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Things are finally beginning to settle down in my new assignment and I can now turn some of my attention to NAPP. Perhaps I should begin by trying to offer some kind of excuse for my negligence in getting out the newsletter. We'll try to make up for it, though, by making it twice as good and calling it the "August-October issue."

To bring you up to date on the past few months of my life, I suppose I should begin with my move. I was asked to become one member of a nine-man Team Ministry to serve the Mason City community. Our ministry was to assume direct responsibility for three parishes, one hospital, a high school, two grade schools, weekend help at two other churches, and campus ministry at

a small area college. It seemed very appealing and after seven years at St. Thomas Aquinas in Ames, I felt the change would be good. So I accepted.

The Team Ministry went into effect on July 12. I left for Taize, France, on July 11 to attend a Youth Conference I had planned on since January. As long as I was on the continent for the first time, I decided I might as well spend my vacation there. So the three weeks following the Taize conference -- which was good but not as great as I expected -- were spent traveling in western Europe. The highlight for me was Rome, much to my surprise, and seeing firsthand all the places I used to read about in Latin class and Church History. It all culminated with the Papal audience which I found to be a very moving experience.

Thirty-five days late I arrived in Mason City on August 15 -- raring to settle down and go to work. Much to my surprise I found the house that was to serve as my residence, office, and youth center was not ready. So the 2 1/2 month process of living out of a suitcase and trying to work with no office, while everything is packed away, began. Finally at 2:00 a. m. on Saturday, October 21, the house was ready for occupancy and NAPP could begin receiving some attention.

The task of making "contacts" to do work always takes time. During the past two months I was able to get one of our shut-ins to address the envelopes and kids in the parish to stuff envelopes and all the other odds and ends that go with putting out this newsletter. Nancy Johnson continues as my faithful assistant with layout.

You will find Tony Attea's minutes of the convention enclosed. Also you will find Charlie Teufel's interim financial report presented at the same convention in Emporia, Kansas.

We have some other news items on hand, but at the time of this writing most of my NAPP materials are still packed. Hold tight and maybe by December we'll be a little more organized. Meanwhile, keep sending in any news and pictures.

I am grateful for the fine report from those who attended the July convention. Bob Pool and George Seufferling did a great job as hosts, I am told. The decisions regarding next year's convention -- our 10th -- sound like a step in the right direction. Hopefully the plan of doing something for the members by underwriting some of the expenses incurred in traveling to Alaska will be welcomed by those who feel the financial pinch. The beauty of our 49th State hopefully will bring out the largest NAPP gathering since our beginning in Carrolton, Kentucky. Let's all really get serious about this one and begin making vacation plans NOW!!

CONVENTION MINUTES

Minutes of the General Meeting of members of NAPP held on July 18, 1972, at the AKL Fraternity House in Emporia, Kansas. The meeting began at 10:10 a. m. Twenty-two members were present, including the following officers: Frank Weidinger, first Vice-President, who presided in the absence of our President, Mel Hemann; Charles Teufel, Treasurer; Tony Attea, Secretary; Robert Pool and George Seufferling, Convention Hosts.

The minutes of the 1971 meeting at Pittsburg were read and approved unanimously.

Mimeographed copies of the Treasurer's Report were distributed to the members and contents discussed. Treasurer Teufel commented that the total membership was remaining about the same. He also discussed his placing of our monies into a private Loan Association, which gives a 7 1/2% interest on five-year certificates. There was much discussion on this, since this is not a federally insured savings association; a couple of members related sad experiences with non-insured banks that had closed. So members continued discussing at length the reliability of such an investment. Charlie Teufel emphasized that he carefully examined the operation of this savings association (I don't think I got its name right - check Charlie on that!), the Diversified Mountainic Association, and personally felt that it was very reliable. Dick Skriba felt we should be more conservative and place our money, since it is all we've got to show for ourselves, in a safe, insured bank at 1 1/2% less interest. Jim Kremeier and Dick Smith suggested we keep the money where it is (the private savings association) and review our savings and its safety or security after one year. This suggestion was eventually made into a motion and seconded and passed by a 10 to 7 vote with 5 abstentions. The Treasurer's Report itself was passed unanimously.

Bob Pool then made his report on this year's convention expenses: \$7.00 per night for room and food, including the steak cookout; and \$15.00 per head for all other convention expenses.

Several members felt that our membership cards should be revamped. The suggestion that years of membership in the organization should be included was met with disfavor because of the extra work and record-keeping involved. However, Dick Skriba made a motion that the cards should be made smaller, so that they can fit into our wallets without cutting. The motion was seconded by Charlie Teufel and passed by all present.

