The elegant oak panelled courtroom at the Vancouver Art Gallery was humming with chatter as members poured cups of fragrant coffee and dug into delectable orange muffins. The first chapter meeting of 2001 was about to begin.

The business meeting was lively because there were so many interesting things to hear about the Los Angeles conference.

With enthusiasm now at fever pitch, a dash was made down the marble staircase to the library where lunch was waiting. The library looked very welcoming with baskets of fat sandwiches and plates of fruit and delectable sweets.

Fortified and ready for fun, the group enjoyed a presentation on the West Coast earthquake conundrum by Guy Anderson, a well-known consultant, writer and educator.

A guided tour of the lovely "Cornelius Krieghoff" exhibition at the Gallery ended the day on a high note.

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