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President's Report

By Dan Kaminski

We had a great Public Awareness Month (PAM). We started off with an open house at our office and had a great turnout. Members, family and friends came out to join us for a BBQ lunch. Also in attendance were various staff members from our Congressional representatives. Isabelle Duff, Director of the Southern Nevada VA and Dr. Komanduri, Medical Director, along with other staff from the VA attended as well. Thanks to Chef Julie for a great lunch.

Also in honor of PAM, we set up an information table at the VA and handed out literature on our organization. We had loads of fun at the slalom course set up at Better Life Mobility. Members of the staff there sat in wheelchairs and went through the course, as well as, getting into my van and transferring from the wheelchair to the driver's seat and back. They all were amazed at how challenging the course was and all stated that the transferring was no easy feat. They provided an absolutely great lunch for us and we all ate way too much. Finally to finish off the month we held our 2nd Annual Walk, Run and Roll. Unfortunately, the day of the run turned out to be the coldest and windiest of the month, however, we still had a good turnout and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves.

We again participated in the San Gennaro Feast the first part of May and right after that our Executive Director attended a two day training seminar for the Association of Chapter Executive Director's which was held here in Las Vegas. Immediately following the two-day training our chapter co-sponsored a lacrosse clinic with National PVA. There were ten local participants that attended the clinic to learn more about wheelchair lacrosse, National then donated the equipment to us. This will be used to sponsor lacrosse through the City of Las Vegas Adaptive Recreation Program, with whom we are a community partner.

I, along with other board members, attended various town hall meetings and round table events sponsored by our various Congressional Representatives. We were assured by all that veterans issues are of the utmost importance to them and they are working on our behalf on the Hill.

Finally we had our Annual Fishing Trip out at Lake Mead and had a great turnout. We rented five boats for the day and spent the day fishing and relaxing and visiting with various members who attended.

Things will slow down now due to the summer heat but make sure to check our website for events as the fall approaches.

Scholarships

Nevada PVA offers three (3) annual full-time scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each. It is open to any student attending a college or university as long as they are a family member of a Nevada PVA member. Deadline for application submission is June 30, 2014 and awards will be made in August in time for the fall semester. The money will be sent directly to the college or university. Please contact the office if you would like a scholarship application package sent to you.

Vice –President’s Report

By Lester Wood

April proved to be a very busy month for us at PVA. On April 9th I attended a meeting sponsored by Congressman Steven Horsford’s Veterans Advisory Board. The Congressman was in Washington to present a bill to bring jobs to Nevada in the form of a new highway connecting Nevada and Arizona. The meeting was hosted by Porche Hurley, Military and Veterans Liaison, and Christie Omelia, Director of Constituents Services.

The meeting covered many concerns, among them, complaints about the VA Hospital. One main problem that was addressed was Blue Water Sailors. Blue Water Sailors are those who served on deep water navy and coastguard vessels. The VA reports that the exposure of Viet Nam era Blue Water Veterans to Agent Orange cannot be reasonably determined due to lack of data on environmental concentrations of Agent Orange. The claims that are considered are those ships that went to inland waterways, and those that docked. Congressman Horsford will continue to work with this case.

On April 14th, NVPVA President, Daniel Kaminski and I attended a veterans roundtable hosted by Senator Dean Heller along with Margot Allen who is our liaison and always ready to listen when we have concerns or complaints. I personally spoke to Senator Heller’s staff while in Washington, and they assured me he is 100% behind our veterans. During the meeting he took the time to speak with each representative to let us know that he is still working hard on our behalf. There are bills pending in Washington that he is pushing and he is going to add his name to others when he returns to Washington. A big thanks to Senator Heller and his staff for the work he has already done, and will continue to do. The meeting was well attended by many organizations. We all left the meeting feeling that our concerns will be heard on the hill in Washington.

