

# *Wing Tips*

**Laurel Highlands Model Airplane Club**

**AMA #557**

**104 Rocky Mt Court Latrobe, PA 15650**

**www.lhmac.org**

***Regular Meeting November 9th at 7:30 PM St. Pauls Trauger  
Breakfast 8:30 AM, November 14th Eat n' Park in Greensburg  
Breakfast 8:30 AM November 28th Kings Willow Crossing***

## **Officers for 2007**

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**Editor: Jeff Hails  
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## ***Pres sez/***

EXCITING NEWS!! The November raffle prize is being announced early!! A Futaba 2.4ghz. FASST system is up for grabs! Come and get your tickets as you may have the lucky number. Also, ALL perpetual trophies MUST be returned before the November meeting so that they can be engraved or you may be sanctioned by the club. Remember, the trophies must be returned to the Vice President complete and in the same condition you were given them in the beginning of the year! See you all at the November meeting!

The banquet research group has found a caterer that can handle the event for \$16/person. The menu consists of the following

appetizers: tomato garlic bruschetta, cocktail meatballs

salad rolls/Italian bread

oven baked bbq chicken/ pasta primavera

dessert: Tortes/ sheet cake

**Robby**

## **Minutes of the Meeting of September 14, 2007**

The meeting was called to order by President Rob Whalen with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. There were 30 members and 2 guests present. The minutes of the September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting were approved as published in the October newsletter. The Treasurers report was approved, as given by Mike Bossick. Vice President Jim Pennington announced the raffle prize: AMA Membership dues paid for one year. Field Control/Safety Officer Brian Moore reported that the final float fly of the year was a success. The weather was beautiful and there were no mishaps. He also reported that the Youth Hunt

held at our field the same day as the float fly was somewhat successful. There were 30 hunters, 57 birds released, but only 4 birds harvested.

### **Old Business:**

**Float Fly:** Bob Bushmire reported that he was ashamed of our turnout at the recent float fly. The Mon Valley club attendance outnumbered ours by 2 to 1. Also, there was only one airplane from our club, but approximately 8 from the Mon Valley club. It was good that there were no mishaps, but we need more participation from our club. He suggested that we do everything the same for next year, but ALL should be held on Saturdays. Mixing Saturdays and Sundays seems create some confusion.

**Flea Market:** Chairman: Bob Bushmire. Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, at the Hempfield Hunt Club. Rene Marquis will head the food committee. More volunteers are still needed. Tables are selling slowly, only 10 so far. Setup is to be Saturday at 6:00 PM.

**New Website:** President Rob Whalen reminded the members that the new website is now up and running. He and Charley Zera are working on updates and are open to new ideas and feedback that anyone has. A note of appreciation, followed by a big round of applause, was given to Greg Lazarchik for his past service in graciously operating the “old” website at his own expense and of his own volition. He was also kind enough to keep the old website in operation until the new one was in full operation. He also said that he would leave the old website up for a while with a link referring people to the new one. (Thanks again, Greg, for your generous and gracious service!)

**Awards Banquet:** The question was raised as to whether or not the club should still have an Awards Banquet, as this issue has still not been resolved. After some discussion, a motion was passed to have an awards “party” at the December meeting, with food and presentations (pending approval of St. Paul’s Church). Brian Moore volunteered to chair the event, with volunteer help from Mark Yothers and Jake Lobo. They agreed to meet at the meeting break and create a proposal with the details.

### **New Business:**

**Mall Show:** Rene Marquis raised the question as to whether or not he should pursue acquisition of a date for a mall show for next year. The membership was unanimously in favor of it.

**Builders Advice:** Ron Gade suggested that, since there are many well-experienced airplane builders in the club, new members should be asking these builders for advice in building, repairing or just getting their airplanes ready to fly. This should apply whether they have RTF’s, ARF’s, kits or whatever. They are invited to bring their airplanes to the field or to meetings. Everyone readily agreed.

**Nominations for Officers:** President Rob Whalen opened the floor for nominations of club officers for next year. Between the pre-meeting proposals of the nominating committee and the nominations from the floor, the following nominations were proposed:

President - Rene Marquis  
Vice President - Jim Pennington  
Treasurer - Mike Bossick  
Secretary - Don Accorsi  
Field Control/Safety Officer - Brian Moore; Chuck Zera  
Newsletter Editor - Jeff Hails

The nominations were promptly closed after each office. Election of the Field Control/Safety Officer will be held at the November meeting.

**Awards Banquet:** The newly formed committee presented its tentative proposal, pending approval of St. Paul's Church. The awards will be presented at our December meeting at St. Paul's Church. There will be a \$10/person charge. Several sources will be contacted regarding catering. The theme will be "Nostalgia". (Pictures, CD's, Videos and other memorabilia are requested.) Volunteers for a work committee are needed. Finalized plans will be presented at the November meeting.

**Raffle:**

The AMA Membership for 2008 was won by Phil Petrella.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

***Don Accorsi***

**My 2008 Annual Dues (Please fill in ALL information.)**

**Membership Renewal is due by December 31, 2007.** After January 1, 2008, a \$5.00 initiation fee will be charged, as with new members.

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**Annual Awards Ballot**

**1. Most Improved Flyer** \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Member of the Year** \_\_\_\_\_

**3. "Plugger" Award** \_\_\_\_\_  
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