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ZOOM Networking Meeting

January 28th, 2021

Scribe: Stephen Pick

President Rob kicked off the monthly Networking ZOOM Meeting with a video of the 3 Tenors singing 'O Canada'. Then, to lighten the mood, a short video on the terrible impact the COVID quarantine is having on one sector of the economy, the common house burgler.



Introduced by Bev Tonkinson, Karen Murray, Carla Hamarsnes and Courtney Wilson gave an update on the Rotary Employment Partnership. Tammy Truman, who is involved in the program, gave a short report on her experiences from an employer's viewpoint.



President Rob then introduced Trevor Thomson, a Tax Partner at KPMG Enterprise. Trevor gave a very interesting presentation, first on COVID 19, then on tax implications and supports for employers through these difficult times.

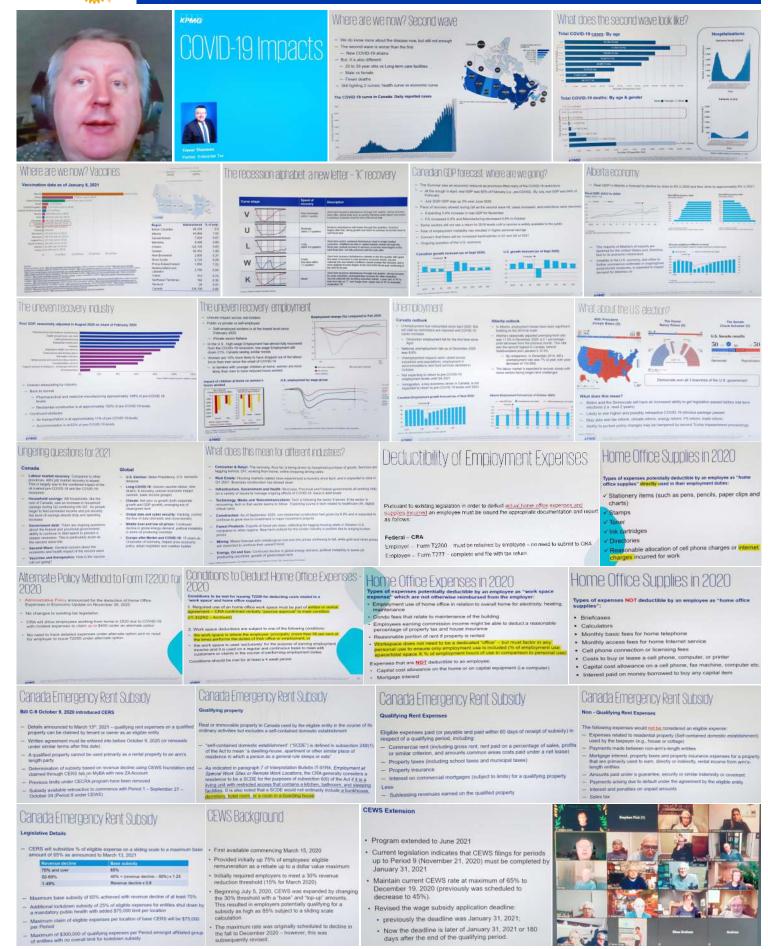
The meeting wrapped up with various attendees providing comments and updates. As always a great and informative session.

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Speaker's Presentation





ZOOM Networking Meeting

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Did You Know?

Jim Thompson, Club History

Did You Know? Here we are on the edge of something that could become even more horrific, south of the 49th. On January 6th we were glued to our TV in absolute shock and dismay as the Capital building in DC came under full attack by disgruntled, apparent citizens of America.

We were shocked for the obvious reason, political verbal diarrhea, that apparently spurred on the attack, but also dismayed that one of the greatest cities, and centre of political and historic America was under attack, citizen against citizen, in the very heart of the democratic world. WOW! For those of us who have visited Washington DC, I am sure you were spell bound.

We went on an extensive visit there a few years ago, organized by our former community in Gilbert Arizona. We fly out of Phoenix with about 45 other couples and a few singles, to Baltimore airport then bused into DC. We stayed right downtown within walking distance of the various Smithsonian Museums, the Capital, the Canadian Embassy (the only one on Pennsylvania Avenue, located between the White House and Capital building), and nearby historic US postal service number one, (soon to be a Trump hotel). It was wonderful. The cherry trees which line the streets, gifts from Japan, were all in bloom. We toured the many war memorials including Arlington, in both daylight and at nighttime when special lighting dramatized them more. We took a day-long side trip to the battle fields of Gettysburg, the worst battle of the civil war, stunned by the smallness of the place and how many lives were lost. The horrors are further displayed in the interpretive centre. The Smithsonian Museums were amazing, we didn't do them all. Then we did back-to-back tours of the White House and the Capital building, which both had very secure entry requirements, and as the only Canadians in the group, we had to pre-apply through Homeland Security to even get in. Both were stunning, the décor of the White House and the paintings of Americans Presidents that had lived there, were fascinating, Obama's dog being attended to on the grounds, and he leaving

Like i was saying, the circus is just one of my careers. The real money comes from frosted flakes



the premises in one of 3 helicopters that flew out at the same time (a security measure) ... a reminder of the detail and necessity of security exercised for the President.

Then along comes January 6th 2021 when America lost its mind again! I wondered how many of those urban terrorists are Rotarians? There are police, fire fighters and military service personnel among them, men and women driven by a battery of lies from the leader of the entire country. What kind of nonsense is that?. No Four Way Test being applied for sure.

So glad we sold our home in Arizona in 2018, and so very worried about what might happen to American friends who live there in that angry environment of a two party political system that encompasses the whole country, now complicated further by complete runaway COVID-19 issues. Very sad.



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Peace and Conflict Pre	vention/Resolution Month
February 2nd	ZOOM Meeting @ noon be sure to join in! Sandra Clarkson, Drop-In Centre
February 9th	Off site — If we can meet in person. If not, then no meeting.
February 16th	ZOOM Meeting @ noon be sure to join in! Dan Doherty — Mexico home building project
February 25th	Evening Networking Meeting — via ZOOM @ 5:30pm Wine Tasting Social with Calgary East Speaker: Mauro Villerjo, Owner and Winemaker, Trapezio Winery, Argentina We will be sampling their Rose, Finca Malbec and Petit Bobo Cost ~\$70, which will include a charcuterie plate
Water and Sanitation I	
March 2nd	ZOOM Meeting @ noon be sure to join in! 2017/18 RI President Ian Riseley 'RI's New Area of Focus/Cause: Protecting the Environment'
March 9th	Off site — If we can meet in person. If not, then no meeting. Common Crown Brewery Tap Room
March 16th	ZOOM Meeting @ noon be sure to join in! Karen Oulette, Donor Ministry Supervisor, Samaritan's Purse Canada
March 25th	Evening Networking Meeting — via ZOOM @ 7pm
March 30th	No meeting
Maternal and Child He	alth Month Discon 2021

Maternal and Child Health Month

April 6th

Veronica Lawrence, Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter



Events/Happenings May 1st

DisCon 2021 on-line — Mark your calendar and plan on joining in!

Community Service News



Dave and Ruth Wylie, together with Kathryn Breaker (of Friends), volunteered at Community Kitchens. They filled an emergency shift on February 9th when there was a cancellation by another group.

Thanks for stepping up!! Bob Montgomery



