

Tucson Breakfast
Lion's Club
Wednesday 7AM
6/30/21



ZOOM
Hungry Fox

Our mission: To empower volunteers to serve their communities, meet humanitarian needs, encourage peace and promote International understanding through Lions Clubs.

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Bits & Pieces: Outgoing Lion Prez Tamra thanked the club for their support during her year as president. TBLC also received a thank you note from LFA for our contribution. 8 Lions attended the recent LFI convention. Lion Joe gave an update on the Jim Click Raffle. Installation of the new officers will be on 7/28. There will be no meeting on that date. Board meetings will be moved to the Lucky Strike Bowl. Lion Steve gave a 3 minute talk on what it means to be a Lion. Lion Steve won \$9 in the drawing.

Happy/Sad. Many members gave thanks to be at the Fox, thanks to Lion Tamra for her service as president. Lion Bernie is celebrating his wedding anniversary. Many members expressed sadness for lion Lloyd's many ailments. Lion Mort will be visiting family in Long Beach for the next 2 weeks.

Hearts & Flowers. . Lion Bill Goldberg is hospitalized for shoulder replacement surgery.

Our Program was Antonia Medinaceli who presented a slide how on Colombia and it's problems in dealing with a mass migration of 2 million refugees from Venezuela coupled with the Covid pandemic. Columbia at first closed it's borders between 3/20 and 12/21, resulting in a steep economic drop. Columbia suffered 192K Covid cases and 50K deaths by 1/21. Overall employment dropped 27% for women and 18% for men. Columbia hosts the largest population of Venezuelan refugees, many having unmet healthcare needs and barriers to healthcare services because of their status.

Antonia stressed the need for coordination among service organizations and community outreach to address the needs of this large refugee population. Peace negotiation with rebel factions, drug use and domestic social turmoil will all have to be addressed by whoever wins the elections next year.

