

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS & EVENTS....

Tuesday, March 7, 2017—Business & Service Meeting at Blue Ginger—6:00-8PM Thursday, March 9, 2017—Meet the new Rotary International President-elect, Ian Riseley at a special dinner 7-9 PM at the Sheraton Framingham, Framingham, MA \$ 45 per person. <u>Reserve</u> by March 3rd on District website.

Tuesday, March 21, 2017 — Speaker at Blue Ginger — 6:00-8PM Tuesday, March 28, 2017 — March District *Rotary Membership Workshop* — Wellesley Community Center — 7-9PM — PP John Adams coordinating. Friday, April 28 – to-Sunday, April 30, 2017 — District 7910

*<u>2017</u>—District 7910 Conference*—Rhode Island Convention Center in Providence, RI

Thursday, May 4, 2017—6:30-9PM— Taste of Wellesley Fundraiser—6:30-9PM at Elm Bank, 900 Washington Street in Wellesley They Profit Most Who Serve Best



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# **Business & Service Meeting**

at Blue Ginger Restaurant—6-8PM

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———

Important Announcement The next Wellesley Rotary Club meeting will take place from 6:00 to 8PM on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 at Blue Ginger Restaurant, 583 Washington St. in Wellesley Center. Parking and entrance is in the rear. Signups required so please visit the Club's website to register.

Come join us for Rotary District 7910's premier business networking event. Our third event of the year will be held on Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at the Chelmsford Radisson Hotel and Suites, 10 Independence Drive in Chelmsford from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. Meet other Rotarians, learn about their businesses, and share your capabilities with them. Our last event in January drew over 50 Rotarians and guests from over a dozen Rotary clubs! The response to the event was highly enthusiastic. COST: \$20. Rotarians can save \$5 (and pay only \$15) by pre-registering before March 22, 2017. Act quickly! Meeting Format: Informal networking: 5:30-6:00 / Structured networking: 6:00-6:45 / Follow-up and open networking: after 6:45 Light Appetizers and a Cash Bar will be available. Registration ends on February 27, 2017. A list of all registrants will be distributed at the event. Please follow this link to register: http://bit.ly/2k4wgjy.



The above is one example, where boys living in the Navachetana Balanilaya show me the 'Experience Journals' they began writing as part of this project. The administrator, Sr. **Reeta D'Souza**, said that none of these boys had ever communicated an emotion before this program. Elsewhere, in each of the four schools I visited, teachers told me that before they attended our PLDP (Peer Leadership and Depression Prevention )training they personally did not believe depression was a disease of young people. For the first time, as a result of our PLDP project, they now recognize symptoms in their students and have a referral protocol for treatment. They even say they have changed their teaching style; now they do not immediately punish but first attempt to understand what the child is thinking. -Bob Anthony

14 Rotarians and 12 guests gathered at Blue Ginger on Tuesday, February 21st for a Rotary meeting. A scrumptious buffet of Israeli Couscous Salad & Caesar Salad with Chinese croutons along with hot braised short ribs and glazed salmon provided a feast for all. The *Taste of Wellesley* Committee met prior. (*Their next meeting is Monday*, *February 27th at 6PM at Pinnacle*.) ....continued



# SERVICE ABOVE SELF!

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MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:00 P.M. Blue Ginger Restaurant, 583 Washington St. Wellesley, MA 02482—781–283-5790

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President Scott Secrest opened with the Pledge followed by personal introductions around the tables. *Happy Dollars* came from Kell, Anthony, Rowbotham, Secrest and Spoto. We welcomed back Bob Anthony after his successful trip to India on behalf of Rotary. He opened with a 2 minute video giving the overview of the Peer Leadership project. Besides Bob, Vin Spoto, Adam Khouri and Ramnatha Subba Siddi starred. Credit went to Pinnacle Productions! Bob continued with the journey from Wellesley to Puerto Rico to India-Rotary club to Rotary club to Rotary club—spreading the word that "healthy coping skills are needed early in our youth." Bob was privileged to speak at the D3710 District Conference in Goa, India, presenting his "Break Free From Depression" message. He cited some instruction material in English and Hindi in reaching out to key referral partners like psychologists and psychiatrists...and it snowballed from there: 10 Rotarians to 40 high school teachers to 991 students ages 13 to 16 years (see photo on p.1). He covered 4 schools and 2 hostels—all with teaching students about depression (and not to punish first.) An interesting discussion about the Indian caste & tribal system followed. It's a racial situation there where black Indians are looking for proper status in their society.

### <u>2017 Wellesley Rotary</u> <u>EVERY ROTARIAN EVERY YEAR</u> <u>(EREY) Campaign</u>

runs for only **one month** (MARCH) this year! Club Rotarians are asked to contribute to **The** 

**Rotary Foundation** in this annual drive. Here are the contributions made over the last three years (includes matching funds): <u>2016</u>— **\$ 7,250**; <u>2015</u>— **\$ 7,425**; <u>2014</u>— **\$ 8,660**. This year we are increasing the matching amount to \$200 (until the money (\$3000) runs out). If you contribute up to \$200 the Club will match it towards your Paul Harris. So, the first lucky 15 donors who contribute \$200 will receive a matching \$200 from Wellesley Rotary. Be the first to contribute! Make your check out to The Rotary Foundation and send it along to Tory DeFazio and he will forward it along with your match to TRF. If you would like to know your contribution status please contact Tory DeFazio, Club RF

Chair—781-235-0265.

Lets make this year another successful campaign!

**BIRTHDAYS** Toby Kell—2/22

## <u>ANNIVERARIES</u>

Romeo & Mrs. Adams—2/4 Vin & Sheila Juliani—2/17