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From the President

Into history goes another **great NAPP CONVENTION**, this time at the base of the mighty Rockies, where 5,000 MSL soon rises in several places to 14,000 MSL! Special thanks to our hosts, area pilots John Capone and Larry Johnston, who are also Denver-based *Lifeline* pilots. Thanks also to Gene and Ed Murray.

Arvada Associated Modelers gave us individual lessons, and some fascinating demonstrations of flying model airplanes, and one model helicopter. The weather was great.

ARTCC: In the movie *United 93* (the plane that crashed near Shanksville PA on 9/11), the Boston, New York, Washington, and Cleveland centers were featured. Several of the controllers in the movie were real FAA controllers, playing movie parts. The scenes were rather informative to pilots.

The terrorists failed to reach the White House or the Capitol building in Washington DC because

(1) they were delayed for 42 minutes before takeoff, and (2) for some unknown reason, after United 93 got to altitude, they waited a long time to actually hijack the plane. It flew into more than one sector of Cleveland Center before turning around.

You can see some interesting maps, pictures, and reading about the Shanksville area at www.pahighways.com/features/shanksville.html. A permanent memorial for the crash site is in the works. If you fly to Somerset PA (2G9), I or someone here in the East will meet you with a car. Until then

Fraternally,

Charles B. Teufel



This edition of the newsletter has news that is truly a first. We bring you the sad news that our President Charlie Teufel, as his brother Ron said, "took his last flight on Sunday the 12th and is now flying with the angels." Charlie is the first "flying" NAPP president to die while in office. Not only that, he was re-elected for another term less than a month ago in Denver.

Since I emailed many of you Monday night I have received many messages of condolences with the request I pass them on to Ron.

Ron, you and your family are in our prayers and Masses.

I have spoken with 1st VP Gene Murray and he will take over the Presidential role till next year's election.

A REMINDER: The NAPP fiscal year begins July 1. Enclosed with this newsletter is a form for you to send in your 2008 dues. The membership dues are \$25.00 and your new membership card will be mailed to you when I receive your \$25.00.

When you send the dues please include your address, phone number(s) and email address if you have one.

THANKS

This issue also includes the annual financial report and the minutes of the NAPP 2007 annual meeting.

Ed Murray will host the Midwest Fall Regional meeting in Spencer, IA. All are

invited to the October 8th event. See the enclosed registration/informational form

A few of you have sent me changes of address. The few I have can be found on the Briefs page.

(At the conference a discussion arose about status of the NAPP website. John Zapp sent the following information. Enjoy!!!)

Hi Mel,

The web site for all practical purposes belongs to NAPP however the Domain PriestPilots.org belongs to Father Bernard McCoy. At least he registered the Domain. I've included the specifics below.

Domain ID:D96663250-LROR
Domain Name:**PRIESTPILOTS.ORG**
Created On:24-Mar-2003 08:55:57 UTC
Last Updated On:25-Mar-2007 01:22:19 UTC
Expiration Date:24-Mar-2008 08:55:57 UTC
Sponsoring Registrar:Schlund+Partner AG (R73-LROR)
Status:OK
Registrant ID:SPAG-32693376
Registrant Name:**Bernard McCoy**
Registrant Organization:Cistercian Abbey

DATES TO REMEMBER

October 8, 2007 Spencer, IA Midwest

July 8 – 9, 2008 National Conference

Atlanta, Georgia

George Gratton and his crew have already sent a list of possible agenda activities. Watch future issues for details.

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**BRIEFS FROM
HERE AND
THERE**

Saturday 7/14

Greetings, Mel, from northern Alaska. You wouldn't know it is Alaska now. We have weather in the 70's, some nice rain and lots of sunshine. Thanks to all for the \$1000.00 donation for our 207. With fuel costs like they are, this is of great help to us. My prayers for all the members of the priests pilots association. God bless you
. Bishop Don Kettler.

Thursday, June 28

Fr. Mel,

I'm in Al Asad Iraq 4 days a week...in the Army's Camp Hit today for 3 days and Marines' Camp Rawah next week 3 days...sending my best to you and the NAPP gang gathering in Denver next week.

Have a blessed 4th of July!

I'm on an Army Chaplain's pc just sharing your latest NAPP Newsletter online...great way to put it out.

I've been here since January 07 and may return to Cherry Point NC MCAS by February 2008. Any priest who'd like to come are welcomed. Ministry is awesome and the troops are wonderful to serve with.
PAX CHRISTI, carpe diem!

