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From the president

2006 CONVENTION: Tremendous thanks to John Hemann, Jack Paisley, Jeff Bryant, Mike Makelbust, (and anybody missed) for putting on a superb convention this year. The Iowa boys have the right touch. They know just how to do it! Congratulations!

HAVE A BUD: The Clydesdales came to West Virginia in the middle of July – not all 250 of them, just 12. I got it from the horse's mouth that there are six "hitches" in the U.S., with three on the move. The eastern "hitch" stopped by KHLG – well not really the airport, just the city. This "hitch" consisted of

12 horses, 8 crew people, 3 semi's, 2 other vehicles, 1 carriage, etc.

The horses get a quick wash down every morning if they worked and sweated the previous day. The person giving the wash down, with a brush and an open hose, is careful not to get water into the horse's ears, but does give an abundant flushing inside the foreskin.

The horses love it – that is, the almost daily attention with fresh cool water, followed by a meticulous brushing.

Only eight horses are actually hitched up at a time for show purposes. They take turns. Once a week they all get a time-consuming shampoo. — OK. That's enough horsing around.

2007 CONVENTION: I talked with Paul Baseford. He has offers of help from me, and from half the state of Iowa. So Paul has nothing to worry about. Chino airport is 40 statute miles by car east of Los Angeles City Hall. So, off to Chino we go.

Fraternally,

[Charlie]

Charles B. Teufel



I am writing this early in August. If all goes well those with the capabilities on your end will receive this electronically. A lot of time and effort has gone into this by many so we hope it goes well. In the long run it should be a great time saver.

The NAPP fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30. Those attending the July annual conference in Oshkosh paid their dues for 2007 and have their new membership card. A couple of CAVEATS:

1. *In the electronic version there is a DUES PAYEMENT form. If you paid your dues at OSH, **ignore it**. If you missed it, follow the DUES PAYMENT instructions and mail it to me.*
2. *The newsletter that will be mailed to you will have the usual envelope for you to return your annual dues. If you have already paid there will be no dues envelope but your new membership card indicates you have paid your dues.*

I hope all of you get that check in the mail ASAP as it sure makes things simpler on this end..

The conference was a great one, as usual. Personally I thought it was nice to be at OSH minus the 700,000+ people that show up each year at the EAA Annual gathering. The annual minutes included with this newsletter list all in attendance. Because our financial status is in good shape the membership voted to give 2 \$1000.00 donations to our brothers who use the plane in their work

One gift will go to the Diocese of Juneau in Alaska. The second recipient is the Flying Medical Service in Arusha, East Africa, where Pat Patten and Jacek Rejman continue serving the needy and poor in that part of the world. The \$500.00 scholarship to a member getting his private or upgrading goes to Secretary Phil Gibbs. Phil will finish his instrument work this Fall. *Our members are very generous individuals. With the careful planning of the convention (see the convention financial report) and extra donations it looks as though most of the above expenses are covered.* Thanks guys!
Fr. Carr's "The Place 2B" certainly lived up to its name as we celebrated Eucharist and shared a meal there. A wonderful example of hospitality and the gospel in action

Reminde r

Fr. Bill Menzel is co-hosting the Midwest Fall gathering on September 18 in Wisconsin Rapids, WI. The informational sheet is enclosed. Details and registration information is all there. So your thing and we hope to see you there.

I hope the convention pictures come out great

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**NAPP FALL MIDWEST
GATHERING**

Wisconsin Rapids, WI

Monday, September 18, 2006

Hosted by: **Fr. Bill Menzel, Fr. John
Swing and Mr. Tom Enwright**

Agenda:

- 10:30 - 11:30** Arrive at **KISW**
Alexander Field South Wood County Airport
Wisconsin Rapids, Wisconsin
- 12:00** **Lunch** (site to be determined)
- 12:30-1:30** **Briefing** by a military ATC specialist from Volk Field
- 2:00** **Tour** of the Number 16 Paper Machine and Sheeting Division of
Stora-Enso North America
- 4:00** **Departure**

Those planning to attend can contact

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2006 ---- FINANCIAL REPORT ---- 2006

National Association of Priest Pilots (NAPP)
July 11 – 12, 2006
Oshkosh, Wisconsin 54902

INCOME:		\$4,120.00
(Registration fees)		
EXPENSES:		
1. Pre-Convention Expenses	\$	221.85
(John Hemann – travel, phone, Mailings and postage)		
2. West End Pizza (Monday evening)	\$	125.00
3. EAA Museum Admissions	\$	258.83
4. Uptown Deli (Box Lunches)	\$	315.00
5. Fr. Carr’s Place 2B	\$	500.00
(Meals, bus & driver and donation)		
6. Banquet	\$	1,214.05
7. Honorarium (Speaker)	\$	200.00
(\$100.00 Sport Aviation Association) (\$100.00 Young Eagles Program)		
8. Souve nirs (NA00 - 2006)	\$	300.00
(Tooth pick holders)		
9. Hospitality Room	\$	381.10
(Beverages and snacks)		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$3,515.83

