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Rotary Club Number 6594, Chartered March 26, 1946

Volume XIX – 1 www.WellesleyRotary.org January 8, 2019 Next Meeting—January 22, 2018—7-9PM

<u>Tuesday, January 22,</u> <u>2019</u>— Board Meeting at 5:30 PM - Rick Cram—Plan To Be Your Best—Wellesley College Club—6-8PM

Tuesday, February 5, 2019—Gary Farner— *Climate Reality Project* –Wellesley College Club—6-8PM

<u>Tuesday, February 19,</u> <u>2019</u>— Business & Service Meeting -Wellesley College Club—6-8PM

<u>Tuesday, March 5,</u> <u>2019</u>—George Kenney Wellesley College Club—6-8PM

Tuesday, March 19, 2019—Business & Service Meeting - Wellesley College Club—6-8PM



<u>Rick Cram</u>

The mission of the Rotary Club of Wellesley is to maximize its member's talents, skills and networks in order to provide service to others, with a focus on strengthening local, national and international communities in the areas of literacy, health and education while fostering leadership skills.

Wellesley Rotary Club meets at the <u>Wellesley College Club,</u> <u>727 Washington Street</u>, from 6:00 to 8:00 on the first and third Tuesdays (unless announced otherwise). A sandwich buffet (at a fixed price of \$30) is offered (\$32 if charged). Parking available. Signups required so please look for the President's e-mail.

PLEASE NOTE...

The Rotary *Speaker* meeting is held on the **first Tuesday** of the month and a Service & Fellowship meeting on the **third Tuesday**.

See <u>Upcoming Programs & Events</u> to the left or check the Club website.

Keep up-to-date on District Happenings.

by reading your District Governor's Newsletter. NOTE: On January 22nd, there will be a Club Board meeting at 5:30 PM before the regular Club meeting.

A small group of Rotarians and guests attended the opening 2019 Wellesley Rotary meeting on Tuesday, January 8th. We welcomed Alex Olivera from the Wellesley Hometown Weekly; Paul Falcone from Wellesley Media, Lisa Rogers, and our guest speaker, Michelle Chalmers, President of the World of Wellesley. President Paul Simard opened the meeting with the Pledge followed by a moment of silence (courtesy of Frank Rowbotham). *Happy Dollars* came from: Westerman, Bevilacqua, DeFazio, Adams, Greiman, Price, Rowbotham, Khoury and Simard. **Prez Paul** updated us on the *Camp* for Kids status. Wellesley Rotary is sponsoring 5 campers (\$1500 each) during the first week of July. So far, 4 have signed up (Wellesley Middle School METCO students). We need one more. John Adams reported on the Central Street Holidav Stroll in December. Money was raised to help fight the opioid epidemic. Planning is in the works for the annual Wellesley Rotary major fundraiser, Taste of Wellesley, scheduled for May 2, 2019. We hope to sell 400+ tickets. Michael Price introduced Michelle. She is heavily involved with many organizations "engaging the community" and creating synergy. She gave the origins of WOW in the early 1990's, its mission in trying to ...continued



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MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:00 P.M. Wellesley College Club, 727 Washington St. Wellesley, MA 02482— 781-283-2700

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make Wellesley a welcoming place for everyone. WOW's goal is to team up with local organizations and promote a forum for learning and discussing multi-cultural issues. She hopes to create a common data base of information with Rotary's help. It all depends on what Wellesley wants. She handed out a list of WOW events including the annual MLK breakfast on January 21st at Mass Bay Community College. She also handed out a WOW booklet that appeared in a recent Townsman. In the process is the creation of a "Community Book Read" which encourages inclusion. She touched on promoting the history of indigenous people and replacing Columbus Day in October with "Indigenous People Day" or "Earth Day". A petition is circulating to change this. She assured, that while it is not designed to suppress one ethnic group in favor of another, only 320 signatures have been gathered so far. $\blacktriangle \blacktriangle \blacktriangle \blacktriangle$

DG Steve's Rotarian's Resolutions for 2019:

- *Resolve to bring in at least one new member;*
- *Resolve to contribute more to The Rotary Founda-tion;*
- *Resolve to get involved in one more community service project;*
- *Resolve to participate in a global service project;*
- *Resolve to meet more like-iinded Rotarians from other clubs;*
- Resolve to do business with more Rotarians; and,
- Resolve to **Be The Inspiration**!

Ed. Note: Here's another Scholar sponsored by our District Scholarship Committee of which I am the Chair. Dr. Matthew Johnsen, Ph.D., a professor at Worcester State University, was a Rotary Peace Fellow in 2018 at the Rotary Peace Center at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok Thailand. He was sponsored by the Worcester Rotary Club It's another fascinating and successful way to see how Rotary works towards its goal of world peace and understanding.

....Tory DeFazio.

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Three years ago, I traveled around the world. I was powerfully affected by what I experienced. As a sociologist, I knew about global connections and the ways different parts of the world depend and interact with one another. What I experienced most deeply on this journey, however, were personal connections. The stories of students, tour guides, taxi drivers, hosts, friends, random people met in restaurants, border agents, even people I met on the street flooded my consciousness during the trip. These narratives brought the world together for me, one story at a time. I experienced tremendous hospitality, a warm welcome, openness and friendliness on a journey that took me through 19 countries across three continents. I learned that the life experiences that join us together are much greater than the differences between us. I learned to value each inter action as an opportunity to contribute something

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BIRTHDAYS

Frank Rowbotham—1/18 Mitch Freeman—1/25

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Frank & Barbara Rowbotham—1/31