

## Dear

The year is almost half over and we have a lot to share with our Volunteers. As I mentioned in several of my past communications, we are revitalizing the ASN program. We have accomplished several objectives, in the way of automation, new resources and communication. Here is a short update on just a few initiatives:

- 1. Completed Video "Going Higher- America's Community Airports" and was debuted at Sun N Fun in April and again at the AOPA Beaufort Fly-In. The final version will be on our website for your use once we complete some minor edits.
- 2. We've amplified our presence at AOPA's Regional Fly-ins with our own tent and special presentations. It was successfully introduced at the AOPA Beaufort Fly-In.
- 3. The new updated AOPA website was launched in May. We have a few revisions and challenges we are still working through on the "ASN Volunteers Only" section of AOPA.org, and should have that completed by the end of July.
- 4. Our new ASN Volunteer Newsletter is well underway and will be released in July.
- 5. In order to increase communication capabilities, we are decentralizing the ASN Volunteer program. Effective July 1, 2016, ASN Volunteers with be assigned to the Regional Managers in their geographic area. Last January I sent all of you a message introducing you to the Regional Manager in your area. A copy of that letter will be available on the "ASN Volunteers Only" page and titled Alert # 6-11. It gives you the details about your regional manager and their credentials. Your messages to AOPA will be automatically channeled to your regional manager. We are waiting on the automation portion to be fully functional prior to implementation. Please bear with us during this transition, we do expect it to go well, but we can't anticipate all of the challenges that may occur.

These are just a few of our initiatives for 2016, designed to assist you in your efforts and to provide you with updated guidance. In 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2016, we will have additional objectives that will be implemented. In the meantime, we hope to continue to grow the program to meet the challenges ahead by learning from the past.

And please check out the calendar posted on the "ASN Volunteers Only" webpage. We have several AOPA ASN Events coming up. At Oshkosh we plan to host a Meet and Greet event identical to our 2015 event. In addition, AOPA President and CEO Mark Baker will preside over the ASN meeting and the viewing of "Going Higher-America's Community Airports". Then, as mentioned above, at each of the AOPA Fly-In this year we have a special pavilion for the ASN Volunteers. We will host a breakfast and attached is our agenda for the day's events. Despite the heavy rain at the AOPA Beaufort Fly-In, we had a great turn out and informative exchange of information and ideas. So please join us!

Thank you for your volunteer service and helping all of us protect our community airports and our Freedom to Fly!

Sincerely,

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