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Special ZOOM edition

April showers bring May flowers. That is true, but won't it be great to peep into your Rotary friends' gardens using ZOOM? This special edition of The Rotary Wheel will help you do just that!

~Your ZOOMERBOOMER, Tess

President's Announcements

- This is our 2nd online meeting. This time we had over 20 members come ZOOM with us. Our next meeting is April 27.
- We will hold **ZOOM meetings every 2 weeks** and President Jay will email us with the links for those meetings on the Friday before.
- Starting with lunch on April 27 we will run the meetings following the format of our offline meetings -including speakers.
- There is a **Ribfest meeting Wednesday April 15 at 6pm**. The ZOOM information is in your emails. This is an important meeting that everyone is encouraged to join.
- 100th Anniversary meeting next week. Watch for details
- New members meeting Monday May 11, 2020. New members are to phone Tess at 905-926-2979.

Board Updates

- We are asking Charitable fund for money to help with COVID 19 relief in Oshawa.
- Oshawa Golf Club has raised the weekly cost of lunch from \$19 to \$30, & the board is looking at options to move weekly lunch meeting or negotiate a better price with OGC.



Our Next Meeting is April 27

According to BoredPanda.com

"For those who are self-quarantining or otherwise isolated due to the coronavirus pandemic, the Internet has transformed from a simple source of entertainment to a vital lifeline almost overnight. Zoom has become one of the most fundamental tools for group gatherings and not only are businesses using it, but families, schools, and groups of friends as well.

<u>According to</u> *The New York Times*, more than 600,000 people downloaded Zoom in a single day last month."

ZOOMING With Rotary: ANSWERS to Questions

- 1. Do you need an internet connection to join? NO. Each meeting announcement includes a call-in option. 647-558-0588 is for the GTA.
- 2. How will attendance be recorded? Easy! The meeting host (usually Jay or his designate) will get a list of all attendees. These will be forwarded to Club Secretary to update Clubrunner.
- 3. When will I know when our meetings are held? Clubrunner and emails from Pres. Jay should keep you up-to-date. Generally every 2 weeks.
- 4. I have more questions! Great! A FAQ in Clubrunner will be up soon.

Scribe for Rotary Wheel: Tess



Rotary Connections

Ron Dick & President Jay: District Nominations for awards now open:

- The Wilf Wilkinson Peace Award
- The Doctor Bob Scott Disease Prevention Award
- Go to the District website at <u>https://www.rotary7070.org</u> for more information

Ron Dick: Matching District grant of \$1,500 has been approved, Ron Dick gave an explanation of how this works. **Peter Hernandez** suggested we partner with Parkwood Rotary on a local project, Jay Cannings to reach out to Lennis Trotter (Parkwood President) to get ideas on how we can work together.

Donna Doherty - Suggested we look into a donation of some sort to the seniors centers in durham as they are in the vulnerable sector.

Dale Duke - Dale's wife is making masks in her home, she is making around 200 per week and is struggling to find elastic material, it was suggested by Bob Alexander that he use the elastics found inside a bungee cord, the bungee cords Dale has does not contain the proper elastics to do this, Dale has also looked into buying bungee cords with the proper elastics inside but they are hard to find. Dale has been in contact with a store in the west end and is hopeful to get more elastics from them in the next week or so. Here is the video to make the masks <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4FB--BOyTiU</u>

Geoff Lloyd - has contact with a group that is need of masks

John Henry - Willing to give our club an update from the Region if the club is interested. Program committee trying to set this up for Monday April 27, 2020 Jay Cannings - to set up call tree and allocate this week.

Rhonda Gorham - Regional long term care facilities are in more need than others, there are 4 Long Term Care facilities operated by Durham Region

Michael Adams - Thanks to John Henry for the good news stories. He would like Rotarians to share their good news stories with SNAP'd Oshawa, please upload photos to the SNAP'd app from your phone and he will promote this through Snap'd Oshawa's social media.

ZOOM Etiquette

1. Introduce everyone!

- a. When entering a meeting say hello!
- b. This creates a welcoming environment.

2. Check your backgrounds

- a. Make sure it is clean and appropriate
- **b.** No one wants to see your dirty dishes or unmade bed
- **c.** For you advanced ZOOMers have fun with your alternative backgrounds but be respectful too.

3. Look in your CAMERA when talking

- a. Avoid looking at yourself on the screen
- **b.** Looking directly at the camera = eye contact.

4. Eliminate distractions & focus on the agenda

- **a.** We know your dog is adorable and your kids are cute.
- **b.** But avoid making the mistake my colleague made-her 3 year old marched into the camera field and did a naked zoombomb!

5. Be aware of both audio and video settings.

- a. Mute your mic when not speaking
- **b.** Turn off your camera when stepping away
- c. Don't forget to turn it back on when you return!

6. Dressing for the meeting

- **a.** I know casual clothes are the new home choices but perhaps the meeting is not the place to show us your Superhero PJs
- **b.** Dress like you would in our regular meetings (At least from the top up)

7. Use chat function to ask questions

- **a.** It is easy to interrupt and speak over another person in online settings
- **b.** To avoid this, use the chat to ask for permission to speak.
- **c.** This gives the meeting host a chance to hear everyone in the order the requests are received
- d. And everyone has a chance to talk without interruption

8. HAVE FUN!

a. We are all friends and colleagues so let's have fun too!

