

The Wellesley Rotascope

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November 2, 2021

<u>Tuesday, November</u> <u>16, 2021</u>— *Dinner On Us!* Drawing –6:30 PM

Tuesday, December 7, 2021— Service & Fellowship Meeting—6:30 PM

Tuesday, December 21, 2021— Holiday Gathering at the home of Dede Long

Tuesday, January 4, 2022— Service & Fellowship Meeting—6:30 PM

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

DINNER ON US! Drawing!!

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 <u>Upcoming Programs & Events</u> (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).

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

Visit the District website (rotary710.org)

Join us for a sumptuous meal and the drawing of winners of the "Dinner On Us! Fundraiser - Village Church, 2 Central St. Wellesley Center (basement level) on 11/16 @ 6:30 PM President Linda Tighe opened the Zoom Service and Fellowship Meeting on November 2nd with the Pledge followed by an invocation by **Toby Kell**. 16 were present including prospective member, Diane Jordan. Happy Dollars came from Rowbotham, Armentano, Hayden, **Grimm** and **Tighe**. We wished John Adams a Happy Birthday (no singing!). Prez Linda announced the total sales for Dinner On Us! was \$16,235 as of that evening. She gave a brief explanation about Rotary Wavelength, a new District directory and engagement tool. It serves as a high tech means of "Rotarians helping Rotarians". She also thanked Gary **Arthur** for hitting the social network in his ticket sales. According to Gary, "people were begging to buy.". Frank Rowbotham, Vin Spoto and John Adams sold \$400 worth just this afternoon. Paper tickets have sold 400 out of 500 available. The rest are online purchases. Expenses are estimated to be between \$7 and \$8,000. Linda reported selling tickets to the Natick Rotarians. On-line sales are encouraging. Restaurants are selling theirs as well. Promotional videos with Police Chief Pilecki and TV personality Dan Rae are in the works. She urged us to "keep pushing!". Linda was pleased that everything has been "a real success so far"!

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

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The Raffle drawing is scheduled for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 16th</u> (as our regular Rotary meeting) to by held in the Village Church in Wellesley Square.) **Gary Arthur** will prepare a "victory" meal. It will be livestreamed. Linda will be coming out with reservation information soon. Discussion centered on including Rotaractors from MassBay?, veterans?, and maybe other dignitaries. Everyone agreed to make it an event for the community to be aware of. Prez Linda reminded that the Rotary Holiday party is scheduled for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>December 21st</u>. More information will be coming. **Patrick Hayden** offered to provide music.

At a brief Board meeting which followed the regular meeting, 10 were present. President Linda discussed the status of annual <u>Club Sponsorships</u> as originated by **John Adams**. This is a new direction for the Club and it includes 4 basic categories (Diamond/ Platinum/Gold & Silver). "Friends of Wellesley Rotary" was added as an entry level of contribution. The hope is to target certain large businesses and individuals. In addition she would like to see the website revamped with more design, and a special page emphasizing the Sponsors. Andrea Kaiser suggested holding an "Appreciation Event". There was discussion about how much to raise; how much to be applied to charity, and how much to Club administration; and, what constitutes a "calendar year". It was suggested that old Sponsor lists be reviewed for leads.

Please join us via Zoom on **November 15th** at 6:30 PM as we welcome special guest speaker **Judith Black**. Judith will speak to us about the proposed Peabody fossil fuel power plant, an oil and gas-fueled power generator proposed by the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company designed to operate during periods of peak demand. Judith will explain how adding another fossil fuel power plant is inconsistent with the need to reduce our dependence on such fuels, and how climate issues like this impact our communities from social and environmental justice perspectives. Join us for this timely presentation which Judith designed based on our Four Way Test.

Judith Black is a professional storyteller and climate activist. Featured on stages from the Montreal Comedy Festival to The Smithsonian Institution, to the Art Museum of Cape Town, to Hebrew University in Jerusalem, she has appeared 14 times at the National Storytelling Festival and is the winner of the Oracle Award, storytelling's most coveted laurel, the Brother Blue Award, and many others. Judith is a founding member of Sustainable Marblehead, a Rotarian, very active in 350 MASS, a fanatic organic gardener, and teaches this performing art.

Please register (D7910 website) to obtain the zoom link for the meeting. The link will be sent out on Monday, November 15th prior to our meeting.

BIRTHDAYS

John Adams—11/2 Andrea Kaiser—11/4 Nora Pou—11/11 Vin Spoto—11/23 Paul Simard—11/28

ANNIVERSARIES

Andrea & Don Kaiser - 11/4 Ellen & Michael Kreopolides—11/26 Ginny Greiman & Steve Bergstrom—11/30