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The Wellesley Rotascope

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Tuesday, January 4, 2022 — ROTARACT at MBCC. — 6:30 PM

<u>Tuesday, January 18,</u> <u>2022</u>—TBA

<u>Tuesday, February 1,</u> <u>2022</u>—Service & Fellowship Meeting—6:30 PM

<u>Tuesday, February 15,</u> <u>2022</u>—TBA

<u>Tuesday, March 1,</u> <u>2022</u>— Service & Fellowship Meeting—6:30 PM

Tuesday, March 15, 2022— TBA Happy Holidays!

<u>The Rotary Club of Wellesley</u> <u>Mission Statement</u>: 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)

What did the third wise salesman say after his friends had already presented gold and frankincense? "But wait—there's myrrh!" Our *Holiday Gathering* scheduled for Tuesday, January 4th **has been cancelled** due to the COVID situation. Our thanks to **Dede Long** for offering her home for the party.

We welcomed 13 at our meeting on December 21st including Sheriff Patrick McDermott and Francis from the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office. The meeting began with the Pledge followed by a Moment of Silence. Happy Dollars came from Westerman, Rowbotham, Adams, Spoto, Armentano, Long & Tighe. The members agreed to cancelled the planned Holiday Gathering with the hopes it can be held later. We also welcomed Robert Huttig from MassBayCC. Donna Armentano announced the Club's Foundation account now holds \$ 51,210.95. Linda introduced our guest speaker, Sheriff McDermott. He has been county sheriff for a year and he gave his background and duties. His office is at the NC Corrections Facility in Dedham which has 300 presently incarcerated. He outlined his priority education programs including "prevention, intervention and protection". Other topics included handling of behavioral health, the opioid epidemic, checking on seniors and "distracted drivers". "There's a lot going on", he commented. He fielded many interesting questions. ...continued



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

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Congratulations to **Rotarian Gary Arthur** for being selected as one of the *2021 EveryDay Heroes* presented in the <u>Boston Sunday Globe</u>—(12/19/21): Founder, Village Table—Wellesley Village Church. Both food and community are important to chef **Gary Samuel Arthur**. So, he founded Village Table, a program through which about 50 volunteers create restaurant quality meals for people experiencing food insecurity. The program distributes over 1,000 meals a month to food banks, community fridges, recovery centers, and more

Ten were present for the Board meeting called by **President Linda Tighe** following the December 7th meeting. Bill Westerman announced his sponsorship of a new member, Jim Flynn. All restaurants that participated in the Dinner On Us! Fundraiser will receive a thank you. Also a photo of the winners is planned. A donation to the Wellesley Friendly Aid was agreed to. There was discussion about establishing annual Club Sponsorships following the categories prepared by John Adams. Paul Simard's input was valued for approaching banks and auto dealers. It was agreed that Sponsorships need more follow-through including a market/media plan. The Board was reminded that in 2022 the *Taste of Wellesley* is scheduled for **Thursday**, **May** 12th and the annual Veterans Parade for Sunday, May 22nd. Nora Pou brought up the question about the goal for fundraising this year. John Adams reviewed the Project Budget list with the Board. Dear Wellesley Rotarians... Thank you for supporting The Rotary Foundation's Annual Fund during 2021.

When every Rotarian gives every year, it makes *Doing Good in the World* possible. Our Foundation's Annual Fund pays for local and international grant projects that improve lives close to home and around the world. Your contributions help us promote peace, improve people's health, provide quality education, respond to disasters, and protect the environment.

Thanks to *Every Rotarian, Every Year* support in 2020-21, we accomplished more than ever:

- Rotarians gave more than \$139 million to the Annual Fund.
- The Foundation awarded more than 2,000 global grants.

We can take on life-changing, sustainable projects because of donors like you, who give at least \$25 every year to our Annual Fund. When every Rotarian gives every year, no challenge is too great for us to make a difference.

Thank you for your generous support.

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BIRTHDAYS Ginny Greiman—12/8