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PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Dear Members and Friends,

It's national convention time again! As I trust we all know, the convention is being held in Rapid City on Tuesday and Wednesday July 9 and 10. If you have not yet made your reservation, please do so forthwith. We are told that the "family suites" are going quickly (private rooms with bathrooms), and after that

the "dorm rooms" will remain. First come, first choice.

Our host will be Bishop Robert Gruss. His Excellency Bishop Robert Dwayne Gruss (born June 25, 1955) is a <u>bishop</u> of the Catholic Church in the United States. He has served as the eighth bishop of the Diocese of Rapid City in the state of South Dakota since 2011. Then-Msgr. Gruss was named the bishop of Rapid City by Pope Benedict on May 26, 2011. His episcopal ordination took place on July 28, 2011 at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center in Rapid City, South Dakota. Archbishop John Clayton Nienstedt of St. Paul and Minneapolis was the ordaining prelate. Bishops Martin John Amos of Davenport (and fondly remembered in Cleveland) and Samuel Joseph Aquila of Fargo were the co-consecrators. We will certainly look forward to Bishop Gruss' hospitality.

As usual most arrivals will be taking place on Monday, July 8 but activities have been arranged for Sunday and Monday for any who are arriving early. On Sunday there will be signups for an optional tour of The Badlands National Park. Of course on Monday evening we'll be gathering in a common room at Terra Sancta for pizza and libations.

The schedule for Tuesday is really full and very interesting. We'll have an early departure at 8:30 AM for Mount Rushmore and later we'll have a tour of the Crazy Horse monument returning to Terra Sancta by mid-afternoon. At that point there will be an optional tour of Custer State Park to view wild buffalos. Ordinarily dinner has been on our own on Tuesdays, but Bishop Gruss has generously offered to provide a cookout at his house.

I am really looking forward to Wednesday when we will be provided with a tour and lunch with the base commander at Ellsworth Air Force Base. The host unit at Ellsworth is the 28th Bomb Wing (28 assigned to the Air Combat BW) Command's Twelfth Air Force. The 28 BW is one of only two B-1B Lancer strategic bomber wings in the United States Air Force, the other being the 7th Bomb Wing at Dyess AFB, Texas. The 28th Bomb Wing is commanded by Colonel Mark Weatherington. Its Command Chief Master Sergeant is Chief Master Sergeant Brian D. Lavoie.

The mission of the 28th Bomb Wing is to deliver decisive combat power for global response. The 28th Bomb Wing is divided into the 28th Operations Group, the 28th Maintenance Group, the 28th Mission Support Group and the 28th Medical Group.

Ellsworth's population of approximately 8,000 includes military members, family members and civilian employees. The base's sister city, Rapid City, has a population of just more than 62,500. There are also about 3,800 military retirees in Western South Dakota.

I am sure the tour of Ellsworth will be one of the more memorable events of our national conventions. After the tour we will have our annual meeting at 3:30 PM followed by concelebrated mass at 5 PM. It is an ordinary day, so if you wish to concelebrate please bring your alb and a green stole. The banquet will be at 6:30 PM.

I plan to keep a journal of the convention as I did last year. Please look up <u>http://priestpilot.blogspot.com</u> for pictures from last year's convention. I was very careful last year to try to get pictures of all the members and to label them with their names. Since I'm not very good with names, particularly after an entire year, I'll be using the blog to refresh my memory. For this 2013 convention I plan to be keeping the blog going each day.

I wish everyone a safe trip to Rapid City! It will be great to see you all!

## Sincerely,

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> PLEASE NOTE THE OFFICIAL SCHEDULE AND SIGNUP RESERVATION SHEET IN THIS NEWSLETTER.

> > GET IT IN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE



#### **GOOD NEWS**

The past couple of months Associate Member John Zapp, computer guru and keeper of the NAPP website, has been busy redesigning our web site. If all goes as planned the newly designed site will be up and running in time for the July convention in Rapid City. The new site will greatly expand our options and enable on line access to the NAPP Directory for members with the proper password.

John hopes to join us in Rapid City and personally unveil the new NAPP web site. Directions will be sent to everyone prior to the publication of the August newsletter.

Thanks John! Looking forward to KRAP

#### THERE'S STILL TIME

The 2013 NAPP National Convention is rapidly approaching. If you haven't already done so, please take care of that task so those hosting us can adequately complete their preparations.

#### **MIDWEST GATHERING**

On Monday, September 30, the NAPP Midwest members invite everyone to Waterloo, IA for an interesting day with Bill Fox. Bill spent most of his life as an aeronautical engineer with the fabled "Kelly Johnson Skunk Works." The September presentation will focus on the design and building of the SR-71 Blackbird.

For now, put the date on your calendar. The registration information sheet will be available in August.

