EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

VVA National has decided to make the \$100.00 life membership permanent; so if you are still paying \$20.00 a year now is your chance to receive a life membership for \$100.00.

As of today we have 283 members and 224 of those are life members. I think it would be great if Chapter 49 became the first Chapter with 100% life members.

We need a few more members to volunteer to be cashiers at the NYS veterans Nursing Home Gift Shop. I know that a lot of members are now retiring and have some time to volunteer. It would only be four hours, one day a week. Or more if you like. It is pretty easy; just ring up the sales and talk with the residents. It feels good to help out our older brother and sister veterans.

Elsewhere in this newsletter is a flyer about our upcoming Chapter picnic in September. I hope to see you there.

Take care of yourself and each other

Dan Griffin

Welcome to our newest members

Robert Thate life member from Hawthorne

Arthur Ralph life member from Somers