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PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

I'm happy to report that N6172D came out of her annual not too much worse for the wear. Since we split the cost among five owners, we did not get dinged too badly. The only unusual item was the replacement of the magnetos and all the associated hardware. Now she seems to think she's a rocket ship.

Our usually flying routine has been interrupted a bit due to some scheduling problems, and also one of the owners has had an increased need for the aircraft due to some family and business issues. So the prop has been turning a lot, but just not with me or my usually flying companion Ron at the controls.

Things should stabilize in this regard come spring.

Since 72D is based at Medina Muni in Northeast Ohio we've had more than our share of VIP TFR's this past election season. We've had Air Force One at each of the large area airports (Cleveland, Akron and Mansfield). As wonderful as it is to have that beautiful bird in town, it sure ties up the airspace. There could be a couple more visits in the next couple weeks, but then it should quiet down a bit.

Here at the parish (Saint Victor, Richfield, Diocese of Cleveland) things have been busy as we've brought a wonderful new staff member on board (Laura, our new Pastoral Associate – Director of Religious Education). We've had something that does not occur much in our line of work: A smooth start to the year! I wish it were like that every year for all of our members.

Also, Saint Victor is getting ready for its Fiftieth Anniversary in a couple of years, and plans have already started. We've begun to do some sprucing up and added a couple small capital improvements to the schedule. Generally speaking it seems like an exciting and growthful time for the parish.

I'm looking forward to the next trip, which is a short flight to Carrollton, Ohio (KTSO) on Wednesday, October 17. If any of you would like to meet for lunch at the Blue Bird Farm, which is a short walk downhill from the airport, please let me know. Full report next time!

Sincerely,

Allen Corrigan / N6172D / 1G5 (Medina Muni, Ohio)

acorrigan@email.com



On Monday, August 20th, I got a call from Pam Dumont in Sebring, FL informing me that her Mom died yesterday.” The envelope,” she said, “with the new directory and latest newsletter arrived on Saturday. Mom always loved receiving the NAPP news and was proud to be a member.”

Mary Christie Dumont and her late husband became associate members in 1976 and remained life long supporters of NAPP until their deaths. Mary Christie entered into eternal rest on Sunday, August 19th 2012. May she rest in peace and enjoy the heavenly flights with fellow NAPPers.

A gift to NAPP

Recently NAPP Associate members and long time friends, Barry and Nancy Brown, gave NAPP a gift of \$250.00 to be used to further our causes. They did hint they were interested in the work Pat and Jacek are doing in Tanzania. The NAPP executive team and directors have approved the decision and the \$250.00 will be added to the Flying Medical Service NAPP gift in January.

Nancy was a student at Iowa State University during the years I was a chaplain there. She was one of the ISU students I taught to fly and when I took over the task of putting out the NAPP newsletter Nancy helped me.

She is the one who designed the logo that tops the first page of each issue of the newsletter.

After graduation Nancy taught school for a few years and then went on to become one of the first female air traffic controllers in the U.S. Barry Brown was one of the local pilots she came to know. On September 4th we celebrated the 35th anniversary of my officiating at their wedding. As the children came along Nancy gave up her job to be a stay at home Mom while Barry continued his job that now makes him the senior pilot at Rockwell-Collins.

Thanks from all of us for your continued love and support

In this issue we have several things of note:

1. An article on the Fairbanks, AK Diocese and NAPP member Bishop Don Kettler
 2. A report on the September meeting in Missouri
 3. Some NAPP directory changes
 4. A reminder if your 2013 dues have not been paid
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UPCOMING ATTRACTIONS

NATIONAL NAPP CONVENTION

July 9 – 10, 2013

Rapid City, South Dakota

MIDWEST REGIONAL MEETING

April 29, 2013

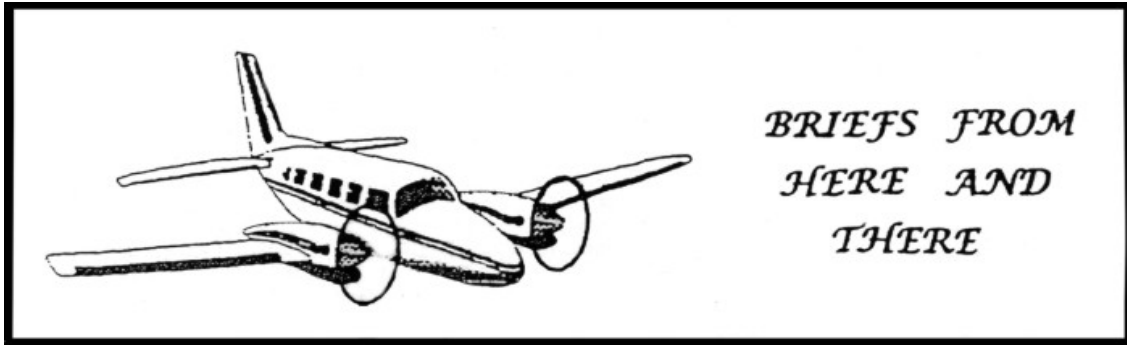
Davenport, Iowa

(Details of above events will follow)

