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# *The Wellesley Rotascope*

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## ***Visioning*** for Wellesley Rotary & ***Monthly Business Meeting***

**Thursday, July 9th—**  
7PM via ZOOM—  
**D7910 Installation & Celebration** with incoming **DG Diana Nestorova** and outgoing **DG Pam Anastasi**. Register (by July 8th) at: <https://rotary7910.org/event/district-installation/>

**Tuesday, July 21st—**  
6:30 PM via ZOOM -  
“**Visioning**” meeting with **AG Susan Peghiny** and **Chair Ron Faccenda**, and Business Meeting

**Tuesday, August 4th—**  
6:30 PM via ZOOM -  
**Annual DG visit.**

**Tuesday, August 18th—**TBA



### ***The Rotary Club of Wellesley***

#### ***Mission Statement:***

***To serve others with a focus on strengthening communities in the areas of health, education and sustainable living***

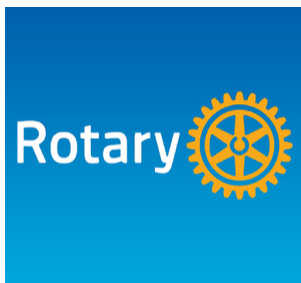
At the Board Meeting on **Tuesday, July 7th** President Vin covered a number of topics affecting his year at President...

- Financials ably presented by Treasurer, **John Adams**
- Meeting formats for the year: Online for Speakers? / Traditional for Service? ...to be evaluated monthly
- Yearly calendar
- Members to host meetings (topics & assignments)
- Making Service Meetings more interesting (projects? Committees? Rotary “focus”?, etc.)
- Encouraging Member participation
- Public relations (ideas to involve members and the community)
- Dues for the 2020-2021 will remain the same (\$350) for the year.

Vin announced that Rotary International has added another Goal: ***Supporting our Environment***. (The other six are: ***Peace & Conflict Resolution; Disease Prevention and Treatment; Clean Water and Sanitation; Maternal and Child Health; Basic Education and Literacy***, and ***Economic and Community Development***.)

Hope you join DG Diana at her Installation on **Thursday, July 9th** (see link to the left). Wellesley will be included with other District Rotary clubs (Newton, Framingham, Westborough, Concord, Bedford & Billerica) who have done positive things during the pandemic crisis. To watch ***Rotary In Action—Covid-19***, a dazzling 1 minute YouTube video, click on: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I\\_B2JmR6SdE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I_B2JmR6SdE) (See **Amelia Childs** flip those crepes!)

Our first meeting of the year was held via Zoom on **Tuesday, July 7th**. The one hour included 21 Rotarians & guests looking in and participating. After the Pledge and an Invocation by **Toby Kell** we had ***Happy Dollars*** from: **Rowbotham, Ginn, Westerman, Spoto, Shellito & DeFazio**. President Vin announce that 500 face-masks have been given to MassBay; \$30K for front line workers (see ***Wellesley Rotary Taste of Wellesley Restaurant Plan*** on p. 2), and 250 face shields for retailers uptown. He then introduced **State Representative Alice Peisch** who gave us an overview of the last few months on Legislative activity since Governor Baker called a State of Emergency in March. According to Peisch, the Legislature “rose to the challenge” to appropriate \$ 15 million despite “virtual” hearings and “remote sessions. The reopening has been... *...continued*



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**MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:00 P.M.**  
**Wellesley College Club, 727 Washington St.**  
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“slow and cautious.” Revenues have been difficult to figure out but it is expected there will be a 6-8 billion dollar deficit (The State budget for 2020 was \$43.3 billion). Public transportation has been heatedly discussed and offers challenges in the future. There was discussion about State aid to Special Education.

Many interesting Q&A’s included: the prospect of “virtual” changes remaining in the future for families and workers; hoping for help from the Federal Government; the possibility of a “special tax” to help defray the enormous expenses incurred, as well as possible “limited borrowing”; the priority of education remaining high with the advent of on-line learning; looking at the positive side of the pandemic including “productivity”, “generosity”, “improved technology” and “resourcefulness”; Legislative involvement in police reform including policy, unions, and militarization of the police force in the State.

Our thanks to Representative Peisch, noting she has been our popular Representative since 2002!

**Want to learn more about Rotary?** The Learning Center for Rotarians has been redesigned ([rotary.org/learn](http://rotary.org/learn)). See all the ways you can use the new Center including a learning plan for your role in the Club’s administration. Included are basics for Service Projects; Public Image; The Rotary Foundation; Membership as well as information on being Treasurer, Secretary & President. Take advantage of this great learning tool and be knowledgeable about your administrative role.

For information and how to contribute to the **Wellesley Rotary Taste of Wellesley Restaurant Plan** visit **gofundme page link:** [https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-wellesley-restaurants?utm\\_source=customer&utm\\_medium=copy\\_link&utm\\_campaign=p\\_cf+share-flow-1](https://www.gofundme.com/f/support-wellesley-restaurants?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1)

**(As of June 30th the Recovery Plan had received \$27,222) with 210 donors**

**Please plan to contribute if you haven’t already, or think about contributing again. It is much appreciated!**

*Make sure you contribute to Wellesley Rotary’s **Every Rotarian Every Year Campaign** concluded at the end of June 2020. Please get your committed checks to Tory DeFazio as soon as possible. Thanks...*

**Our 2020 Goal is \$6,000**  
**(\$1,000 remain in matching!)**

**(As of June 30th we have received \$5,400)**

Contact Tory (781-235-0265) if you have any questions.

## **BIRTHDAYS**

**Donna Armentano—7/2**  
**Amelia Childs—7/26**

## **ANNIVERSARIES**