N.A.P.P. TREASURY

INCOME --- Registration Fees -----	\$4,120.00	
EXPENSES -----	\$3,515.83	
2006 NAPP Convention Extra -----	\$ 604.17	7-20-2006

*If you have not paid your current NAPP dues
we ask that you complete the form below
and mail it with your check to:*

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N.A.P.P. DUES -- U.S. \$25.00

Please fill out this form! Make check payable in U.S. Dollars to N.A.P.P., Inc.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

Type of Member: _____ Charter _____ Regular _____ Associate _____

NAPP ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

July 8, 2006

NAPP CHECKING

OPENING BALANCE July 6, 2005 \$1636.04

NAPP Dues \$3585.00

Convention Rebate \$ 938.49

Donation \$ 500.00

Total Inflows \$6659.53

OUTFLOWS

NAPP SCHOLARSHIPS
Sean Tompson \$ 500.00

Newsletter \$ 1226.91

Postage \$ 518.73

Envelopes \$ 167.34

Convention Expense \$ 11.12

Brochures \$ 138.57

Total Outflows \$ 2562.67

BALANCE JULY 8, 2006 \$4096.86

NAPP SAVINGS ACCOUNT

July 8, 2006

OPENING BALANCE July 6, 2005 \$5,117.75

Deposit – Interest (12-31-2005) \$ 77.75

Deposit – Interest (06-30-2006) \$ 90.17

Balance July 8, 2006 \$5,285.67



Viewing a Sonex



Another view



A Sonex in the making



WOW!! It is interesting



Copy of Space Ship One in EAA Museum



Fr. Carr & Wolesky after Mass



A great chat after a great meal



Waiting at Basler Conversion Plant



Basler Turbo Conversion on DC 3



That food really is good!!



More work on a DC 3 conversion



It's in the museum



Some of the 5 miles of wire in the DC 3



Presider, President Charlie



EAA Museum Curator – Dinner Speaker



This Basler welcome says it all

MINUTES OF THE 2006 NAPP MEETING OSHKOSH, WI, 7/11/06

Total number of attendees is 41 .

4 Charter Members: the Reverends John Hemann, Mel Hemann, John Herzog and Phil Schmitt.

29 Regular Members: The Reverends Tony Attea, Paul Baseford, Bill Bevington, Tim Brown, Hugh Connaghan, Jim Falsey, Dick Funke, Tom Geelan, Phil Gibbs, Everett Hemann, Ed Higgins, Merlin Kieffer, Dino Lorenzetti, Bill Menzel, Gene Murray, Jack Paisley, Bert Pepowski, George Remm, Nick Rossello, Al Ruschman, Jerry Scanlan, John Schmitz, Owen Shanley, Pete Sweeney, Charlie Teufel, John Walsh, John Wehrlen, Al Werth, John Wolesky.

8 Associate Members: Jack Boyle, Jeff Bryant, George Gratton, Rev. James Kiernan, Mike Makelbust, Mark Menacher, Paul Murray, Ron Teufel

The Meeting

The meeting was called to order promptly at 4:30 p.m. with President Charlie Teufel presiding.

Gene Murray, 1st Vice President, opened with a prayer.

Minutes of 2005 Convention :

The minutes of the 2005 meeting were distributed, reviewed and accepted with the provision of including Stan Radzieta (at the request of Charlie Teufel) in the list of those who were thanked for their hard work in putting the 2005 convention together.

Jim Kiernan made a motion to accept the minutes and that was seconded by Al Ruschman. The minutes were then unanimously accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasure's report was then handed out for review. Due to a convention rebate incurred from the 2005 gathering; a generous donor who covered the NAPP scholarship; and the membership dues, the financial situation of NAPP is strong.

Therefore, proposals were made to give out two gifts of \$1000.00 plus the annual scholarship of \$500.00

The treasure's report, as it was presented, was met with approval. George Remm made a motion to accept the report and it was quickly seconded by John Woleski. The vote was unanimous.

Annual Gift:

Discussion took place as suggestions were given by the executive board regarding possible recipients of the \$1000.00 gifts.

Pat Patten / Jacek Rejman in Tanzania, Africa and the diocese of Juneau, Alaska were considered by the membership. Antoine Attea made a motion to accept these candidates as the recipients of the two \$1000.00 scholarships. The motion was seconded by Tom Geelan. The vote was unanimous.

Flying Scholarship:

The \$500.00 scholarship fund was also brought up for consideration. The floor was opened for the solicitation of possible recipients. Clarity was given as to the profile of who might be considered and that this scholarship could be applied to those who are working on advanced certifications. Further clarity was given to indicate that the recipient would be a decision that would be made under the president's discretion*.

*(President Charlie Teufel later named Phil Gibbs as the recipient. Phil will apply it to his IFR rating.)

