



**JULY 2009**

## From the Desk of the President

Welcome to our first official online newsletter. Make sure you visit our new website for more information about VVA benefits and services.

As you know the focus of Chapter 446 is veterans health and benefits. Nationally, Vietnam Veterans of America is spearheading the Veterans Health Council, VHC. The mission of the council is to improve the health of veterans by creating an ongoing forum via their website [www.veteranshealth.org](http://www.veteranshealth.org), for veterans, their families and clinicians.

More than 75% of veterans do not use the Veterans Administration for their healthcare needs. Many veterans are unaware that they may have health problems related to their military service. Most private sector physicians and clinicians are unaware of the connection between health problems and military service.

Additionally, we at Chapter 446 are attempting to establish a contact with the Los Angeles County Medical Association. Our objective is to attend their meetings and give a 10 minute presentation about the VHC and issues affecting veterans about which physicians need to be aware.

We have brochures at the chapter office that you can pick up and give to your physician when you have an appointment

## From the Como-Center

Our elections were held April 18, 2009 at our conference center, results as follows:

**PRESIDENT**- James Maddox  
**VICE-PRESIDENT**- Alan Stelzer  
**SECRETARY**- Steve Malmberg  
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## VSO Services

Chapter has a volunteer Veteran Service Officer (VSO) available by appointment.

Hours for appointment are normally Tuesday or Thursdays after 7:00pm at above location in Pasadena.

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