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#### LAST MEETING: 11/23/11

By Terry Dougan

Dr. Linda Clautti and the new Urban Pathways K-5 College Charter School kindly hosted our annual "Meager Meal" the day before Thanksgiving.

President Andy Dlinn called the meeting to order with 22 Rotarians in attendance. Past President Ells Bowser then gave the invocation and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Andy began his comments by thanking Linda for hosting the meeting. He then thanked Chuck Tanner Committee Co-Chairs Mike Smith and Linda Clautti for their hard work in making last Friday's fundraising event a huge success.

Andy then encouraged everyone to take a tag for the Salvation Army's "Treasures for Children" program. Unwrapped gifts must be brought in by December 7th. Please help make an underprivileged child's holiday season a little happier.

Andy then reminded everybody of the upcoming annual holiday party at the LeMont Restaurant on December 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. The party will feature, thanks to James Gourlay, a performance by the nationally known River City Brass Band. Please RSVP to the Rotary office by December 7th. **The party will be our meeting for that week, there will be no meeting at the hotel on Wednesday December 14th.**

Linda then began her portion of the meeting by welcoming everyone and acknowledging fellow Rotarians who have assisted her in opening of the new school. Cherie Moshier and Moshier Studio provided architectural services. Jim Droney and Mt. Lebanon Office Equipment provided desks and chairs. Carole Horowitz and Plantscape look after the building's plants. Sally Mizerak and Richard Dixon serve on the Advisory Board. Harvette Dixon and Phyllis Comer are on the Board of Directors. Sam Reich teaches an Introduction to Law Course in the neighboring Urban Pathways 6-12 Charter School.

If other Rotarians would like to get involved with the school, Linda mentioned that mentors are always welcome. Tutors are also needed to help students with reading and mathematics.

Linda then told us a little about the students. The new K-3 school is at capacity with 140 students. The school is scheduled to expand to grade 4 next year and grade 5 the year after. The grades 6-12 school is also at capacity with 360 students. Linda is very proud of the fact that 100% of the graduates applying to University get accepted.

We also learned that Urban Pathways is a public school and Linda explained some of the reasons why students chose to attend the school rather than a traditional public school in their neighborhood. The school focuses on the arts such as music and dance which attracts many students. Part of the reason that the school focuses on the arts is because the school only receives 59% of the per person expenditure allotted for students in the city, there is no room in the budget for a large scale athletic program. Because the school is much smaller than others, safety and security are superior, which attracts students. Linda also believes that the school provides a private education experience, without the religion.

Linda then led us on a tour of the new school. The classrooms have large windows, which make them bright and hanging on the walls is student artwork which makes things very colorful. The student's desk and chairs are all adjustable to fit any size student. It looked like a great learning environment.

After the tour Andy closed the meeting by thanking Linda for her hospitality and presenting her a check in the amount which the Club would have paid the hotel for a regular meeting. Linda thanked everyone and said that the money will go towards buying uniforms for needy students. It was a wonderful "Meager Meal".



#### NEXT MEETING

Date: November 30, 2011  
Speaker: Dave Nelsen  
Title: President  
Organization: Dialog Consulting Group  
Topic: Enhancing Business with Social Media Tools





# It's a Great Day for Rotary!

## **UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS**

Event: Caring Habits  
 Date: December 13th  
 Time: 9:00 am  
 Location: South Hills Middle School

## **FUTURE PROGRAMS**

### **WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 7TH**

Dr. Gerard Myers  
 Director  
 Pain Control Center of Pittsburgh, Inc.

### **MONDAY DECEMBER 12TH**

Holiday Party at the LeMont Restaurant  
 No meeting December 14th  
 at the Omni William Penn

### **WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 21ST**

Club Assembly

**HOLIDAY PARTY**  
 December 12, 2011  
 Le Mont Restaurant  
 Featuring a performance by  
 River City Brass Band  
 Tickets: \$70 per person,  
 \$120 per couple  
 RSVP to Rotary Office by  
 December 7th

*Club President Andy Dlinn  
 thanks Dr. Linda Clautti for  
 hosting the "Meager Meal"*

## **BIRTHDAYS**

Peter Smerd..... November 29th  
 Bob Overbaugh..... November 30th

## **CLUB ANNIVERSARIES**

Bob Fragasso..... 6 years  
 Ray Amelio ..... 6 years  
 Wynne Fedele ..... 3 years

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