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PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

My flying associate, Dr. Myron "Ron" Bodman, gave me his back issues of "IFR: The Magazine for the Accomplished Pilot." Yesterday I read an article in which the author had interviewed several full-time flight instructors and examiners hoping to learn from them the greatest problems that they have observed while conducting check rides and IPC's. One of the problems related to the quality of the instrument scan, which in many cases is not all that good. When I was undergoing instrument flight training on a beautiful but turbulent morning my

flight instructor took me up in the Skyhawk for some intense training. Both the instructor and the controllers at Akron-Canton Regional (KCAK) demonstrated great patience. On returning to the FBO my instructor said, "Hey, ask the guy at the supply counter if they have any instrument scans." So, gullibly, I walked up and asked, "Do you have any instrument scans?" He starting laughing and I finally got the joke. I suspect a lot of us could stand to touch up our instrument scans. I think of the guest speaker at our recent convention, a test pilot who has flown many aircraft including the SR-71 Blackbird. When asked if he flies during retirement, he said, "No, because I don't think I could fly enough to retain proficiency." I found that statement humbling and challenging. If a pilot at such an exceedingly high level of competence has such a great concern about retaining currently and experience, we G.A. pilots should be all the more so.

Sincerely,

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Item #2: Pope Francis has appointed Fr. Chad Zielinski as the new bishop of Fairbanks, Alaska. His installation is scheduled for mid-December. As a supporter for years of the flying Bishops and Padres of Alaska, we welcome Bishop Zielinski to the NAPP fold.

There are a couple of interesting articles in the newsletter. I hope you enjoy them as we try to keep you up to date on what's happening.

Recently our brother Jim sent an email about
AMERICA'S LOST AIR FORCE ONE
INTERESTING

There is a video about Columbine 2, President Eisenhower's plane. It's the first plane designated AIR FORCE ONE and the only one not in a museum... You can check it out on the following connections.

THE FIRST AIR FORCE ONE

https://www.youtube.com/watch_popup?v=ehwvZXVKmPU

Facebook: Facebook.com/firstairforceone
You

Tube: www.youtube.com/embed/ehwvZXVKmPU

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GREAT NEWS

Item #1: As I was finalizing the last bits of information for this newsletter, the "snail mail" brought a Christmas card/greeting from Pat Patten in Arusha, Tanzania. Flying Medical Service just took possession of a second Cessna 206. They are now back to a two plane operation as they continue to bring medical care to the Maasai living near the 24 remote airstrips in Northeastern Tanzania they fly to.

Get the following dates on your calendar

**2015 Midwest
Regional Meeting**
Hays, Kansas
April 27, 2015
HOST: Al Werth

The NATIONAL ASSOCIATION of
PRIEST PILOTS CONVENTION

**JULY 7 - 8, 2015
DES MOINES, IOWA**

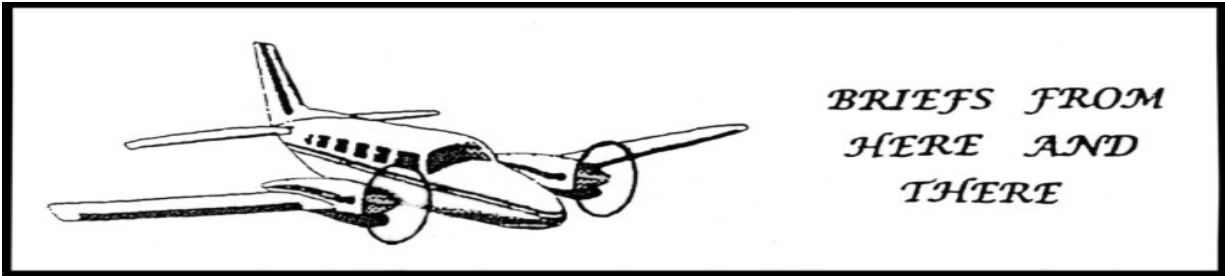
Details will follow in future issues

**May all of you have a
MOST BLESSED AND HOLY
CHRISTMAS
and a very happy and joyful
NEW YEAR**

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Msgr Joseph Dooley, Bethlehem, PA, sent the following with his 2015 NAPP Dues



Mel, I'm almost 89 and this is my dream...a portable confessional. Seriously, I have been very fortunate over these many years...the best were from 1944 jumping out of a C-47 in Europe up to riding in the Goodyear blimp last year and all in between. Right now it is scooters and power chairs scattered all over my locations in Jersey and Penna.

Thank you for your effort and expertise and keeping all of us up in the skies...even if it is only mental illusion. Rest of this is enclosed to get my stamp's worth.

Joe Dooley

Bishop James C. Timlin wrote Oct.29, 2014

Dear Mel,
Enclosed please find my dues for 2015.

I just sold my 1966-285 hp Debonair but I am still flying but not as much as I used to. I am 87 yrs old and in good health. Hope you are well.

Sincerely,
+James C. Timlin

On November 15 James Flavin included the following with his dues

Hello Mel:

I have missed seeing you all this past year or so. Here are my dues for 2015 and some extra.

Name: James J. Flavin
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Member: Regular

It is cold here these past few days. You too, I believe. Happy Thanksgiving. I plan on eating way too much.

James

SPECIAL NOTICE

John Zapp has faithfully done whatever he does to put our NAPP newsletter on line. We appreciate his help and continued support. It certainly saves a lot of time and money for NAPP.

NAPP Associate member John is a musician and co-founded The **FLYING MUSICIANS ASSOCIATION**.

The August issue of EAA Sport Aviation has an interesting article about John and the Flying Musicians.

**TO ALL.....THIS IS ONE OF THOSE TRANSMISSIONS THAT WORDS ARE NOT
NEEDED TO EXPLAIN.....**

**The First F-117 Stealth Fighter has arrived at the bone yard in Tucson. Visitors will not
be allowed to climb into the cockpit for liability reasons.**





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November 11, 2014

Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation
12151 Avenue of the Chiefs
Crazy Horse, South Dakota

Dear Members of the Ziolkowski Family,

Last year Bishop Robert Gruss hosted the National Association of Priest Pilots National Convention in Rapid City. The height of the 3 day event was the day we spent at Crazy Horse and the outstanding treatment and welcome extended to us at the time of that visit. We especially remember the kindness of your mother. What a tremendous and gracious woman!

We were saddened by her passing last Spring and we would like to offer this meager offering of \$100.00 as a memorial to her. Hopefully it might take at least one more chunk out of the mountain as you continue the dream of your parents in creating a perpetual recognition of the native Americans.

May God continue to bless you in your work. Every time I visit I am awed as I watch the film and see your Father climb that mountain with a jack hammer to begin a work he knows he will never live to see completed. Keep up the good work.

Sincerely

Fr. Mel Hemann



"It is with paternal satisfaction that the Holy Father views the efforts of the members of the National Association of Priest Pilots to encourage the use of air transportation to obtain ever more abundant spiritual fruits from their sacerdotal ministry and missionary apostolate."

Vatican, Sept. 29, 1964



**2015
DUES NOTICE FOR NEW FISCAL YEAR**

*If you have not paid your current NAPP dues
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and mail it with your check to:*

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