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*BRIEFS FROM
HERE AND
THERE*

Dear Mel,

I wanted you and our NAPP members to know that Rudy Frasca has just published a book entitled "From Cubs to Spitfires" subtitled "My love affair with aviation." It is a wonderful compilation of stories, dealing especially with war birds. Those who attended the 2004 annual meeting of the NAPP in Urbana and saw the personal museum of his airplanes and met Rudy will especially enjoy the book. Rudy's daughter, Peggy, helped to produce the book, which is privately published.

The ISBN number is: 978-0-615-65175-051495. The cost is \$14.95. It can be purchased by calling Frasca International at (217)-344-9200.

Regards to all,
George Remm

Leo Walsh sends the following from Anchorage

During a Eucharistic Congress, a number of priests from various orders and communities are gathered in a church for Vespers. While they are praying, all the lights go out.

The **Benedictines** continue praying from memory, without missing a beat.

The **Jesuits** begin to discuss whether the blown fuse means they are dispensed from the obligation to pray Vespers.

The **Franciscans** compose a song of praise for God's gift of darkness.

The **Dominicans** revisit their ongoing debate on light as a signification of the transmission of divine knowledge.

The **Carmelites** fall into silence and slow, steady breathing.

The **Diocesan** priest goes to the basement and replaces the fuse.

I picked this up at the FBO in Erie, PA

I WANT TO BE A PILOT

By
A FIFTH GRADER

I want to be a pilot when I grow up because it's fun and easy to be. Pilots don't need much school but just have to learn numbers so they can read instruments. I guess they should be able to read maps so they can find their way if they are lost. Pilots should be brave so they won't be scared if it's foggy and they can't see or if a wing or a motor falls off. They should stay calm so they'll know what to do. Pilots have to have good eyes so they can see through clouds and they can't be afraid of lightning or thunder because they are closer to them than we are. The money pilots make is another thing I like. They make more money than they can spend. This is because most people think airplane flying is dangerous. Except pilots don't because they know how easy it is. There isn't much I don't like except girls like pilots and all the stewardesses always want to marry them so they always have to chase them away so they won't bother them. I hope I don't get airsick because if I do I couldn't be a pilot and would have to go work.

Jerry Scanlan shares this Chicago experience

DRINKING AND DRIVING

I would like to share an experience with you about drinking and driving. As you well know, some of us have been lucky not to have had brushes with the authorities on our way home from the various social sessions over the years.

A couple of nights ago, I was out for a few drinks with some friends and had a few too many beers and then topped it off with a margarita. Not a good idea. Knowing full well I was at least slightly over the limit, I did something I've never done before: I took a taxi home. Sure enough, I passed a police roadblock but because it was a taxi, they waved it past. I arrived home safely without incident, which was a real surprise.

I have never driven a taxi before and am not sure where I got it.

Leo Walsh writes from Anchorage, AK

Hey, Mel,

Enclosed please find my dues check for the coming year. Always great to hear from you.

As you can see, I am back in Anchorage at St. Benedict's. The parish is conveniently located right next to Lake Hood Seaplane Base where N8579V is located. I've gotten out flying a bit this summer but while you have been baking, we have been rainy and wet since May. Still, it's nice to get a little air under my feet from time to time.

Fair winds,
Leo Walsh
Pastor and Chief Pilot

Paul Baseford included this note with his dues

Dear Mel,

It was only yesterday that I learned of Ev's going to the eternal feast in April. Everybody loved him. I can only imagine how much you and John and your family will always miss him. I'll never forget how good he was to me.

Although I joined you all in prayers for Ev, I've been 'way out of touch with a lot of even close friends for months. I've been away – down in my Diocese of San Bernardino helping out. The mail and obligations stacked up here in Santa Maria.

I called you once – leaving a message, (months ago), now I understand why you didn't get back to me.

As always, I appreciate all you do for NAPP. My best to John and condolence to you both.

In XP,
Paul

*Please make the following corrections in your
NAPP Directory*

DELETE

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Rev. Tim Sander, OSB
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NAPP FALL MIDWEST REGIONAL MEETING
Linn, Missouri September 24, 2012



8 NAPP members; Guest Fr. Tom Seifner and hosts Joe and Alice Dudenhoeffer



To weave a basket of wood requires a lot of preparation to slim things down to a manageable level. (See a finished basket with Joe on the chair at left).



