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LEAVE A TRAIL.... RALPH WALDO EMERSON**
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Well we did it, Christmas in July with 90 degree weather but we had a great dinner and lots of fun despite the heat.

Another LHIP year is now in full swing with lots of planning to be done. I met with my executive board about 2 weeks ago to go over some ideas for the upcoming year. I also met with Carolyn to work on this years budget and I will have that put together for the September meeting. I must admit it will take a lot of work and help from every member of our association to build LHIP. Using the phrase "a lot of work and help from every member" does not mean you will need to give up your personal lives for the association. If we all work together we can do it together, yes working together, therefore I am asking for each member to consider a committee to be involved with. Most important is to help John with the newsletter, so he can train someone to take over. A few have already stepped up to the plate which I must thank them for doing this; Matt- Legislation; Doris - Safety; Parliamentarian - Martha and Monthly Programing - Tanya.

We have a few fun raisers in the works, candy bars from O'Shea's which are \$1.00 a piece and I am doing a 50 / 50 chance at each meeting. Last night Brenda Mills walked off with half the pot. So if anyone has any ideas for fun raising; speakers or anything in general please email me at: patsy7351@aol.com.

Don't forget the picnic at Brenda's home on August 9th. Our Council Director will most likely be there, so lets show her what a great association we have in LHIP.

Looking forward to a great year with LHIP.

Yours in fellowship

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President

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Our Next Meeting

Our next Meeting is Tuesday August 9, 2011.
It is the summer Picnic. Details from our host, Brenda Mills will follow.

Please RSVP to Tanya Eppley as soon as possible at the following address so that we can get an accurate count of attendees.

tanya.eppley@st-evergreen.net

Brenda Mills will host the summer picnic at her home in Richland Township, located at

132 Hoffman Drive
Johnstown PA 15904

Use this Google map link to map your drive to the party

<http://maps.google.com/maps?hl=en&tab=wl>

The estimated cost of attending is approximately \$8-\$10, depending on how many attend. When we have a count, we will know more.

Brenda Mills

**Fund Raiser... \$\$\$\$
Money to support your association.**

The candy was distributed at the July meeting.

Candy Money is due within 2 weeks of the last meeting date, which was July 19th.

Please mail to:

Carolyn Pender
203 Basin Dr, Windber Pa 15963

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Meeting Minutes

The Christmas in July meeting of Laurel Highlands Insurance Professionals was held on 07-19-11. Members attending were Pat Barrett, Cathy Popovich, Brenda Mills, Carolyn Pender, Martha Stutzman, Carol Murray, Becky Maser, John Mathis, Doris Leidy, Denise Toth & Janie Young.

Meeting was called to order at 6:08 pm by President Pat Barrett. The collect was read. As this was our postponed Christmas party the meeting was brief giving an outline of items that will be discussed at our next meeting.

1. Need a budget for the coming year.
2. Need committees with chairperson & members. John Mathias will do the newsletter but need help. Matt Barbera is doing legislation. Doris Leidy is doing safety. Need education, fundraiser, audit.
3. Need long range planning for the organization.
4. Members need to attend state, regional meetings

Candy was distributed to member to sell. Carolyn needs the money returned to her within 2 weeks.

Member made donations to Wings of Hope. Any member not attending may make donations to Carolyn Pender, 203 Basin Dr., Windber, Pa. 15964

Meeting adjourned at 6:25pm.

Treasury Report

The current Treasurers report is being attached as a separate in PDF file for your review.

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Safety

THIRTEEN THINGS YOUR BURGLAR WON'T TELL YOU: (1) Of course I look familiar, I was here just last week cleaning your carpets, painting your shutters or delivering your new refrigerator (2) Hey, thanks for letting me use the bathroom when I was working in your yard last week. While I was in there, I unlatched the back window to make my return a little easier (3) Love those flowers. That tells me you have taste...and taste means there are nice things inside. Those yard toys your kids leave out always make me wonder what type of gaming system you have. (4) Yes, I really do look for newspapers piled up on the driveway. And I might leave a pizza flyer in your front door to see how long it takes you to remove it. (5) If it snows while you're out of town, get a neighbor to create car and foot tracks into the house. Virgin drifts in the driveway are a dead giveaway. (6) If decorative glass is part of your front entrance, don't let your alarm company install the control pad where I can see it. That makes it too easy. (7) A good security company alarms the window over the sink. And the windows on the second floor, which often access the master bedroom and your jewelry. It's not a bad idea to put motion detectors up there also. (8) It's raining, you're fumbling with your umbrella, and forget to lock your door-understandable. But understand this: I don't take a day off because of bad weather. (9) I always knock first, If you answer, I'll ask for directions to somewhere or offer to clean your gutters (10)Do you really think I won't look in your sock drawer? I always check dresser drawers, the bedside table and the medicine cabinet. (11) You're right, I won't have enough time to break into that safe where you keep your valuables. But if not bolted down, I'll take it with me. (12) Here's a helpful hint: I almost never go into the kids' room. (13) a loud TV or radio can be a better deterrent than the best alarm system. If you're reluctant to leave your TV on while away, you can buy a \$35.00 device that works on a timer and simulates the flickering glow of a real television (fine it at <http://www.fakety/.com>)

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