

## Vice President's Report, July-October 2019

During this period, I had the opportunity to visit several chapters as well as the 2021 convention venue. I saw really good things going on at Broward County, Nassau County, Sun City Center, had the opportunity to stop at Mayport and discuss chapter issues as well as area issues with Pat Kluever. Generally, these chapters are doing well, and Pat is doing great work with both his chapter and area VP responsibilities. I also made a visit to the 2021 convention site and was able to assess favorably the work being done by the Sarasota chapter in the initial planning for this event.

As we are fast approaching the end of the year, I would recommend that chapter leaders take a look at where they stand for upcoming submissions of the Communication and Levels of Excellence (LOE) awards. I have taken a "tour" of some of our chapter websites and/or newsletters and note that several are still using the old MOAA logo. This may be the national logo, the state logo of old, or chapter logos that incorporated the old logo. While I personally prefer the old logo, we need to start using the new logo. This is kind of like uniform changes in the military. Go ahead and complain about it. Then go buy the new uniforms. Same goes for the logo. I have also noticed that many chapters have websites but haven't done anything with them for some time. I get a newsletter (electronically) from one chapter, and see that it is not posted to their website. This takes only a few minutes. If you are going to have a website, it needs to be maintained/updated.

I want to give special kudos to the Central Florida chapter in Orlando. Lorraine Holland and her team have really turned things around. It is proof that with two parts leadership, two parts elbow grease and two parts teamwork, miracles can happen.

I look forward to the opportunity to visit your chapter. I already have a few chapter visits on my calendar, but I am available. Just let me know and I'll do everything I can to visit.