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Dear ASN Volunteer,

I wanted to take this time to follow up with you regarding the ASN update letter I sent to you in September. That letter forecasted a lot of changes taking place in the AOPA advocacy team. We want to provide you with the most information in a timely manner regarding these changes as well as all of the exciting events happening in AOPA.

As part of the ASN Program, we have seven Regional Managers that are each responsible for a specific geographical area; their information is available on the [AOPA Advocacy website](#). Let me introduce you to your specific Regional Manager and explain her role within the ASN Volunteer Program.

Yasmina Platt, a CFII-A and student helicopter pilot, is truly enjoying her venture representing the Association in the Central Southwest Region covering NM, TX, LA, OK, AR, KS, MO, NE and IA. In this role, her mission is to build strong local GA communities and strengthen AOPA's relationships with state and local governments. Her focus is aviation safety, outreach, research, education, and the promotion and protection of general aviation. In addition to representing AOPA member interests with state and local government officials, she hopes to stimulate and encourage greater involvement among pilots and aviation enthusiasts. Yasmina lives in Houston, TX with her husband Jared.

Our Regional Managers have a variety of responsibilities. The most important ones are the outreach efforts and the lobbying they do with their respective state legislators. They may reach out to you, when an issue is developing to seek your help or when they are in your area to meet with you. Your Regional Managers will engage with you regarding effective ways to achieve the goal of assisting our AOPA Members. You can expect to see more opportunities to meet with other ASN Volunteers and your Regional Manager in the coming year.

I want you to know how important you are to AOPA's efforts to protect one of the great privileges we have in America- ***our freedom to fly***. To assist you in that effort, the ASN Program is being revitalized. In my last message, I gave you a list of what is being developed. Now, I want to share with you the new features that have been completed:



The current ASN website has been updated, mainly with content such as Webinars and a new Document Library. Check it out!



In 2016, all of the AOPA Fly-Ins will have our very own ASN Tent for meeting, training and discussions. All of the events we plan to attend will be posted on the "Upcoming Events" located in the ASN only site.



We will send out invitations to the ASNs that are geographically located in an AOPA Fly-In area to personally invite you and share our agenda in advance.

These are just a few things we think are important to keep you better informed on the issues that are fundamental to the ASN Program.

And lastly, we need for you to complete a survey that will assist us in gathering information to help assist you as an ASN Volunteer. The survey questions will be posted on the ASN website and you will receive an email prior to the survey that will provide instruction and explanations regarding the survey content.

In the meantime, please visit the AOPA ASN website and contact us using the new web contact form. We will be phasing out the use of the asn@aopa.org email address for a more automated way to communicate.

We appreciate your patience and assistance during this development period and we look forward to working with you to create a program that's stronger and more effective than ever.

Again, thank you for all you do on behalf of AOPA Members and the entire general aviation community.

Sincerely,

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