Sandy Heierbacher: Hi everybody! Good to see some familiar faces.

Carolyn Shadle (she, her, hers): Hi. I'm Carolyn Shadle from La Jolla CA

Norlyn -- Chicago: Hi from St. Charles. www.CompassionateCitizens.us

Jeff Prudhomme: Hey, everybody! Greetings from chilly northern Virginia!

cabui: Hi Everyone! Chris Bui participating from Emerald Hills, CA right between SF and San Jose

Lori Britt: Apologies, we have a live group at a conference and the group is rather rowdy!

Tim Bonnemann: Happy 20th! Greetings from San José, CA. 😉

Betty Knighton: Glad to be with all of you! Greetings from Charleston, WV.

Susan Clark: Greetings from San Rafael — how great to see so many familiar faces plus new ones. Congrats NCDD on 20 years!!

Elke Fein: Greetings from Freiburg, Germany

Ben Graham (he, they): Hi everyone! Ben Graham, Cal Poly Humboldt and part of Healthy Democracy's Petaluma Fairgrounds Advisory Panel.

Martin Carcasson: Fort Collins, CO

Leslie Garvin: Greetings from Elon, North Carolina. Happy Anniversary NCDD!

Carolyn Shadle (she, her, hers): I'm with CONCERNED SENIORS MAKING A DIFFERENCE, and we were the happy recipients of training program put on by NCRC.

Arjun Singh: Hello friends!

Lisa-Marie Napoli (she/her): Hello from Bloomington, Indiana! Happy to celebrate with y'all the big 2-0!!

Sara Drury: Hello! Sara Drury from Unify America. I'm logging in from the National Communication Association conference.

Diane Miller: Greetings from Austin TX. Sadly my camera doesn't want to work right now.

Rebecca Townsend: Hi from Longmeadow, MA [University of Hartford, CT]!

leva Notturno: Hey! Good to be here. Greetings from Washington, D.C.!

Ted Wetzel: Hi everyone. I feel like the new guy... you've all been doing great work for 20 years! Ted / Fighting-To-Understand / Cleveland, Ohio

Shannon Hartman, Interactivity Foundation (she/her): Hello from Haverford, PA and representing the Interactivity Foundation.

Rosa Zubizarreta: Hi all... calling in from my home in Great Barrington, MA...

Caroline Lee: hi everyone from Lafayette College in Easton, PA! I am doing kid pickup/dinner etc. so will have my camera off mostly!

Meg Griffiths, Essential Partners: Hello and greetings from Essential Partners! I'm calling in from my home in Providence.

Lewis Brown Griggs - Berkeley CA: If you wish ... click the upper right 3 dots on your own screen and then click rename and then add your location so we can all see where you are :-)

Shannon Hartman, Interactivity Foundation (she/her): Hey, Meg! Nice to see you!

Cristin Brawner: Hi, this is Cristin Brawner joining from Nashville! Good to see everyone.

Courtney Breese: Sandy is here! feel free to drop her a note of thanks for all she has done for this community:)

Caroline Lee: Love you Sandy!!!

Sandy Heierbacher: Whew so uncomfortable to watch myself haha!

Shannon Hartman, Interactivity Foundation (she/her): Beautiful, Sandy!!!

Jeff Prudhomme: So great to see and hear you, Sandy! Thanks!

Arjun Singh: Thank you so much Sandy!

Lisa-Marie Napoli (she/her): So grateful for the foundation and all your work over the years, Sandy!! You rock!

Sandy Heierbacher: Great video! So many memories!!

Tim Bonnemann: OMG! ••

Martin Carcasson: Reading the material developed for Clinton's National Conversation on Race was the first time I came across D&D work. I was teaching debate at that time, I quickly realized that my students needed those other Ds a lot more than debate.

Susan Clark: David - I remember the 2002 sniper. For the Denver conference, we really reached out to conservatives and had a panel with Grover Norquist!

Jeff Prudhomme: Well said, Shannon! We really need this community—we need each other to do this work. We can't do it alone.

