



Arizona Spinal Cord  
Injury Association

# AZSCIA E-NEWS

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*"A monthly update  
on the happenings  
and upcoming  
events in the  
association."*

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## Chuy's Mesquite Broiler's 11<sup>th</sup> Annual "But It's a Dry Heat" Charity Golf Classic

Every year, Chuy's designate a charity to benefit their golf tournament. This year, the Arizona Spinal Cord Injury Association was chosen.

When: September 15, 2007, 6:30AM – 7:20AM (Registration); 7:30AM (Tee Off, Shotgun Start)

Where: Club West Golf Club in Ahwatukee  
16400 S 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, AZ 85045, 480-283-1833

Price: \$70 per player includes green fees, carts, range balls, gift packs, bag tags, lunch and (drinks) at Chuy's Mesquite Broiler at 1831 E Baseline Road in Tempe, 480-777-2905.

Format: 4-Man scramble (Better Ball)

How: By the excellent teamwork of these fine sponsors - Chuy's, Budweiser, Coors Light, Miller Brands, Republic Beverage, Southern Wines, Alliance Beverage, Youngs Market, Rick Rohde Custom Bikes, and Presidential Pools.

There are prizes that will be awarded for: 1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, 4 Closest to the Pin, Straightest Drive, Longest Drive, and Worst Team Score.

The deadline to register is September 10, 2007. If you are interested in participating, please contact Manny, Chuy's Manager, at 480-777-2905. FOURSOMES ARE RECOMMENDED!

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Spinal Cord Injury Retreat

This is a reminder that the retreat has been rescheduled to Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup> – Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Whispering Hope Ranch in Payson.

We are in need of volunteers. We are looking for Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists, CNAs and Nurses. We need transfer and self-care help for our consumers. If you are interested, please contact Kayla at the office.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual International Competition of ARTISTS with Disabilities

Phoenix Sister Cities Disabilities Awareness Committee (PSC/DAC) proudly presents this artist competition. Last year, there were 80 pieces entered from

five different countries.

The international and local art submitted for the competition will be displayed in Phoenix, as well as in an online gallery which will highlight each artist with their biography and accompanying picture. Additional opportunities to have the worldwide artists work(s) will be accompanied through their relationship with Earth Art Imports.

Eligibility: Participating artist with a disability must be 19 years of age or older.

Entry Fee: \$15 entry fee for each artist.

Awards and Recognition: The grand prize winner will receive a \$500 cash award. 2<sup>nd</sup> place will receive \$300 and 3<sup>rd</sup> place will receive \$150. A People's Choice Award will also be presented at the awards ceremony.

The deadline is Monday, October 1, 2007. For more information, please contact PSC/DAC at 602-534-3751 or visit their web site [phoenixsistercities.org](http://phoenixsistercities.org). You may also contact Joseph Gesullo at 602-758-5445.

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## Pathways... Scholarship Application for Youth/Young Adult and Family Member

The Seventh Annual Transition Conference Planning Committee is pleased to announce the availability of scholarships for youth and family members to attend this year's Transition Conference. The Conference is scheduled for September 17 & 18, 2007 and will be held at the Radisson Fort McDowell Resort in Scottsdale Arizona. In order to be eligible for a scholarship award the youth/young adult applicant must have a documented disability or the applicant must be a family member of a youth with a disability. The applicant must also complete the attached Scholarship Application form according to the instructions and returned by the deadline of September 7, 2007.

For additional information please contact Jeannette Zemeida at (602) 542-3855 or email [Jeanette.Zemeida@azed.gov](mailto:Jeanette.Zemeida@azed.gov).

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## Neurotech Network

Neurotech Network is a non-profit organization focused on education and information dissemination of neurotechnology for persons with impairments. Neurotechnology is the use of medical electronics to improve or restore the function of the human nervous system. This includes such devices as the breathing pacing systems (like the one Christopher used), functional electrical stimulation systems and pain management systems to name a few. Our repository of materials grows as we do and more devices become available.

Below are a few useful links to their website:

1. Our Educate page includes topics that have been covered in one of our quarterly newsletters. The link is here:  
<http://www.neurotechnetwork.org/educate0105.html>
2. The Central Neurotechnology Database is an on-line resource created and maintained in collaboration with Neurotech Reports, an industry publication. It contains a growing number of neurotech devices and it searchable by condition (i.e. Quadriplegia, Stroke, ALS, etc.). The link to this database is here:

<http://www.neurotechnetwork.org/query.phtml>

If you would like more information, please contact Jennifer French at 727-321-0150 or [jfrench@NeurotechNetwork.org](mailto:jfrench@NeurotechNetwork.org).