The NAPP Newsletter was the next point of discussion. Although Mel Hemann had moved, he left word that he would continue to take care of it. A motion was made by Charlie Teufel and seconded by Skriba and unanimously passed that we commend Mel on a job well done in putting out our newsletter.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed that we include in future directories a list of the officers and the phone numbers of the members, so that the directory will prove more helpful and useful.

Our Sanderson Programs for Private and Instrument Ratings were found to be well used, though it was felt that additional sets would not be required at the present time. Five members present were IFR rated, and three indicated interest in receiving the rating.

Nominations were opened for 1st Vice President and Treasurer. Frank Weidinger was nominated unopposed and elected unanimously for a second term, as was Charlie Teufel for Treasurer. The members spontaneously applauded Charlie and Frank for jobs well done.

The next order of business was next year's convention, to be held somewhere out West. Dave Young offered Everett, Washington, as a possibility. Dick Smith (Preacher Smith) then read a letter from Bishop Francis T. Hurley, in which he offered to host us in his diocese in Juneau, Alaska. Interest seemed spontaneous, especially since 1973 will be the 10th anniversary; and after much discussion about the various possibilities, three possible courses with ramifications were proposed, the final decision to be made in committee composed by the hosting parties:

1) that Charlie Mears and Frank Weidinger host us in Great Falls, Montana, which will serve as our initial meeting place; and then we will fly afterwards to Juneau either privately or commercially, part way or whole depending upon the skills and aircraft involved.

2) Fly to Everett, Washington, and then take a ferry cruise as a group to Juneau - or a chartered commercial flight.

3) Fly privately to Montana, and from there to some unually VFR airport east of Juneau (since Juneau's weather is often below VFR minimums) and complete the trip by overland or other transportation.

A motion was made by Steve Dobosiewicz and seconded by Skriba and passed that our 1973 meeting will be held in the Northwest around the three possible alternatives and including Alaska. Dave White, Frank Weidinger and Charlie Mears were named next year's hosts; and theirs will be the joy of making the necessary arrangements.

Discussion continued on the 1973 meeting, especially concerning time and length. Many members expressed displeasure that this year's meeting was held a week later than usual and felt that this was the cause of the lower attendance. A motion was made and passed that the second week in July be set aside for future conventions. Therefore, next year's convention will take place in the week of July 8th, 1973. However, since going to Alaska would take more than the usual time and expense, and since most present indicated an interest in traveling to Alaska for part of our convention, two motions were successively made:

1) the first motion was made that the whole meeting including Alaska be confined between two Sundays (i. e. Monday-Saturday of the second week of July). 7 were in favor - 15 opposed.

2) the second motion, that our convention extend over a weekend into the third week of July so that we can do justice to our stay in Alaska, carried by a 15-7 vote.

The concluding discussion seemed to favor Montana as the initial meeting place, the whole convention extending over the weekend.

The next business concerned the useful application of the money in our growing treasury. Nick Rossello and Father Attea felt that members should be offered something more to entice them to renew their \$10.00 annual membership. Suggestions were asked for.

Larry Mullins, C. P., suggested that loans be made available to members to pay for convention expenses, which loans would be paid back over the coming year. Most felt that there would be too much record keeping and work involved and that it would be impractical. The idea was dropped.

Dick Skriba made a suggestion, and then a motion, that the convention expenses each year be paid by the treasury in toto. Most members initially favored this idea; but when they realized the greater expenses for our 1973 convention, everyone agreed that our treasury would be cleaned out. Skriba's motion was then amended that members pay their own way to the first meeting site, either Everett or Great Falls, and our treasury will underwrite the rest of the trip - to Alaska and back to Montana or Washington, to the sum of \$2000.00. Steve Dobosiewicz seconded this motion and it passed by a 17-5 vote.

Charlie Seufferling then outlined the rest of our program and the details surrounding our trip to the Cessna Plant in Wichita.

Dick Skriba then moved to adjourn, which was seconded by Ray Radzieta and passed unanimously at 11:54 a. m.

Humbly submitted by

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News

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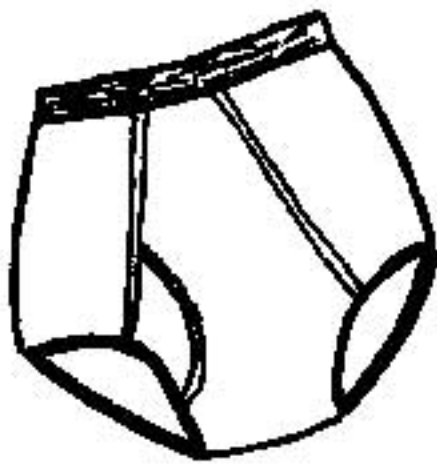
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PRIEST PILOTS, INC.
FINANCIAL REPORTS

