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The Wellesley Rotascope

Rotary Club Number 6594, Chartered March 26, 1946

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October 6, 2020

Tuesday, October 20, 2020— *A Look at Modernism—Addicted to Americana, Celebrating Classic American Lifestyle.* Hosted by Fred Wright

Tuesday, November 3, 2020—Food Insecurity

Tuesday, November 17, 2020—TBA

Tuesday, December 1, 2020—*Club Visioning* followed by fundraising discussion.

Tuesday, December 15, 2020—TBA



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MODERNISM

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

Keep up-to-date on District Happenings...

Visit the District website
(rotary7910.org)

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 Upcoming Programs & Events (left) or check the Club website for more information.

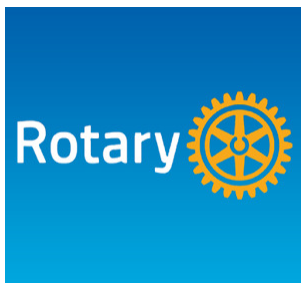
For the foreseeable future Wellesley Rotary will be meeting via ZOOM. Visit the Club's website for more details (www.WellesleyRotary.org).

Wellesley Rotary recently received notice from D7910 that their **District Grant** application was approved. The \$3,000 award has been added to by a Club donation of \$8,000 plus private donations for a total of **\$ 12,500**. This contribution to the Mass Bay Foundation will help 33 students at MBCC to continue their education this Fall/Spring. Congratulations and thanks to Rotary!

Join us on Thursday, October 8th from 6 to 7:30 PM for an online event in support of MassBay students with Jack Abby Brewery led by co-owner and master brewer, **Jack Hender**. Pick up your beer and sip along (virtually!) with others and help support the MassBay Student Emergency Grant Fund. Registration required. Go to: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/jacks-abby-virtual-beer-tasting-registration-117661052375>

15 signed on the October 6th meeting with **John Adams** hosting. After the Pledge, and an Invocation by **Toby Kell** we had *Happy Dollars* from **Armentano, Rowbotham, Adams, Spoto, Long and Kaiser**. John targeted Frank for his "pun" Challenge of the week. Everyone congratulated **Amelia Childs** on her engagement! **Tory DeFazio** inducted **Dede Long** as our newest member. **John Adams** showed photos of Rotary planting at the Police Station involving him, **Nora Pou, Prez Vin, Fred Wright, Frank Rowbotham** along with **Suzie Jordon**, Town Horticulturist. Vin gave an update on the Presidential & Project Updates:

- A reminder about the December 1, 2020 Visioning Meeting.
- On October 7th over 1500 masks were delivered as part of the "Kids Helping Kids" project. ...continued



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MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:00 P.M.
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- Contact **Julie Ginn** at MBCC for “mentoring” information.
 - For the Jack Abby event **see p. 1— top right.**
 - 150 meals were delivered to the NE Center for Homeless Vets two weeks ago.
 - **Amy Letteney** gave an update on the Mass Bay Foundation to help returning students pay off their previous balances. **See p. 1- - bottom left.**
 - An anonymous donor has pledge **\$ 5,000** to be matched by Rotarians. The \$10K will help with ongoing WRC projects. Contact **Tory DeFazio** for details.
 - **Andrea Kaiser** gave an update on the pet contest fundraiser. Another meeting next Monday is planned.
 - **Nora Pou** gave an update on the “Food Insecurity” fundraiser being planned. MBCC Rotaract is involved.
 - WRC Board approved applying for a Global Grant in support of **Bob Anthony’s** “Break Free From Depression” program in India. **Malini Prabhu** will head.
- Prez Vin concluded with comments about the success of making the world polio-free thanks to Rotary.
- John Adams** introduced guest speaker **Julian Hill** who spoke from his home in East Hartford, Connecticut.. He gave a very inspirational talk about his growing up and confronting challenges not usually experienced by others. In a deeply personal and engaging presentation, he spoke from the heart, rising to end the demons he faced.
- “Victory is won with many advisors” he counselled. His spirit wasn’t broken he found out he had life with new opportunities and purpose. Today he helps others by sharing his experiences. His advice was to have faith in yourself. Don’t wallow in the circumstance but search for progress! Develop a love of self and self esteem.
- “Yes, I am a victor and not a victim.” ● ● ● ●

Important changes in Global Grants from The Rotary Foundation by K.R. Ravindran, Chair.

Conclude... This means that sponsors can use DDF, cash, directed gifts, or endowment earnings to make up the minimum \$30,000 budget that they need for their grant activity. While everyone would understandably prefer to receive a World Fund match, this proposal allows those with DDF to be able to look for alternative sources of funding and still access DDF for global grant activity, even if no World Fund is available. Of course, all of the usual global grant eligibility criteria would still apply to these grants. Global grants are the Foundation’s premiere and flagship grant activity, so the quality standards for these activities will never be compromised.

In conclusion, let me again draw your attention to the challenging times we had been presented with—not that you needed to be reminded. It would be appropriate then to commend to you the words of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.: “*The ultimate measure of a person is not where they stand at times of comfort and convenience, but where they stand at times of challenge and controversy.*”

I pray that you will be well and you will be safe, my friends. We have an interesting year ahead of us. But we will endure.

Sincerely, K.R. Ravindran Chair, The Rotary Foundation 2020-2021 (and the Board of Directors, & Trustees.)

BIRTHDAYS

Dan Juliani—10/21
Susan Bevilacqua—10/23
Fred Wright—10/28
Malini Prabhu—10/31

ANNIVERSARIES

Matt & Dede Long—10/6
Malini & Sanjay Prabhu—10/10
Dan & Kenna Juliani—10/12