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# *The Wellesley Rotascope*

Rotary Club Number 6594, Chartered March 26, 1946

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January 18, 2022

**Saturday, January 22, 2022**—*Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) -in person-* at the Assabet Valley Regional Technical HS in Marlboro—signup at [www.RLINEA.org](http://www.RLINEA.org)

**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



## **Service & Fellowship** **6:30 PM via ZOOM**



### **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)).

Many (above) were present for our January 18th meeting via ZOOM. We welcomed **Nathan Persampieri**, Rotaractor & VP of Student Affairs for the Student Government Association (SGA); **Robert Huttig**, Rotaractor & Student Trustee at MBCC; **Keith Miller**, Rotaractor & Co-President, and **Ken Masson**, Rotarian and President of the Rotary Club of World Disability Advocacy. **President Linda** opened with the Pledge followed by an Invocation by **Toby Kell**. **Happy Dollars:** **Ginn, Spoto, Wright, Adams, Tighe, Rowbotham**. **Donna Armentano** announced a check has been written for \$6K from the Club's Foundation account. \$2K is expected as a District Grant. Volunteers are need to help at **Gary Arthur's Village Table** ...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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Prez Linda would like to hold a “brainstorming” session on Sunday, January 23rd at 4PM to gather ideas for a Club fundraiser and determine the outcome of the *Taste of Wellesley* for this year. **Julie Ginn** introduced the ROTARCT speakers and **Ken Masson** who described his new Rotary Club of 20 members as international (2 Rotarians and 18 new ones). He retired to Medellin, Columbia from where he was Zooming. Chartered by Rotary International last June, the Club serves as a voice for human rights for disabilities, the largest minority group in the world. It is a broad subject with many goals, and the Club hopes to help resolve problems and overcome obstacles. He would like Wellesley Rotary join as a “Friend”. Each Rotaractor explained their role. “These Rotaractors do a lot!”, commented Julie. Ideas on helping the elderly (avoid cyber-scams & getting engaged in the community) were presented. Julie would like to see Wellesley Rotary get more involved. **Vin Spoto** offered the *Better Business Bureau* as a resource. **Amelia Schwartzman** is looking for help in her business. Housing for students was another idea, and funding for basic non-academic needs. MBCC Rotaractors appreciate all the opportunities offered by Rotary and looks forward to continued support, “working in the community and staying connected”. Following the meeting 9 Board members stayed on to discuss other Club ideas to help, Cultural Council involvement, budgeting, and further community outreach. ○○○○○

**Dear Rotarians and Rotaractors.....(continued):**

What was apparent from my visit to Pakistan is that we need to take full measures to seize this current opportunity to say goodbye to the wild polio virus and its variants. The front-line workers are finding their ways down the dusty alleys in hopeful villages. We also need to find the generosity in our hearts to fulfill the dream of a polio free world.

Please at this crucial time, go to [endpolio.org](http://endpolio.org) and read the latest facts. Share them within your clubs. Make a contribution yourself to the Rotary Foundation earmarking the donation for PolioPlus, have a club activity to raise funds for polio eradication, give a club contribution and encourage your Rotary District to allocate funds from their District Designated Funds. And remember, all donations to PolioPlus are matched 2 to 1 by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Thank you to all of you for all that you do and all the best for the holidays.

Warm regards

**Mike McGovern**, Member of the Rotary Club of South Portland-Cape Elizabeth, Maine; Chair of the Rotary International PolioPlus Committee

**BIRTHDAYS**

***Frank Rowbotham—1/18***

**ANNIVERSARIES**

***Vin & Elaine Spoto—1/5***

***Frank & Barbara Rowbotham—1/31***