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of America**

Oregon Chapter

ANNUAL REPORT 2019 - 2020

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OPVA MISSION STATEMENT

Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America (OPVA), incorporated in 1976, is a chapter of Paralyzed Veterans of America. OPVA serves the needs of its Members – U.S. military veterans with spinal cord injury or disease (SCI/D) – and helps them enjoy the highest possible quality of life.

OPVA, Members, Associate Members, Family Members, Volunteers, and allied organizations work to provide leadership and advocacy in:

- Improving health care and SCI/D research and education
- Protecting veterans rights and benefits
- Improving awareness of disability rights
- Offering sports and health-promotion activities
- Increasing accessibility and removing architectural barriers in Oregon, Southwest Washington, and Idaho.

A 501(c)(3) charity, OPVA relies on grants and donations from members of the public.

PRESIDENT MESSAGE

2020 is going to be a year to be remembered. Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America strives to make each year better than the last. Here at the Chapter, COVID-19 forced us to close the office to the general public (except for business only), stop fundraising events, banquets, picnics, and limited member meetings. What this has done is give us more time to work on programs to learn more about our members and their needs so we can keep moving in the right direction. So hopefully we should not have any problem making 2021 a better year.

COMMUNICATION

The Oregon Chapter's Paralog Magazine is sent out to all our members and others involved directly with the Chapter. This is a bimonthly magazine that includes all our upcoming events, update reports from our Board of Directors, articles from members and advertisements, etc. We use billboards to advertise events and raffles; website, and social media for updates and information; along with mailing out flyers to our members; making lots of phone calls and whatever we can to get through to our members and everyone concerned.

HOSPITAL LIAISON

The Oregon PVA Chapter Hospital Liaison Program's, primary purpose is to advocate for and monitor the delivery of high-quality and appropriate healthcare benefits and services for our members. To do this Oregon PVA keeps a working relationship with: the Seattle SCI Center; the Vancouver, WA SCI Primary Care Team; Portland/Vancouver VAVS and PVA National Service Officer (NSO) serving our members. This includes monthly visits to Seattle and weekly visits to Vancouver as well as an ongoing communication with the NSO.

This year the Hospital Liaison Program volunteers visited hospitalized patients at SCI Hub and Spoke facilities, assisted members in resolving care and service issues, continued to support and/or fund recreation programs with the medical facilities and State Veteran Homes in our service area. Additionally, the Liaison Program Director served as Secretary on the VAVS Executive Committee.

SPORTS

2020 took its toll on our sports programs because of government mandates. Our trap team was only able to shoot a few events, no way close to near a normal year. We were able to hold two of the three scheduled Deep Sea Fishing Trips in 2020. With more free time on our hands we have been getting ready for 2021. We have a new Sports Director and Volunteer Coordinator for each sports program. Our current sports programs with a coordinator are: bowling; trap shooting; fishing; bocchia ball; table tennis; archery and air guns, We are hoping for a very successful year in 2021 with your participation! In 2020 the Oregon Chapter was scheduled to host the National Veterans Wheelchair Games however due to the Pandemic the Oregon chapter will be hosting the 2023 NVWG in Portland, Oregon.



MEMBERSHIP

Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America's membership is constantly fluctuating throughout the year. We started our fiscal year October 2019 with 319 members and ended on September 2020 with 310 members. There were 142 service connected members and 166 were non-service related members. We loss 8 of our members, plus one member transferred out of the chapter and one new member transferred in, we also signed up 4 new members. We are hanging in there and always looking for more eligible members. Due to the pandemic our volunteer hours were low, but 2021 will be better and we couldn't do what we do without our volunteers.

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

What do the American Bison and veterans have in common? Both are tough, resilient, able to weather any storm, withstand and repel all that come our way day or night. The year 2020 was devastating to our membership facing the COVID-19 pandemic, and specific to Oregon the horror of destructive fires. Traditional means of delivering OPVA programs were limited to print and electronic media to get the word out OPVA was alive and well with no program interruptions. Women's health information was shared at every monthly BOD meeting emphasizing vital health care resources are available to address the growing number of women veterans afflicted with SCI/SCD.

