



Waterbury Association of Insurance Professionals



BRASS TACKS



March

2011



Dear Members:



Too bad we had to cancel our February meeting!! We have had quite a January and February....bring on Spring!!



I am looking forward to our March meeting and hope you are too.



I did get word from our Connecticut Director, Nancy Sugrue, Connecticut will **not** be hosting the 2014 Regional Conference.



A huge CONGRATULATIONS to Nancy Clarke who has successfully passed her last CISR class!! Way to go Nancy, I know that was a lot of hard work!!!



Again, I know how busy all of our schedules are so I wanted to reiterate a few save the dates...



- February 23 and 24... Rules of the Road a WAIP course to be held at J P Maguire
- March 2, 2011...Monthly WAIP business meeting
- April 6, 2011...Monthly WAIP business meeting
- April 7-10 2011...NAIW Regional Conference King of Prussia, PA
- April 13, 2011...Industry Night at Jordan's in Southbury....WAIP AND IWGD
- May 17, 2011...NAIW Week Breakfast
- May 18, 2011...WAIP Banquet and Installation of Officers
- June 5-8, 2011...NAIW 70TH Annual Convention - Las Vegas



I wish safe traveling to you all and look forward to seeing you in March!!



In Fellowship,



Beth

Beth Marano-Shimkevich, President



NAIW Mission Statement

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NAIW's membership is open to all in the insurance industry who strive for and practice professionalism, regardless of their career level. NAIW fosters and encourages diversity, offering a network for members in all career categories, all lines of insurance and all cultural and experimental backgrounds.

NAIW promotes mentoring, acceptance of change, personal growth and flexibility of participation.

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BUSINESS MEETING
MARCH 2011

March 2, 2011 – 5:30 P.M.

Jesse Camille's
615 North Church St
Naugatuck, CT 06770

Buffet:

Chicken
Eggplant
Sausage & Peppers
Potatoes, Veggies, Pasta
Salad

Soda, Coffee, Tea & Dessert

\$22.00 per person

RSVP by March 1, 2011

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**IF NO CONFIRMATION
RECEIVED FROM ANNETTE
THEN YOU HAVE NO
RESERVATION**

SPEAKER

Cathy Christanio

Topic:

**Breast Cancer Genetic BRCA1 Testing
&
Family History**

PUBLIC RELATIONS
Sharon McMurdy

I will be collecting pet
food, either cans or dry,
for our furry friends.
The animal shelters are
also short of food.



I dropped off the paper goods/food to the
Waterbury Food Bank, they are very
happy we donate to them and said to say
thank you to all of us.

Please bring items to the March meeting.
Thanks.

***Minutes
of the***

Waterbury Association of Insurance Professionals

February 2, 2011 Submitted by Kimberly Fitzgerald

February meeting cancelled due to weather. No min-
utes recorded.

SAVE THE DATE!



Region I Conference
April 7-11, 2011
Crowne Plaza
King of Prussia, PA

NAIW Week
May 15-21, 2011

NAIW 70th Annual Convention
June 5-8, 2011
Flamingo Hotel
Las Vegas, NV

LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS **MEETING SCHEDULES**

Southern CT Insurance Professionals

1st Tuesday of the month

Hartford Association of Insurance Women

2nd Tuesday of the month

Insurance Professionals of Eastern CT

3rd Tuesday of the month

New Haven Association of Insurance Women

4th Tuesday of the month

Waterbury Association of Insurance Professionals

1st Wednesday of the month

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SAFETY

Poison Prevention Week March 20-26, 2011

Preventing Poisoning with Common Sense

Thursday, March 20, 2008 — Since 1962, National Poison Prevention Week has helped to educate people and help them prevent dangerous poisonings. More than 2 million poisonings are reported each year across the country. The American Red Cross urges people to follow these steps to help prevent and respond to a poisoning emergency:

- If you suspect a poisoning emergency, call the National Poison Control Center toll-free at (800) 222-1222. Post this and other emergency phone numbers by all of your telephones.
- Keep all chemicals and medicines locked up and out of sight.
- Be careful when handling substances, chemicals and cleaners that could be harmful. Only use them in well-ventilated areas and wear protective clothing, such as gloves and a face mask.
- Use common sense with your own medications.
 - Keep medications in the containers they came in. Make sure they are kept out of children's reach.
 - Read the product information carefully. Use only as directed.
 - Be aware of the possible side effects and any possible interactions with other medications you are taking. Ask your health care provider or pharmacist if you have any questions.
 - Never use another person's prescribed medications or medications that have expired.
- Poisons can be swallowed, inhaled, absorbed or injected. If you suspect a poisoning:
 - Check the scene and the person. Try to find out what poison was taken. Look for any containers and Take them with you to the phone.
 - Call the National Poison Control Center at (800) 222-1222 and follow their instructions.
 - Care for any life threatening conditions found. **DO NOT** give the person anything to eat or drink Unless directed to do so by the National Poison Control center or Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel.
- Install a carbon monoxide alarm in the hallways near sleeping areas, avoiding corners where air does not circulate, and follow the manufacturer's instructions to test the alarm every month.
- Know the symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning: headache, dizziness, weakness, nausea, vomiting, sleepiness, and confusion. If you suspect carbon monoxide poisoning, get outside to fresh air immediately, and then call 911.

Learn how to prevent and care for poisonings as well as other life-saving skills in an American Red Cross first aid, CPR and AED course. Contact your local Red Cross chapter to register.

About the American Red Cross:

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies nearly half of the nation's blood; teaches lifesaving skills; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a charitable organization — not a government agency — and depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit www.redcross.org or join our blog at <http://blog.redcross.org>.