Miles J. Barrett

CDR CHC USN

Deputy Wing Chaplain MWHS 2

Al Asad Iraq

An Bar Province

This memo from Phil Gibbs

Dear N.A.P.P.

It is with great joy and a grateful heart that I announce the receiving of my IFR rating on July 3, 2007. Many thanks to the membership for the scholarship fund (\$500.00) which made it possible for me to

accomplish this task. All the best to you and fly safe.

Fr. Phil Gibbs

Fr Phil Gibbs.

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we ask that you complete the form below
and mail it with your check to:*

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*Any questions contact me at
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N.A.P.P. DUES -- U.S. \$25.00

Please fill out this form! Make check payable in U.S. Dollars to N.A.P.P., Inc.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ **STATE** _____ **ZIP** _____

Email _____

Type of Member: _____ Charter _____ Regular _____ Associate

NAPP MIDWEST REGIONAL MEETING

Monday, October 8, 2007

Spencer Iowa

KSPW

Hosted by
ED MURRAY

10:30 Arrive at the SPW airport.

11:00--- Lunch and tour of the Church

1:00 --- Depart for afternoon activity

Tour Bogenreif stained glass studio

3:30--- Depart for home

(If you want to arrive early or stay late, mark proper box below)

SPECIAL NOTAMS: The Spencer runways are scheduled for repair
September 17 – October 12. Be sure to check notams with the hope
At least one runway will be open

NAME _____

ARRIVAL: _____

By: Pvt Plane: N_____ ETA: _____

By: Car _____ ETA _____

DEPARTURE: _____

(I need a place to stay DATES: _____)

RESERVATIONS TO:

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the shortest distance between home and hope

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 Fax: 800-822-7969

July 17, 2007

NAPP
 Attn: Father Merlin Hermann
 127 Kaspand Place
 Cedar Falls, IA 50613

Dear Father Merlin,

Among LifeLine Pilots most outstanding proponents are those who support the charitable decision made over 25 years ago. Your recent donation of \$1000.00 is a wonderful example of such advocacy.

On behalf of LifeLine Pilots, thank you for your generous support. Your gift to our organization reflects your faith in our programs of Mission Coordination, Pilot Recruitment and Education and Outreach. As the demand for humanitarian transportation continues to grow, hope has a fighting chance because of your pledge. We and thousands of patients thank you for your commitment and your monetary kindness.


 Cynthia Miller
 Development Coordinator
 LifeLine Pilots

- Executive Director
Kelli Loken
- Staff
- Karin Holverson
Assistant Director
- Jeffrey Leeman
Mission Coord.
- Cynthia Miller
Development Coord.
- District Directors
- Michael A. Aron, IL
- Nancy Baker, IL
- George Briggs, IL
- Shelton Burton, IL
- George Busch, IA
- Dr. Bruce Clark, IL
- Daniel Clark, OH
- Chris Cochran, IL
- C. Harold Hill, IL
- David Lambert, KY
- Paul Kaufman, IL
- Jim Kennedy, MI
- Earl Kinsey, MI
- Kelli Loken, MN
- Jessie Mazan, IL
- Charles Mueller, IL
- Todd Parkhurst, IL
- Michael Peiser, IL
- Gary Reibman, MO
- Jim Rose, IL
- Wanda Whitall, IL

We certify that no goods or services were provided in exchange for this contribution. Please retain this letter for your records as necessary for any federal income tax purposes as required by law.

Celebrating 25 Years of Service

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2007 DENVER NAPP CONVENTION



Wings Over the Rockies Museum



B52 Outside the Museum



Charlie Presiding at his last meeting



Preparing for that first flight



Relaxing after a long day



Ed hasn't crashed that RC yet



The relaxing goes on and on



WOW!!! Look at that

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 2007 DENVER NAPP CONVENTION



Will it ultimately fly?



