

## **Rotary Club of Englewood Spoke November 3, 2020**

**Presiding:** Lisa Wisotsky

**Recorder:** Mitch Schonfeld

**Inspirational thought:** By Brian Katz...Rotary brings us together, particularly on election day.

**Club toast:** By Mike Jacobs. The Anchiles Club in the Philipines, which won the Rotary Club Clark Centenial and helps kids living on the streets with food and essential supplies, as well as providing other critical social services.

**Program:** PDG Joe Dino, spoke about Rotary membership declining in US, but growing in Asia. Still have 1.2 members world wide: each year about 113K leave and another 113K join. Our District 7490 has 1097 members and is at risk for being merged with another District unless we can keep membership above 1100. He praised our Club for winning the membership cup when JoEllen was President. Rotary Zones in US average about 175K members, and in Asia the avg is 400K. Some Zones merge when membership diminishes. We are in Zone 32. The old way of getting members does not work. The new approach is to promote the club activities and all the achievements, thus encouraging people in the community to learn more and inquire about getting involved. Joe stresses Boasting, Taking Credit, Promoting. When anyone shows interest get them engaged asap. Always be contacting members and those interested. Create a good feeling from being involved. The ZOOM meetings will not last forever; keep those engaged

who cannot/do not attend, via phone calls and other personal connections.

### **Announcements:**

The international project committee will be meeting soon, as will the local project committee. Details will be in the weekly bulletin and sent also via email.

The Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> Mackay Park cleanup, which was led by Dave, has been cancelled by the City due to increased COVID cases locally. The ShopRite project is well underway again and led by Todd . A Peace Pole project is in the works led by Lisa, Charlotte and Mitch.

Those who owe Happy Dollars should time their payments to coincide with Dec. 1, Giving Tuesday. More information to follow.