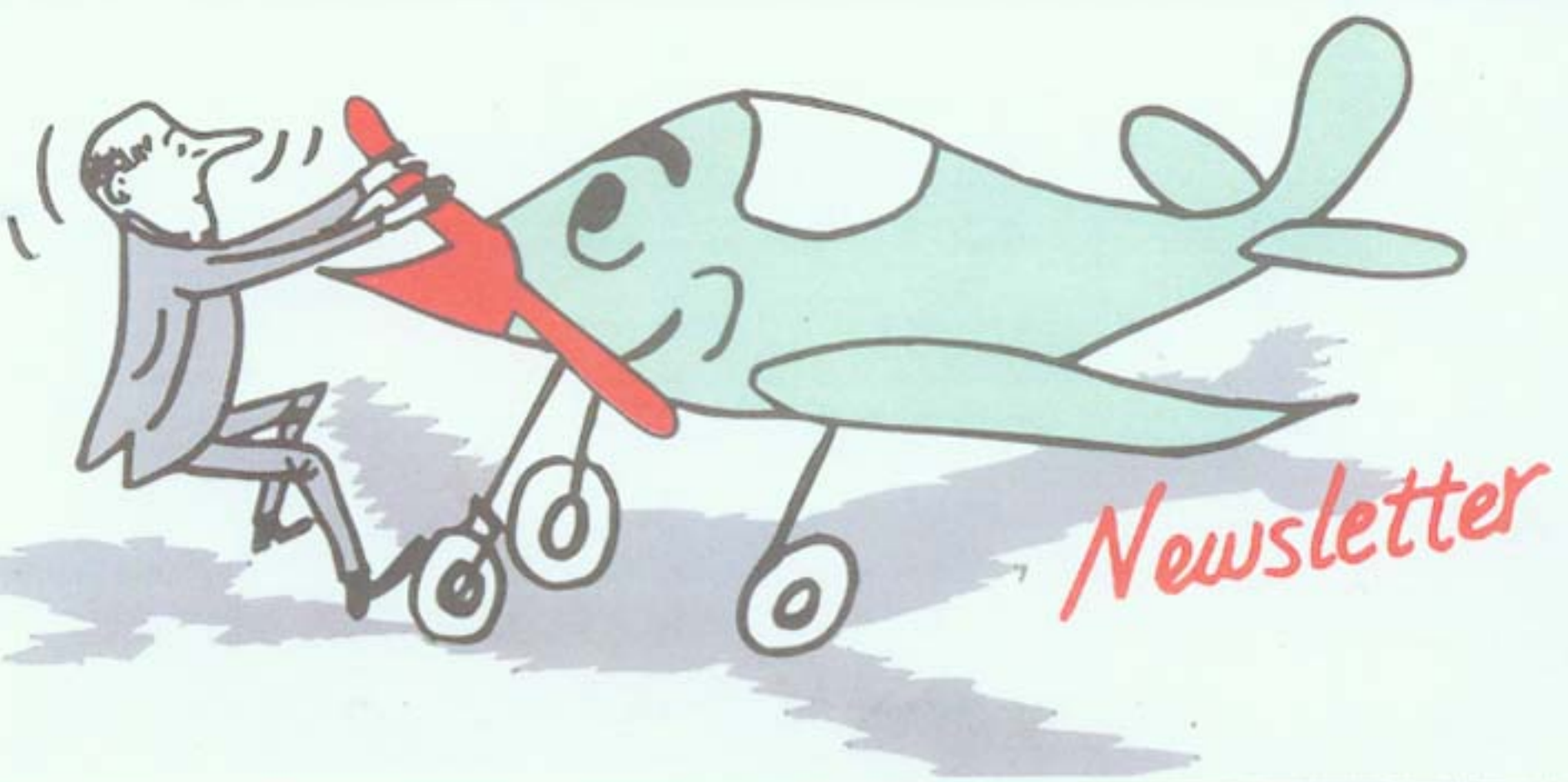


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The Internet:

Have you seen our very attractive web site priestpilots.org. The photo gallery features two pilots, two planes, and two dogs (canines, not planes!). Thanks, Bernard McCoy, for your efforts. Bow, wow.

We are not able to use "NAPP" for a web site. Others have preempted us: (1) napp.org is used by the National Association of Patent Practitioners. Check them out. (2) napp.co.uk is used by Napp Pharmaceuticals, founded in 1923 by Hermann Knapp, with their home office in England. (3) And NAPP is also short for the National Association of Photoshop Professionals, who also have a web site. So we are not the only ones calling ourselves "NAPP." Small world!