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## Valley Adaptive Meeting

**What:** Quarterly meeting for professionals involved in working with individuals with physical disabilities to...

Gain awareness of opportunities that exist throughout the Valley and State for individuals with permanent physical disabilities Promote greater attendance at events Collaborate NOT Compete with neighboring agencies and organizations to fill gaps in program offerings Ability awareness for our community Help communities without opportunities to get involved

**When:** Wednesday, August 8th, 2007 4 -5:30 p.m.

**Where:** Broadway Recreation Center 59 E. Broadway Rd. in Mesa, AZ 85210 South side of Broadway between Mesa Drive and Country Club

**Bring:** Schedule of 2007-2008 events to promote

**Contact:** Susan Rossi at 480.644.5702 or [susan.byrne@cityofmesa.org](mailto:susan.byrne@cityofmesa.org)  
Check out Adaptive Golf afterwards at the Mesa Golf Center from 7-8:30 p.m.

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## Arizona Disabled Sports Schedule Summer-Fall 2007

Athletes include those with amputations, cerebral palsy, dwarfism, muscular dystrophy, spina bifida, spinal cord injuries, traumatic brain injury, visual impairments or various other physical disabilities. Athletes may be ambulatory or use a manual or power wheelchair.

### **Bowling**

Dates: August 4 thru December 15 (NO 11/24)

Day & Time: Saturdays from Noon-2 p.m.

Location: AMF Mesa Lanes - 2115 E. Southern Ave. (Southern/Gilbert)

Notes: \$2 for 2 games. Accessible ramps and equipment available.

### **Cycling**

Dates: September 20, October 18, November 15

Day & Time: Third Thursday of each month at 4:30 p.m.

Location: Road rides travel throughout the Valley. Locations will be sent to those registered.

Notes: \$15.00 to City of Mesa. A limited amount of hand cycles, adapted three wheelers and tandems are available for use during rides. We encourage athletes with their own cycle to utilize them. Reserve equipment at least 1 week prior to ride by calling 480.644.5702.

Friends and family members are welcome to ride along.

### **Golf**

Dates: August 8 & 22, September 12 & 26, October 10 & 24, November 7

Day & Time: Wednesdays from 7-8:15 p.m.

Location: Mesa Golf Center - 3252 E. McKellips

Notes: A variety of adaptive equipment will be available for use.

### **Guide Running**

Please contact 480.644.5702 to be placed on a list for future matching of guides / athletes.

### **Junior Wheelchair SUNS Basketball**

Dates: October 1 thru April (NO 12/24 or 12/31)

Day & Time: Mondays 7-8:30 p.m.

Location: Broadway Recreation Center - 59 E. Broadway

Notes: A limited amount of sport chairs are available for program use.

### **Kayaking**

Mandatory water orientation at Brimhall Pool - 4949 E. Southern (choose 1):  
Wednesday, August 1 from 6-9 p.m. *OR* Tuesday, August 7 from 6-9 p.m.  
Dates, Friday, August 10 *Sunset* paddle 5:30-7:30 p.m.  
Day & Times: Friday, August 31 *Moonrise* paddle 8-10 p.m.  
Friday, September 14 *Sunset* paddle 5-7 p.m.  
Friday, September 28 *Moonrise* paddle 6:45-8:45 p.m.  
Friday, October 12 *Sunset* paddle 4:30-6:30 p.m.  
Friday, October 26 *Moonrise* paddle 5-7 p.m.

Location: Tempe Town Lake Marina

Notes: \$15 to City of Mesa. Kayaks are available for the first 8 registered.

### **Power Soccer**

Dates: September 10 thru early June (NO 12/17, 12/24 or 12/31)

Day & Time: Mondays from 4-7 p.m. and several other announced dates.

Location: Broadway Recreation Center - 59 E. Broadway Rd.

Notes: Power / electric wheelchair required for play.

Locations:

**Basketball** - Broadway Recreation Center, 59 E. Broadway Rd.

On Broadway, just east of Center

**Bowling** - AMF Mesa Lanes, 2115 E. Southern Ave.

Southeast Corner of Southern & Gilbert

**Cycling** - Various valley sites.

**Golf** - Mesa Golf Center, 3252 E. McKellips

**Kayaking** - Tempe Town Lake Marina (North side of Lake, South of 202 at College)

**Kayaking (Orientation)** - Brimhall Pool, 4949 E. Southern

**Power Soccer** - Broadway Recreation Center, 59 E. Broadway Rd.

### **For further information, contact:**

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## Upcoming e-news information.....

If there is anything that you would like to share with your fellow members, please contact Vangie Mortenson. She will ensure that the information will be posted on the e-news.

**THANK YOU!**