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LAST MEETING: 1-5-11

By: *Kelli Robbins*

Happy 2011 Pittsburgh Rotarians!

It is both a pleasure and a privilege to write the first report of a brand new Rotary year. Our return to the William Penn, greeting the happy faces of fellow Rotarian brothers and sisters, set the tone for a productive, busy and FUN year ahead.

Our President, **Linda Fischer** of McKinley Consulting, began the meeting by reminding us that "Happiness is a by-product of helping others" – Denny Miller. This mantra is exemplified in the life and actions of Ms. Fischer, and lives on in the souls of most of our club members. A great reminder for all of us!

An inspiring invocation, led by **Greg Boulos** of Blackberry Meadows Farm, coupled with a rousing rendition of "Let It Snow", led by **Jim Hall** and the resonant voice of **Alan McIvor**, rang out loudly throughout the hotel. I'm willing to bet the bell hop upstairs was treated to our joyful song!

President **Linda** began the meeting with thanks and gratitude to our own **Lynne Scanga**, an effervescent and selfless volunteer, for organizing our annual Holiday Party at the LeMont Restaurant last month. Over 65 Pittsburgh Rotarians and guests attended, and the evening was described as "magical" by one Rotarian. A great time was had by all. **Lynne**: Thanks for all you do! We are so fortunate to have you in our club.

President Linda also reminded us that our club is partnering with the Consortium for Public Education, and collecting new and gently used children's books to be distributed to needy children throughout the region. Please take a moment, my friends, to pick up one book and bring it to our next meeting. Help to give a child a good start in life. Readers are leaders!

President **Linda** then exchanged flags with visiting Rotarian, Ashok Mohaptra, an exceptional Rotarian from India, who reminded us that "Fellowship IS Service", and how fortunate we are to live in a society where service is honored.

Our "Super Dude" **Ethan Nicholas**, Business Development Director of Ditto Document Solutions, had the pleasure of introducing us to a business leader we all have been looking forward to meeting. Mr. Chris Dugan, Regional Enterprise Sales Manager, from GOOGLE Pittsburgh, was our first featured speaker of the

year. Mr. Dugan's outstanding presentation began with how the giant technology came into existence; why they chose Pittsburgh as a hub spot for growth; and how technology will impact our lives in the months and years ahead.

Chris has over 17 years of information technology industry experience and his responsibilities at GOOGLE Pittsburgh that include the areas of business planning and development, sales, large enterprise account management, leadership, people management, international sales, and sales management. Engaging and articulate, Chris led us through terrain that even this humble owner of a high technology business, and extensive user of GOOGLE products, was truly amazed by!

Highlights of Mr. Dugan's presentation included existing and new Google "Apps", a shortened form of the word applications, of course. As most of you know, a few short days later, the American Dialect Society, meeting here in Pittsburgh (kudos to our own superstar **Lynne Popash** and her VisitPittsburgh Team for bringing them to our fair city!), voted the word APPS as the distinguished Word of the Year. Think GOOGLE may have influenced this decision just a bit?

Mr. Dugan and the Pittsburgh Google Enterprise team focus on integrating Google's products and services into small and large businesses, educational institutions and government agencies. With an ever expanding array of products and services - upgrading at a lightening pace - including Enterprise Search Engines, Search Engine Optimization, Google Maps and Earth Visualization Technology and Postini Services (Message Security and Archiving/Discovery)... even the geeks among us were amazed at how far Google has come; and just where we they are leading businesses today. Our American technology journey, spearheaded by visionary leaders at Google like Pittsburgh's Chris Dugan, is ever changing and growing to suit societal needs. A daunting task indeed, yet judging by Chris' energy and enthusiasm, a job that will be well done and AMAZING to witness. Right here in our backyard!

Our first meeting of the year began Rotary Year 2011 with excitement, education, and most importantly, good cheer. I wish each and every Pittsburgh Rotarian "ABBONDANZA"... which is the Italian word for abundance, prosperity and good health. God Bless all of you in this New Year. It will be an adventure!



NEXT MEETING

Date: January 12, 2011

Speakers: Mike Smith & Linda Clautti

Titles: Chuck Tanner Event Co-Chairs

Topic: Chuck Tanner Event Wrap-Up





It's a Great Day for Rotary!

UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS

Event: Board of Directors Meeting
 Date: January 20th
 Time: 5:30 pm
 Location: Fragasso Financial Advisors

Event: New Citizens Reception
 Date: January 21st
 Time: 10:30 – 11:30 am
 Location: Lawrence Welk Room

FUTURE PROGRAMS

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 19TH

Chris Martin
 Regional President
 Northwest Savings Bank

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 26TH

Andre Guess
 President & CEO
 August Wilson Center for African American Culture



President Linda exchanges banners with Ashok Mohapatra, visiting Rotarian from India

NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS

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CLUB BIRTHDAYS

Wally Jenkins January 10th
 Elaine Parke-Susco January 11th
 Saul Kurtz January 12th
 Beth Newbold January 16th

CLUB ANNIVERSARIES

Dave Handler 29 years
 Vince Kasievich 8 years



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