

PIEDMONT ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE PROFESSIONALS

Although we haven't increased our membership this year, we do have a strong prospect and during IAIP Week PAIP delivered doughnuts to various offices of prospective guests/members.

Safety has had a busy year. We distributed about 30,000 Operation EDITH brochures to various Fire Departments. We also had our presentation of our Drunk Driving Program at a local high school for prom night. This was such a success that the Police Department, who worked with us and school officials want to extend this program next year and include a program for an assembly of the students before they participate in the "Walk the Line" and "Driving the Golf Cart".

One of our successes is always our Education Classes. We had two CISR classes – Elements of Risk Management and Personal Lines – Miscellaneous. We also held two (2) days of General Insurance classes by Jim Sholar.

For Public Relations, we collected school supplies for Communities in Schools, Thanksgiving meals to The Father's Storehouse and money/snacks to Davidson County Schools for their backpack program. They sent a backpack with food and snacks home with children who need food for the weekends and holidays.

Our Ways and Means Chairman has been very busy this year. Our annual golf tournament is our biggest project but we also sold Rada knives, Butter Braids and had a Stanley Party which was a lot of fun and our annual White Elephant Sale. These projects enable us to provide our annual Scholarship to a high school senior.

To generate interest in our Association and to expand our meetings, we have played Bingo (with prizes) and had fun quizzes with prizes. One of our meetings was our White Elephant Sale and one was the Stanley Party (both of which generated money for our projects). And, of course, we had our November meeting with the infamous florist, John Herron. An Autumn Wreath was won by our guest and a Christmas Wreath by our State Director, Geraldine Plott. This is an annual event for us and always a lot of fun. Let us know if anyone wants to join us this year.

We may be small, but we have been very busy. We want to build our membership and will continue to prospect for members.

Respectfully submitted,

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