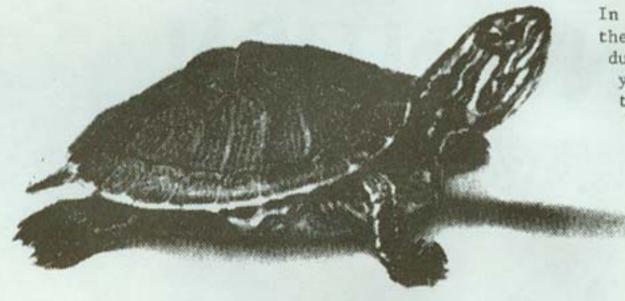


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This issue carries with it several items that are worth noting. One of these is the notice of the Central Region's meeting on May 8 in Des Moines, Iowa. We think a very fine program has been set up for this get together. So we hope many of you will put this on your calendars right away and make a special effort to be there. In addition to the educative program there is always the good fellowship that goes with each of these meetings. And, of course, not to mention the fact it gives another excuse to fly somewhere. So, come join us on that date.



Get with it!

In this issue you will also find the second reminder for the 1972 dues. We would like to call your attention to the fact that the current policy is this. IF YOUR DUES ARE NOT IN BY THE TIME THE NEXT NEWSLETTER GOES TO PRESS (early April) then you are automatically eliminated from our file. The response to date has been pretty good. Half of last year's members have sent in their dues. I expect more will be coming as the month of February goes on. If you have forgotten since the December issue, please get that \$10.00 in right away. Your promptness sure helps us.

Those of you who have paid your dues should find your 1972 membership card enclosed.

Mention should also be made of the 9th annual Convention coming up in July in Kansas. Bob Pool and George Seuferling are at work organizing things there and the next issue will carry more details. Please note the dates for this meeting elsewhere in this issue.

It seems that every once in awhile we goof here and forget something in the newsletter. I was reminded last time by several that I forgot to put the address anywhere in the newsletter. So some were forced to dig back into past issues to find 2210 Lincoln Way, Ames, Iowa 50010 when they wanted to send in their dues. We'll try and correct that oversight this time on the notice. It was kind of encouraging to know that two said they had to get out back issues which means that not all of this material hits the circular file immediately. Bear with us. We are only amateurs but we will try to keep putting your suggestions into practice.

Our latest NAPP venture of trying to assist pilots via the Sanderson visual aid course seems to be meeting with success. We are now on our second group of users. Quite a few others have written or called and ordered the basic private pilot or IFR texts and sample exams. After about 6 weeks of writing and calling back and forth we do have an open account now with Sanderson Films which enables us to just call in on their WATTS line and send the check after we get the bill. With the President of NAPP in Iowa and the Treasurer in W. Virginia this has helped a great deal.

It might be a good idea to remind you that the cost of the private texts is \$11.00. The IFR text is \$12.00. I will drop you a line about a month before you are scheduled to receive the visual aids.

Mention has been made by several that serious thought should be given of finding more ways in which an NAPP member might gain personally from membership in the organization. Thinking back many have benefitted from the up-dating done at the first three Conventions in work toward their Blue Seal. Individuals now are doing the same by using the visual aid program. But is there anything that might be done to benefit all members? Give this some thought. Talk it over with fellow members in your area. See if you can come up with some sort of suggestions that would make membership more enticing.

1972 CONVENTION

Emporia Kansas





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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PRIEST PILOTS, INC. FINANCIAL REPORT Year ending December 31, 1971

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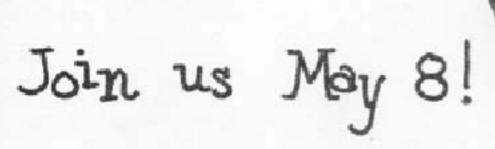
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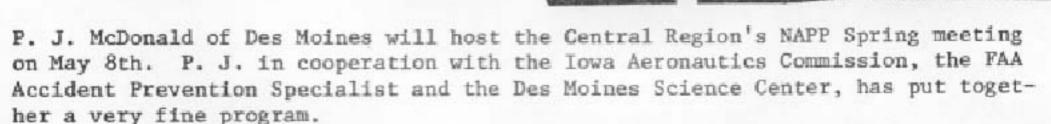
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No Better Deal Anywhere!



At 1:30 a new and reportedly very excellent film on instrument flying called "Sign Posts Aloft" will be shown. The film lasts about 45 minutes and will be followed by a demonstration in the vertigo chair. The Science Center's new IFR simulator has been reserved for the rest of the day and this will give all an opportunity for a FREE brush-up on those IFR maneuvers. Dinner will follow the activities at the Science Center.

In the past notices have been sent to all Central Region members. Because of the time and expense involved we have decided to discontinue this practice. The <u>only</u> notice you will have will be this one and the April newsletter. Any NAPP member is invited to join us in Des Moines on May 8th. All of you live with appointment books or calendars—so mark this one down NOW!!!

Please notify: Rev. P. J. McDonald

1308-32nd St.

Des Moines, Iowa 50311

if you are planning on being there, when, and if by car or air.



