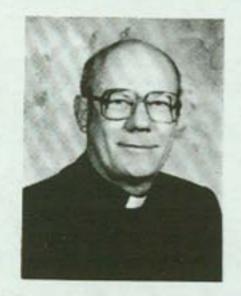


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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Greetings brother priests and fellow pilots!

Out here on the plains of Kansas the wheat fields are turning color, a sign the wheat is ripening. Soon the fields will take on a beautiful golden color. Shortly thereafter the combines will pull in and do the harvesting.

Until the harvest is complete there is always the risk of damaging storms. Just as in flying a thunder storm with hail can wipe you out. Some of my family experienced that just a week ago. The hail mowed down everything, even the grass in the pastures. Farmers will tell you, farming is a big risk.

I learned a long time ago thunder storms are just as dangerous to the pilot. I want to stay as

far away from them as possible.

Mel wants to get this newsletter to you before you leave for Vancouver. I hope to see all of you there.

I wish to thank Mel and Tom O'Neill for arranging this year's convention. We need to also think about next year's. I ask you to bring your ideas to the convention. Hopefully we can come up with another good site and with someone to host it.

I heard this at Wichita: "Cheyenne Eight Romeo Charlie, cleared to land runway 19L; caution, a large flock of buzzards circling over the approach end of the runway."

Cheyenne: "Roger...I hope they are not for us."

Tower: "That all depends on your landing."

Have a good and safe flight to the convention!

Cel

Al Werth



We begin again with news of one of our NAPP brothers passing into eternity. Those who attended the convention last year at the Marine Base in Carolina recall the Murray brothers, Ed and Gene, telling us about their brother Joe. He had recently been diagnosed with terminal cancer. When I returned from the office last Friday, June 12, Ed had a message on my recorder informing us that his brother Joe had died. Tentative plans were for the funeral to be on Monday, June 15. Joe and his brother Paul have been Associate members for a number of years. Joe's death brings the number of Murray NAPP members to 3. Our prayers and condolences go to all of you.

Although it was in the last issue I am running the following information again for Convention goers.

Tom O'Neill, our Vancouver Island host, asked that I remind you that hotel reservations are to be made directly with the hotel. Info is on the reservation sheet.

For those flying in commercially:

1. Fly into Vancouver

2. Take a bus to downtown

3. Transfer to a bus going to Horseshoe Bay, the ferry going to Nanaimo

Car rentals:

Tom says Rent-a-Wreck is the best deal. Their phone number is 1-888-296-8888. Fax is: 1-250-753-4355. Contact Stephanie Nieson.

A few other tidbits:

1. Tom says the airport to go into is Cassidy. He sent approach plates & all refer to it as Nanaimo.

He said there is a special VFR approach but I found nothing in the literature sent to me about VFR.

3. It is my understanding you can go through customs at Nanaimo.

4. My conclusions: If you've made it as far as B.C. you'll make it safely into Nanaimo.

5. If you want to do any fishing let Tom know so he can reserve a spot for you. They're usually heavily booked in the summer months.

These are busy days for me. I will retire on July 19. The priest who will replace me here at the parishes returned recently from 2 years in Canada where he received his JCL. He is now at work in the Tribunal. As he needed a place to stay till he takes over on July 20 I offered him hospitality with me. An interesting combination. As Director of the Family Life Office these past 7 years I have worked at trying to save marriages. Tom's job is to break them up. What a Church!!! He's a great guy and the parishioners are lucky to have him follow me.

On July 1 my replacement in the Family Life Office takes over. She has been married for about 40 years. As a wife, mother and grandmother she will bring the type of experience I couldn't. We have worked together the past few years and will do an excellent job.

My new address July 20 will be:

127 Kaspend Place Cedar Falls, IA 50613-1863

Email: DBQMHemann@impresso.com

Phone number will come later.

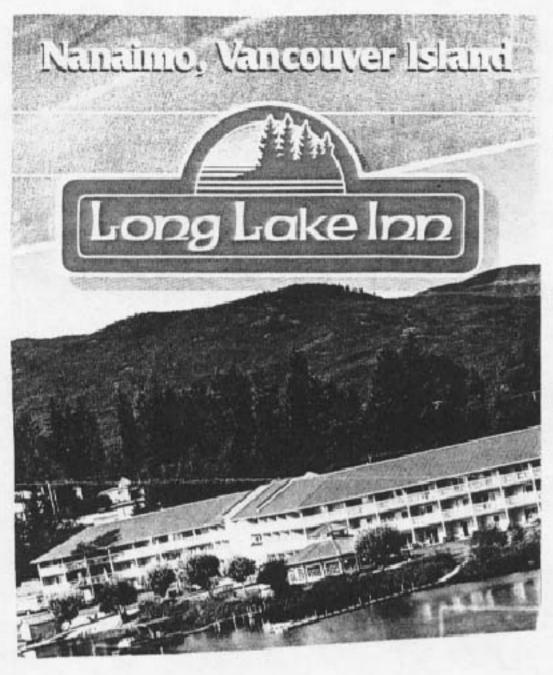
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NAPP INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

July 7 - 8, 1998

CONVENTION HEADQUARTERS -Long Lake Inn

ROOM RESERVATIONS:

250-758-1144 Fax: 250-5832

Toll Free: 1-800-565-1144

Rooms are double or twin.

Convention rate per room:
\$104.00 Canadian (Very cheap U.S.)
Rate applicable all days you stay

Reservations must be made by 6-1, 1998

NAPP CONVENTION HOST in Nanaimo, B.C.

- Rev. Thomas O'Neill
- · 5469 Kenwill Dr
- Nanaimo British Columbia V9T 5M5 CANADA
- · 250-758-7587 Fax: 250-390-1142

Activities Galore:

- · Hiking & Biking
- · Fishing & Swimming
- · Golfing
- · Sightseeing
- · Ferry rides
- · Just loafing around

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100 mile per hour winds at False Pass, Alaska destroy Archdiocesan Cessna 182 - "St. Paul Mission"

Father James Kelley, pastor of Holy Rosary Parish in Dillingham and pilot of "St. Paul Mission," got up one blustery morning in False Pass to find his plane destroyed beyond repair.

St. Paul told the Corinthians that he was shipwrecked three times. "St. Paul Mission" flew in all kinds of weather to many remote places. It was the gusty winds of False Pass that finally wrecked it.

False Pass is at the beginning of the Aleutian Islands, where the storms start their journey to America's west coast. One hundred mile an hour winds tore the plane from its moorings and irreparably damaged it.

"St. Paul Mission" was the name given to the Cessna 182, donated to the Archdiocese of Anchorage in 1979 by Paul and Dorothy Wagner of Scottsdale, Arizona.

"For 19 years N92105 has covered the vast region of Southcentral Alaska," said Archbishop Hurley. "It was a versatile and easy plane to fly." For the last seven years it has been flown by Fr. Kelley from its base in Dillingham.

The Archdiocese is now raising funds to replace the plane.

