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Speakers

November 04, 2020

Dr. Elizabeth Bagley
"Teaching Children to Learn
What the Climate Crisis is,
and What it Could Mean for
Their Future"

November 11, 2020

<u>Lindy Lowe, Resilience</u> <u>Program Director, Port of San</u> <u>Francisco</u>

"Building Resilience in San Francisco's Waterfront"

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Birthdays

Joan Collignon November 3rd Pate D. Thomson November 5th John M. Ferguson November 11th Dennis V. Hacker November 14th Elizabeth Holl Tyler November 16th Maurice Gene Marcus November 19th John J. O'Dea November 27th Judith Anderson Glass November 29th John Pardee December 2nd

Election Day is Tomorrow! Have You Voted?



In case you somehow forgot, Election Day is tomorrow (Tuesday, November 3rd). All Californians registered to vote should have received their ballots in the mail weeks ago. There are drop boxes in every county (click here to find the nearest one for you) where you can drop off your ballot. You can also mail your ballot, and if you did that already, you can track your ballot here. In California, mailed ballots postmarked by November 3 will be counted if received by November 20.

Regardless of how you cast your ballot, remember that it is our civic duty, so please vote and remind your friends and family to vote as well!

News in a Time of Disinformation

By Jason Draut

Award-winning journalist Patty Guerra spoke to the club on October 28 about how we get our news and how to best interpret that information. Guerra holds a BA in Journalism and Media Studies from Tecnol gico de Monterrey and a Master of Science in Journalism from Columbia University. She currently works on a 60 Minutes new show called "60 in 6" that is tailored for mobile viewers.

Her talk focused on how we can be influenced by headlines and be sucked into our bubbles and never see the other side of a story. She encouraged us to check the primary source when we read or hear something that doesn't line up with



other facts we already know to be true. Sometimes this comes in the form of things we **want** to be true and other times it is "news" that gets repeated so many times that we start to believe it whether or not it is based on facts or lines up with our prior beliefs.

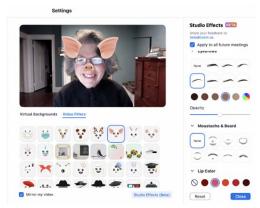
Patty also encouraged us to use social media for what it is designed: connecting with old friends and seeing photos and videos of family and friends who are distance. Letting the social media platform sell **you** as its product to advertisers is a recipe for being pigeonholed into our bubbles and only seeing the information that advertisers want you to see. When we see a headline we want to share, we should read the story and double-check links and who the author is before sharing it with others. If the author or website is

unknown, check with a primary source before assuming the story is true. Doing these things will allow us to filter information better and only share stories that should be shared.

Upgrade Your Look on Zoom!

By Joan Collignon

Some of us who upgraded to the latest version of Zoom got a surprise just before Halloween. You can add a virtual hat, a moustache, or aviator sunglasses to your onscreen persona. You can even add makeup a boon if you re jumping straight out of bed into a Zoom meeting!



If you ve upgraded to Version 5.3 or higher this should work for you:

The next time you re in a Zoom meeting go to the Video icon on the bottom left of your screen. Click on the arrow to the right, then click on choose video filter. You li get a window showing you a series of borders you can use to frame your image, OR scroll down to find animal faces or hats or sunglasses, all virtual costumes which will magically attach themselves to your head and stay in place until you click NONE. If you dike to touch

up your lipstick or moustache or beard, click on the little �Studio Effects (Beta)� line at the bottom of the window to see various enhancements.

I guess the Zoom folks realized that people were getting tired of the virtual environment and wanted a little levity in their meetings.

Upgrading your Zoom version is a good idea, because if we ALL do it, we leads to choose our breakout session, and even jump from one group to another. To update, click on the Zoom icon on your device. You should see a message at the top that says A new version is available! Update . If you need help Austin or I can talk you through it on the phone. You I want to do this well before signing in to a meeting, though, as it can take a few minutes to update.