

## Report from the Social Commission to the BOD 20220110

The Social Committee's discussion group, *Gather to Talk* met for its first discussion on Thursday night, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm via Zoom. The topic was *How to Tell Truth from Fiction*.

The December discussion ended with our small group wanting to focus next on the role of media in the support of democracy. What would you say ought to characterize a responsible media in America? Do our newspapers reveal themselves to be believable and trustworthy? What about Facebook, Twitter, and TikTok -- or should social media be seen through a different lens and therefore held to a different standard? Do our news delivery systems still deserve to be recognized as "the fourth estate," essential and equal in importance to the executive, legislative and judicial branches of our government?

You are welcome to participate in this second of our Gather to Talk discussion groups. Until it is completely safe to gather in person, we'll continue to share remotely. Join with other thoughtful residents in a Zoom discussion on Thursday, January 20 at 7:00 pm.

To acquire the link to join in the discussion see me after tonight's meeting, email the Social Committee at [ptcasocial@rcn.com](mailto:ptcasocial@rcn.com), scan the QR code on one of our flyers on the Association's bulletin boards, check out our Facebook page, look for the notice in Tim's upcoming weekly *News & Updates* or contact the office. Your participation is always appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sheldon Atovsky, Chair

Join the discussion on January 20, 2022 with this link <https://bit.ly/3qV8par>

For voice only, dial 312.626.6799, Meeting ID is 857 3461 0330, Passcode is 448894 or talk

