SPOUSAL AND SURVIVOR BENEFIT COMMITTEE REPORT REGIONS 6-9

Quarterly Report 10-6-23

Co-Committee Regions 6-9 Members: Jennifer Ellis, Region 8 Director : Co-Chair S&SB Program Regions 6-9 Gail DuBois Brousard, Chapter 630, Louisiana Craig Wade, VVA Dual Member Chapter 904, Alaska Dawn Wait, Chapter 805, Oregon Kathy Andras, National Vice President, Advisor

Welcome new Spousal and Survivor Benefit members for Regions 6-9. This term Sharon Hobbs requested that Beverly Pounds, Co-Chair of Regions 1-5 and I, Co-Chair of Regions 6-9, work side by side developing our designated areas in regards to our S&S Benefits program.

On our committee we have Gail Dubois Brousard who served on the last term committee and brings that knowledge with her. Next is Craig Wade, VVA dual member from Alaska, who I am excited to have join us and who will bring his experience to the table. Finally we have Dawn Wait who is Oregon Chapter 805's S&SB seminar chair and has hands on experience with successfully presenting S&SB seminars. I look forward to working with each of them as we endeavor to encourage our states and chapters to hold seminars and to provide our regions with up to date information for our spouses and survivors.

After our AVVA National board meeting in Silver Springs 10/19-21/23, we will be meeting via Zoom to begin planning and strategizing. Upon my return, I will send out some dates and times for our members to choose from.

Jennifer Ellis Region 8 Director

Survival Benefits Program Committee Report - Regions 1-5

I have chosen committee members for the Eastern part of the United States. Made a list of State presidents to contact and working to make a contact list of AVVA chapters to contact concerning the Survival Benefits Program.

I'm excited and looking forward to be working with our committee and see how we can expand the program.

Together we can accomplish more.

Beverly Pounds