Wood Carver Joe Dudenhoeffer explaining how it's done



Bob Lacey shows how it's done



You can't beat a home cooked meal especially prepared by Alice Dudenhoeffer & Geri Reynolds



There's no place like a log cabin for a carver and his toys
A log cabin is the ideal environment for a wood carver

Faces of the Diocese of Fairbanks: Taking 'a turn up north'

By Doris Benavides
Catholic News Service

FAIRBANKS, Alaska (CNS) -- "I was hiking one day and took a turn up north," Bishop Donald "Don" J. Kettler quips.

It is a light joke that speaks about his calm and gentle personality, but it also could be a metaphor describing the journey of most of the people, religious and laity, who have helped build the Diocese of Fairbanks, led by Bishop Kettler, in a state that has one of the nation's lowest rates of attendance at religious services.

When asked what has kept the bishop and other diocesan leaders working for many years with limited resources in difficult conditions, almost in unison they respond, "The warm and welcoming spirit of the people."

That welcoming spirit can be felt throughout the chancery building, the House of Prayer and the Kubok Center, the bishop's residence that keeps its doors open to visiting priests, friends and diocesan personnel.

Surrounded by spruce trees that protect a walking trail, all the buildings are steps away from each other and next to the Sacred Heart Cathedral, a layout that illustrates the "family unity" needed to weather any storm.

Fairbanks is a mission diocese. It is the only U.S. diocese still receiving help from the Pontifical Mission Societies in the United States, an agency under the jurisdiction of the Vatican Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples.

The diocese also receives grants from the Catholic Church Extension Society, the U.S. bishops' Catholic Home Mission Appeal and the Black and Indian Mission Collection, established by the U.S. bishops in 1884.

The Fairbanks Diocese is marking several milestones this August: the 10th anniversary of Bishop Kettler's ordination as its shepherd; the 50th anniversary of its founding; and the 125th anniversary of the

Society of Jesus in Alaska. Anniversary celebrations Aug. 11-12 brought together special visitors, including bishops, women religious from various communities, deacons and congregants hailing from remote native communities, popularly known as "bush villages or areas," as well as Msgr. Robert Fuhrman, assistant national director of the Pontifical Mission Societies.

Pope John XXIII officially established Fairbanks as its own diocese Aug. 8, 1962. It covers more than 400,000 square miles. It is home to many Alaska native peoples, including Athabaskan Indians, Yup'ik, Cup'ik and Inupiat Eskimos.

Born in Minneapolis and raised in South Dakota, Bishop Kettler said that after a couple of trips to Fairbanks 10 years before he became its bishop, he was "fascinated with the setting, the immensity of Alaska and its frontier spirit."

He kept in contact and informed about the diocese through his subscription to the newsletter, The Alaskan Shepherd.

In 2002, when he got the call from the apostolic nuncio about his appointment to Fairbanks, it came as "providence, something definitely prepared by God."

Besides being familiar with the territory, he also was a pilot -- a plus for those who work in the "bush" areas where for the most part access is only possible by plane or boat. And he was familiar with the culture of native peoples, having worked with Sioux Indians in South Dakota.

Bishop Kettler, now 67, and the people with whom he has surrounded himself believe in spreading the Gospel and Catholic teaching and values through a strong catechetical program to form adult and youth leaders.

The hope is they in turn will carry out the same catechetical and evangelization programs in the future to continue

strengthening the faith of active Catholics and to reach those who have left the church and those who do not belong to any church.

With a 20-year background as a TV preacher, he also is a firm believer in using media outlets for evangelization. Two such outlets are the award-winning KNOM radio ministry and The Alaska Shepherd, a bimonthly newsletter. Both were started by the Jesuits.

These past three years, Bishop Kettler has committed himself to visiting victims of sexual abuse and providing spiritual counseling through healing sessions and services, traveling to all of the diocese's 45 parishes.

"Pastoral ministry is about healing," he said. "The purpose of the Catholic Church is to be an instrument of healing, that's what Jesus did."

The diocese also offers abuse victims psychological and psychiatric treatment provided by professionals in those fields.

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"God always provides," noted Deacon Bowder, who in October plans to be semi-retired. "He doesn't give us in excess, but supplies what we need."

The diocese in turn is able to help other less fortunate communities in Canada and the Caribbean.

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Her main goal is to prepare people to become religious educators in their communities. In the past five years, she has certified 250 adults through a basic three-hour program, she said.

She has also developed an advanced certified theology graduate-level course for adults that help people get rooted in the history behind the ritual of the sacraments, among other aspects of the faith.

With fewer priests able to travel to the villages, her main goal is to train the most lay people she can so they can assume leadership roles administering sacraments or as eucharistic ministers.

"I love the beauty of this land," she said. "Cold doesn't bother me, we have a great bishop and people are great."

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