## NAPP 2013 ELECTIONS

The following positions will be<br/>up for election at the ConventionPRESIDENT:Allen F. Corrigan $2^{nd}$  V. P:George RemmSECRETARY:Phillip GibbsAccording to the By-Laws<br/>all three are eligible for nomination

#### UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS NATIONAL NAPP CONVENTION

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July 9 – 10, 2013

#### **Rapid City, South Dakota**

#### MIDWEST REGIONAL MEETING

September 30, 2013

Waterloo, Iowa

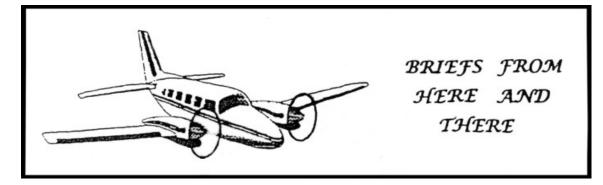
(Details of above events will follow)

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April 16, 2013

Reverend Mel Hemann 127 Kaspend Place Cedar Falls, IA 50613-1683

Dear Mel,

While I have not been a very active member of NAPP and have been without a plane for 8 years, I appreciate what the organization is doing and wish to make a contribution that you can distribute according to the needs identified by your group at the next meeting. Enclosed please find a check for \$1000.

I still fly at 80 years of age, but the FAA has made it all but impossible for me to renew my medical this year. Fortunately the airport I use has a sport plane – with electric flaps and trim and a glass panel – that does not require a medical certificate. Now if I can learn to land it! I hope to be able to fly more than once more.

Fraternally in the Lord,,

Frank Mouch

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# NAPP CONVENTION SCHEDULE

July 9 – 11, 2013 Rapid City, South Dakota

#### Arrival

Rapid City, SD. **KRAP** For commercial and private aircraft arrivals **FBO: Westjet Air Center** 

## 7 July - Sunday

Arrival today. Transportation to **Terra Sancta** provided. You can sign up for a tour of **THE BADLANDS National Park**. on Monday

## 8 July – Monday

10:00 AM depart for driving tour of Badlands National Park Arrivals all day. Transportation to Terra Sancta provided
5:30 PM Hospitality room Official welcome. Pizza and all the trimmings.

## 9 July – Tuesday

Mass (Optional) and Breakfast

- 8:30 AM Depart for Mt. Rushmore monument
- **11:00 AM** Tour of **Crazy Horse** monument
- 12:00 PM Lunch at Crazy Horse monument
- **3:15 PM** Return to **Terra Sancta**
- **Option:** Drive through Custer State Park... to view wild buffaloes
- 7:00 PM Cookout at Bishop's house

## 10 July - Wednesday

- **9:00 AM** Depart for **Ellsworth Air Force Base.** Tour and Lunch with Base Commander
- **1:00 PM** Return to **Terra Sancta**
- **3:30 PM** Annual Business Meeting at **Terra Sancta**
- 5:00 PM Mass at Terra Sancta
- 6:30 PM Banquet at Terra Sancta

## **EVENING FREE**

## 11 July -Thursday DEPARTURE

## **SPECIAL NOTES:**

- 1. If you arrive on Sunday or early Monday and want to go on the **BADLANDS PARK** tour Monday be sure and indicate that on your registration form so the necessary arrangements can be made for cars and drivers.
- 2. If you are arriving by car and will be able to assist in driving on the Tuesday and Wednesday tours <u>please</u> indicate that willingness on your registration form to assist in planning.

# MIDWEST REGIONAL MEETING at MOLINE, ILLINOIS

Monday April 29, 2013

Ken and Margie Hopper, along with NAPP member John Schmitz, hosted the Spring meeting in Moline. In attendance were Phil Gibbs, Mel Hemann, Jim Kiernan, Gene Murray, Jack Paisley, Jerry Scanlan, John Schmitz, Al Werth and John Wolesky. These 9 represented 4 states.

After a late start due to storm related delays, Ken Hopper gave a presentation on putting on a first class air show.



Ken with the following presentation



#### THE HISTORY

Founded by Kenneth W. Hopper in 1986, held first air show on June 25-26, 1968 and this year will mark our 27<sup>th</sup> Air Show on June 22-23.

Considered one of the TOP-FIVE air shows in the country, the 2011 QCAS was selected Number One by the United States Navy, featured in countless magazines, books and was selected to be the main air show in the History Channel program called "Modern Marvels- Air Shows."