Newsletter/Web site Report:

Mel Hemann gave a report/update on the Newsletter/Web site. An explanation of the Bernie McCoy's new responsibilities have ruled him out as the "go-to" guy for this project. The non responsiveness of Loras College and providential willingness of John Zapp have lead us to where we are at today. Thoughts of putting the newsletter and the membership directory on line in the web site stirred up some discussion. Certain members expressed concern insofar as having their e-mail addresses on line.

Many things have yet to be ironed out. Mel is planning to visit with John Zapp in Dallas to work out the details. In the meantime please check www.priestpilots.org for updates .

Membership dues (up \$5.00 from last year) were collected and the membership present at the meeting are paid up

From the floor, John Woleski commended Mel for all of his hard work and dedication. The membership joined John with a round of applause for Mel.

Charter Renewal Report:

Al Ruschman spoke briefly on the Charter Renewal. Giving a brief historical overview from the first priest pilot meeting to the present day. Since the passing of the founding members, Al has been instrumental in helping us maintain our nonprofit status over the many years by donating the \$4.00 annual fee.

Membership Health:

Dave Hogan (regular member) of Sioux City, IA was reported to have Lou Gehrig's disease.

Marty Winner (associate member) from Orchard Park, N.Y. was reported to have cancer.

Bill Browne (associate member) from Coraopolis, PA is suffering from macular degeneration and is losing his eyesight.

The wife of Jack O'Neil (associate member) "Norma" suffers a broken knee.

Fred Wright (associate member) suffers from a vision problem.

Edwina (associate of Bob Kirsch) and Shirley Love (associate member) send their regards in memorium of the late Bob Kirsch.

Carmen Marchiole (associate member) from Lockport, N.Y. is suffering from some health issues.

In Memorium are Bob Kirsch and Bob Hogan

We keep all these people in our prayers.

Region Reports:

Eastern Region: Tony Attea from Jamestown, N.Y. had nothing to report

Central Region: John Hemann gave a report on the Fall gathering (September 2005) in Denison, IA with Ed Murray as the host. Denison was the birthplace of Donna Reed. It was also the birthplace of a famous aviator by the name of Clarence Chamberlain. The group was regaled with stories of this famous aviator by a local historian named Merlin Luvass. Thanks Ed.

John Hemann also spoke about the Spring 2006 gathering on May 1st in Mexico, MO with John Schmitz as the host. This gathering featured a tour through Zenith Aircraft Manufacturing. Membership was treated to a great meal of Barbecue and gifted with goodies from the local area. The gathering of the regional NAPP chapter was a front page story in the Mexico ledger. Thanks John Schmitz.

Fall 2006 plans are being fleshed out in Wisconsin Rapids by Bill Menzel for Monday, September 18th.

Western Region: Bob Kirsch served as regional coordinator and had passed away. There was no report.

2006 Convention Report.

John Hemann, convention organizer extraordinaire, was quick to point out those that assisted him at this year's convention.

Special thanks went out to all who helped make the gathering a success. In particular to Jack Paisley who took care of registration. Thanks to Jeff Bryant and Mike Makelbust for printing up the name tags and serving as great hosts during our social time. Thanks also to Bill Menzel who was instrumental in advising/assisting in the coordination of the schedule and providing

shuttle service to those who flew in commercial to Outagamie County Airport (ATW).

John Hemann directed our attention to the display of the map and the list below. John encouraged us to look at all the places NAPP conventions have been held over the last 43 years. These locations were depicted by pins in the map. The list below was the membership roster. John encouraged us to write down the number of conventions that each member had attended and perhaps write a comment about that event.

John recognized the four charter members present. Including himself (John Hemann) the others present were Mel Hemann, John Herzog and Phil Schmitt.

2007 Convention:

The floor was opened up for discussion regarding the where and when of the next convention. With much courage, Paul Baseford of Santa Maria, CA initiated a reluctant conversation about hosting it in Chino, CA. The membership responded with much enthusiasm which helped to eliminate any hesitation. Paul Baseford agreed to be the site coordinator and host us in Chino, CA. He will begin the preliminary planning soon. He relies on the collective wisdom of those who have hosted in the past. And, he hopes to see a favorable response from the membership in terms of assistance and attendance.

There was made mention of the convention being planned out two years in advance. In 2008 there is a possibility of Cleveland, OH. And Denver was brought up as a possibility in 2009.

Election of Vice President and Treasurer:

Nominations were requested from the membership for the position of 1st Vice President and Treasurer. Nominations were opened and the current office holders were nominated for another term. The vote was unanimous that Gene Murray and Mel Hemann serve another term. Gene Murray as 1st Vice President and Mel Hemann as Treasurer.

Other Business:

George Gratton brought a wall rosary to be given to anyone who was interested.

Phil Gibbs distributed new brochures for NAPP membership in the hopes members would use them to recruit..

Adjournment:

Phil Schmitt moved that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting ended.

Phil Gibbs, Secretary