Being an election year OPVA encouraged veterans to vote for the person of their choice to lead this country. The Veterans Day Parade was cancelled and reduced to what will fit in a parking lot. Unfortunately, OPVA did not enter a float due to the COVID-19 restrictions. Hazardous smoke conditions resulting from the expansive fires kept many of us indoors by the phone. Our usual public appearances to promote the benefits of OPVA to vets and the public at large were highly modified to keep exposure to COVID-19 at a minimum, OPVA will continue to serve veterans through any avenue or medium available to us.

FUNDRAISING

The Oregon Chapter continues to set goals to help our members in every way possible. We do this with fundraising events such as our Golf Tournament at McNary Golf Club in Keizer which we were able to hold and our Show & Shine Car Show in South Salem that was canceled due to wildfires. We also held our annual raffles a 1970 Camaro car raffle and a Ruger AR 15 gun raffle that were awarded in 2020. Coming up is \$500 Outdoor Adventure Package for a Sportsman's Warehouse gift card and a 2020 Can-Am ATV raffle, along with many events throughout the year and adding more all year to the calendar. Grants and donations are a big part of what's keeping us going and in the end it is all worth it and that's why we keep moving forward for our veterans.

CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION

Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America currently has a very secure and trustworthy office staff. Our Office Manager and Executive Director work hard to follow the bylaws of operation for the chapter. They go above and beyond to make sure the management is doing everything possible to keep the system correct, always on top of required reports, meetings, working with Directors, and keeping everyone going the right direction. We are hoping to make 2021 a better year!

Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America, Inc.

Statements of Support, Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance September 30, 2020 and 2019

	2020	2019
Support and Revenues		
Support		
Contributions	\$567,279	\$84,430
Donated Equipment & Services	771	49,239
Grants	158,454	177,390
Fundraising	10,614	14,498
Total Support	737,118	325,557
Revenues		
Events and Other Income	29,911	72,439
Advertising	6,529	3,917
Investment Income	4,718	5,525
Net Realized & Unrealized		
Gain (Loss) on Investments	29,273	-18,748
Miscellaneous Revenues	546	2,404
Total Revenues	70,977	65,537
Total Support & Revenues	808,095	391,094
Expenses		
Program Services		
Communications	114,182	121,576
Government Relations	6,312	4,230
Hospital/Services	1,583	5,595
Membership & Benefits	95,507	120,917
Sports	29,918	26,934
Total Program Services	247,502	279,252
Support Services		
General & Administrative	48,273	53,634
Fundraising	47,875	38,606
Total Support Services	96,148	92,240
Total Expenses	343,650	371,492
Changes In Net Assets		
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	580,258	560,656
Net Assets, Ending of Year	\$1,044,703	\$580,258

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Report of Assets and Liabilities September 30, 2020 and 2019

