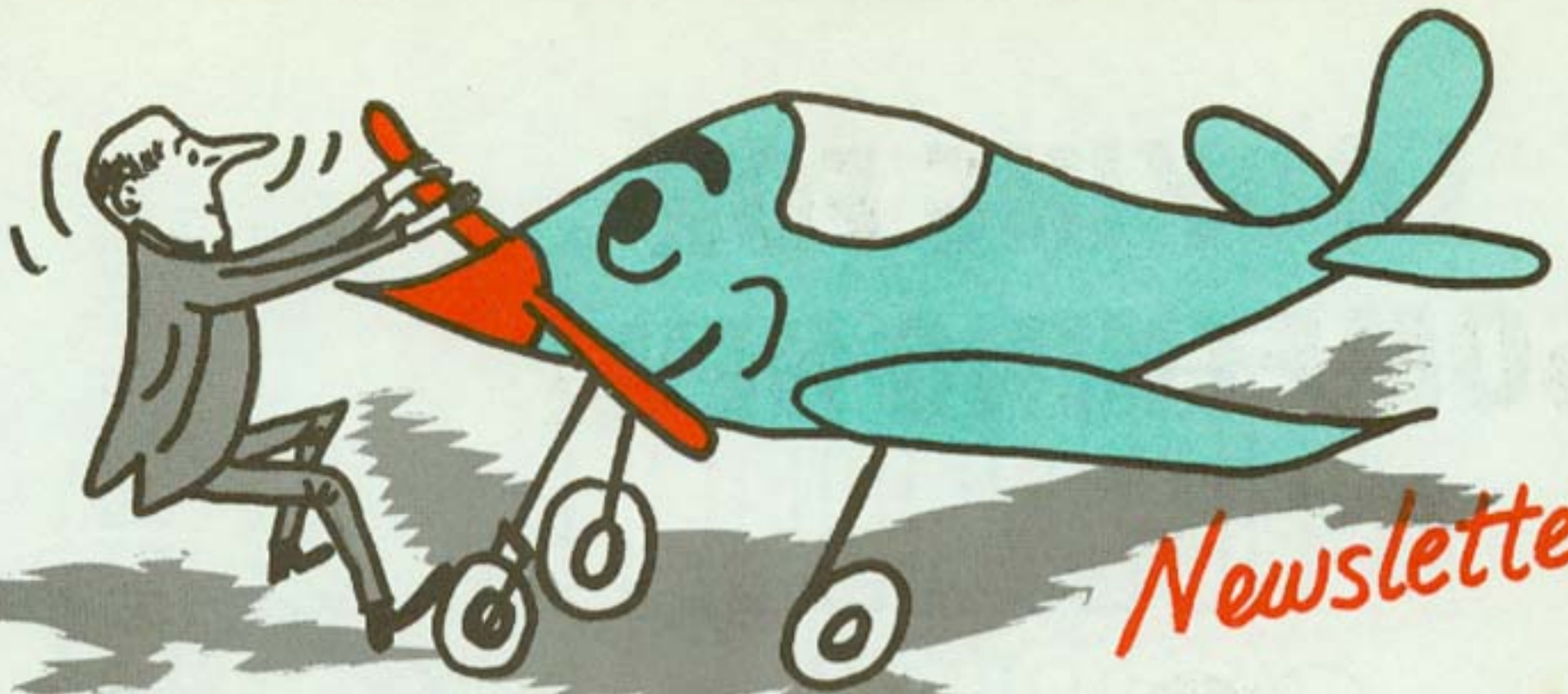


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MONDAY, MAY 6, IS RAPIDLY APPROACHING. THIS IS THE DAY THE CENTRAL REGION IS MEETING AT THE AIR FORCE MUSEUM IN DAYTON, OHIO. CHAPLAIN GEORGE M. KLARIC WILL ACT AS OUR HOST. HIS ADDRESS: 402 DUPONT WAY, DAYTON, OHIO 45433. PHONE: 513-252-6128.

THE BEST FIELD TO FLY INTO IS DAYTON MONTGOMERY CO. AIRPARK. IT IS NEAREST THE MUSEUM AND HAS IFR CAPABILITIES.

GEORGE WOULD APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH IF YOU COULD LET HIM KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHEN YOU PLAN ON ARRIVING. IF HE KNOWS IN ADVANCE, HE CAN MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO HAVE US PICKED UP AT THE AIRPORT, PROVIDE "CHOW" ACCOMMODATIONS, AND PERHAPS EVEN A PLACE TO STAY (IF NEEDED). THE LATTER WILL DEPEND SOMEWHAT ON HOW THE CLEAN UP IS PROGRESSING AFTER THE RECENT TORNADOES. MANY OF THE BASE FACILITIES ARE PRESENTLY BEING USED TO HOUSE THE HOMELESS VICTIMS.

THE TOUR OF THE MUSEUM TAKES 3 HOURS. GEORGE SUGGESTED WE TRY FOR AN ETA ON MONDAY (IF ARRIVING THAT DAY) BETWEEN 10:00 and 11:00. THAT WOULD PUT US ON THE BASE IN TIME FOR LUNCH AND AN AFTERNOON TOUR.

SO P-L-E-A-S-E GET THE WORD TO GEORGE OF YOUR INTENTIONS AND WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE. IT PROMISES TO BE AN INTERESTING DAY.