Plane Crash:

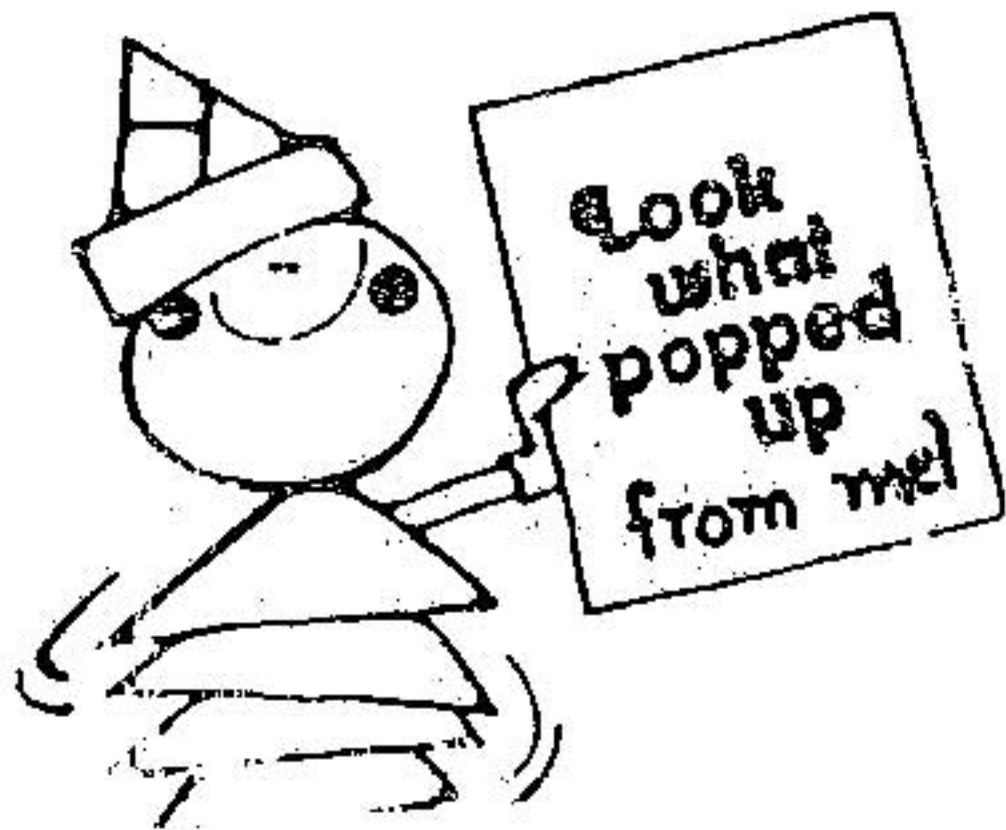
May 21st marked the one-year anniversary of a small plane crash on the beach at Coney Island, NY. Two Wheeling area senior high school girls, just days away from graduating from their small Catholic high school were killed. An accident like this brings many questions to a priest pilot. Sad things happen, requiring us to minister to those who mourn.

The Convention:

Oshkosh awaits you. It should be interesting to see Oshkosh without its annual humongous crowds. We thank John Hemann and all his friends for the preparations they have so diligently been making. See you all soon. Fly safely.

Fraternally in Christ,

Charles B. Teufel



I received a message from the Estate of James A. Kremeier that he passed away on April 3, 2006.

Jim has been a NAPP member for many years and attended quite a few of the conventions over the years. Since his retirement in Las Animas, Colorado a number of years ago he has not been able to join us.

When I hosted the 1970 annual convention in Ames, Iowa one of the events on the agenda was a flight to Algona, IA to visit the shrine at nearby West Bend. When Jim taxied on to the ramp in Algona the FBO walked out of his office and said, pointing to Jim's plane, "There's something wrong with that plane." Investigation showed a broken motor mount. I've never forgotten Jim's reaction and awe at the fact that a man sitting in his office could HEAR that something was wrong.

Jim, may you rest in peace and may all your heavenly engine mounts be in perfect condition.

A brief story and a few pictures elsewhere will give some indication of the wonderful May day gathering in Mexico, Missouri on May 1. John and his local crew did a great job of hosting those of us who flew in for the day.

