## **Region 5 Director's report**

October 2018

Elections have come and gone, and I congratulate all those who are continuing to lead their chapters and states, and those who are stepping into a new position for the next two years.

In May, I visited the Illinois state association meeting to present the charter to IL0669. Thank you, Illinois for inviting me for this special occasion. It was a fun weekend, but, it would have been more fun if I hadn't been in a cast for a broken wrist.

In June, I attended the Michigan state association meeting as a Michigan officer more than as Region Director. I was there running for an office within the Association and felt that I should present myself at the state level and not as a National Board member. But, as some issues came up I did respond to them as the Region Director.

July was filled with the Leadership and Training Conference. I attended both Workgroup 1 and 2's sessions and learned a lot about how VVA is looking forward to their future. Upon returning home, I began concentrating on needs with the Membership Committee.

Respectfully,

Cecilia Essenmacher

**Region 5 Director**