Tony Attea. Secretary

Tony Attem of Dukirk, New York has been secretary since the Convention in July. He has the following to say about himself.

After graduating from SS Peter and Paul grade school in Williamsville, New York, I entered the Buffalo Diocesan Prep Seminary. Took four years of high school there plus my first two years of college. I then earned my B.A. degree at Niagara University while attending Our Lady of Angels Major Seminary, which was on campus at that time. From there the Bishop sent me to the North American College in Rome, where I studied four years of Theology at the Gregorian University and earned my S.T.L. degree.

While in Europe, I, of course, travelled extensively, having visited all the Western Countries plus Eastern Germany and Hungary, plus the Holy Land, Egypt and Lebanon (in which two countries I have several relatives), Syria, Turkey and Greece.

I was ordained in Rome in December, 1958 and returned to Buffalo in August of 1959.

My first assignment was in the Buffalo Missionary Apostolate in Collins Center, New York. From there I served two years in South Buffalo and four years in the gettho as an assistant in the West side of Buffalo. From there I was assigned to my present position as teacher-librarian at Mindszenty High School here in Dunkirk, New York. Just this past June, I earned my Masters of Library Science from the University of Buffalo.

What about my flying interests? They go back to when I was a kid. Our home was only two miles from the end of Runway 5 in Buffalo International. When planes took off from Runway 23, the walls shook and plaster cracked. We used to pump our bikes to the GA office at the airport and beg for rides, and we went up several times. After ordination, I flew several times as passanger, in private planes of business-men friends - and finally a classmate of mine invited me to fly to Detroit in his Cub. My business-man brother came along - and the dye was cast. We both began learning how to fly. I got my private in December of 1966. In June of 1967 we sold our 1955 Cessna 182 and bought a 1966 Bellanca 260C. It was a beaut, and I flew her over 500 hours before we lost her (more of that later.) I earned my instrument rating in June of 1969, just in time for my trip to South America in August of 1969.

It was a beautiful flight through Mexico and down the West Coast of South America. We stopped at Lima to visit my brother, a teacher there. We averaged 172 mph on the way down. We made side trips to other points of Peru and into Chile. On the way home, though, we ran into difficulty. We were arrested in Colombia as gun smugglers – and by the time we were proved innocent, our plane was stripped and torn apart by the smugglers and natives. We were held-house arrest-for eleven days. This whole incident is a story in itself and would take pages to describe.

Of course, the investigators found us innocent; and since all our possessions and money were stolen, the Colombian government paid our plane fare to the USA.

The insurance company reimbursed us for the loss - and we bought our present Bellanca Super Viking, 1969 model, which we purchased directly from the previous owner, Jim Miller, the then President of Bellanca Aircraft. It was, as many of you have seen, in mint condition, even though it had 450 hours on it. In the two years we've put on over 400 hours. It still looks new - and we've had almost no trouble with it.

In late October, 1969, we flew our new Bellanca to Alaska. Last summer, my sister, Mary, a friend pilot and his wife and myself (of course) travelled again to Mexico. We enjoyed especially Vera Cruz and Puerta Vallarta. We then visited relatives in Los Angeles and San Francisco, visited Oregon and Washington, the Grand Canyon and Yellowstone, the Bellanca Factory in Alexandria, Minn., and returned home after flying 50 hours and over 9000 miles. Average speed turned out an excellent 183 mph.

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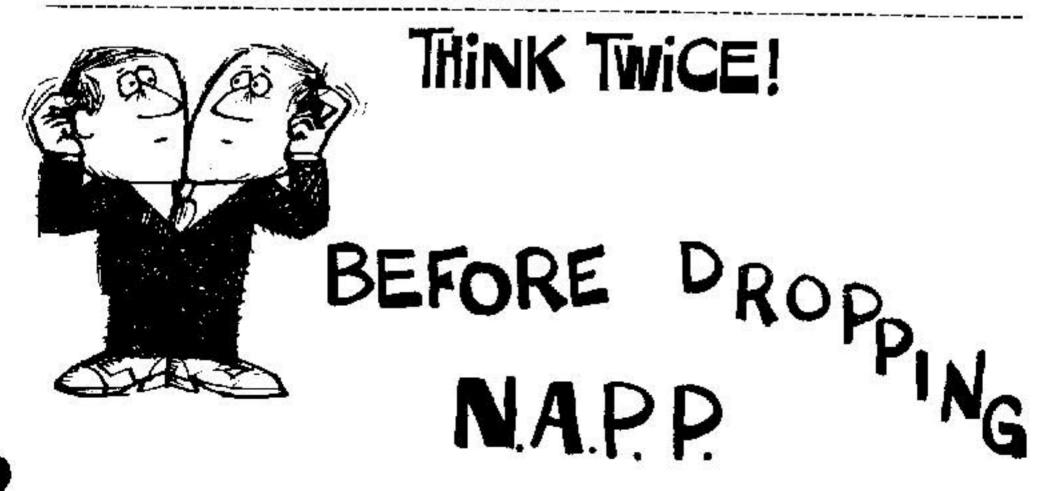
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