

**Rotary Club of Englewood
Spoke March 16, 2021**

Presiding: Lisa Wisotsky

Recorder: Jim Cole

The focus of much of the meeting was March as Women's History Month. Consequently the presence of many of the visiting Rotarians and guests were related to our club's celebrating that event with Florence Marchi as the senior female member of the club. She has been a Rotarian for 33 years.

Visiting Rotarians and guests: PDG's Bonnie Sirower, Raj Bhatia, Gloria Counselor; future governors John Susani, Ray Cywinski; Rick Salterelli who gave a presentation on the use of Club Runner, various Marchi grand children including Colleen, Maya, Raphaela, a couple from the West coast.

Inspirational thought: Florence observed that "if one gently listens to one's inner being and believe it in your heart your passion will follow."

Many people followed with words of praise for Florence for all she has done for Rotary at the club, district and national level. A phone message from Joe Klyde noted that Florence joined Rotary soon after women were accepted into the organization, praised her for her grace and wisdom and described her as "an energizer bunny" for all she has accomplished. John Susani praised her for raising \$10,000 for literature grants in West Virginia and being an assistant governor for the past 5 years. Many people praised Florence (and Bob) for opening their wonderful home for our holiday party each December and often

for the installation of incoming club Presidents in June. Bonnie Sirower and Janet Sharma felt the friendships and collegiality of club members which has led to our friendships with each other is in many ways a function of our collegial gatherings at the Marchi's. Many others praised Florence for her selflessness in sharing her home with club members and the cordiality that is always in evidence.

Program: Rick Saltarelli and Dononvan Rodriques then discussed and demonstrated the use of Club Runner. Many questions were answered.

Three members of our club who are agreeable to assist club members having continued difficulties with ClubRunner include:

Eileen O'Driscoll 201-220-0579 cell 201-386-7100 work
Janet Sharma 201-410-6645 cell 201-567-2533 home
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Upcoming programs: March 23rd **6:00 PM** "The Words we shouldn't call women" Lizzie Skurnick.

March 30: No meeting

May 11 Awards dinner