

**Rotary**  
Club of Kelowna Capri



Rotary Opens Opportunities

# CAPRI ECHO

**February 24, 2021**

**Newsletter for the Rotary Club of Kelowna Capri**

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Feb 25    Aaron McRann; Alcohol Use  
            Disorder  
Mar 4     Phil Bischoff: Military Service  
Mar 11    Chandel Schmidt; KGH  
            Foundation Stroke Campaign  
Mar 18    Lockie Bracken and Jack  
            DeGruchy; Peace Pole

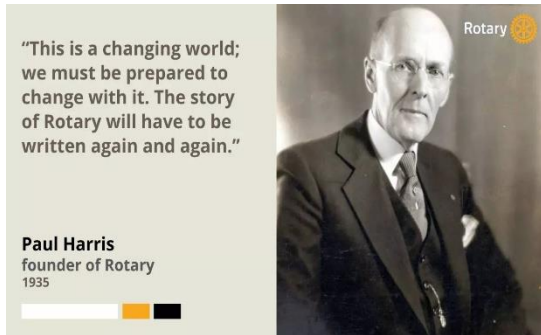
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## ZOOM MEETING

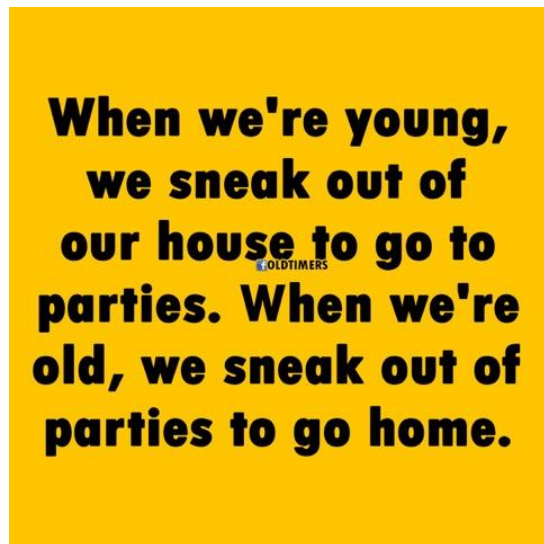
No picture of our group gathering was available as we have individual members connecting by Zoom as well as a group of members who were at the Curling Club. It was our first taste of a hybrid meeting.

Here is the zoom link to our February 18<sup>th</sup> meeting

[www.dropbox.com/t/VUzTou7KKo3wTbux](https://www.dropbox.com/t/VUzTou7KKo3wTbux)



## SIGNS SIGNS EVERYWHERE THERE'S SIGNS





Bill became involved with Rotary, and in fact it became a life-long passion of his. As a long-standing member of the organization, with over 40 years of perfect attendance, he was eventually named President of the Rotary Club of Kelowna Capri, and became District Governor of the Okanagan region, the Rotary International President's Representative to District Conferences, and Member of the District Club Extension Committee. Bill was instrumental in forming eight Rotary Clubs, participated as a Workshop Leader in three District Conferences, and was involved with the PROBUS program. He also helped form the first gender-balanced Rotary club in Canada - a man ahead of his time. "Mr. Rotary", as some fondly called him, always built goodwill and friendships wherever he went. As an ambassador of the program he was active internationally, helping to develop the Rotary Club of Rarotonga (Cook Islands) and Rotary Club of Maui Upcountry, and was heavily involved in Rotary International. Bill was the recipient of the Paul Harris 8+ Fellow, the highest level of this distinguished award, in recognition of his tireless efforts to make the world a better place through good fellowship and "service above self".



**Hour4Our Foundation / Peace Park –** I would love to have a weekly input from both of these linked items. Maybe Jack could give a short weekly update from Hour4Our and Lockie an update from the Peace Park project. Please?

The only thing I have is the RC Ogoogo has approached Lockie about placing a bench in the Peace Park memorializing Bill Fennell.