Next, on April 22nd we attend the Town Hall meeting hosted by Congressman Horsford and his staff. The Congressman took the time to listen to all complaints. A lot of questions were asked about the claims of veterans and why Reno was the worst when it came to reviewing. We were assured that things were getting better and more money has been allocated to hire more agents to speed the process up.

These meetings that were held will be ongoing and we at Nevada PVA want to thank Senator Heller and Congressman Horsford and their staff for their time and the work that they are doing. Thanks also to Board Member, Roger Dauffenbach, for coming down from Reno to attend the Town Hall Meeting.

On April 24th our office was closed for a special event hosted by Better Life Mobility in the form of a wheelchair slalom. The slalom allowed able bodied people to get into a wheelchair to experience what it’s like to have to use it. We thank Better Life Mobility for providing the facility and parking lot for this event. The lunch they provided was super and we look forward to doing other events with them.

Last but not least, on April 26th, our chapter ED Julie Johnson held her second annual Walk, Run and Roll at Bunker Park, with the support of VA/SCI staff, members, the chapter, family, friends and other organizations behind her, it turned out to be a successful day. Thanks to Jamie Johnson for a great lunch. This was the perfect ending for our month of Public Awareness.

“Happiness is where we find it, but rarely where we seek it.” *J. Petit Senn*

Sports Report

By Kenny Rogers

Here are the results of our Trap Shoot that was held back in March.

Overall winner was Jerry McKinley and Doug Vann was overall wheelchair winner,

Singles			
Category	1st Place		2nd Place
AA			
A	Ron Zimmerman		
B	Ed Hutchinson		Kelly Mitchell
C	Gary Trenkle		
D	Joe Fox, Sr.		Dave Zurfluh

Doubles			
AA			
A	Tony DelFante		
B			
C	Bob McDonald		
D	Brenda Oman		Kenny Rogers

Handicap Scores		Total
Long		
Howard Hughes		93
Medium		
Doug Vann		91
Short		
Keith Rheinhardt		90

Congratulations to all the winners.

Ken's Komedy Korner



A patient complained to his doctor, "I've been to three other physician's and none of them agreed with your diagnosis."

The doctor calmly replied, "Just wait until the autopsy, Then we'll see who was right."

Inspirational Story

"If I ever happen to have an accident that eventually costs me my life, I hope it is in one go. I would not like to be in a hospital suffering from whatever injury it was. If I'm going to live, I want to live fully, very intensely because I am an intense person. It would ruin my life if I had to live partially." A quote from Ayrton Senna.

As athletes, or not, I suspect that many of us had these thoughts. If you have any input that you would like to comment on this subject, please email our sports department. Personally, I was doing a very dangerous job when my unsolicited accident happened. Prior to that day I never gave it any thought. I was a professional athlete most of my life, so I thought that things were pretty much over as far as having a good time and being happy. We know what daily wheelchair life is all about!! When I got into wheelchair sports I became a much happier person. I have been able to win many events and have two national swim records. If you do not have a happy life, nothing else matters. *Kenny Rogers*

SCI News

*By Jennifer Yanez, LCSW
SCI Coordinator, VASNHS*

Happy Spring! The KT SCI Wellness Program is still going strong and we are into our second cycle of the year. The Wellness Program consists of classroom teaching as well as exercise led by a Kinesiotherapist. SCI Nursing Social Work, Recreation Therapy and Kinesiotherapy co-facilitate this program and hope to incorporate more guest speakers during this new cycle. As it heats up around town, come into the cool and spend an hour with fellow veterans. This is a great way to learn new information or refresh your knowledge and get some exercise!. The Wellness Program meets twice per week and you must attend both the lecture series and the exercise class. Please call if you would like more information: Jennifer Yanez (702)791-9000 x 15288.

Our SCI Group meetings that we were holding the second Wednesday of the month has been suspended. This meeting will be incorporated into the Wellness Program.

New Program Open to Eligible Veterans from Rebuilding Together Southern Nevada

Major rehabilitation of 10-15 veterans homes. They will be doing HVAC replacement, insulation, double pane windows, basic weatherization, etc.

