



## THE PNW PASSPORT ROTARY CLUB - ROUNDUP

**Date:** December 12, 2020  
**Meeting:** 4:00 pm End: 5:17 pm  
**Place:** Zoom Online – hosted by P-Elect Deb Wiggs

### ATTENDANCE:

President	Roy Holman
President-Elect	Deb Wiggs
Treasurer	Terry Greer
Secretary	Joy St. John

### ABSENT:

Foundation Chair	Patricia Sibley
Service, Chair	Jill Greer
Membership & Engagement, Chair	Pati Villhauer

### GUESTS:

Terri Inglis, Executive Director, Peoria Home

P-Roy: Rang the bell after a lovely time of socializing.  
Welcomed all in attendance to our last virtual PNW Passport Rotary Club meeting of 2020!!

Joy: Introduced our guest speaker, Terri Inglis, from Peoria Home.

P-Roy: Informed the Club that one of our Chartered members and Honourary member Elsie Fong, wife of Glenn Fong had passed away.  
Our member Jill Greer had surgery on December 11<sup>th</sup> the Club sends their regards. Our love and thoughts go out to Jill she has recently found out cancer has sadly returned.

Lornell: Canadian FundScrips has been launched. There are more than 100 stores you can purchase a gift card/ecard/reloading card from. There will be different campaigns over the months where participating stores will up their percentage that they will give to us. It is very user friendly. We strongly ask our members to support this club fundraiser. If you have any questions please get in touch with Lornell at [lornell.ridley@gmail.com](mailto:lornell.ridley@gmail.com)

Allen: The Green Bag Project had an excellent pick-up session this morning. There were 30 bags picked up for the Ferndale Food Bank. As the project continues to grow they will soon be looking for neighbourhood co-ordinators. Bellingham area will be starting their own project in 2021. There was a good article in the Peace Arch Journal about the Green Bag Project. Allen will speak at Clubs and organizations about the Green Bag Project.

Terry: The RI Conference is still planning it will happen in June 2021. If you enrol now you will get a full refund if again it is impossible to have the Conference in person. There are lots of wonderful hotels with great prices in the area of the conference. Right now there are 24 people signed up from District 5050.

P-Roy: DG Carol passed on the request from TRF Cadre of Technical Advisors for Health, Education Small Business, Revolving loans and Financial Auditing. These are overseas assignments and a 2nd language would be beneficial. If you are interested please contact Pres-Roy.

December 15 White Rock Rotary Club is live streaming a magician \$20.00 for a ticket.

December 20 White Rock Peace Arch Rotary Club is have a 50/50 draw.

If you are able to donate blood over the holidays please mention you are a Rotarian.

Canadian members you need to donate to Rotary International before December 31, 2020 for a tax deduction.

Welcome Terri, we are looking forward to your presentation this afternoon.

Terri: Thank you for having me here today to speak about something I am very passionate about but a subject that most people don't want to talk about – women who have been involved with sex trafficking and prostitution.



Today it is a fast growing business. Social media has made the trade even worse. Some of the women we have helped have been in the trade for up to 40-years or more.

They are now well into their 40s and one lady who is with us is 58-years old. Some of the younger girls that enter the program can't handle the rules in particular the first 90 days – when they are not allowed cell phones, electronic device of any kind, no phone calls. They need this time to reset themselves to a new way of life. The ladies who are with in the programme are usually from another state or area. It is better for the women to be away from all the influences of their old neighbourhood this gives them more chances of success.

They have a program for men who have been arrested for buying sex or pimping the ladies to listen to the women tell how they have damaged them psychologically and at times physically.

As the women progress in the program which has four phases they try to find work for them. There are a number of non-profit organizations that will ask the women to work for them to gain experience at different things: working with people, taking instructions, etc. There is an organization named Born Again it is lawyers who are trying to get the ladies's records expunged.

Some of the tough stories are when you hear that it was their own mothers that got them started and sold them for drugs at a very young age.

The staff at Peoria Home isn't large but they manage to get the work done. The ladies are required to help with some of the chores and daily upkeep of the home. They have a person who concentrates on just the mental health of these ladies. Please check out their website for more information about this very worthwhile programme <https://peoriahome.org/>

P-Roy: Thank you Terri for this very informative presentation. It definitely isn't an easy topic to talk about but one we need to know about.

P-Roy: Hello Heather, we haven't seen you and Keith for awhile you've been missed.

Heather: I have been taking cancer treatment over the passed months. I'm hoping that the results of those treatments will mean I'm in a good place.

P-Roy: It's nice to see a large contingency from use to be North Delta area with us today: Sean, Pat, Phil, and Ken.

The Club is looking for a member to be president for 22/23 and a membership chair.

*Time for our wonderful Happy sometimes Sad Bucks – remember all our Bucks go to help fund our projects --- Green Bag and ARES.*

P-Roy: thank you Lornell for quickly getting our Canadian funds up and running. Thanks to all who helped with the Green Bag project today, and well wishes to Jill.

Julie: The Green Bag pick up was excellent today.

Joy: Grandson #2 passed his Commercial Pilot License flight test.

Sean: sad bucks Elsie Fong's passing. Wishing Jill and Heather well bucks

Terry: Happy Bucks for the club going from toddler stage to teenager!!

Phil: no expensive lunch put a smile on his face.

Ken: putting in US dollars thank you Lornell.

Deb: had many wonderful reasons for her Happy Bucks.

P-Roy: Thank you, for coming to the last PNW Passport Rotary Club meeting of the year. Merry Festive season to you all -- keep well and safe

**May 2021 be a much better year for all!!**

