



**Steve Catalano**  
President

Fellow Grey Eagles,

**Allen H. Brock IV**  
First Vice President

By way of introduction, in 2022 I was your 2nd Vice President, 2023 1st Vice President, and now in 2024 I look forward to serving as your Grey Eagles President. My general aviation background includes Alaska bush flying, and air cargo. I came to American by way of Aircal. At AA I flew the BAe 146, F-100, MD-80, MD-11, B-727, B-737, B-757, B-767, B-777; and, retired on the B-787 flying to mostly Auckland, New Zealand, and Sydney, Australia. I was based in JFK, ORD, MIA, DFW, SEA, SFO and retired out of LAX.

**Steven Hart**  
Second Vice President

**William C. Rose**  
Secretary

**Steven W. Browning**  
Treasurer

My APA service included representing APA pilots as SEA Chairman on the APA Board of Directors. I, also, served on the Training, Scope, Financial audit, ALPA exploratory, 2 Mergers and acquisitions committees, AA-RENO, and AA-TWA.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Captain Bill Baerresen and Vicki McGowen for putting together a wonderful 2023 Grey Eagles event. The Boeing 777 tour followed by the luncheon at Boeing, with several VIP speakers, was informative and outstanding. The Alaska cruise was spectacular to say the least. Wonderful sightseeing on and off the ship, great food, drink and fellowship was enjoyed by all. While cruising, Bill lead us in a very touching remembrance of our colleagues lost on 9/11, a fitting memorial that will reside in our hearts forever. Well done Bill.

So many hard working Grey Eagles keep our great organization running and on track. Our Executive board: 1st Vice President Allen Brock, 2nd Vice President Steve Hart, Secretary Bill Rose, Treasurer, Steve Browning. Our full board includes Area Directors Randy Dolan, Miles Warlick, Matt DiMarco, Charles Savage, and Ed Cook. Our Auxiliary member coordinator Linda Mathews has just passed the baton to Sheryl Guth, sincere gratitude for all you do.

Appreciation also goes to the domicile Deputy Area Directors, Doug, Robert, Tim, Joey and Bill. Additionally, Membership, Communications, IT, Webmaster, Newsletter, Storekeeper, Historian, Surviving Spouse Advocate, Gary, Jeff and Janet, Sam, Rock, Jock, Fred, Joe and Dave. Then there are many others who I have not named who help in so many ways—again, our grateful appreciation.

In concert with APA, the FINI flight program is going well for retiring pilots. We use this program as an opportunity to promote Grey Eagle membership. We are catching up on retirement dinners, and also use these venues to also promote Grey Eagle membership. We are very thankful for the generous support that we get from APA. Special thanks to APA President Ed Sicher. And also our heartfelt appreciation goes to Toni Kennard, for coordinating all those retirement dinners, and to Karen Nicholson for her Graphic and printing expertise.

Our 2024 Grey Eagles Annual Convention will be held from October 31st to November 4th at the Embassy Suites (Hilton) in Grapevine, TX. We are planning a CR Smith museum tour, VIP Flight Academy tour, 911 Memorial tour, Grapevine sightseeing, a train ride to the Ft. Worth Stockyards to watch the Longhorn steer cattle drive, and a George W. Bush Presidential Center tour. We'll roll in few other surprises and enhancements, a great hospitality suite; and, as always, making and renewing Grey Eagle friendships. Our negotiated room rate of \$179 per night includes breakfast and an evening manager hosted reception with beer and wine. Please make your reservations early using Hilton reservations at 1-800-774-1500. Mention the Grey Eagles 2024 and if needed, the SRP code is CES 91U.

The Grey Eagles, 62 years strong. Thank you all for your support. My team and I are honored to serve you. Here's to a happy, healthy and prosperous 2024, see you in Grapevine on October 31.

Blues skies always,

Captain Steve Catalano  
Grey Eagles President 2024