To qualify, the homeowner must be a veteran and not exceed 80% Area Median Income. For a single person living alone that's about \$36,000. That number goes up depending on the number of occupants living in the home.

The only caveat is that the homeowner must pay back a portion of the funding **IF** they sell the home in a certain amount of time. Go to RTSNV.org to see this and other programs that may be available to you.

Entertainment Reimbursement

Thank you for making the entertainment grant available. The most recent use of it was when my wife and I were visiting the grandkids, along with their parents in NY. The weather was changing from a sunny 70 to the lo 50's and rain, so we decided to head down to Syracuse for the day. The Cheesecake Factory was the secondary part of the trip. As you can see from the bill, prices have gone up, or I don't eat there often enough to track pricing. All that aside, everything was great! The kids devoured their mac & cheese and started eying our food as well. The Smokehouse BBQ Burger running around a 1/2 pound was great; it passed the juicy test and went down easily. My wife had Renee's Chicken Salad Sandwich devouring almost completely. The Mac & cheese burger ordered by my son-in-law met a fate quite similar to the BBQ burger. My daughter's Southern Fried Catfish almost disappeared entirely, but the Kale and Quinoa salad she had as an appetizer took its toll here. After lunch we all ordered three slices of their cheesecake and we were just too full to finish them off. *Tom Hudson*

I took a fellow disabled athlete to lunch and we talked about disabled sports and volunteering. IHOP was very nice and the food was great.

While at a track meet in Arizona, I took two friends to dinner at Chili's. The food was great as was the service. The bill was at the table and computerized, it was very cool to see the new technology. *Marc Fenn*

Rocky's Bar & Grill—the food is great. This is a small “hole in the wall” that has a full menu. We had the chicken friend steaks and it was great, cooked to perfection. The price was very reasonable and the amount of food was actually enough to take home.

South Pointe Prime Rib House—the food was super. All they serve is prime rib and it is cooked to perfection. The price is expensive but you truly get what you pay for. I would rate it a 5 star place to eat. *Michael Stern*

Northern Nevada News
By Tom Hudson

As mentioned last month, Roger and I took up the slack at the NMEDA Annual Meeting in Reno manning a booth for three days. In a lot of respects we did our best *Alice in Wonderland* impressions, looking at all the vehicle innovations from Cha Adaptive Vans [literally] ‘fly by wire’ systems that could be customized and retrofitted to existing older vehicles. The crew cab 4x4s with gull wing doors were a wonder, along with modified SUVs that were side entry, again gull wing or rear ramp entry allowing a chair access to a transfer seat.

I had a chance to talk with Afton at Cummings Mobility, 651-633-887 (www.cummingsmobility.com) in Roseville, CA about some of the vehicle changes and design changes, along with the costs finally starting to become more realistic. She showed me some of their vehicles, and how costs had become more affordable, along with some manually deployed ramps that could easily be modded to one person use to deploy and retract- huge savings in costs. Also I asked her about *ramp van caution* stickers, which she didn’t have, but mailed me several within two days post meeting. Thanks Afton! Anyone in Northern CA looking for a van, or affordable work arounds would be well advised to look them up.

Recently I had some major transplant work done on my lap top by Reno Computer Fix. They are great folks to deal with- a you want to just hang out kind of place, reasonably priced and have standing discounts for Active Duty & retired Military, Veterans, PVA members and VA Staff, but you have to ask, unless you’re in uniform.

Last our regular meeting will re-start on June 18 @ 11-12:30 with chef Roger doing BBQ steaks & veggies at the VA Quad.

Good News: Some more decent news for Vets this month, more conditions/illnesses have been added to Desert Shield/OEF Vets who were around burn pits. Check with your Primary Care or OEF/OIF/OND Coordinator for details.

