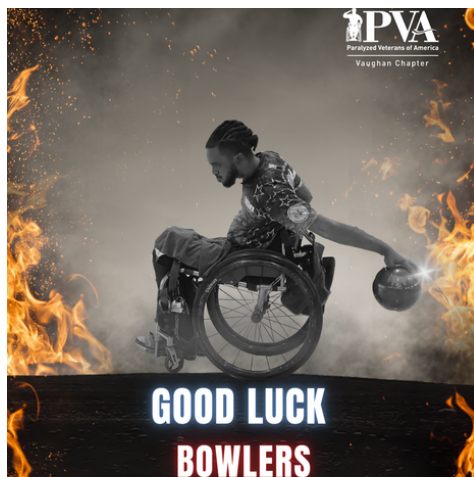


**Pick Up Sticks Bonspiel 2024**

**Save the Date**  
Join the Paralyzed Veterans of America on **March 23-24th** at Windy City Curling in Villa Park for the Pick Up Sticks Bonspiel. Participate in teams in this fantastic all-inclusive **Sticks Only Bonspiel** (no sweeping) to see who has the nicest ice skills. **Scan the QR Code to Register.** Stay tuned to our chapter website for more information on our Cash Spiel we have planned for this Fall.

Visit Our Website [www.vaughanpva.org](http://www.vaughanpva.org) **VISIT NOW** **SCAN HERE**

**Pick Up Sticks Bonspiel,  
March 23-24th**



**GOOD LUCK BOWLERS**

**VPVA Bowling Tournament  
May 3-5th**



**TRAP SHOOT**  
**MAY 24-26**

- All experience levels welcome
- Registration Fees:
  - \$210 (max 50-participants)
  - \$70 individual event
- St. Charles Sportsman's Club

**SIGN UP NOW**

**MORE INFO**  
(708) 947-9790  
[keithc@vaughanpva.org](mailto:keithc@vaughanpva.org)  
[www.vaughanpva.org](http://www.vaughanpva.org)

**St. Charles Trap  
Shoot May. 24- 26th**



**BOCCIA BALL CLINIC**  
All skill levels welcome

**Practice Dates:**

- 01/25/24
- 02/08/24
- 02/22/24
- 03/11/24
- 03/21/24

**10 A.M.**  
Practices Every Other Thursday

- Bi-weekly Boccia Ball Practice, Starting Thursdays on January 25th
- Located in the Hines SCI Day-Room
- Please Visit [vaughanpva.org/boccia](http://vaughanpva.org/boccia) for more information

**VPVA Boccia Ball Clinics,  
Starting January 25th**



**On demand adaptive fishing  
trips with No Limits fishing**



**Chapter iPads for Chess and  
Bingo programming and  
events, coming soon!**



**QUESTIONS?**

[keithc@vaughanpva.org](mailto:keithc@vaughanpva.org)

**SCAN ME**





# PVA VETERANS CAREER PROGRAM UPDATE

December 2023

## OPTIONS FOR RETRAINING



Rose Lopez is an Army veteran. She contacted the Veterans Career Program after a Veterans Career Live session on Federal hiring procedures. Her degrees and experience were in IT, but she didn't know if that was the field she wanted to be in as a career. Rose and Jim Arndt, our counselor in Minneapolis,

MN, began exploring alternative careers while continuing to consider IT positions.

Rose continued to participate in our weekly career webinars; and one session that turned her career outlook around was with the Accelerated Training in Defense Manufacturing (ATDM). ATDM is a Department of Defense program designed to quickly train qualified candidates in essential manufacturing skills and trades to establish a steady and sustainable flow of qualified workers for the naval shipbuilding and repair sector of the submarine industrial base (<https://atdm.org/>). Rose applied for and was accepted into the program in late 2023. She will relocate to Virginia for training, and will be assisted with finding a career after the program is completed.

