

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

June 16, 2020 10:00 am Coffee with DG Brad Whittacker, with

General Secretary & CEO John Hewko

If you are unable to join this coffee break or want to see past coffee

breaks go to www.district5050.org

June 17, 2020 District Training Classes

June 20, 2020 RI International Conference begins – sign up

www.riconvention.org

June 25, 2020 PNW Passport Rotary Club Virtual Meeting – 6:00 pm

Lee Harman, Guest Speaker

He will be talking about his trip for Polio Plus

Driving Miss Daisy Peking to Paris

THE PNW PASSPORT ROTARY CLUB ROUNDUP

Date: June 13, 2020

Meeting: 4:00 pm End: 5:15 pm

Place: Zoom Online – hosted by P-Elect Deb Wiggs

ATTENDANCE:

President Roy Holman
President - Elect Deb Wiggs
Co-Treasurer Lindagene Coyle

Membership & Engagement Chair Pati Villhauer Service. Chair Jill Greer

Foundation Chair Patricia Sibley
Secretary Joy St. John

Pat Bond Patrick Drum – Guest Speaker

Sean Hogan Marietta Ostberg Tim Villhauer Allen Stockbridge

Trudy Gallant

P-Roy: Welcomed all in attendance to our fifth virtual PNW Passport Rotary Club meeting. He said I think we have a first for Rotary, our member Allen will be listening to our meeting while biking.

He asked our RI Foundation Chair, Patricia Sibley to give the members updated information regarding RI Foundation new.

Patricia: Stated she had a zoom meeting to do with RI Foundation recently. RI said that Rotary was behind on incoming funds for Foundation and Polio Plus. She showed us how to look at our own Rotary giving status.

- 1. go to: my.rotary.org
- 2. sign in
- 3. go to profile
- 4. check Donor History Report

Patricia: Showed us how to join other District 5050 Rotary zoom meetings within District 5050:

- 1. Go to district5050/stories/zoom-meetings-information
- 2. Follow the prompts

P-Roy: Asked Sean to speak about the ARES project and our joint Club donation to the project.

Sean: Said the ARES project that our Club has seen several presentations on regarding how it operates. The project has requested the PNW Passport Rotary Club to partner with the North Delta Rotary Club's in a request for a District Grant. The Club was asked for \$5,000.00. If our Club couldn't see it's way to donate the full \$5,000, he & Carol would donate the rest. The Board passed a motion to donate \$1,000; he and Carol would donate the additional \$4,000. He thanked the Club for the support to this very worthy cause.

P-Roy: Introduced our member Patrick Drum speaker for today's meeting. He is going to speak to us about his travels to the Middle East.

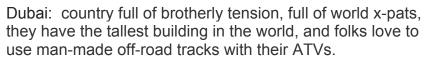
Patrick: thanked the Club for inviting him to speak about his travels to the Middle East. He works for the Saturna Capitol Corporation. He said he has been with the

company for 31-years, since inception. Saturna Capital, manager of the Amana, Saturna Sustainable, Sextant, and Idaho Tax-Exempt funds, draws upon years of investment experience to aid investors in navigating today's complex market environment. Founded in 1989, Saturna has helped individuals and institutions build wealth, earn income, preserve capital and achieve their financial goals for more than thirty years. Saturna's deep-rooted belief in value investing permeates all of our investment

decisions. We don't follow trends; we analyze opportunities through detailed research exploring geopolitical developments, industry themes, technology trends, competitive environments, and corporate leadership. We are long-term, values-based, and socially responsible investors. We view consideration of environmental, social, and governance (ESG) factors as essential in forming portfolios of high-quality companies that are better positioned to reduce risk and identify opportunities. We believe that companies proactively managing business risks related to ESG issues make better contributions to the global economy and are more resilient.

Patrick's, presentation was full of wonderful pictures of Dubai, Abu Dhabi,

Kuwait City, and Country of Oman. He offered comments on each:



Abu Dhabi: had opulence everywhere. The Grand Mosque Center was beautiful whether you saw it in daylight or by the lights of the evening.

Kuwait: most people are millionaires, investments are very high, oil brought them their immense wealth.

Country of Oman: he likes it the best, more peaceful, it is very diverse in many ways.



- 1. Does he scuba dive yes he is qualified scuba diver. They have some lovely spots to scuba dive in the Emirates but he hasn't done scuba diving yet.
- 2. Does he speak the language no, the majority of the people in the Emirates speak English very well. He knows a few words.
- 3. X-Pats they are there for work and they come from all over the world. The emirates terminate who can or cannot stay.
- 4. Have you ridden a camel yes, to say he had done it but one camel ride was enough.
- 5. Alcohol it present everywhere but some areas it was more prevalent.
- 6. Women drivers yes, again it is different in each emirate district.
- 7. Crime the laws are very strict, visitors are warned to obey the rules while they are in the country. He feels safe while there; you learn









- where to go and where it might not be as safe so you don't go to those places.
- 8. How long are his visits they vary in 2019 he was there for a month. This year so far he has been.
- 9. Will you be a guide on a Club trip not necessarily but would provide information on hotels, guides, things to do and see to anyone who wants it.

P-Roy: thanked Patrick for the informative presentation and for answering our questions.

P-Roy: made a few announcements:

- 1) 2020 Golfun has been cancelled for 2020. To commemorate the 25th anniversary golf tournament that wasn't, the District is asking every club to try to donate \$2500, whether directly from the club's treasury or via individual donors or a combination of both. P- Roy encouraged each Club member to donate extra funds. He in formed us that In support of individual donations to the Annual Fund, the District is providing Paul Harris matching points not dollars for every donation of \$250 or more. A \$500 donation would, with matching District points, get you a Paul Harris! There is a form that needs to be filled out for this donation. (email Sec. Joy jedstjohn@gmail.com to send it to you.)
- 2) We were encouraged to join the upcoming Coffee with DG Brad and John Hewko would be joining him. He is very informative on RI business and future.
- 3) Don't forget to sign-up for RI 2020 Convention. The Breakout sessions will take place in July.

Allen Stockbridge: shared with us that a group he has belonged to for several years is trying to have Rotary accepted as a nomination for a Nobel Peace Award for the work it has done over the years. So far they have not succeeded but they have sent in another application.

P-Roy: Your Happy Dollars help support the Club's projects ... ARES, Green Bag and more.

Our Club members give for so many reasons. Sharing with others your happy and sad moments is a privilege to those receiving them.

Joy: her 3rd oldest grandson (Colburn) turned 16 recently and today got his Learners Licence – Yikes!!

P-Roy: Called the meeting to a close at 5:15 pm.

Asked the membership to continue to stay safe and well.