Wading Into The Foray: All our Congressional representatives had their staff at our annual meeting, and Rep. Dina Titus made it a point to be there after a long day of appearances in the Las Vegas Metro area. As always she was a hoot, her comments upon entering were great, and she personally handed out recognition certificates to various members for service to the Veteran population at large, and she announced her appointment to several Veterans Committees.

General Activities: In N. NV & N. CA please check the NORTHERN NEVADA TAB at the website, nevadapva.org/northernnv as there is expanded coverage for those of you traveling with family and kids. Both the City of Reno and Sacramento publish excellent newsletters detailing events for *all* disabled folks at their respective websites

SPORTS

For everyone looking for a high octane exhaust fix several venues are currently being worked on. This will include car & air races I’ll post when I get the details so keep checking the site below. Also, if you want to keep posted on a more regular basis, send your name & email address to n.nv_pva@hotmail.com.

The ski season is winding down and pretty much done so keep checking nevadapva.org/northernnv for the latest. Also, I’ll be posting other adaptive recreation agency newsletters at the *Tab* as I get them. They will come in handy for travelers and those with young[er] folks in their families.

Looking for a Paralympic sport program in your town? Traveling and would like to find some awesome adapted sports at your vacation destination? Simply click here! <http://findaclub.usparalympics.org>

Thanks to Annie Desalernos, Program Supervisor City of Sacramento, Department of Parks and Recreation

Northern California Paralympic Regional Sport Access Leisure

Just a reminder that the low/no cost full gym program for Veterans- *Fit but not Forgotten* in Reno is readying its next intake cycles with the noted day & time changes. The four class requirements taken on Tuesdays 1300 or Wednesdays at 1730 and upon completion are eligible for a FREE facility membership pass good for one year so they can enjoy continued use of the weight room/cardio room and additionally have *access to open gym, open swim and water fitness classes*. Contact April Wolfe, Therapeutic Recreation Specialist, City of Reno, at 775-333-7765 or wolfea@reno.gov for further information. This is a VA backed program including a P.T. tasked to help out.

April has also started *Project Fit* sponsored by the Neilson Foundation. This works the same as *FBNF* above, but is directed towards non-Vets.

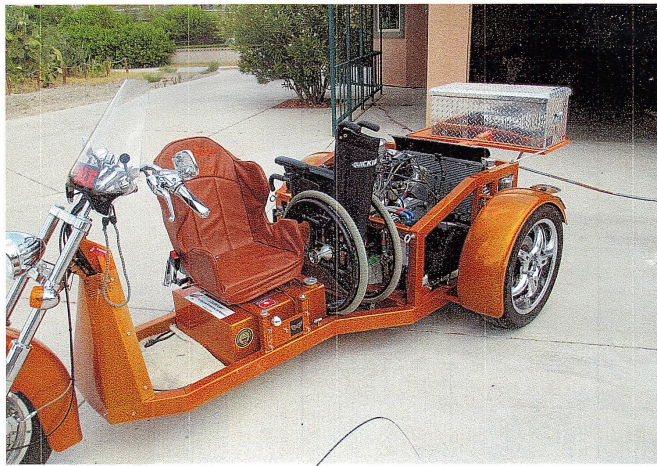
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Membership—162



For Sale: LIBERATOR TRIKE, custom made, only one on the market designed for wheelchair user plus passenger, very fast \$30,000. Plus Custom **TOY-HAULER** by Wells Cargo, wheelchair friendly, can be made into two compartments plus kitchen and toilet, \$20,000. Details at http://pvamag.com/pn/article/4143/a_better_idea_. Package \$49,000 obo. Call 702/395-3391 between 10 am-10 pm.

RECIPES

Please submit your recipes for our upcoming Nevada PVA Cookbook. We are hoping to make this a great fundraiser for our organization but need your help.

You can submit as many recipes as you would like. You can mail, email or fax to us your recipes.