*From Rose: "Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) has profoundly impacted my life. Their exceptional vocational rehabilitation counseling and unwavering commitment to empowering disabled veterans is unparalleled. Thanks to their support and dedication, I discovered the Accelerated Training in Defense Manufacturing (ATDM) program, paving my way toward a fulfilling career as a CNC machinist in defense manufacturing. I am deeply grateful for PVA and ATDM's support, confident that their guidance will help me achieve my goals and make a meaningful impact in the industry."*

## MONTHLY IMPACT

### 11 Client Placements

- 6 Paid Employment
- 2 Education/Training
- 3 Volunteer
  - 10 Veterans
  - 1 Family Member
  - 1 Caregiver
  - 1 PVA Member
- The average salary for the 6 clients in full time employment was \$69,600.



## 2023 ACHIEVEMENTS & IMPACT

It was another busy year for the Veterans Career Program staff as we assisted transitioning service members, veterans of all eras, their families and caregivers with finding meaningful careers.

In 2023, the Veterans Career Program placed 223 clients: 209 veterans, 14 family members, and 4 caregivers. The average salary for clients in full-time employment was \$71,062 (40% higher than the national average for veteran employment).

Our counselors maintained an active client list of 550+ veterans, military family members and caregivers; including 360 new clients.

Also in 2023, we held 88 Veterans Career Lives sessions covering Career Skills (43), Employer Sessions (20), Education (11), Small Business (10), Health & Wellness (3) and Financial Planning (1).

And lastly, we launched our Disabled Veterans Self-Employment program with the goal of offering training and counseling to PVA members and spouses interested in self-employment/small business start-up. We hosted two 10-week sessions for 30 PVA members and spouses (111 applications). We awarded \$10,000 in start-up grants (thanks to the Wells Fargo Foundation) to four participants as part of "Pitch Night" competitions.



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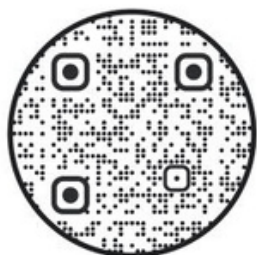
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# BOCCIA BALL

## CLINIC



All skill levels welcome

### Practice Dates:

- 2/1/24
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- 02/29/24
- 03/14/24
- 03/28/24

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Practices Every  
Other Thursday





We appreciate you taking the time out of your day to participate in the February Vaughan PVA quarterly membership survey. The goal of this survey is to improve the services and opportunities that the PVA Vaughan Chapter offers to its members. Please respond to the below questions with your honest feedback so we can work toward bettering your experience as a member of the Paralyzed Veterans of America Vaughan Chapter. Send in your membership survey to receive receive door prizes at our next membership meeting.

## Personal information

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

1. Would you be open to attending Vaughan Chapter events if trapnsportation was provided

• Yes

☐

• No

☐

2. Would you be open to receiving a courtesy call from the Vaughan Chapter every quarter?

• Yes

☐

• No

☐

3. Would you be interested taking part in a Vaughan Chess program either at the Hines VA hospital or online?

4. What sports and events are you most excited for in 2024?

• NVWG

☐

• Curling

☐

• Boccia

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• Fishing

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• Trap Shooting

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• Bowling

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• Chess

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• Esports

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5. What Sport Was Featured in our Sports and Recreation section?

- Adaptive Curling
- Wheelchair Bowling
- Adaptive Trap Shooting
- Adaptive Bocchia Ball
- Adaptive Fishing

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6. What amount was the life time enjoyment fund changed to? (View Treasurers Report)

- \$100
- \$150
- \$200
- \$250

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7. What sports or events would you like to see the Vaughan Chapter put on?

8. What upcoming programs is the Vaughan Chapter adding? (Circle all that apply)

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| • Chess   | • Bingo  | • Bowling |
| • Esports | • Skiing | • Fishing |

9. How satisfied are you with the chapters efforts to serve its members?

- Very Satisfied
- Satisfied
- Uncertain
- Unsatisfied
- Very Unsatisfied

10. What improvements would you like to see from the chapter in 2024?

11. What is your preferred method of communication if we need to contact you?

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