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Briefs from Here & There ...

writes from Dunkirk, N.Y.

"Just a little note to include in your next newsletter. I have a change of assignment, and so a change in address.

J have just been assigned as pastor of St. James Church in Jamestown, New York, not too far from Nick Rosello.

It's a large parish of 1700 plus families. It'll be quite a change from teaching, so say a few prayers. I'll have two associates for a couple of months, but the Bishop informed me that one of them will leave once I get my wheels firmly established on the runway."

My new address is:

Rev. Antoine P. Attea St. James Rectory 27 Allen Street Jamestown, New York 14701

Phone: 716-487-0125

The Fall weather has been great and I have been doing quito a bit of flying. Flew my sister and her husband to Chicago for the Thanksgiving holidays - My brother Bill lives in Glenview.

A blessed Christmas to all the guys and the best of the New Year."

Jack Murphy writes from his new assignment in Richmond, Virginia.

After some years working with children at the Farmstoad, I have decided to return to full time ministry in a parish.

Now, I am with a black parish in the Richmond Diocese, a very poor community. I really enjoy being here, but it is disconcerting and sad to answer the door to persons who ask for food for their families. I have not had this experience since working in a poor parish in Cleveland some 15 years ago. I think I forgot there are people this poor.

I came to Holy Rosary November 1st to be Administrator of the Parish, by the good grace of God, and the kind invitation of Bishop Walter Sullivan of Richmond. The Pastor left for a few months leave and rest. As you can well imagine, the Diocese of Richmond is short of priests!

Three Sisters of Verona conduct a Day Care Center here for 120 pre-schoolers. After my years at Farmstead Nursery School, and having observed many child care centers in New Jersey, I have to say Holy Rosary Day Care Center is among the best. The work, the planning, the dedication, the care that go into this program are exceptional. Results are evident in the order, the peace, and the bright laughter of the children.

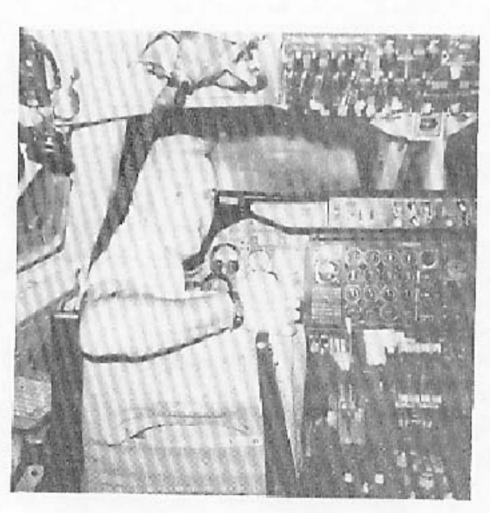
We have a lovely little Church. It is a beautiful change for me to be busy about the parish, saying three Masses on a weekend, whereas my ministry over the past few years had been so limited. This situation is like a magnificent rebirth for me!

Speaking of rebirth, we are looking forward to the annual celebration of the birthday of our Hero and Model, Jesus Christ Himself. Inspirations reach all of us from comemmorating the aspects of that Story - the angels, the little town, the Virgin and Babe, the shepherds - the humility, the majesty Whether one is a monk spending 7 hours a day at prayer, or the hectic business-person who has not time for prayer, it is difficult to escape some inspiration - some infusion of spiritual strength which permeates this time of year.

The circumstances surrounding the Birth of Christ are such an exquisite riddle - and such a perfect answer - in the face of the forces of our 1978 culture which pull us that way and that.

I am not certain how long I shall stay with Holy Rosary, but Bishop Sullivan assures me there are many places in the Richmond Diocese, between the shores of Virginia Beach and rugged mountains of the Virginia/Tennessee border (500 miles span) where a helping hand is needed. I want to get this note to you early with this change of address.

Hoping that you and yours are well and happy, and wishing you all the best of God's blessings and graces through 1979!