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# LOOKING FOR SOMETHING NEW?



**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND**  
July 15-17  
1974

A large, stylized graphic for the NAPP 1974 Convention. The top section is an arched banner with the text "NEW ORLEANS". Below this is a rectangular box containing the text "NAPP" in large, bold letters, with "1974 Convention" underneath. The bottom section is a detailed illustration of a social scene. On the left, a vertical sign reads "HOTEL". In the background, there is a sign for "Antiques RESTAURANT". The foreground shows several people: a man in a suit holding a drink, a woman in a dress, and another woman in a hat. The entire graphic is enclosed in a decorative border.

Fr. Phil Thomi is now located at historical Worms, Germany, on the Rhine. He will be stationed there for 3 years. Phil says he has accommodations for any of the brethren traveling in the area -- just 30 minutes from Frankfurt Airport. Home phone: Worms, 8-84-86. Chapel phone: Worms Military - 2421-7919.

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## *Missionary sings his*

Special, The Florida Catholic

## *philosophy of life*



**Father DesRoches**

Maitland -- Father Pierre DesRoches, assistant pastor at St. Mary Magdalen Parish here, is vocalist on two long play albums, the most recent, "The Flow of Life," having been released shortly before Christmas last year.

The first album, released about 18 months ago, was "You Can Fly," featuring some of the more popular religious songs. The title reflected not only the heights of faith but also the fact that Father DesRoches is a licensed pilot.

A former missionary (he served 12 years in Africa as a White Father), Father Pierre, as he is known to parishioners and friends, is a native of Canada. He told The Florida Catholic that he has organized both religious and contemporary songs in "Flow of Life" into an expression of his philosophy.

People who know Father Pierre realize that the priest is "high" on life. He sees life as an exuberant experience in which "man is supposed to sow even more life."

"Man is capable of sowing death," he said, "and often he does it. This comes from a lack of faith. When a person shrivels up in the face of suffering or the loss of a loved one, he dies a little -- and he sows death among those around him.



"It is hard to believe in life, and in the source of life," he said, "when you see someone rejecting the challenge of pain which can make men grow and live more fully."

His philosophy put him in Africa just as surely as it put him in the air over central Florida and in both the Maitland parish and St. Catherine Parish in Sebring. He came to the Orlando diocese from Africa in 1967. The strength that comes from loving life helped Father Pierre establish many Christian communities in the most inaccessible regions of the African continent.

He tells how he, and another priest, left a language school against their superior's orders because he was convinced that to learn the tribal languages one had to learn it from the natives and because "I went to Africa to serve and not to sit in school."

"We took off," he said, "and when we got really hungry you'd be surprised how fast we learned the language."

Challenge makes men grow when they respond with joy and with faith, Father Pierre said, because life is always more than you can see, more than you can do (therefore you should never be bored) and more than you can dream (so there is no such thing as an impossible dream).

Life is full of more life because there is no limit to God. We can know only one part of life -- that part which we live, and our knowledge of God is limited only by how we live our lives. So live life fully. When hardship comes along, let's not abdicate the throne of life like an unworthy ruler, but rather let us seek a life style that makes constant renewal of self possible. We should regard each day as a rebirth, a recommitment to the creativity we share with God," he said.

"Some people stop living when they see themselves growing old, and that is sad. Old age is real life, not second class life, for a sunset is just as beautiful as a sunrise. The sunset of life, what we unfortunately have come to regard as the end, is really only the beginning of a much fuller and a more beautiful experience.

"If we live more fully now," Father Pierre said, "we will live more fully when our own personal sun goes down. We will then be able to see a magnificent, breathtaking and indescribable reality -- the source of life, God. That's what I believe. That's what I always try to live."

Father Pierre's new album, "The Flow of Life," features such songs as "Bridge over Troubled Waters," "My Redeemer Liveth," "Danny Boy," "You'll Never Walk Alone," and "The Impossible Dream."

The album costs \$5.00 (tapes are available for \$6.00) and can be obtained by writing him at St. Mary Magdalen's, P. O. Box 865, Maitland, Florida, 32751.

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### JOYS OF BEING AN EDITOR

Getting out this paper is no picnic.  
If we print jokes, people will say we are silly;  
If we don't they say we are too serious.  
If we clip things from other papers,  
We are too lazy to write it down ourselves;  
If we don't, we are stuck on our own stuff!  
If we stick close to the job all day,  
We ought to be out hunting up news.  
If we do go out and try to hustle, we ought to be on the job in the office.  
If we don't print contributions, we don't appreciate true genius;  
If we do, the paper is filled with junk.  
If we make a change in a fellow's writeup  
We are too critical, and if we don't we are asleep!  
Now, like as not, someone will say we swiped this from some other paper.  
WE DID!

# OUT THEY GO!

IT MAKES US SAD TO THINK YOU MIGHT  
BE LEAVING US



## National Association Priest Pilots

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Renewal

New Member

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ADDRESS: ..... PHONE .....

CITY: ..... STATE ..... ZIP CODE .....

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SOURCE OF INFORMATION ABOUT NAPP: .....

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RATING: ..... DATE: ..... APPROX. TOTAL HOURS ..... LAST YEAR .....

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PRESENT ASSIGNMENT: ..... RENT