Unauthorized Non-VA Emergency Medical Care

By Michael L. Killen, Senior Benefits Advocate, Seattle, WA

At one point or another, we all have had a medical situation arise requiring 9-1-1 to be called and being transported by emergency services to the nearest trauma center to receive the needed care. After knowing we are going to receive the proper care needed, we start to wonder who is going to pay the bill. To be determined an emergency, it has to be decided “if in the mind of an average person, it was a life-threatening situation or that if a delay in care would be life threatening.” This is often referred to as the *prudent layperson standard*.

For veterans, many look to the US Department of Veterans’ Affairs (VA), to pay for the non-VA emergency care. A lot of veterans believe that because they had served in the Armed Forces they are eligible to have the VA pay. This is not the case and it is not as simple as having served that would ensure the VA pays for unauthorized non-VA medical care of emergency care. After all, we are dealing with the federal government so there has to be more to it than that and there is. There are some questions that need to be answered before the VA can determine if they are going to pay.

First, is the veteran enrolled in the VA Healthcare System? If they are the VA would have to then determine if it is an emergency by applying the prudent layperson standard mentioned earlier.

Now that they have determined the veteran is enrolled and it was an emergency, the VA would have to determine if VA facilities were not feasibly available. This means that an attempt to use VA or other federal facilities beforehand would not have been reasonable, sound, wise, or practical, or that treatment had been denied or would have been denied. This also includes the VA being notified of the emergency care within 72 hours from admission. You must remember that when you call 9-1-1, the emergency services are required to transport you to the nearest trauma center that can provide the needed care, even though you may request emergency services to transport to the nearest VA medical facility. The VA Medical Centers are not registered trauma centers and may route them to the nearest trauma center.

Since payment may be limited to the point when your condition is stable enough for you to be transported to the nearest VA Medical Center, someone will need to contact the nearest VA Medical facility on your behalf and inform them of your admission, preferable as soon as possible, if that is not possible, then within 72-hours of your admission.

The VA then must determine if treatment for your non-VA emergency care was for a service-connected disability, or for a non-service connected disability associated with and held to be aggravating your service-connected disability; or any condition, if you are an active participant in the Chapter 31 Vocational Rehabilitation program, and you need treatment to make it possible for you to enter into a course of training, or to prevent interruption of a course of training or other approved reason. If it was determined to be a service connected disability, the VA will pay for your non-VA emergency care.

If the VA determines it was for a non-service connected disability, the VA may pay for emergency care only if **ALL** of the following conditions are met:

- ◆ The episode of care cannot be paid under VA authority—and—
- ◆ Based on average knowledge of health and medicine (prudent layperson standard) you reasonable expected that delay in seeking immediate medical attention would have been hazardous to your life or health—and—
- ◆ A VA or other federal facility/provider was not feasible available—and—
- ◆ You have received VA medical care within a 24-month period preceding the non-VA emergency care—and -
- ◆ You are financial liable to the health care provider for the emergency care—and—
- ◆ The services were furnished by an Emergency Department or similar facility held out to provide emergency care to the general public—and—
- ◆ You have no other coverage under a health plan (including Medicare, Medicaid, and Worker’s Compensation) - and—
- ◆ You have no contractual or legal recourse against a third party that would, in whole, extinguish your liability.

Unauthorized Non-VA Emergency Medical Care

Continued

One thing to remember is that if any other carrier pays any portion, the VA is unable to pay, unless the facility refunds the first payer first. The VA is required to pay all—or none of the bill. Sometimes, you will have to insist the treating facility bill the VA directly. Most of the facilities do but not unless directed to.

You may continue to receive billing statements or letters from the facility or creditors even after the bill has been submitted to the VA. This is because it can be a slow process on the VA's behalf and the bill continues not to be paid. These bills are ultimately your responsibility even if it has been submitted to the VA, and can affect your credit report if they go unpaid. You must talk to the creditors and can refer them to the VA. You may also contact your National Service Officer (NSO) who can assist you with this. Or you can contact the VA Fee Basis at the responsible VA Medical Center. IF possible, you can pay the bill so it does not affect your credit report and seek re-imburement from the VA. This can also be a slow process.

