

One Profits Most Who Serves Best



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Next Meeting—April 16, 2019—4-6PM

Annual Arbor Day event Department of Public Works Garage

<u>The Rotary Club of Wellesley</u> <u>Mission Statement</u>: To serve others with a focus on strengthening communities in the areas of health, education and sustainable living

2019 EREY Campaign is over! Please get your checks, made out to *The Rotary Foundation*, to **Tory DeFazio**, Club Foundation Chair, as soon as possible. Thank you.

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 usually held on the **first Tuesday** of the month and a *Service & Fellowship* meeting on the **third Tuesday**. See <u>Upcoming</u> <u>Programs & Events</u> (left) or check the Club website for more information.

TOMORROW!

Taste of Wellesley—Rotarians are reminded that **Saturday**, **April 6th** is the day to go door-to-door to sell your *Taste of Wellesley* tickets in your neighborhood.

Repair Café: The Rotary Club of Wellesley wants to add REPAIR to the three Rs (reduce, reuse, recycle) program by another Repair Café event. It will be held on Saturday, April 6th from 9:00 AM to Noon at the Wellesley Recreation Center. Repair Cafés are free meeting places and they're all about repairing things (together). At the Repair Café event, you'll find tools and materials to help you make most repairs. Repairs can be made on clothes, furniture, electrical appliances, bicycles, crockery, appliances, toys, etc. You'll also find expert volunteers, with repair skills in all kinds of fields. See you then.

Every year, the Rotary Club of Wellesley purchases and bags 500 tree saplings for distribution to Wellesley fourth graders. This year we will be bagging 500 two year old Ironwood Ostrya Virginiana trees. **Susy Jordon**, Wellesley Town Horticultural technician, hands out the bagged saplings to Wellesley fourth graders for planting around town.

<u>Saturday, April 6,</u> <u>2019</u>—Repair Café SEE RIGHT...

Tuesday, April 16, 2019—Arbor Day annual tree bagging— SEE RIGHT...

Thursday, May 2, 2019—Annual Taste of Wellesley fundraiser— Mass Hort

<mark>Tuesday, May 7,</mark> <u>2019</u>—TBA

<u>Tuesday, May 21,</u> <u>2019</u>—TBA

Tuesday, May 22, 2019 Opioid Forum

<u>Tuesday, May 28,</u> <u>2019</u>—Dinner for the NE Center for Homeless Vets.

<u>Tuesday, June 4,</u> <u>2019</u>—TBA

<u>Tuesday, June 18,</u> <u>2019</u>—Annual Club Installation





SERVICE ABOVE SELF!

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She also teaches a lesson Arbor Day conservation while handing out the trees. Join us in helping to bag 500 saplings at the DPW parking lot from 4 to 6 PM on <u>Tuesday April 16th</u>. All volunteers receive a 20% discount on tickets to the Taste of Wellesley event on May 2nd at Elm Bank.

From Frank Rowbotham...

The speaker for the <u>April 2, 2019</u>, meeting of the Wellesley Rotary Club was **Rebecca Caprara**, a writer of children's books. Rebecca grew up in Harvard, MA and went on to study architecture at Cornell. After practicing as an architect for several years, she embarked on a world-wide tour traveling to over 50 countries with her husband. In addition, she has lived in Italy, Singapore and Canada which along with her travel fulfilled her life-long globe-trotting desire. After the birth of her two children, she shifted her focus to writing. In her talk she described the long and difficult task of getting a book published. She brought her most recent book entitled "*The Magic of Melwick Orchard*" which she autographed for several members who purchased the book.

It might look like I'm doing nothing, but at the cellular level I'm realy quite buzy. *Ed. Note:* Here's our World Peace Scholar, Dr. Matthew Johnsen, Ph.D.'s, continued experience at the Rotary Peace Center at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok Thailand:

When his friend canceled due to what was happening in Czechoslovakia, Nicky decided to spend this time in the city with his friend. While there, he witnessed the perilous position of many and saw what would happen as the Nazis moved across Central Europe. He was moved by their plight, moved into action. With no official role, in a very short period Nicky successfully arranged for 669 Czech and Slovak children to travel to England. He paid their fees, organized transportation, and found sponsors for each child on the cusp of World War II. The story remained untold for over 50 years: Nicholas viewed his work as a failure, because he hadn't helped more children. His motto: "If something isn't blatantly impossible, then there must be a way of doing it.' He died in 2015 at 106 years old leaving us with these words: "don't be content in your life just to do no wrong, be prepared every day to try and do some good.

Wherever we are, we are each called to try to do some good: to act to bring our own visions of peace into the world. Scott Belsky says, "*It's not about ideas, it's about making ideas happen.*" As Peace Fellows, we came to Bangkok with specific opportunities for peacebuilding in our own contexts. While there, the*to be continued*

