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Again, its been a crazy year. Most of our Incarcerated Chapters were on total lockdown to prevent any Covid spread. All of Ohio's 3 chapters went into mask production. We also tried to get a bill passed on parole legislation but it died in committee due to pandemic. Most of the prisons are now on limited visitation which is good since they have been on lockdown for so long. One thing that I had hoped to accomplish and look forward to at convention Is to eliminate the" **Veteran**" status for Associates Incarcerated. It never made since why the Associates in prison had to be Veterans but nobody else did?

Respectfully submitted,

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Well, its been an interesting year to say the least. I have dropped the ball and I apologize to Region 5. My health has been one factor and not being prepared is another. I'm sure Penny Meinhardt will be a good director and represent the region well. I tried to keep communications open with the quarterly newsletter and had plans to visit each state. I did get to Indiana to present the AVVA Associate of the Year, Holly Tokolo, with her plaque. Covid kind of messed up any more travel plans. In closing, I am sorry that I wasn't a good director, my heart was in it, not my mind.

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