### **Passing of Rotarian Bill Fennell –**

**This reduced obituary was taken from the Castanet Obituary.**

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Bill. He was born in Calgary, Alberta on November 6, 1931, slipped away peacefully on the morning of February 15, 2021, in Kelowna, British Columbia.

## THIS WEEK'S REGULAR MEETING



Thursday, February 25<sup>h</sup>.

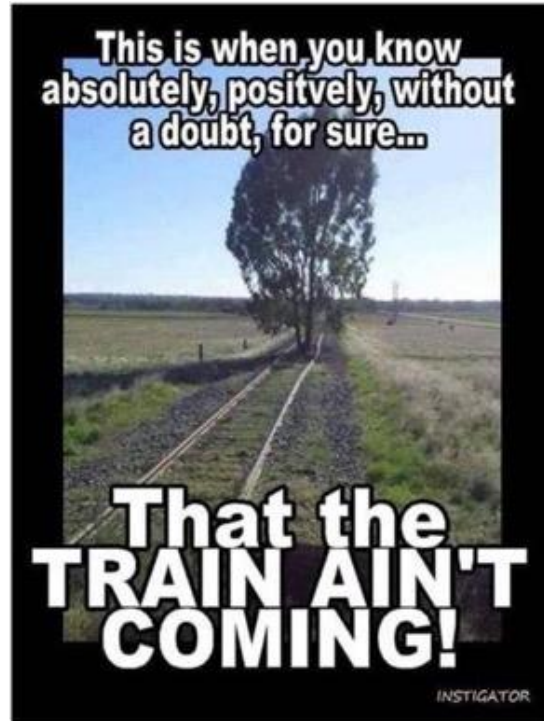
Brief social 6:45 – 7 pm  
Meeting begins - 7 pm.

A ZOOM link will be sent out by Carola Spek.

## HUMOUR



*The new seniors phone*



## GUEST SPEAKER



*Pam Laing*

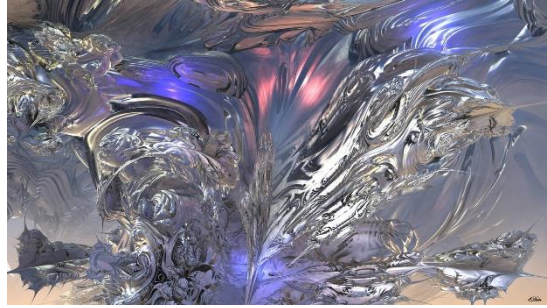
Our guest speaker Pam Laing made her third presentation to our club this week. Her topic was "Pandemic Birding in the Okanagan".

The tools are simple. A set of binoculars (8X or 10X), a camera, a book (Sibley's *Field Guide to Birds of Western North America*), and a bird checklist (usually available at Art Knapps). She then talked about what birds were around Kelowna this time of year and where we were likely to find them. She also showed us her own pictures of these birds and, it is for this reason, I recommend you take a gander (tiny pun) at the recording of the meeting and enjoy them as much as we did.

**Check out her website**

[www.pamlaingkelowna.ca](http://www.pamlaingkelowna.ca)

## GALLERY



*Iced Feathers* by Shnestor (Sweden)



*Untethered Space Walk Over Earth* -  
Astronaut Bruce McCandless (1984)



*Magic Night* by Baxia Art (Poland)

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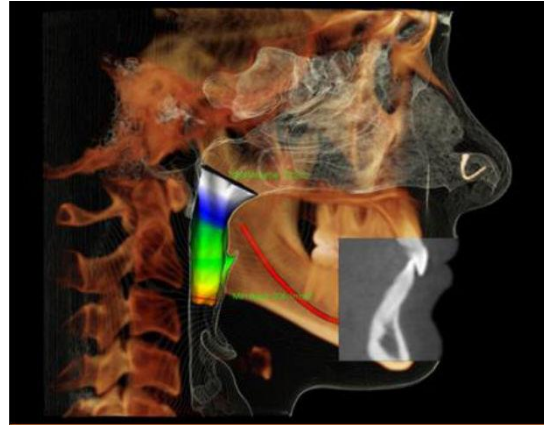
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