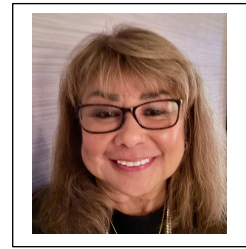


Candidate for National Secretary

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I, Nina Schloffel, am announcing my candidacy for re-election to the office of AVVA National Secretary.

I retired from the telecommunications industry in 2000. In my 31 years with SBC/ATT, I held various management and supervisory positions. As a supervising manager, I created budgets and learned to work within their constraints. I also developed, then deployed, operational practices and training. However, the most rewarding job I had was cultivating the skills of my employees. As National Secretary, it is my mission to counsel, mentor and develop the skills of members of the board and of my committees. I do not take this mission lightly, and it is one that I am gratified to undertake.

I began my AVVA service as chapter representative for AVVA Chapter 391 in Sonora, California. This was followed by a lengthy tour as California state secretary, then vice president, and finally, state president.

I currently serve on several AVVA and VVA national committees and programs. While all are important to me, two have a special place in my heart. These are PTSD '2' (Secondary PTSD), and AVVA's new program, From Heartbreak to Hope. Both programs address issues specific to the wellbeing of our members, our veterans, their families, and ultimately, their survivors. I believe that these programs will become more significant in the coming years. However, they can only be effective if we get them out to the grassroots; to our chapters and our chapter members. If re-elected, I will redouble my efforts to prepare our chapters to implement and grow PTSD '2' and From Heartbreak to Hope in their respective locales.

During my tenure as AVVA National Secretary, I have been privileged to work with an effective and dedicated board. Together, we have initiated or expanded a number of successful programs. However, proposed changes in AVVA's relationship with VVA require that we do more than just continue with our good works. To remain viable, AVVA must evolve.

As your National Secretary, I believe that I have served competently and with honor. I further believe that I have the skills, and the commitment necessary to promote AVVA's successful transition into the future. I am asking for your vote so that as your National Secretary I may continue to serve you and the organization in ensuring AVVA's continued success.

Thank you for considering my candidacy.

Nina Schloffel

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Personal Information:

- Married to Veteran Barry Schloffel, U.S. Air Force 1963 – 1969. Vietnam service, Thon Son Hut Air Base, Saigon 1968-1969
 - Blended Family: Six sons, one daughter, eleven grandsons and one great-grandson

Work History:

- Telecommunications Industry:
 - Business Office Supervisor
 - Field Operations Manager
 - Staff Manager Operations: Training and Support
 - Analyst: Systems Design, Software Testing & Systems Maintenance
 - Supervising Manager: Systems End User Support
- Consultant: Telecommunications Systems Design - 2001 (Southwest Bell)
- Consultant, Training - 2001- 2002 (Transportation Security Administration)
- Consultant. Training Development, End User Training: 2002 - 2005 (Kaiser Permanente)

AVVA History, Chapter and State:

- AVVA Chapter 391
 - Life Member: 2006
 - Chapter Rep: 2008 – 2010
 - Facilitator PTSD'2' Group: 2015 - 2021
- CA State Association
 - Secretary: 2007 – 2014
 - Chair: PTSD'2': 2009 - 2022
 - Facilitator PTSD'2' Group: 2009 - 2022
 - Vice President: 2014 – 2019
 - President: 2019 – 2020
 - Board Member: 2020 - 2022

VVA Committees:

- Minority Affairs Committee, California State Council: 2007 – 2014, 2021 - Present
- National PTSD and Substance Abuse Committee, AVVA Advisor: 2017 – Present
- National Minority Affairs Committee, AVVA Advisor: 2017 – Present

Awards:

- AVVA Member of the Year: 2015
- AVVA President's Commendation Medal: 2019
- VVA Honorary Life Member Chapter 400: 2021

Higher Education:

- Chabot College, Hayward, CA
- University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA

Volunteer History:

- Moreau Catholic High School PTG
 - Fundraising Committee
 - Committee Chair/Co-Chair – Annual Golf Tournament (3 years)
- Mountain Women's Resource Center
 - Peer Counselor / Crisis Line
 - Emergency Response Team
 - Fundraising Committee
- Habitat for Humanity
 - Family Selection Committee
 - Homeowner Support Committee:
 - Training Development and Delivery Lead
 - Family Liaison
- TC Community Collaborative Coalition Behavioral Health – Contributing Member

AVVA History, National:

- Chair Disciplinary Committee: 2009 – 2017
- Co-Chair: Disciplinary Committee: 2017 – 2019
- Co-Chair PTSD '2' Program: 2015 – 2019
- Chair PTSD '2' Program: 2019 – Present
- Chair, Training Coordinator 'From Heartbreak to Hope' Program: 2022 – Present
- Secretary, Pro-Tem: 2016
- Secretary: 2017 – Present
- Co- Presenter, PTSD '2': 2016 Tucson Leadership & Education Conference
- Co- Presenter, PTSD '2': 2018 Palm Springs Leadership & Education Conference
- Presenter, PTSD '2': 2022 Greenville Leadership & Education Conference
- Co- Presenter, 'From Heartbreak to Hope': 2022 Greenville Leadership & Education