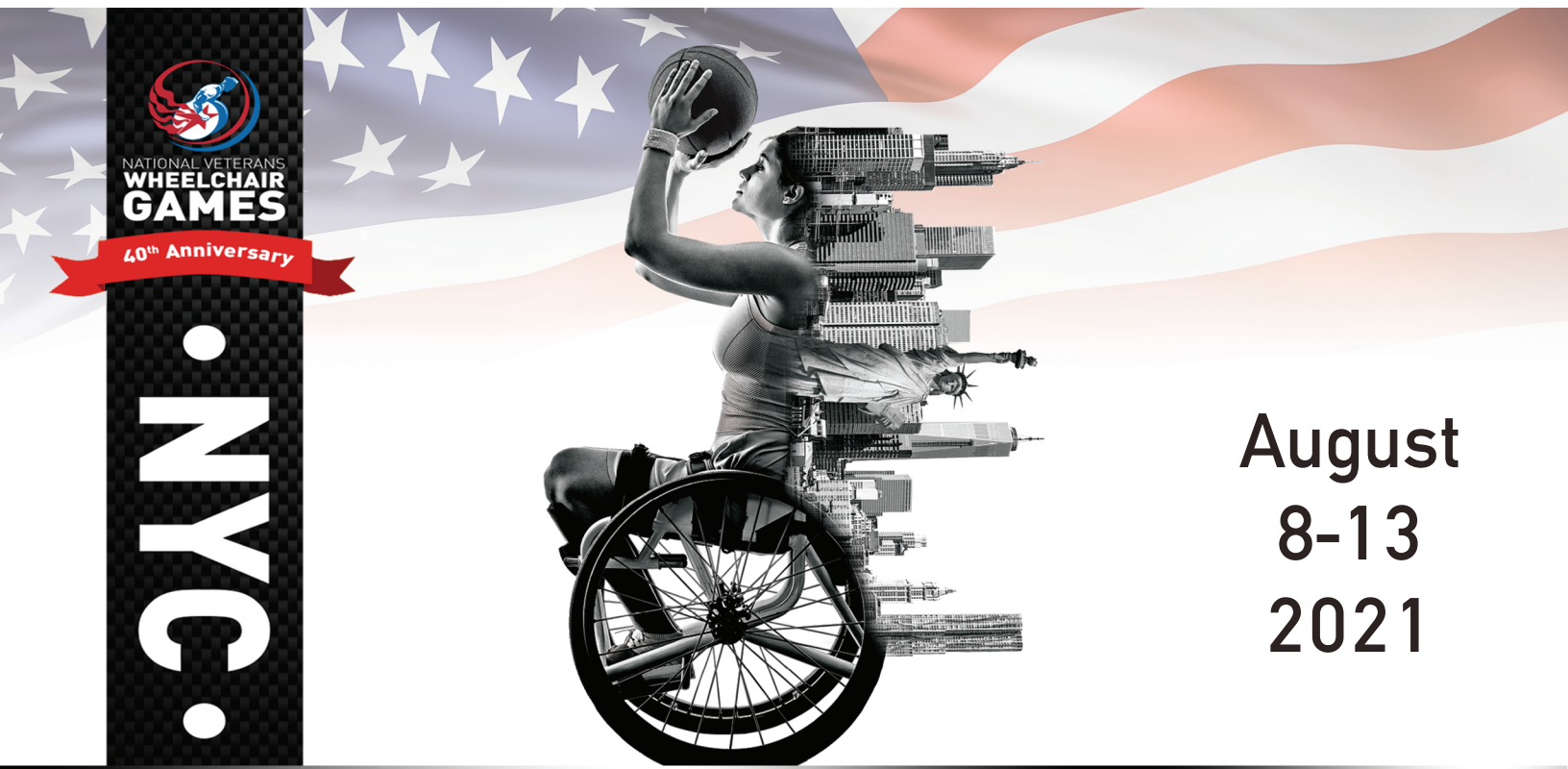
	Assets	
	2020	2019
Current Assets		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$543,719	\$114,192
Investments	243,886	184,461
Prepaid Expenses	718	293
Employee Advance		2,500
Inventory	92,363	97,104
Total Current Assets	880,686	398,550
Fixed Assets		
Land	41,069	41,069
Land Improvements	26,109	26,109
Building & Building Improvements	350,880	350,880
Office Equipment	56,678	56,677
Sporting Equipment	13,834	16,834
Furniture	3,289	3,289
Vehicles	18,363	18,363
	510,222	513,221
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(347,518)	(334,173)
Total Fixed Assets	162,704	179,048
Other Assets		
Deferred Income Tax Benefits	9,676	9,676
Total Assets	\$1,053,066	\$587,274
Liabilities & Net Assets		
Current Liabilities		
Account Payable	\$3,013	\$2,540
Accrued Liabilities	5,350	4,476
Total Current Liabilities	8,363	7,016
Net Assets		
Net assets without donor restrictions	1,035,470	580,258
Net assets with donor restrictions	9,233	0
Total Net Assets	1,044,703	580,258
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$1,053,066	\$587,274

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