

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

May 19, 2020: 10:00 am June 20-26, 2020

Coffee Corner with Dean Rohrs – The Future of Rotary May 20, 2020: 7-8:00 pm Discussion on Membership with Denis Boyd **RI Virtual Rotary Convention – Aloha** riconvention.org

Date: May 9, 2020 Meeting: 4:00 pm Place: Zoom Online – hosted by P-Elect Deb Wiggs

## **ATTENDANCE:**

Roy Holman
Deb Wiggs
Terry Greer
Lindagene Coyle
Jill Greer
Pati Villhauer
Patricia Sibley
Joy St. John

Pat Bond Patrick Drum Sean Hogan Julie Johansen **Rosemary Jones Tim Villhauer** 

## **GUESTS:**

Isabelle Hayer, Co-President, Rotary Club of Surrey Rick Harned, DRFC of District 6710, Kentucky Allen Stockbridge Ellen Young

## **GUEST SPEAKER:**

Morgan Crosby, Rotaract Snohmish County Club

- P-Roy: Welcomed all in attendance to our third virtual PNW Passport Rotary Club meeting. He asked Pati Villhauer, Engagement Chair to introduce our guest speaker for today.
- Pati: Morgan is a Rotaract with the Rotaract Snohomish County Club. She went on the District 5050 Rotaract trip to Guatelmala in the summer of 2019 to install stoves in a village. She isn't here to talk about that project but a new project her Club took on during our self-isolation time – reading books to children. It is with pleasure I introduce Morgan Crosby.
- Morgan: Thank you all for the invitation to talk about our most recent project. It has been fun and interesting picking out the books deciding which of our members would be readers. I kept hearing about how much parents were



going through having to keep their children in the house all the time. I decided it would be fun to read them a bedtime story every night at 7:00 pm. I presented the project to our Club and the members thought it would be an interesting project.

We had to get permission from the publishers of the books we had chosen to be able to read them online. I had books at home that would be appropriate to be read to young people. Members

either picked up their book on my doorstep or I delivered it to theirs.

Members decided where they would read their book. Some chose a special place in their house, some chose outside. The members hadn't read most of the books themselves in a very long time!

Morgan: had a video of one of the members reading a Dr. Seuss book, he had trouble with the repetition of words.

They did the reading with live stream on Facebook. They initially only let their local Rotary Clubs know what they were doing. But it caught on very quickly and they were being watching by many, many children from many cities. They received excellent ratings and comments on their project. They did it until the end of April. They are not sure if they are going to start it up again.

Pati: asked Morgan about some of her roles within Rotaract.

Morgan: President 2018/19, then Past-President, Co-District Representative for US Rotaracts within District 5050.

- Question: what are long-range projects for District 5050 Rotaract Clubs
- Answer: Environmental Activist is their five-year vision for their Club.

- P-Roy: Thanked Morgan for the interesting project her Club undertook that would have helped many parents out giving them a break for at least an hour in their day.
  P-Roy: Announced that July 11, 2020 at 4:00 pm would be the PNW Passport Rotary Club Installation. The installation of our new District 5050 Governor Carol Tichelman will be on that day too at a different time.
- P-Roy: Stated that Secretary Joy thought it was time we had a name for these notes that go out to the membership. Some suggestions were: PNW Roundup PNW Dispatch At our next meeting please bring your suggestions. If you can't be there forward them to jedstjohn@gmail.com.
- P-Roy: Mentioned that our member Pat Bond had noticed PNW Passport Rotary Club ClubRunner home page needed updating. Thanks to Sean Hogan, host of the home page, corrections have been completed.
- P-Roy: Asked our Treasurer to give us a quick summary of Club Financials.
- T-Terry: Said that we had 4,986.00 US Our balance sheet was looking good considering we have had no fundraising nor will there be over the summer 2020. All Ribfests have been cancelled for 2020. P-Elect Deb has a fundraising project she is working on using members purchasing gift cards called Shop with Scrips. We hope to have this fundraiser program up and running soon. This will be a big help to start our own service projects.
- Rick Harned: Is working on getting a Passport Rotary Club started in his District in Kentucky. He wanted to know more about Scrips and other fundraising projects we have helped on.
- P-Roy: Asked those in attendance to tell Rick why they joined a Passport Club. There were many reasons but the most common theme was the flexibility that a Passport Club offers a member.
- Sean: Spoke on how he heard about Passport Clubs when he was at a Rotary At Large meeting in 2013. Then Glenn Fong got in touch with him to explain more details of a Passport Club. Sean suggested that Rick get in touch with Glenn. Lindagene Coyle and Linda Murray also helped Sean get the first Passport Club organized in District 5050.
- Rick: Thanked everyone for the help and for letting him join the meeting. He reminded us of the time difference it was now almost past his dinnertime.

- Jill Greer: Mentioned that Dolly Parton reads Thursday evenings to children at 7:00 pm EST until June 4, 2020 <u>https://imaginationlibrary.com/goodnight-with-dolly/</u>.
- P-Roy: It was now time for our Happy/Sad Buck stories:
- P-Roy: Sadly his father-in-law had passed away. Fortunately his wife had gotten to visit him before there was no more traveling. He was a fine gentleman.
- Pati: no sling her arm is healing nicely. Thank you to Morgan for being our Guest Speaker. Rick for his interest in starting a Passport Club.
- Many, more: stories were given by our members some put a big smile on our faces. Such as picturing Jill and Terry getting their now big ducks to go into the pond!!

The one we all loved to hear was from Morgan – "I'm is so proud to be a Rotarian."

Thank you all for supporting your Club. Remember to keep a record of your donation so you can give it to Terry at our next in person meeting!! We may have to decide to mail a cheque to him.



P-Elect Deb: Wished all Mothers a very Happy Mothers Day.

P-Roy: Asked the membership to continue to stay safe and well.