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# The Wellesley Rotascope

Rotary Club Number 6594, Chartered March 26, 1946

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**Friday, December 10, 2021**—District Holiday Party—5-9PM at the Groton Inn, Groton MA—\$ 35 per person—RSVP on District website.

**Tuesday, December 21, 2021**— Norfolk County Sheriff Patrick McDermott—6:30 PM

**Tuesday, January 4, 2022**— *Holiday Gathering at the home of De-de Long*

**Tuesday, January 18, 2022**—TBA

**Tuesday, February 1, 2022**—Service & Fellowship Meeting—6:30 PM

**Tuesday, February 15, 2022**—TBA

**Tuesday, March 1, 2022**— Service & Fellowship Meeting—6:30 PM

**Tuesday, March 15, 2022**— TBA

## Norfolk County Sheriff Patrick McDermott Club Holiday Party on Jan 4th

### 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*

### PLEASE NOTE...

A *Service & Fellowship* meeting is usually held on the **first Tuesday of the month** and a Rotary Speaker 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](http://www.WellesleyRotary.org)).

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

Visit the District website ([rotary710.org](http://rotary710.org))

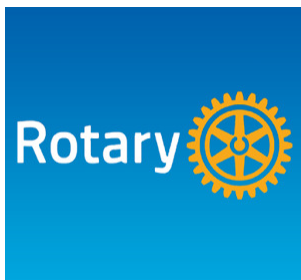
*The Weston-Wayland Rotary Club is selling beautiful Christmas trees in their magically lit and decorated space across from the Golden Ball Tavern in Weston. Sales have been going on since Friday, November 26th and will continue until sales are complete.*

*Visit their website for hours..*

President **Linda Tighe** opened the meeting followed by an Invocation by **Toby Kell**. 18 were present. Happy Dollars came from **Armentano, DeFazio, Rowbotham, Bevilacqua, Westerman, Spoto and Adams** (who announced that \$22,892 had been turned over to the Wellesley Rotary Foundation account). Prez Linda thanked the Club once again for their participation in the successful fundraiser, *Dinner On Us!* Everyone thanks Linda for her leadership! **Tory DeFazio** inducted **Diane Jordan** as the Club’s newest member. There were remembrances about **Brian Sullivan**. Linda then introduced our guest speakers from ....*continued*

The following individual has been proposed for membership in the Rotary Club of Wellesley. If you have any comments please make them to the President within ten days of receipt of this notice.

<u>Name</u> <b>Jim Flynn</b> 18 Bow St. Wellesley Hills, MA 02481	<u>Classification</u> <b>Photographer</b>	<u>Sponsored by:</u> <b>Bill Westerman</b>
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The Rotary Club of Wellesley, Inc., P.O. Box 81206  
Wellesley Hills, MA 02481

**MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:30 P.M.**  
(See our calendar on page one)

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the World of Wellesley, **Rama Ramaswamy** and **Christina Horner**, co-presidents. Their mission is: *To work with other institutions and organizations to host events, projects and programs that will foster an anti-racist and anti-bias community where diversity, equity and inclusion are fully embraced.* They showed a video celebrating 30 years in Wellesley.

**Richard McGhee**, **Terry Todesco** (founder and Rotarian!), **Sajida Khudairi** and others, documented the events following the unfortunate **Dee Brown** incident at the Wellesley Hills Post Office. There was discussion about diversity and human relations and improving the culture through exposure to the arts. "Wellesley has embraced the World of Wellesley."

It is know for its annual Martin Luther King Breakfasts in January, the Diversity Essay contests at the Wellesley Middle School, the Wellesley Theater Project and the Global Heritage Festival among many others. There was much discussion afterwards including the many current activities, role of Rotary in WOW, liaison with the League of Woman Voters, high school students and "fireside chats". WOW is interested if Rotary would collaborate on future events about race, class and gender. Comments were made about recent bullying at the high school and how to reach out to them, the involvement of Asian Americans in Wellesley and the recent interview that President Linda had with the Weston Wellesley magazine. People with disabilities suffer by being discriminated against in many activities. ♥



**A personal message to Wellesley Rotarians..**

We've had a request from an MBA grad student from India for housing near the Babson College campus. She is a President's Scholar and a Women's Leadership Scholar at Olin Graduate School.. This graduate student, although not a Rotary Scholar, is sponsored by a Rotary club in western India. She will be here for two years, graduating in 2023.

At the present time she is living in Newton under less-than-ideal conditions. Olin at Babson is unable to provide on-campus housing and there is a long waiting list for off-campus housing.

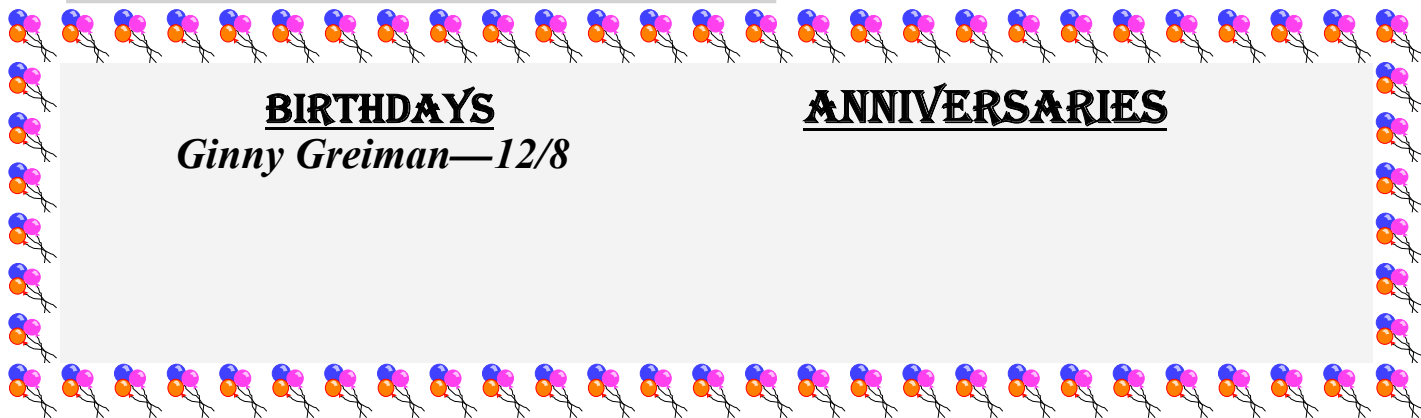
If any Wellesley Rotarian knows of accommodations near the campus, preferably within walking distance, please let me know.

I hope all of you get to know her during her stay. She is interested in Rotary and has great support from the Rotary club in India.

If you know of any leads please let me know so we can help her out.

Many thanks.

Tory DeFazio (781-235-0265), Wellesley Rotary.



**BIRTHDAYS**

***Ginny Greiman—12/8***

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