

Inland Valley Storytellers Summary of Zoom meeting on August 4, 2020

Angela Lloyd hosted the first ever IVS online Zoom meeting. In addition to Angela, those in attendance were: Jayne Sjodin, Barbara Rugeley, Chris and John St. Clair, Tom and Ann Freeman, Flip and Claudia Barnardo, Ron Chick, Meco (Ron Chick's friend), Adrien Lowery, Ina Haugen, Barbara Brown, Elisabeth Anghel, Cass Armstrong, Ron Evans, Rd Plasschaert, Nick Smith, and Virginia Stark (although we could not see or hear Virginia).

Everyone introduced themselves and most responded to Angela's prompt, which was, "What have you recently found in a drawer in your house that is interesting?"

Elisabeth Anghel told a folk tale from Japan about a water demon who had a hand cut off in an outhouse and wanted to get it back.

Jayne Sjodin told a story about a dangerous crock of gold in a cave.

Nick Smith told a folk tale from Japan called "The Boy Who Drew Cats". The boy's cat drawings magically saved a temple from a large and dangerous rat creature.

Ron Chick told a story from the book "The House on Mango Street" that was about Louie's other cousin Louie.

Angela Lloyd told a folk tale from Romania about the son of a king who wasn't interested in finding a suitable bride. The king had a palace with a thousand rooms built that served as the testing ground for a prospective wife for the prince. The test was passed by a clever young woman who was a weaver and a yarn spinner.

Ron Evans told an original story called the "The Ultimate Cure" which was a parody about how President Trump would quit the presidency the morning of the November election and fly to Moscow, Russia, where he was warmly greeted by Putin and became a star on a Russian reality TV show.

After the stories we had a discussion about continuing to meet online in a Zoom meeting until the pandemic is over and it is safe to meet in person. We will meet at 7:00 PM on the second Tuesday of each month with Angela hosting the meeting since she is the one with the paid Zoom account and has the controls to mute people. So the next meeting will be 7:00 PM on September 8. Angela will have the Zoom port open about 6:45 PM so people can log in before 7:00.

We also discussed Tellabration and decided to do 2 Tellabration events. One event will be a joint event with the Sonoma County storytelling group called the Do Tell Story Swap. The other event will be with just IVS tellers.