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Region 7 Report – July 2025

REGION 7: Hello All,

- I can't stress enough that communication is very important to stay connected which is what I've been trying to reach out to Region 7. I've also asked if you are receiving my newsletters and email messages. I need your feedback to be able to assist and educate those who need assistance. I also communicate with both VVA and AVVA Region 7 Presidents/Chapter Reps to keep them informed as well. Continue to work with AR and OK to rekindle members for AVVA activity. TX and LA AVVA are doing well. All, keep up the great work!
- Continue to send out messages to Region 7 members whether it has to do with Flash News, Veteran information or any updates. Send out periodic newsletters during the holidays and special events for AVVA. Remind all to keep track of their VISTA hours and to recognize their members for all awards.
- I've created email list for AR, OK, LA and TX and as you can imagine, there is lots of clean up to do. Remind all your members to update their emails to stay informed.
- I send out notices to Region 7 AVVA members the importance of Elections and Delegates and the requests of member rosters. Encourage your members to run for office. Advise several chapters in Region 7, to support their Chapter Reps. Some Reps find it difficult to lead due to health issues. Very thankful to those AVVA members stepping up to the plate to support their members.
- The Disciplinary Committee for Region 7, established back in April 2024, is doing well. No issues to report. This committee includes: Kathy Andras, TX AVVA- National AVVA Vice President; Paula Braxton, LA Chap. Rep 852; Theresa Neal, AR Chap. POC 808.
- Will attend the National Convention in New Orleans LA in August 2025, and hoping to be elected as your AVVA Region 7 director. Goal is to sign up new AVVA and Dual members. I keep encouraging chapters to incorporate and direct them to Bobbie Morris, Incorporation Chair for assistance or call me when needed.
- I will continue with ZOOM meetings with Region 7 states. Communication is vital to a healthy organization. This is work in progress.
- I requested support for Kerrville TX with their flood devastation and asked for prayers and any financial support for the families who suffered the loss of their loved ones. We plan to have a "Heartbreak to Hope" session at the Texas State Council in Oct in El Paso TX.

My goal is to recruit new AVVA members and to revive Region 7. Stay in touch as I will do the same. Be safe and God Bless you all.

Respectfully,

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