The following were in attendance: Jeff Bryant, Tom Enwright, John Friederick, Phil Gibbs, Ev Hemann, Mel Hemann, John Herzog, Jim Kiernan, Mike Maklebust, William Menzel, John Schmitz, Jim Secora, John Swing, Charlie Teufel, Al Werth and John Wolesky.

By the time you get this we will be less than a month from the national gathering in Oshkosh on July 11 - 12. We'll include one more time the info and registration form. If you have any questions contact John Hemann and he'll take care of any late registration complications.

Tom (Tank) DeCarlo from Des Moines sent me the enclosed High Flight, with FAA Supplement. Enjoy!!!

The Fall Midwest Regional gathering will be hosted by Fr. Bill Menzel on September 18, 2006 in Wisconsin Rapids, WI. Details will follow in the next newsletter. Put it on your calendar.

President Charlie's message about the PRIESTPILOTS.ORG web site has (I hope) under gone some positive changes since he wrote that.

This newsletter has another page that contains particulars as to what HAS transpired the past month and CONTINUES (hopefully) to develop and be FINALIZED by the time the August newsletter reaches you.

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PRIESTPILOTS.ORG

(HISTORY)

About three years ago NAPP member, Rev. Bernard McCoy, OCSO, Cistercian Abbey, Sparta, Wisconsin offered to develop a web site for the National Association of Priest Pilots. He began the work but then their own monastery work, LaserMonks.com, prevented him from completing the task. (Checkout LaserMonks.com for all you printer needs).

About a year ago NAPP secretary, Rev. Phil Gibbs, suggested the completion of PRIESTPILOTS.ORG might be accomplished by students in communications or some related major at Loras College in Dubuque, IA. Bernard sent me all the information and I forwarded it to Phil. He in turn gave it to the students and nothing happened.

In January NAPP Associate member, John Zapp, web site AeroVents.com Grapevine, TX called me and asked, "How would it be if I took a shot at finishing the web site?" I sent him some back issues of the newsletter and he has put some material on the web.

(THE FUTURE)

I recently upgraded some of my computer software and we should be ready to tackle the future. The plan for several years has been to put the NAPP newsletter on the web. If all goes as planned this issue will be the last one you will receive in the mail. Beginning with the new NAPP fiscal year (July) we will put the next newsletter (August) on the web. Printing costs and postage continue to go up resulting in the newsletter as the largest annual NAPP expense. Failure to use the technology available today is comparable to saying the only plane we should be flying is a Piper Cub.

(HOW WILL IT WORK)

1. The NAPP newsletter will be posted on the PRIESTPILOTS.ORG web.
2. A notice will be sent to your email address informing you that the current issue is now available.
3. I'll use the email address that is listed in the last NAPP directory.
4. If you don't have access to any of the above let me know and you'll continue to receive the newsletter via snail mail.

(WILL IT WORK)

1. **I hope so!!!** It will require some cooperation on your part. Many of you never send a change of address when you move. I find out by paying the postal service 70 cents every time you move. We'll lose you if you don't email or mail your whereabouts.
2. Let's work together. What we'll save financially can be put to better use in fulfilling one of NAPP's purposes: **To further the use of aircraft in the missions.**

**A LITTLE EFFORT ON OUR PART
MAY WORK MIRACLES**

NAPP SPRING MIDWEST REGIONAL

Mexico, Missouri -- May 1, 2006

John Schmitz, pastor of St. Brendan Church in Mexico, MO, hosted the regional meeting at the Mexico airport on May 1. 16 members and friends arrived from Kansas, Iowa, West Virginia and Wisconsin between 11 and noon.

