

## **Spoke January 26, 2021**

**Presiding:** Lisa Wisotsky

**Recorder:** Mitch Schonfeld

**Guests:** Ric Mann, Chef Dion, Gila Comet, Charles Cobb, Tia, Chief Suffern, Tyesh Harris, John Kelly, Courtney Johnson

Walter Young gave the inspiration, praising Amanda Gorman the Youth Poet Laureate and the youngest poet to speak at a presidential inauguration. He noted that in her poem "The Hill We Climb" she emphasized diversity, unity, and healing. Ms. Gorman attended Harvard with a Milken Family scholarship, where she studied sociology and graduated Cum Laude.

Lisa acknowledged new member approvals for County Sheriff Anthony Cureton and Nina Bachrach, Director of Bergen Volunteers.

Chef Dion received a \$3,000 grant for Hot Wheels, which will provide 50 family style meals each weekend for local families distributed through Bergen Family Center. Chef Dion has received support from our club in the spring, as well. He thanked us and requested volunteers to assist in food prep on Thursday and Friday mornings. He will provide contact information to us. The program will start on Friday February 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Program:**

Police Chief Suffern a life-long Englewood resident, who became Chief in 2014, spoke on safety tips around one's car, home and personal space.

Some pointers: be aware of surroundings, stay in well lit areas, know who is around, travel in groups. Remember where your car is parked, prepare your key in advance to open car door. Lock doors and windows of car and home, even if just for a short tip. Seclude valuables in car trunk. Use alarm systems. Have motion detector lights around home.

### **Announcements:**

There will be a Service Project Committee meeting on 1/28. The link is in the bulletin.

Lisa then introduced Joyce Grossbard who led Happy Dollars.

Send Happy Dollar contributions/checks to:

Kathy Silberstein

20 Hidden Ledge Road

Englewood, NJ 07631

or to the PO Box:

Rotary Club of Englewood

PO Box 412

Englewood, NJ 07631

Kathy prefers that people make their donations via check as opposed to online, but you can also pay online through the website.

Checks to be made out to: Rotary Club of Englewood

Upcoming meetings:

**Thursday, January 28 at 6 PM-** Service project committee meeting. Contact [Joe Sorbanelli](#) for details

**Tuesday, February 2 at Noon-** Peggy King Jorde will discuss "Preservation of the most significant trace of the Transatlantic Slave Trade Middle Passage Journey"

25 members and 9 guests were on the Zoom meeting

Respectfully submitted, Mitch Schonfeld