Rotary



Club of Williamston Sunrise

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Speakers

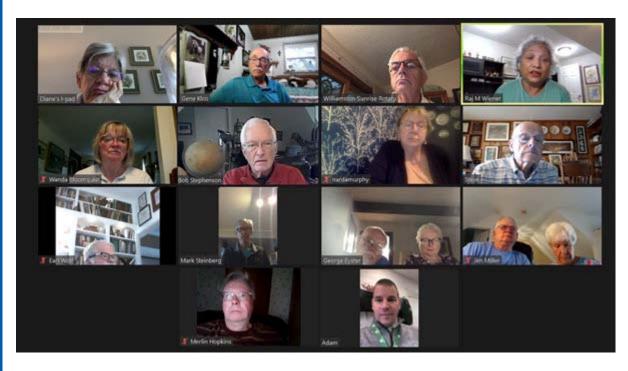
September 14, 2021 Raj Weiner

09/24/21-Raj Wiener

By Gene Klco on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 **General Discussion:**

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• Attendance: Members=14, Associate Members=2, Guests=0



- President Wanda started the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance
 She then said a prayer of thanks
- Next we talked Happy Dollars

Our speaker today was our own Raj Wiener • an update on the pandemic



Pandemic Update September 21, 2021 <u>Liz</u> Book Farm LLC **Outlet Store** September 28, 2021 Sari Brown Come and listen to

her singing October 12, 2021 Jeff Benson, CEO CASE CU Michigan Credit Union League >s 2021 Credit Union of the Year

- The pandemic is at its worst now with the Delta variant of Covid-19
 - Raj s daughter is sick with Covid in California
 - It is very emotional for them
- The Delta variant is more contagious
 - Seems more harmful as well
- Masks work why else would the doctors and nurses use them
- Antibodies � don�t know how long they last in your body
 - May need booster shots sooner than later
- US has lost the vaccine debate
 - We let anti-vaxxers off too easy
 - · Ex. of a ship with one passenger who decides to drill a hole in the hull and it begins sinking
 - Can t just say: Oh well, that s their right and let the boat sink
 - We have let the anti-vaxxers take over the conversation
 - Public health message is not effective against the negativity
 - Can t change the past
- She is glad that President Biden has issues mandates
 - Booster shots will help
- Volunteering � something we can do
 - Many corporations have volunteer programs to encourage employees to help
 - But most have filled their requirements
- · What can we do?
 - Volunteer Time for Rotarians to step up
 - Maintain your health and wellness get out and walk daily
 - Kids who need testing not local
 - See if you can help setup a local testing site
- Covid #s going up 3000 cases/day Concern about large indoor gatherings
 - Wharton is opening
 - Must wear a mask but will all keep them on?
 - If not people will stop going
- · Carry your vaccination card
 - Way to scan your card and put it on your phone
 - For iPhone users:
 - Open � Notes�
 - Start a new note
 - Select the camera
 - Pop up � Scan Documents�
 - Take a picture of your immunization card

 - You will have a copy of your card in Notes
 - If vaccinated at Sparrow, can get a QR code with your vaccination info on it
 - Contact Raj for info on how to do
 - Check MCIR.org (Michigan Care Improvement Registry)
 - Public | mcir.org
 - You will need your driver s license or passport
 - It will give all your vaccination records print and save if traveling

- · Things we can do now
 - Pay attention to candidates some are anti-vaxxers
 - School board candidates too
- Jim Miller noted an article in the Lansing State Journal
 - Said Booster shots are not necessary
 - WHO wants US to not to boosters to save vaccine for rest of the world
 - We know that immunization declines over time
 - WHO wants companies to release the formula of the vaccines so more companies can make vaccine
- Steve said he went to tailgate at the MSU game Saturday near the stadium
 - Masks are required to get in and lots of people asked if they had extra masks
 - Businesses are getting tired of giving away masks getting expensive
 - Steve noted that he got on the MCIR registry and it showed a booster shot that he had just got 3 hours earlier
 - The Michigan registry was setup 30 years ago
 - Not all states do it
 - Raj was the Michigan Health Director at the time
 - (She tried to down play her part in it)
- When flying wear an N95 mask or double mask
 - If passengers near you are not � contact the flight attendant about them
 - Take your hand sanitizer with you and use on arm rests, trays on plane
- · Gene mentioned that they got their flu shots at RiteAid last week
 - He picked up a **Stick** it to Covid arm band they had for free
- Jim Conroy said that Amtrack was not as good
 - 75% were masked, but few in the lunch car
- · George said that we as scientist are not doing a good job
 - The info is evolving and they keep changing the recommendations
 - Many people don t understand and are critical
- Jim C said Covid-19 is not lethal enough
 - If it killed faster, more would get vaccinated
 - o Too many think there is a low probability that they will be seriously affected
- Raj changed the topic to Afghan refugees
 - 14,000 have arrived
 - All are given Covid shots
 - Lots were Americans living in Afghanistan
 - Her son Robert is there helping with the program
 - He said he has never seen so many people with scars & bullet holes
 - They process 600 a day working from 7 am 10 pm
 - They are in need of housing here to move them out of the camps
 - US has 200 camps across the country for refugees
 - Some are stuck there for a long time
- Wanda noted that we now have tickets for the Rockin Rotary Raffle
 - They are putting them in packets to sell
 - Will have them available soon
 - o If you want some now, see Jim Conroy and he will meet with you
- · Someone asked if this session was being recorded for those who missed it
 - Yes, the Zoom meetings are all recorded
 - Log into Zoom with the following info:
 - ID: williamstonsunriserotary@gmail.com
 - Password: WSRotary1997
 - Open the Zoom app
 - Upper RH corner is a small circle with your info
 - Select that then down to Switch Account
 - · Enter the ID, Password above
 - · You should see links to all the recordings
- We concluded the meeting with the 4-Way Test (+1)

Thought for the Week

By Gene Klco on Thursday, July 1, 2021

Old age comes at a bad time, when you finally know everything, but start forgetting it all.

Joke of the Week

By Gene Klco on Thursday, July 1, 2021

Can you identify the following candy bars from their cross-sections?



Answers:

- 1. Butterfinger
- 2. 100 Grand
- 3. Snickers
- 4. Baby Ruth
- 5. Rolo
- 6. Almond Joy

September Birthdays

By Gene Klco on Wednesday, September 1, 2021 Wishes for a Happy Birthday in **September** go out to:

Mark Steinberg September 1

Janet Eyster September 14

Simone Ranes September 15