Lori Britt: Partner Page: <a href="https://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause\_pdetails/MTY4NjAw">https://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause\_pdetails/MTY4NjAw</a>

Lori Britt: Donation page for 20th: <a href="https://bit.ly/NCDD20th">https://bit.ly/NCDD20th</a>

Michael Freedman: Partnering for success!

Cristin Brawner: I'm recommitting to work with young people!

Rebecca Townsend (she/her): supporting communities in democratic deliberation

Melissa King (she/her): I recommit to co-creating healing spaces in my community using creative approaches to dialogue!

Lindsay Hoffman (U. of Delaware): Working with college students

Meg Griffiths, Essential Partners: I recommit to the hard work of building cultures of belonging!

Susan Clark: Providing people with experiences of healthy, whole communities.

Leslie Garvin: Recommitting to empowering the next generation of student leaders to strengthen democracy

David Campt: Challenge the NCDD community to be more energetic in pushing our collective wisdom out

Roshan Bliss: I'm recommitment to bringing D&D skills and awareness of the field into the work I do

B.: Recommitting to more vocal advocacy!

Jeff Prudhomme: Commit to learning from others to use dialogue for protecting democracy from authoritarianism

Betty Knighton: optimism in the face of threats to democracy, based on the inspiration of the people I'm with today and so, so many others

Sara Cohen, DCR: Building a culture of effective public engagement in government decision-making

Arjun Singh: engaging in big awesome opportunities and challenges through dialogue

Ted Wetzel: Recommit to finding paths that are contagious.

Barbara Simonetti: Discerning the powerful questions that enable collective wisdom to emerge.

Ben Graham (he, they), Cal Poly Humboldt: Nurturing the next generation and bringing psychology scholars, students, and professionals to D & D!

https://psychology.humboldt.edu/community-action-innovation-and-research-new-societes-cairns-lab

Norlyn -- Chicago: Cultivating and empowering Compassionate Communities. www.CompassionateCitizens.us

Martin Carcasson: working with professional organizations like ICMA and ALA and others to introduce this work and provide capacity

Patrick Scully & Martha McCoy: Documenting the stories of the hard work that goes into public engagement and its impact.

Sara Drury: Innovating practice for deliberative work

Roshan Bliss: I'm also committing to trying to bring D&D to TV!

Diane Miller: Creating more opportunities for people to connect authentically with each other and with nature.

Carolyn Shadle (she, her, hers): Providing training in communication skills, especially learning how to EMPATHIZE, www.icsinc.info.

Rosa Z, Diapraxis, MA: Building wide-spread capacity for relational facilitation

Rosa Z, Diapraxis, MA: www.diapraxis.com

Valeriano Ramos: Continuing to engage BIPOC (people of color) as active agents of change through dialogue and deliberation that center race and equity and justice as integral to a stronger democracy.

Randall Butler: I recommit to convening dialogues to reduce polarization and create collaborations to make our very diverse communities more inclusive and participatory - communities in which every person has the opportunity to contribute to and benefit from the common good.

Lewis Brown Griggs - Berkeley CA: Yes ... my entire Life Work is as a white male DEIB leader author speaker facilitator & executive coach enhancing the consciousness of other white men to recognize the personal and interpersonal and organizational self-interest and benefit of truly valuing the fuller Diversity Equity Inclusion & Belonging of all with whom we live and work! :-) Lewis / Lewis@Griggs.com / www.Griggs.com / www.Griggs.com / www.Griggs.com / www.YouTube.com/user/GriggsProductions/playlists

Stephen Buckley: I recommit to helping the White House's "Open Government" effort to improve people's engagement in the making the decisions that affect their lives. -- Obama started it in 2009 .. it survived Trump .. and Biden's new #Opengov people are now asking to hear about "best practices". Will they listen to NCDDers? -- https://open.usa.gov

Valeriano Ramos: Everyday Democracy has been a proud partner with the ALA in its "Libraries Transforming Communities" work. Outstanding work!