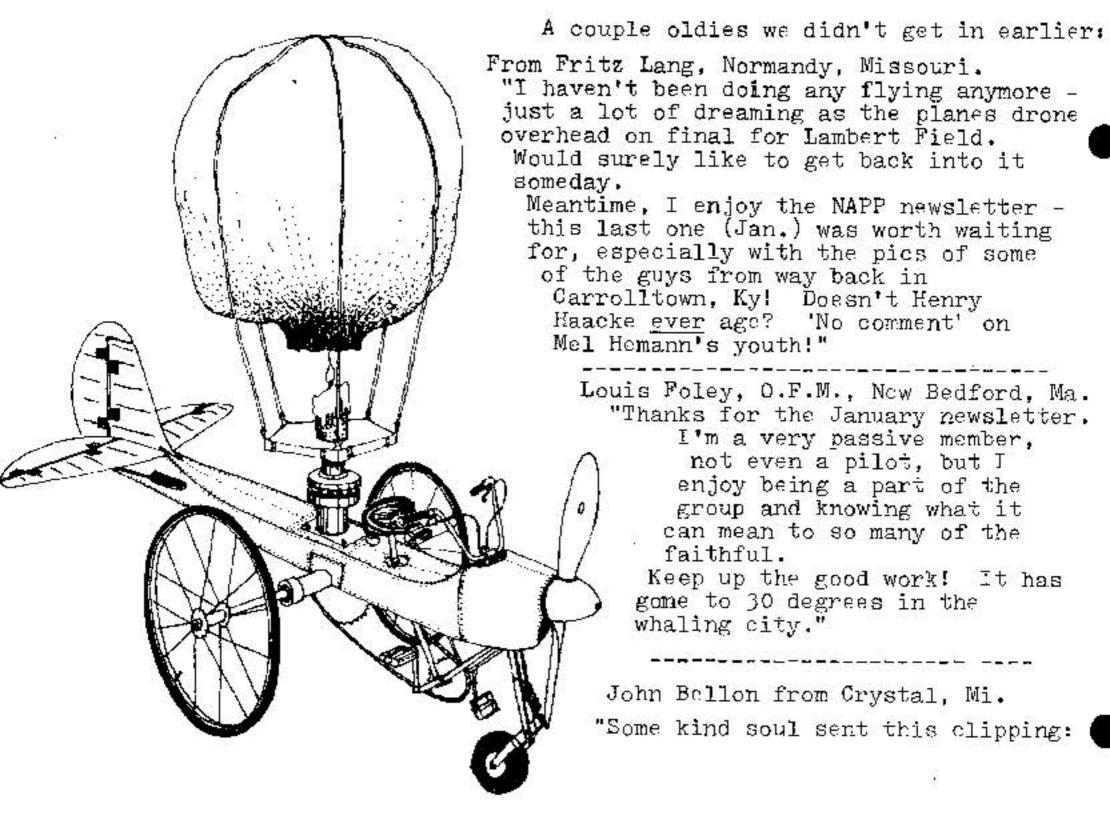
Yours truly, Wel Hemann, finished off his vacation in November.

"I flew to London for a week to visit my sister Kay and brother-in-law who have spent the past five months there. Clem is on a semester sabatical from the University of Iowa. On the way back I spent a couple of days in New York with a friend who is an instructor in 747's with Pan Am. The picture at left shows me at the controls of the simulator at the end of my 21 session. After observing for almost 2 hours and having Dick explain what was happening it really began to make sense and I found the plane relatively easy to fly. However, in view

of the fact the type rating cost is in the neighborhood of \$18,000.00 I don't think I'll pursue it much farther...unless Santa is exceptionally generous this Christmas."

Send us your

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BLUE ANGEL'S FLIER TO BEGIN STUDIES FOR PRIESTHOOD

Navy Lt. Jim Bauer is leaving one set of angels to get closer to another.

Bauer, a combat veteran who now handles non-flying administrative duties with the Blue Angels flight team has resigned his commission to join the clergy.

He'll enter the Josephenium School of Theology in Worthington, Ohio, next month. He hopes eventually to be ordained a Roman Catholic priest in the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Birardeau, Mo., his home area.

The 30 year old officer says he finds no conflict between roles as warrior and priest.

"It really wasn't a problem," Bauer said. "I joined the Navy of my own free will - I knew what I was getting into. I incurred the obligation to carry out my orders to the utmost of my ability and I'm still operating under that same commissioning oath I took several years ago."

Bauer has been in the Navy for eight years.

Happy New Years from the editors!

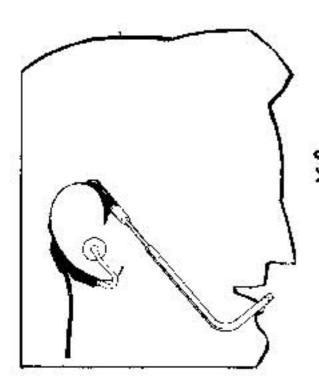


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A few lines to gather a few diverse items of business together:

1). You perhaps remember from the annual minutes that the membership voted to include a picture of the Padres in our next directory. The directory hopefully will come out with the February newsletter.

The idea was to have each member submit a passport size phote. To date I have 11 pictures with a brief rundown on the member. However, what is happening is that I am getting a

variety of sizes of pictures. So maybe the bost thing at this point is to encourage you to get that picture in and some info about yourself. Sond whatever size picture you've got (black/white) and we'll do the best we can on this end with the printer.

2). The dues envelope is enclosed. That should be self-explanatory. On the new envelopes a box is provided to check off your type of membership. As the years go on it becomes increasingly more difficult to remember who the charter members are.

3). Another page shows Sanderson's new offering of the Plantronic headsets. Information is all found on that page, including the prices. If anyone is interested let me know and I'll order for you.

- 4). The Central Region will meet next Spring in St. Louis. The dates are: Sunday, April 29 and Monday, April 30. Fritz Lang will be host and arranging a Monday tour through the McDonald plant. Lambert Field will be the landing site and meeting place. Plans call for a noon meeting on Monday so that those who arrived on Sunday can leave if they wish. Those who arrive on Monday should be there by noon. Mark the date on your calendar. Details will follow in the next issue.
- 5). The Annual Convention will be hosted by the New York crowd. Tentative plans call for Rensselaer Co. Airpark to be the convention airport. Rev. Victor Schoenberger, O.F.M. Con. Franciscan Mission House Rensselaer, N.Y. 12144

is our contact person.

yourself yourself merry little Christmas! The dates for the Convention are:

JULY 10 - 11

When plans and agenda begin to materialize we'll keep you posted via the newsletter. Meanwhile, start planning and get that date marked on the calendar.