



January 2022 Letter
National Sous Directeur VAVS Area III

Greetings to All,

I hope everyone had a safe Holiday Season and is handling the COVID 19 crisis as well as expected. The Omicron has reared its ugly head at my house but all is on the mend with no major difficulties to report.

Speaking of facilities, we need to get some positions filled. I know this sounds like a broken record, but I am very serious when it comes to this subject. It is hard to volunteer all the time without getting burnt out. Therefore, we need to find some help in this area. I guess what I am trying to say is, please go recruit some help. Everyone knows someone they can ask. Possibly from another Veterans Organization. Just think your Grande might get a new member to help reach their membership goal and you fill a needed position. Be a Recruiter. Thank You.

Please start asking for a needs list from your VAVS Chief on what your facility needs. I have received my facilities Wish List for 2022 and have been going through it. If you cannot get specifics from your VAVS office on what is wanted the most pick a area that you are familiar with and call them directly. That is what I have done in the past and it works like a charm. Keep the Wheelchairs Rolling contest is pretty easy way to get some needed money to help you out. Grande Chef de Gare's and Correspondents please forward the attachment about this year's contest. The deadline will be here before you know it.

I will be attending a meeting with the host hotel for the 2022 National Promenade in Green Bay on January 20th. I will take some good notes and share with you in my February letter on what I learn.

Please keep in mind the 76th Annual Advisory Committee Meeting scheduled for the end of April in Denver, CO. They are hoping to have it in person this year. Let's pray.

In closing please let me know that you have received my letter and share information with me on what's going on in your area. Every part of our Country does things a little differently. Knowledge and Communication is key if we want to stay up to date and viable.

Until next time, stay safe.

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