David Campt: Despite the book burning backlash, strategic partnerships with the library community (at all levels) seem like a very smart way of promoting the work

Jeff Prudhomme: @Stephen That's great—keep at it.

Terry Amsler: Helping/encouraging the philanthropy sector to be more aware of the how dialogue, deliberation, and engagement may be an appropriate & effective part of their respective strategic interests and the success of those they fund.

Courtney Breese: But he's in the zoom room!

Tim Bonnemann: Ooh! ;-)

Martin Carcasson: I'm in my Harry Boyte costume so easy to not see me here

Tim Bonnemann: Awesome!!!

Roshan Bliss: What a cool video!

Susan Clark: GREAT news!!

Sandy Heierbacher: Yay! The conference is back!!!!

Shannon Hartman, Interactivity Foundation (she/her): Yay!

Sara Drury: Awesome!

Arjun Singh: wonderful!

Ieva Notturno: So exciting! 😄

Cristin Brawner: YESSS!!!! Thank you for coming to the SOUTH!!!

Tim Bonnemann: Atlanta, great choice!

Lisa-Marie Napoli (she/her): Amazing!!

Ben Graham (he, they), Cal Poly Humboldt: That's wonderful to hear!

Susan Clark: Loving the videos — loving the chance to meet in Atlanta.

Diane Miller: WhooHoo!

Martin Carcasson: but we also managed to get on the odd years to stay away from election time...

Ted Wetzel: awesomeness!

Sandy Heierbacher: Good point, Martin!

Roshan Bliss: yes, I'm so glad we finally can get the NCDD conferences out of competition with

presidential elections too :)

Tim Bonnemann: Looks amazing

Tim Bonnemann: Can't wait!

Sandy Heierbacher: It's a gorgeous space!

Rosa Z, Diapraxis, MA: Congratulations!!!

Martin Carcasson: what were the dates again?

Lori Britt: October 13-15

Logan Steppan: October 13-15, 2023

Betsy Morris & Raines Cohen, Cohousing CA: Hmmm, there's a couple #cohousing neighborhoods and

some #agrihood innovations in that area...

David Campt: What can I do to get you into the conference today?

David Campt: I love the incentivization! Very smaaaaht!!

Courtney Breese: Betsy, would love to hear more!

Jeff Prudhomme: The fifth "R"—remember the other Rs

Courtney Breese: HAHA!

UIC IPCE | Norma E Ramos: lol

Carolyn Shadle (she, her, hers): How can I reach Norma to organize a local conversation?

David Campt: Lori had a Rick Perry moment..... I have had them

UIC IPCE | Norma E Ramos: We will send information out soon!

Rebecca Townsend (she/her): Say hi to them for me, Lori!

Keiva; NCDD; she/her: Let us know what you're most excited for at NCDD2023!

Cristin Brawner: Finally seeing so many of you IN PERSON again!

Roshan Bliss: I'm excited to reconnect with so many great people

Sara Drury: Sharing and learning together

Lisa-Marie Napoli (she/her): Renewed collective energy!!

Ted Wetzel: for sure, in person

Jeff Prudhomme: I always learn so much in person from you all—and it's the best way to grow connections

Logan Steppan: Ditto what Cristin and Roshan said!

Shannon Hartman, Interactivity Foundation (she/her): I like this idea of local connecting before the conference

leva Notturno: I am excited about interacting with each other in person again!

Tim Bonnemann: Seeing folks in person again, catching up on the latest and greatest in online engagement.

David Campt: I am doing a dialogue lab on the radio (WFDD), and I will want to talk to others about how they might do the same thing with their local NPR station

Caroline Lee: I have to go but I am so excited about the in person conference and just want to REFLECT on how ahead of its time NCDD has been throughout. Throughout the pandemic I thought about Roger Bernier's presentations at NCDD on D&D in pandemic flu planning...

Melissa King (she/her): Yes, finding shared spaces where we can keep challenging and supporting one another!

