



All, I'm sure you know by now that we had a very successful convention in Fayetteville the first week of May. The site was super; the Fayetteville chapter was tremendous in welcoming and hosting us; the Area V chapters were sensational in their support, with Ben Benjamin, the Area V Vice President doing a great job bringing it all together. The speakers were informative and instructive. Everybody came together to make our last convention as a Federation of Chapters the best ever.

I want to congratulate you all in voting to approve the revision of our bylaws that will allow us to bring in the talents of all NARFE members in North Carolina. Your courage to push us forward has put our organization in good stead for the years to come. But that's just the beginning, The Executive Board has already begun working to implement all the changes and will be looking for your input and support in the

next few months. This is a team effort.

On a personal note, I want to thank you for re-electing your statewide officers--me as Federation President; Tom Jennings as Federation Executive Vice President; Dave Phillips as Federation Secretary; and Sam Crain as Federation treasurer. You have entrusted us with carrying out the will of the Federation and we take our responsibilities to heart. We are here to serve you in helping protect our earned benefits. Thank you.

I look forward to working with you all in the coming year. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns or questions.

Robert Allen,  
NC Federation President