The restaurant for the closing banquet



All good flying ends with good food



Obviously very good



Dinner theater and "Sound of Music"



Looking better all the time



Dinner theaters always have good food



After all this, time to call it quits

NAPP ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

JULY 8, 2007

NAPP CHECKING

OPENING BALANCE July 8, 2006	\$4,096.86
NAPP Dues	\$4,035.00
Convention Deposit	<u>\$4,120.00</u>
Total Inflows	\$12,251.86

OUTFLOWS

NAPP Scholarships Phil Gibbs	\$ 500.00
Convention Expenses	\$3,515.83
Newsletter	\$ 793.91
Postage	\$ 344.48
Donations Diocese of Juneau Flying Medical Service	<u>\$ 2000.00</u>
Total Outflows	\$7,154.22
BALANCE JULY 8, 2007	\$5,097.64

NAPP SAVINGS ACCOUNT

	July 8, 2006	
OPENING BALANCE		\$5,285.67
Deposit --- Interest (12-31-2006)		\$ 106.58
Deposit --- Interest (06-30-2007)		<u>\$ 120.32</u>
BALANCE JULY 8, 2007		\$5,512.57

**MINUTES OF THE 2007 NAPP MEETING
ARVADA, COLORADO JULY 11, 2007**

Total number of members present was 22.

3 CHARTER MEMBERS:

The Reverends John Hemann, Mel Hemann and Phil Schmitt

13 REGULAR MEMBERS:

The Reverends Everett Hemann, Merlin Kieffer, Ed Murray, Gene Murray, Mike Murray, Jack Paisley, Nick Rossello, Jerry Scanlan, Owen Shanley, Pete Sweeney, Charlie Teufel, Al Werth and John Wolesky.

6 ASSOCIATE MEMBERS:

Jack Boyle, Jeff Bryant, George Gratton, Mike Makelbust, Carmen Marchiole and Paul Murray.

3 SPECIAL GUESTS:

John Capone and Larry Johnston (Our "hosts") and Tom Murray.

The **ANNUAL MEETING** was called to order at 12:45 p.m. (MDT) in the parish meeting room at Spirit of Christ Catholic Community with President Charlie Teufel presiding. Gene Murray, 1st Vice President, opened with a prayer

The **MINUTES OF THE 2006 MEETING** were distributed and reviewed. George Gratton made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and it was seconded by Nick Rossello. The minutes were then unanimously accepted.

The **TREASURER'S REPORT** was handed out for review. \$604.17 was contributed from the registration fees of 2006 and a number of members provided a sum, above the requested annual membership fee, thus making the financial report a very healthy sum. Thanks to those who contributed more than requested. Checking account has a balance of \$5,097.64 and Savings account has a balance of \$5,512.57. A total of \$10,610.21. Ed Murray made a motion to accept the report as presented and George Gratton seconded the motion. The financial report was then unanimously accepted.

ANNUAL "GIFT", amount and recipients, was open for discussion.

- (1) Our Colorado hosts, John Capone and Larry Johnston, are very involved in the "Colorado Wing" of the LIFE LINE PILOTS, (providing flights for ambulatory patients and family members at no cost). Gene Murray made a motion to provide \$1,000.00 (in

the names of John and Larry) to LIFE LINE PILOTS. Ev Hemann seconded the motion and it was approved.

- (2) Jerry Scanlan made a motion to provide \$1,000.00 to Pat Patten and Jacek Rejman, NAPP members, and their FLYING MEDICAL SERVICE in Africa. Ev Hemann seconded and it was approved.
- (3) Because of our extra funds Ev Hemann moved and Jack Paisley seconded that an additional \$1,000.00 donation be offered this year and be given to the Diocese of Fairbanks, Alaska. Motion carried.

FLYING SCHOLARSHIP report was given and consideration for a recipient for this coming year was a matter of discussion. Phil Gibbs completed his IFR training and was awarded the IFR ticket on July 3, 2007, and received the \$500.00 scholarship this year. No one is aware of any individual priest who would like to learn how to fly at the present time. Tim Brown is currently working towards a commercial license and would also like to obtain his CFI rating. Jacek Rejman is giving some thought to obtaining his commercial and multi-engine ratings. Ev Hemann made the motion, and it was seconded by George Gratton, that our president, Charlie Teufel, keep those two individuals in mind when and if he decides to grant the "scholarship(s)". The motion was approved.

NEWSLETTER report was presented by editor, Mel Hemann. He mentioned that over \$1,000.00 was saved in postage, paper and printing this past year because the Newsletter was available to over half the members by electronic means. John Zapp in Grapevine, TX has been a great help in getting the newsletter out. Furthermore, much time and energy is saved on Mel's part when he has fewer envelopes to address, letters to fold and stuff and postage to attach. It was agreed that the "Directory" will continue to be published as hard copy and not go out electronically but be sent by USPS. Mel is in the process of putting all the minutes of previous meetings on CD's along with pictures from past gatherings.