Susan Clark: Sharing what we each learned during the pandemic. What are we learning re hybrid, re social justice, re human healing...

cabui: Bringing a whole range of resources, project opportunities, and practices to Atlanta...and to simply be with one of my favorite tribes again!

Roshan Bliss: I'm also excited to see how NCDD coming to a place with as much partisanship as Georgia might provide opportunities to have even more interesting and maybe even controversial panels or conversations!

Patrick Scully & Martha McCoy: Wonderful to see you all! We are well! :-)

Keiva; NCDD; she/her: Awh I miss you all!!

Stephen Buckley: I think I remember Sandy saying (at NCDD 2014, I think) that she was reluctant to call us a "community of practice". Are we? What do we need to do to be a \*better\* COP?

Patrick Scully & Martha McCoy: Terry, our first funder, back in the day! Yay!!

Betsy Morris & Raines Cohen, Cohousing CA: Many familiar faces... and even better, seeing folks we know from elsewhere who I didn't know were in this network.

David Campt: We will be a year out from the election, so am looking forward to talking to folks about how we can leverage our work in light of the fact that 88% of people think polarization is a problem

Betty Knighton: My board term is ending but my love of NCDD is eternal! :-)

Lisa-Marie Napoli (she/her): 🧡

Shannon Hartman, Interactivity Foundation (she/her): aw

Sandy Heierbacher: Martha was our steering committee chair - before there was a board!! Way back. When Everyday Democracy was our fiscal agent.

Tim Bonnemann: Thank you, ladies!

UIC IPCE | Norma E Ramos: Indeed!! Thank you both so much!

Cristin Brawner: Well done, Courtney & Keiva!! So well done.

Tim Bonnemann: Much appreciated!!!!

UIC IPCE | Norma E Ramos: Andy Ryan too!

Diane Miller: Many thanks!!

Lisa-Marie Napoli (she/her): This was wonderful!! Thank you all!!

Susan Clark: Kudos to Ryan and all - great videos.

Valeriano Ramos: Great to see so many colleagues and friends! VAL

Sandy Heierbacher: Steve - I do think NCDD is a community of practice!

Patrick Scully & Martha McCoy: Martha and I relocated to Syracuse, NY last August and have spent much of the last few months unpacking and getting our new home in order, but we plan to get back into the D&D fray very soon!

B. Rae Perryman: Nice to see everyone - from a newbie!

Keiva; NCDD; she/her: thanks for joining us!

David Campt: This has been great....thanks for doing this!!!

Martin Carcasson: welcome Ben. I've done a lot of work on the connections between deliberation and

social psychology

Ted Wetzel: I must sign off... for now. Great work!

Martin Carcasson: and Barbara lets my wife and I crash at her house when we visit our kiddos in Boston....NCDD has been good to me

Tim Bonnemann: Couple of challenging years. 😉

Patrick Scully & Martha McCoy: Congratulations NCDD!! This is awesome... it's so hard to believe it's been 20 years since that first conference!

Roshan Bliss: omg Sandy's pink hair! love it :)

Martin Carcasson: is it legal in GA yet?

Diane Miller: Really wonderful to see everyone!

Roshan Bliss: lol Martin with the important questions!

Sandy Heierbacher: I don't think so yet, Martin!

Shannon Hartman, Interactivity Foundation (she/her): So great seeing everyone! Looking forward to

seeing you all soon.

Patrick Scully & Martha McCoy: Yes, wonderful to see you all!

Jeff Prudhomme: LFG NCDD!

Rebecca Townsend (she/her): Thank YOU!

Tim Bonnemann: @Jeff LOL

Ekaterina Lukianova: So great to be part of this celebration. I am very much looking forward to seeing

you all in person!

Ieva Notturno: Thank you!

Ellen Knutson - Portland, OR (she/her): Thank you!

Susan Clark: ThankSS

Rosa Z, Diapraxis, MA: 20 years since the first NCDD conference... Wow!