If you have any questions about this, please contact your local National Service Officer for assistance.

BIRTHDAYS



June

<i>Jim M. Wiseman</i>	<i>02</i>	<i>Frederick Parker</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>Michael G. Cordes</i>	<i>04</i>	<i>Wilfred E. Friedman</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>Reynaldo E. Diaz</i>	<i>04</i>	<i>Wayne R. Litzinger</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>Walter Olevsky</i>	<i>06</i>	<i>William Burlew</i>	<i>19</i>
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<i>Ken H. MacLeod</i>	<i>14</i>		

July

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Reno Sites

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Ely Outpatient Clinic/William B. Ririe Hospital (775) 289-3612, 6 Steptoe Circle, Ely, NV 89301
VA Carson Valley Outpatient Clinic (888) 838-6256 ext. 4000, 925 Ironwood Drive, Suite 2102, Minden, NV 89423
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*New Service Begins
Monday, March 31st*

Veterans Transportation Service (VTS)

We understand there may be some confusion as we upgrade your options under our Veterans Transportation Services. Ultimately, we believe the new improvements will better meet your needs and give you greater access to your VA. We encourage your feedback and invite you to visit our Facebook page as well as our website to get the latest information or let us know how we are doing. The VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System is committed to being your health care provider of choice and we take pride in knowing you entrust us with your care.

Who's Eligible?

All Veterans enrolled in VA health care are eligible for the new transportation program.

How Do I Schedule a Ride?

Veterans can schedule transportation through their VA Primary Care Provider or by calling the VTS office at 1-844-859-5074. Please schedule transportation ahead of your appointment time.

For more information, contact 1-844-859-5074 | www.lasvegas.va.gov



Veterans Health Administration
Southern Nevada Healthcare System

Las Vegas VA Medical Center Locations and Map

Mailing Address: VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System, 6900 North Pecos Road, North Las Vegas, NV 89086

Main VA Number: 702-791-9000 - VA Appointments: 702-791-9024 - VA Pharmacy: 702 791-9076

Toll-Free Nurse Care Line: 1-877-252-4866

	Northeast Primary Care Clinic 4461 East Charleston Boulevard Las Vegas, NV 89104	702-791-9050
	Northwest Primary Care Clinic 3968 North Rancho Drive North Las Vegas, NV 89130	702-791-9020
	Pahrump Community Based Outpatient Clinic 2100 East Calvada Boulevard Pahrump, NV 89048	775-727-7535
	Southeast Primary Care Clinic 1020 South Boulder Highway Henderson, NV 89015	702-791-9030
	Southwest Primary Care Clinic 7235 South Buffalo Drive Las Vegas, NV 89113	702-791-9040
	East Specialty Clinic 3131 La Canada Street Las Vegas, NV 89109	702-791-9059
	Healthcare for Homeless Veterans 926 West Owens Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89106	702-791-9077
	Mike O'Callaghan Federal Medical Center 4700 North Las Vegas Boulevard Las Vegas, NV 89115	702-653-2227
		EMERGENCY CARE ONLY 702-653-3136/3138 Surgical Clinics
	Psychosocial Rehab Recovery Center 3525 W. Cheyenne Avenue North Las Vegas, NV 89032	702-791-9060
	Southwest Specialty Clinic 3880 South Jones Boulevard Las Vegas, NV 89103	702-791-9005
	Vet Center - Las Vegas 1919 South Jones Boulevard, Suite A Las Vegas, NV 89146	702-251-7873
	Vet Center - Henderson 400 North Stephanie Street, Suite 180 Henderson, NV 89014	702-791-9100
	West Specialty Clinic 630 South Rancho Drive Las Vegas, NV 89106	702-791-9047
	Women's Health Center Temporarily at Northeast PCC 4461 East Charleston Boulevard Las Vegas, NV 89106	702-791-9050

