

Region 5 Director's report
July 2016

With chapter elections taking place in April, verifying and contacting the representatives and presidents was the first action taken. Many contacts were made by email and phone with chapter and state leaders. A problem arose in Ohio that took multiple contacts with chapter reps before it was resolved. I appreciate all the help I received from everyone involved.

I was invited to the Ohio State meeting but was unable to attend due to a previously scheduled event but look forward to meeting with those members, several which are going to Leadership conference. The new Representative is Don Jones. I anticipate that Don will be an asset to AVVA in Ohio. Welcome, Don.

I attended the state meeting in Michigan. A new President was elected, Marilyn Lash, from Clarksville, MI. I want to thank Betty Pike for her years as leader of the Michigan Association. Welcome, Marilyn.

Illinois re-elected Freda Goodwin, who has led the state well for several years. Welcome back, Freda.

Thanks to each state and chapter leader who has stepped up to help make Region 5 an active and vital organization.

Respectfully,

Cecilia Essenmacher
Region 5 Director