

# NEASA NEWSBLAST

## 2016 Safety Clinic

Early this spring in order to prepare everyone for the full-on flying season, Mountain Wings and NeASA sponsored a free safety clinic. Greg Black and Dave Hopkins presented important

information about the hazards particular to Ellenville, and gave detailed advice about how to remain safe in the air. Then everyone enjoyed a potluck

dinner and socializing the rest of the evening.

Thank you, Greg and Dave, for helping to keep us safe!



### Your NeASA Club - Officers 2016

- Joe Durivage - President
- Greg Black - Veep
- Secretary - David Hurlebert
- Safety Officer - Rich Selgrad
- Treasurer/Power behind the throne - Carl DiPiero

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Well 2016 is off to a good start with NeASA sponsoring two clinics and as many club meetings since the start of the year.

We have big plans for 2016, that range from maintenance of club facilities to attracting new members. Of course flying, education, and fun are always on the agenda!

We've had a productive spring work party where we tackled a number of our top priorities to maintain the facilities for safe use. Thank you to all who helped! Among our accomplishments was:

- Sealing the ramp on launch
- Painting the North Knob sign
- Trimming overgrowth
- Inspecting the tree rescue kit

One of our goals is to attract paragliders to the NeASA club by making the launch more "pg friendly". Cathleen and Rich will take the lead on that long term effort.

I look forward to 2016 being a great year with everyone having lots of safe and fun flights and learning experiences.

Safe flying!  
Joe Durivage



BBQ gathering and bonfire before the fireworks

In May we gathered to remember our flying friends that we lost in the past year, Scotty and Tomas. We enjoyed a barbecue and socialized until it got dark. Then we honored their memory with a fireworks display. Finally we sent two Chinese lanterns aloft into the night sky, leaving us below with our fond memories of these special guys whom we miss.