Has had the honor of hosting a Military Jet Demonstration Team, like the United States Navy Blue Angels, United States Air Force Thunderbirds, United States Army Golden Knights, United States Navy Leap Frogs, United States Air Force Academy Jump Team, Canadian Snowbirds, Canadian Sky Hawks, United States Navy F-14 Tomcat Tac Demo, United States Marine Corps AV-8B11 Harrier Tac Demo, United States Air Force F-15 Eagle Tac Demo, United States Air Force A-10 Warthog Tac Demo, United States Air Force F-16 Viper Tac Demo, United States Navy F/A-18C Hornet Tac Demo, United States Air Force F-15E Strike Eagle Tac Demo, United States Navy F/A-18F Super Hornet Tac Demo, United States Air Force F-117A Blacknight Tac Demo, Canadian CF-188 Hornet Demo at almost every single show.



It is interesting

Annually attracts between 80-100,000 spectators, one of the largest annual events in the Midwest.

Is supported by over 200 community minded sponsors, costs over \$1 million annually to produce.

Is a \$20 million dollar economic impact on the Quad City Community, therefore has contributed over \$540 million to the Quad City Community in 27 shows.

Has contributed over \$5/5 million to charitable causes.

Requires some 800 volunteers to make the air show possible.

Has a 16 member executive team that coordinates all activities of the air show.

Has contributed greatly to the enhancement and expansion of the Davenport Municipal Airport in terms of international recognition, longer runways, navigational aides, new hangars and more. It has put the Davenport Airport on the Aviation Map.

Has attracted spectators from around the globe and you can't locate a hotel room on air show weekend.

## **QCAS FACTS**

## <u>NOW SOME FUN FACTS IN 27</u> <u>SHOWS</u>

143 miles of fence
120 miles of rope
17 miles of white plastic
196,000 chairs
4,100 tents
29,900 tables
245,200 feet of table covering
4,320 portable toilets
6,200 yards of trash
4,200 aircraft
3,100,000 gallons of aviation fuel
38,000 gallons of smoke oil
2,500,000 sheets of toilet paper
21,600 volunteers over 27 years
2,500,000 pounds of ice

You get the picture. The Quad City Air Show has made a huge impact on the Quad City Community.

We appreciate the support and look forward to working with you in the future.

Following Ken's presentation his wife Margie, with the questionable assistance of John Schmitz, served a delicious lunch.

Local airplane restorer, Jim Goetsch, completed the day's program with a few stories of aircraft restoration and some of his flying experiences over the years. Due to a doctor's appointment and threatening storms the group departed rather quickly. However before the departure, plans were made to meet on September 30, 2013 in Waterloo, IA where Mel Hemann will host the Fall Midwest meeting.

#### **Church Services in the Near Future**

PASTOR: Praise the Lord.CONGREGATION: Hallelujah!PASTOR: Can we please turn our tablet PC, iPad, cellphone, Kindle Bibles to 1 Cor.

13:13. And please switch on your Bluetooth to download the sermon.

**PASTOR**: Let us pray, committing this week into God's hands. Open your Apps, BBM, Twitter and Facebook and chat with God.

**PASTOR**: Please have your credit and debit cards ready as we shall now take tithes and offerings. You can log on to the church Wi-Fi using the password Lord909887. Ushers circulate mobile card swipe machines among the worshipers. Those who prefer to make electronic funds transfers are directed to computers and laptops at the rear of the church and those who prefer to use iPads are allowed to flip them open. Those who prefer telephone banking are allowed to take out their cellphones to transfer their contributions to the church bank account.

(The holy atmosphere is truly electric as the cell phones, iPads, PCs and laptops beep and flicker!)

# [Announcement] SECRETARY:

This week's cell meetings shall be held on the various Facebook group pages where the usual group chatting takes place. Please don't miss out. Thursday's bible teachings will be held live on Skype at 1900 hrs GMT. Please don't miss out. You can follow your Pastor on Twitter this weekend for counselling and prayers. God bless you and have a wonderful week!

**Confessions** can be e-mailed to the church secretary's inbox - please limit sins to a maximum of 10 per week (bullet point format please). Penance will be dispensed in a mass e-mail. Automated pre-recorded prayers for atonement are not allowed. Please turn off your SPAM filters, and disable your out-of-office auto-reply.

There will be a **special collection offering** to upgrade our WiFi service router,..... thus providing a lightning fast direct high speed connection to the big guy upstairs

## NAPP NATIONAL CONVENTION July 9 – 10, 2013 RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

#### IFR/VFR Flyins: Rapid City Regional (KRAP) Host airport FBO: Westjet Air Center Commercial Flyins: Rapid City (KRAP)

## **HOST: BISHOP ROBERT GRUSS**

Please phone, e-mail or mail RSVP by Friday, June 28, 2013

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## BOOK YOUR OWN ROOM

To make your TERRA SANCTA reservation on line go to the following link:

http://terrsancta.org/napp-national-convention (click: "Open Hyperlink" to open above)