The **NAPP CHARTER RENEWAL** was taken care of by Al Ruschman in the State of Kentucky

with the usual \$4.00 fee donated by Al. Thanks. On July 12, 1964 the NAPP met for the first time in Carrollton, KY. John and Mel Hemann and Phil Schmitt were present then (and now).

MEMBERSHIP HEALTH and DEATHS were reported. As the membership ages it is natural that health issues are more present. The following individual members names were mentioned as having some physical ills: Bill Browne (associate member), Ed Elliott, John Friederick, Ed Higgins and John Walsh (regular members). It was mentioned that Tom Geelan is retiring this month. We remember in our prayers the “souls” of Antoine Attea, Dave Hogan, John Lysogorski and Vincent Merfeld who have entered eternal life this past year. Nick Rossello brought expressions of thanks and gratitude from the Attea family. He also gave a “tribute” in memory of Tony and the long friendship he had with him and shared how Tony had a great love of the NAPP and a BIG HEART in reaching out to many people, especially the poor, in his parishes and the community in which he lived.

REGIONAL REPORTS were accepted. East Region did not have a meeting. Midwest Region report was given by John Hemann. Bill Menzel and John Swing, (regular members) along with Tom Enwright (associate member) hosted the fall meeting in Wisconsin Rapids, WI on September 18, 2006. Fourteen members were present and received a presentation from LTC Brandon Smith about Military Airspace in Wisconsin, especially Volk Field and Fort McCoy. The group then had a tour of the Storaenso Paper Mill. On April 30, 2007, Mel Hemann (charter member) and Jim Secora (associate member) hosted the spring meeting in Waterloo, IA. Seventeen members gathered for a noon lunch and then had a tour of the John Deere Tractor Works (largest tractor factory building in the world). Ed Murray will host the group on October 8, 2007, in Spencer, IA for their fall meeting. No report from the West Region.

2007 CONVENTION REPORT was given by Gene Murray. He mentioned the positive and “negative” experiences of putting together the annual gathering while living “miles” away from the site. He expressed his gratitude to John Capone and Larry Johnston, his friends in Colorado, who did a great job in actually getting the two day agenda put together. The registration fee was a rather small amount because of the generosity of some “friends” living in the

Broomfield area. For example, the Arvada Associated Modelers (AAM) club members donated their time and remote controlled airplanes to provide all members the opportunity to fly the RC’s and then enjoy a complimentary noon lunch at the field. On Tuesday evening the members went to the Boulder Dinner Theater and enjoyed a complimentary dinner and live presentation of “The Sound of Music” provided by an anonymous donor. On Wednesday the use of the meeting room following Mass at the Spirit of Christ Catholic Community provided space and time for the annual meeting and a complimentary lunch. The annual evening banquet, to be held at Three Sons Italian Restaurant, will be a gift from anonymous donors. Gene also announced that associate member, Jack Boyle, will be providing the funds to cover the expenses of the “hospitality room.” President Charlie Teufel and 1st Vice President Gene Murray will see that appropriate messages of THANKS are provided to the donors. **THANK YOU VERY MUCH.**

2008 CONVENTION was the next item on the meeting agenda. George Gratton, associate member, from Savannah, Georgia made a plea for hosting the gathering on July 8 and 9, 2008 in Savannah, GA. He, and several other members on his committee, had prepared some facts concerning motels, agenda happenings and events of interest, and were willing to accept any input from the membership. Mel Hemann moved that we accept his invitation, Jerry Scanlan seconded the motion, and the membership unanimously approved.

SAVANNAH, GEORGIA – JULY 8 & 9, 2008.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS took place. President Charlie Teufel was nominated to serve another term by Ev Hemann, seconded by Mel Hemann, and no further nominations were presented. Charlie was re-elected. 2nd Vice President Ed Murray was nominated to serve another term by George Gratton, seconded by John Wolesky, and no further nominations were presented. Ed Murray was re-elected. Secretary Phil Gibbs was nominated to serve another term by Jack Paisley, seconded by Ev Hemann, and no further nominations were presented. Phil Gibbs was re-elected.

ADJOURNMENT of the meeting took place in the “usual fashion”, i.e. Phil Schmitt made the motion to adjourn and the membership approved.

Secretary “pro-tem”, John W. Hemann