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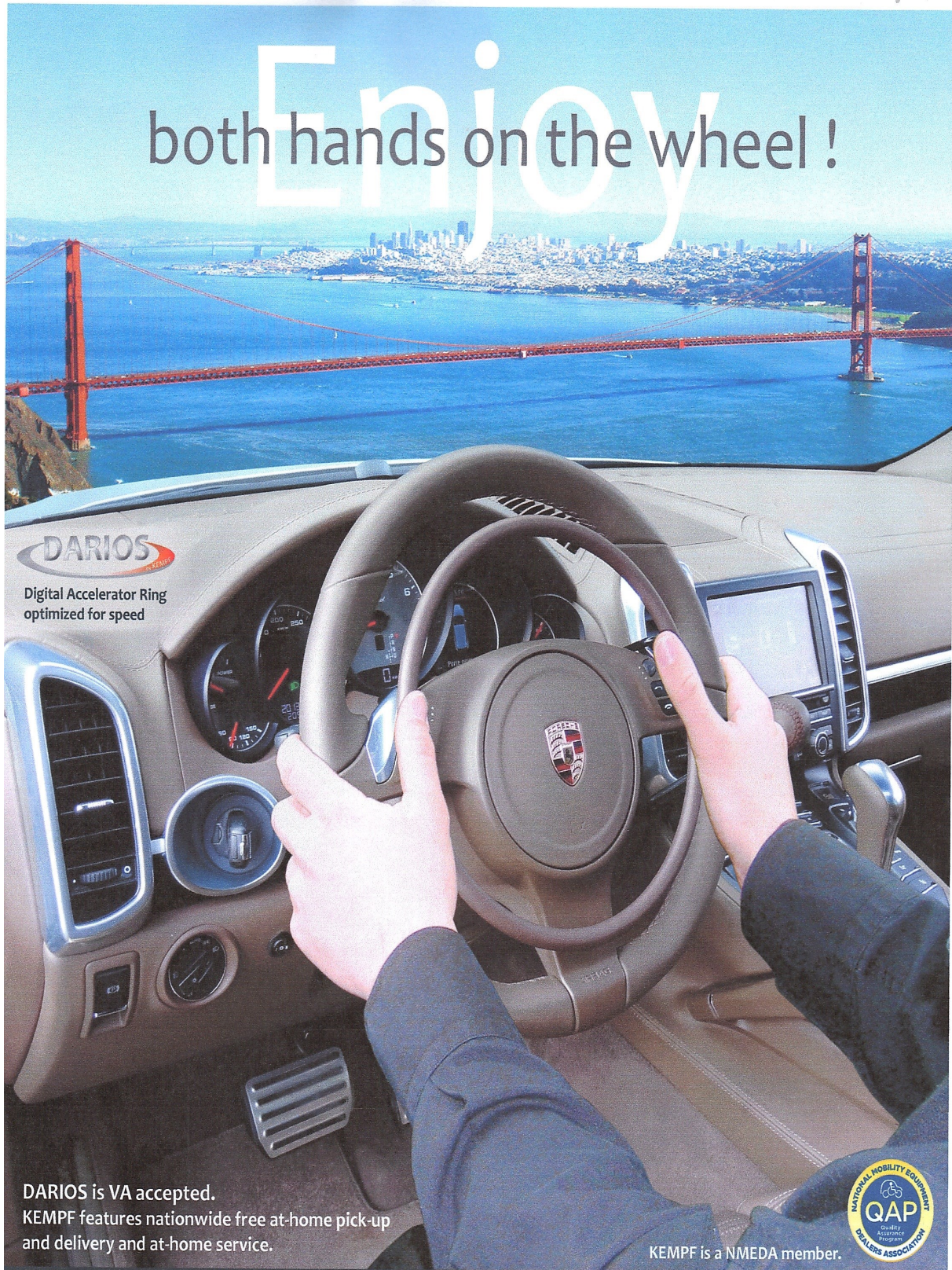
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