

Report from the Social Commission to the BOD 20220214

Happy Valentine's Day!

The Social Committee's discussion group, *Gather to Talk* met for its second discussion on Thursday night, January 20th at 7:00 pm via Zoom. The topic was *How can media be used to support democracy?* One outcome of that talk was that we decided to use media to support democracy to launch a petition, via moveon.org, to our representative to the U.S. House of Representatives, the Honorable Jan Schakowsky, to urge her to make sure that the meetings of the Select Committee on January 6th broadcast, via television, their meetings as occurred with the Watergate Hearings and those on 9/11 so all easily can witness the testimony to make of it what they will.

Gather to Talk will next meet February 24th at 7:00 pm via Zoom. The topic of discussion will be *What is your spiritual journey? What gives meaning to your life?* Emails, flyers and notices will soon be out with the Zoom connection information.

At the last meeting of the Social Commission, on February 9th, we explored how we might resume some in-person events. These will be discussed tonight as part of our Board Meeting. Further discussion of these topics will occur at the next meeting of the Social Commission which will be on Tuesday, March 15, 11:00 am, via Zoom.

To acquire the link, to join our meeting and/or to join *Gather to Talk*, email the Social Committee at 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,
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