Year ending December 31, 1971

ASSETS, Beginning of year		\$5,114.93
INCOME:		
Membership Dues	\$ 1,290.00	
Interest	280.02	
Ground school film deposits	50.00	
Ground school manuals	<u>22.00</u>	
		1,642.02
EXPENSES:		
Newsletter	\$ 440.19	
Convention subsidy	285.00	
Ground school films, manuals	1,013.05	
Miscellaneous	<u>41.20</u>	
		<u>1,779.44</u>
ASSETS, End of Year		
Cash (Including \$50.00 deposits)	\$ 477.51	
Certificate of Deposit	<u>4,500.00</u>	
		\$ 4,977.51

Period Jan 1, 1972 to July 7, 1972

RECEIPTS:		
Membership Dues	1,260.17	
Interest	231.23	
Donations	10.00	
Scholarship Fund Closing Out	100.00	
Ground School manuals	<u>67.78</u>	
		1,669.18
EXPENSES:		
Newsletter	248.93	
Ground School manuals	113.99	
Miscellaneous	<u>19.26</u>	
		<u>382.18</u>
ASSETS, July 5, 1972		
Certificate of Deposit	4,500.00	
Savings Account	1,331.23	
Film deposits payable	-25.00	
Cash in Bank	<u>408.28</u>	
		\$ 6,214.51



Briefs from here and there...

Fr. Jim Broussard hasn't been up in quite sometime due to school (M.S.W.) and financial press. Since January 1, Jim has been pastor of a small rural parish in Washington, Louisiana and doing marriage counseling in conjunction with Catholic Social Services. Jim got his M.S.W. degree from Tulane in December.

The press of work has so curtailed the flying time of Fr. Dave Zaunmeyer, Frankfort, Ky., that he was forced to sell his plane. Then he turned up a diabetic to further complicate things and he says, "while I still plan to stay with NAPP, it looks like my flying days have come to an end."

Father Clem Borchers, Glenmary Missionary in Vidalia, Georgia is pastor of two mission counties in Southern Georgia, with a good airport at Vidalia. Clem is close by. Land and you're welcome to give him a call.

Congratulations are in order for Father Michael Nagle of New Bedford, Mass. He was ordained February 4.

Pictured is Fr. Barry Desmond of Princeton, B. C. and a plane which he flew during seminary days. Barry has been pastor in Princeton-pop. 3,000—for about a year. He also has two missions 25 miles on either side. **(Oops! lost the picture!)**

There is a good 5000 ft. DOT maintained gravel strip but not one locally based aircraft. With the coming of spring, he hopes to do something about that. He and his priest-pilot brother have been searching for something suitable but no luck as yet. Since the accident in September 1969 in the Fr. Sages search he has been able to log only a small amount of co-pilot time.

During the past summer, two old time, flying priest friends, Frs. Warren Wood and Dan Cordelli from San Jose and Pittsburg, California dropped in with their twin Beech 18. (Can someone contact these two and tell them about NAPP?)

Fr. Ray McKee, CSSR of Kansas City, Mo. secured a Skylane in March of 1971 for the Redemptorist Bishop of Goias in Brazil and sent it to him, piloted for Father Marc Tillia, who flies for Bp. Murphy, CSSR, in the diocese of Juazerio, Brazil. In April Ray made a tour of inspection of the Wings of Hope airplane projects in Peru and Brazil. When he got to Brazil he found that Bishop Anglim's pilot had drowned when his plane capsized in the Amazon River. Ray had a Cessna 185 ready for Bishop Anglim but instead sold it to a Maryknoll Father Bill Woods for use in Guatemala.

From July to December Ray had Father Vaggelar, CSSR, staying with him while he got his pilot's license. Upon completion of that task, he has returned to Brazil.

Magr. Joseph G. Gefell, Colonel in the U.S. Army, is stationed in Honolulu. Recently he joined Wheeler-Hickam Aero Club. He flies C150's and 172's on a bit of Island-hopping. Joe is also putting in some time as a member of CAP in gliders at Dellingham Aero Glider port in Oahu.



The NAPP Central Region in recent months has reflected some of the stagnation that has occurred nationally. However, we're happy to announce we're back in business. Our regular Fall Get-Together is just coming a little late this year--like four months or so. So instead of meeting in September, we invite all Central Region members to a meeting in New Hampton, Iowa. John Herzog, the regional director, will host the meeting. Plans now are to get together on Monday, January 8, about 3:30. John's address is St. Mary's Church, New Hampton, Iowa 50659.

This occasion will give us an opportunity not only to enjoy each other's company, but also time to begin preliminary planning for the Convention in Alaska.

There'll be more details in the December letter. But mark it on your calendar now! Everyone is invited!


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