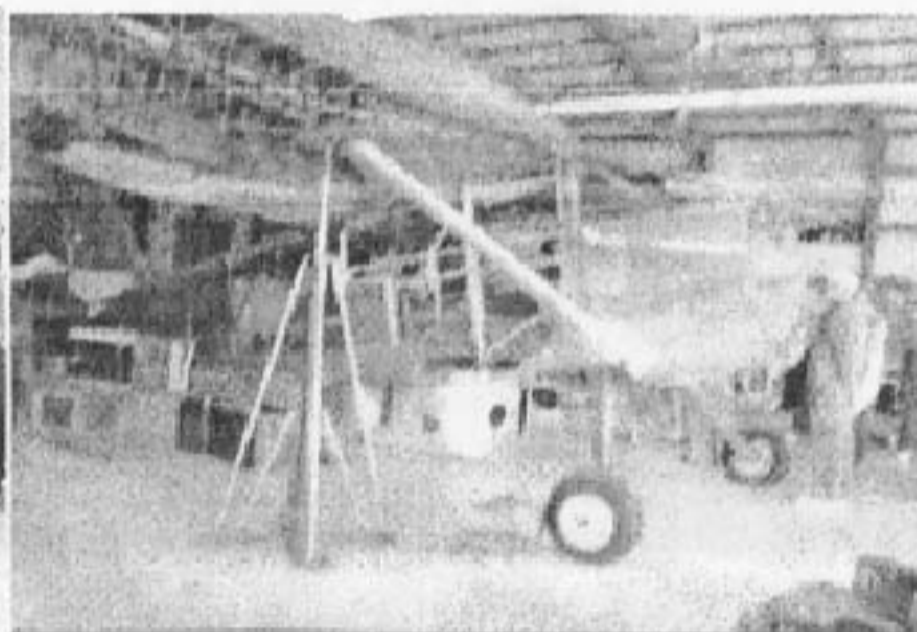
The first item on the agenda was the viewing of a V77 Stinson gullwing in the process of being restored by the local FBO. When he finishes it will be an attention getter where ever it lands.

This was followed by a catered luncheon served by parish members. At the end each attendee was presented with a package of area and locally produced or manufactured items. Of special note was a bottle of wine, bottle of BBQ sauce, Missouri shaped cutting board and cookie cutter.

After lunch the group moved to the western end of the airport and toured the Zenith Aircraft kit plane factory. Several of their planes are on display and some members accepted the offer of a test flight in a Zenith.

Early evening saw the members winging their way homeward after deciding to meet in Wisconsin Rapids on September 18. Bill Menzel will be the host.

Two new members were added to the NAPP ranks. Fr. Jim Secora of Cedar Falls, IA and Fr. John Swing from Nekoosa, WI. Welcome to both of you.



High Flight, with FAA Supplement

Oh, I have slipped the surly bonds of earth(1),
And danced(2) the skies on laughter silvered wings;
Sunward I've climbed(3) and joined the tumbling mirth(4)
Of sun-split clouds(5) and done a hundred things(6)
You have not dreamed of — Wheeled and soared and swung(7)
High in the sunlit silence(8). Hov'ring there(9)
I've chased the shouting wind(10) along and flung(11)
My eager craft through footless halls of air.
Up, up the long delirious(12), burning blue
I've topped the wind-swept heights(13) with easy grace,
Where never lark, or even eagle(14) flew;
And, while with silent, lifting mind I've trod
The high untrespassed sanctity of space(15),
Put out my hand(16), and touched the face of God.

NOTE:

1. Pilots must insure that all surly bonds have been slipped entirely before aircraft taxi or flight is attempted.
2. During periods of severe sky dancing, crew and passengers must keep seatbelts fastened. Crew should wear shoulderbelts as provided.
3. Sunward climbs must not exceed the maximum permitted aircraft ceiling.
4. Passenger aircraft are prohibited from joining the tumbling mirth.
5. Pilots flying through sun-split clouds under VFR conditions must comply with all applicable minimum clearances.
6. Do not perform these hundred things in front of Federal Aviation Administration inspectors.
7. Wheeling, soaring, and swinging will not be attempted except in aircraft rated for such activities and within utility class weight limits.
8. Be advised that sunlit silence will occur only when a major engine malfunction has occurred.
9. "Hov'ring there" will constitute a highly reliable signal that a flight emergency is imminent.
10. Forecasts of shouting winds are available from the local FSS. Encounters with unexpected shouting winds should be reported by pilots.
11. Pilots flinging eager craft through footless halls of air are reminded that they alone are responsible for maintaining separation from other eager craft.
12. Should any crewmember or passenger experience delirium while in the burning blue, submit an irregularity report upon flight termination.
13. Windswept heights will be topped by a minimum of 1,000 feet to maintain VFR minimum separations.
14. Aircraft engine ingestion of, or impact with, larks or eagles should be reported to the FAA and the appropriate aircraft maintenance facility.
15. Aircraft operating in the high untrespassed sanctity of space must remain in IFR flight regardless of meteorological conditions and visibility.
16. Pilots and passengers are reminded that opening doors or windows in order to touch the face of God may result in loss of cabin pressure.

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