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of America**

Oregon Chapter

**Annual Report
2018- 2019**



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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.

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President's Message

Larry Gardner - OPVA President



Each and every year here at Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America our main goal is to improve what we do, to make each year better than the past. Some things we did to accomplish our goals was to increase the amount of Chapter events and donation programs. To make these events happen we have three ambassadors through out our jurisdiction. We increased our volunteers that it takes to work at different locations, along with necessary training. The Chapter has also added two additional Chapter Hospital Liaisons to our area, and that's going to help improve our membership, which help us be more aware of our member's needs. Our directors have been working hard to improve our sports, membership, fundraising, and volunteer programs, and doing more events. We have had a great year and all the directors, office staff and members have been great to work with, so we are looking forward to a great year.

SERVICE

One of our biggest concerns is to make sure we do everything we can to get information out to our members about their benefits.



To do this we have flyers available at the office and we pass them out at the events we attend. We also bring this subject up at our member meetings for discussion and answer any questions brought up. Working with our Chapter Hospital Liaisons and our National Service Officer also helps us stay up on new information to pass on to our members. We are always here to help in any way we can.

CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION

The Oregon Chapter 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, and meetings, working well with the directors, and keeping everyone going in the right direction to make this year better than last year.

COMMUNICATION

The Chapter Paralog is sent out to all our members and others involved directly with OPVA. This is a bi-monthly magazine that includes our upcoming events, reports from our Board of Directors, members reports and sponsorships from various businesses. OPVA advertises on local billboards, our website, social media, along with mailing out flyers, and phone calls to our members, to keep our members informed.

FUNDRAISING

We at the Oregon Chapter continue to raise funds to support our Chapter. We do this with fundraising events such as our Golf Tournament at McNary Golf Club in Keizer and our Show and Shine Car Show in south Salem. Our annual car raffle helps support programs along with a gun raffle to help fund our trap team. We also attend events and festivals throughout the year and we are always adding more events to the calendar. Grants and donations are also a part of what's keeping us going. We have small raffles here and there that always helps, it is all worth it that's why we keep pushing forward.



MEMBERSHIP

The membership is constantly changing through out the year. We started our fiscal year October 2018 with 319 members ending on September 2019 with 308 members, 142 of whom are service connected and 166 that are non service connected, with a loss of 11 members. One member transferred out of the chapter, and one member transferred in, we received 4 new members and removed 4 with bad addresses. (Please remember to update us with any changes in your address, phone # or email.) Overall were hanging in there but are always looking for new members. For the fiscal year 2018-2019 members volunteered 1,995 hours, and our nonmember volunteers put in 2,423 hours with a total of 4,418 hours—not too bad. I have to say that without our volunteers we could not do what we do. Thank you all!



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Sports

Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America sports programs for fiscal year 2018-2019 took a hard hit due to losing members and members with medical issues. After helping our members we started working to build our sports programs up again. Our trap shooting team continued to move forward in a positive way, not shooting a lot in 2019 but is looking up for 2020. The bowling program is taking off again with the help of a newly appointed coordinator who is working only on the bowling program with our interested members. To make our sports programs more successful we have decided to have a single coordinator for each sport so they can stay focused with less pressure. The chapter also is working on some future sports including table tennis, billiards, bocce ball, archery, and air guns, and we hope to get members interested in participating and working with coordinators together for success. The coordinators will also help with fundraising and grants to help support the sporting activity and work together with our ambassadors in Idaho, Central Oregon, and Southern Oregon.

Working together with Dockside Charters in Depoe Bay Oregon, we had three deep sea fishing trips in May, August, and September, they are always very successful and a very good time for our members. We also attend and support free fish day at Detroit Lake during the month of June to help children and people with disabilities enjoy some fishing. July 27th the chapter put on a Show and Shine car show that has proven to be very successful every year, we have members helping out as judges for

20 different categories and handing out trophies at the end of the event. One of our biggest events every year is the chapter Gold Cup Golf tournament it was held on June 22nd 2019 was our 10th annual tournament, with prizes, a silent auction, and lots of very good food, and a very good attendance, and looking forward to 2020.



The recreation fund program has been a success, each year we see an increase of activity. Some members use their recreation fund to help pay for a trip, to visit with family, take a vacation, work with their hobbies, sports, or even go to a concert. Looking forward into 2020 we as the Oregon chapter are going to do everything we can to build our sports programs and make the year 2020 way better than the last.

Hospital Liaison

The Hospital Liaison Program 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 OPVA keeps a working relationship with the Seattle SCI Center and 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 assisted members in resolving care and service issues, continued to support and/or fund recreation programs with the medical facilities and State veteran home in our service area.

Additionally, the Liaison Program Director served as Secretary on the VAVS Executive Committee.

Oregon Paralyzed Veterans of America, Inc.
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Statements of Support, Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Fund Balance
September 30, 2019 and 2018

	2019	2018
Support and Revenues		
Support		
Contributions	\$ 84,430	\$ 50,929
Prepaid Expenses	49,239	104,539
Employee Advance	177,390	213,698
Inventory	14,498	132,980
Total Support	325,557	502,146
Events and Other Income	72,439	73,872
Advertising	3,917	4,429
Investment Income	5,525	6,667
Net Realized & Unrealized		
Gain (Loss) on Investments	(18,748)	27,431
Miscellaneous Revenues	2,404	1,183
Total Revenues	65,537	113,582
Total Support & Revenues	391,094	615,728
Expenses		
Program Services		
Communications	121,576	200,459
Government Relations	4,230	6,224
Hospital/Services	5,595	6,977
Membership & Benefits	120,917	213,987
Sports	26,934	48,632
Total Program Services	279,252	476,279
Support Services		
General & Administrative	53,634	50,932
Fundraising	38,606	88,925
Total Support Services	92,240	139,857
Total Expenses	371,492	616,136
Changes In Net Assets	19,602	(408)
Net Assets (Deficit) - Beginning	560,656	561,064
Net Assets (Deficit) - Ending	\$580,258	\$560,656

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Statements of Financial Position
September 30, 2019 and 2018

Assets

	2019	2018
Current Assets		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$ 114,192	\$ 27,430
Prepaid Expenses	293	1,737
Employee Advance	2,500	-
Inventory	97,104	61,546
Deferred Income Tax Benefits	9,676	7,500
Total Current Assets	223,765	98,213
Market Securities		
Investments	184,461	291,913
Fixed Assets		
Land	41,069	41,069
Land Improvements	26,109	26,109
Building & Building Improvements	350,880	340,880
Office Equipment	56,677	50,450
Sporting Equipment	16,834	16,834
Furniture	3,289	3,289
Vehicles	18,363	18,363
Less Accumulated Depreciation	(334,173)	(317,407)
Total Fixed Assets	179,048	179,587
Total Assets	\$ 587,274	\$ 569,713

Liabilities & Net Assets

Current Liabilities		
Account Payable	\$2,540	\$3,622
Accrued Liabilities	4,476	5,435
Total Current Liabilities	7,016	9,057
Total Liabilities	7,016	9,057
Net Assets		
Unrestricted	580,258	560,656
Total Net Assets	580,258	560,656
Total Liabilities & Net Assets	\$ 587,274	\$ 569,713

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