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The Wellesley Rotascope

Rotary Club Number 6594, Chartered March 26, 1946

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Tuesday, January 3, 2023— Service & Fellowship Meeting

Tuesday, January 17, 2023—WHS Exchange Student from Pakistan

Tuesday, February 7, 2023—TBD

Tuesday, February 21, 2023—Metrowest Women’s Fund

Tuesday, March 7, 2023—

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 -

Tuesday, April 4, 2023— Prajakta Jagtap

Tuesday April 18, 2023—Annual Arbor Day tree bagging at the Wellesley DPW.



Happy Holidays!

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 and 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.

To see if the upcoming meeting is held in person or via ZOOM visit the Club’s website:

www.WellesleyRotary.org

Keep up-to-date on District Happenings

Visit the District website—
rotary7910.org

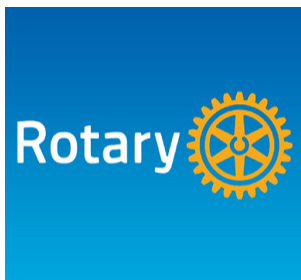
Support **Prajakta Jagtap** at Babson College with her living expenses. Contribute at:
<https://gofund.me/4890e8d0>

The Rotaract Club at MassBay is running a coat drive. If you have any coat (s) that you would like to donate to this cause please contact Prez Bill.

Nine gathered for our December 13th Service & Fellowship meeting: **John Adams, Donna Armentano, Tory DeFazio, Patrick Hayden, Dan LaRochelle, Frank Rowbotham, Paul Simard** and **Vin Spoto** and President **Bill Westerman**. Following the Pledge and Invocation there were *Happy Dollars* from **Westerman, Rotbotham, Simard, Spoto** and **Adams**. **Tory DeFazio** inducted **Dan LaRochelle** as Wellesley Rotary’s newest member. Welcome Dan!

Treasurer **John Adams** reported a net of \$10K from the 2022 “*Dinner On US!*” campaign. More social marketing is needed. Prez Bill presented the status of *Village Table* now that Chef **Gary Arthur** has left the area. The interest in continuing will be looked at in an upcoming survey to all members. He also reported on the recent Wellesley-Needham Football banquet and the need to prepare early since we host in 2023. There was discussion about the upcoming (May 2023) *Taste of Wellesley*. Details from previous TOW were reviewed. Congratulations to **Amelia Schwartzman** for agreeing to be our President in 2024-2025! The meeting ended with a review of the 2023 meeting calendar thus far.

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MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:30 P.M.
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From President Bill...

I want to thank **Dede Long** for hosting and **Patrick Hayden** for providing musical entertainment for the First Annual "Post COVID" Rotary Holiday Party on Saturday night (December 3rd)!

Dede, Matt, her husband, and daughter **Sydney**, were very gracious in ensuring the guests had food and drink and were comfortable during the event. The house was decorated in every nook and cranny with care for the holidays and helped to put everyone in a positive holiday spirit.

Sydney dressed up as the *Cindy Lou Who* character from *The Grinch* (story/movie). Fortunately, the Grinch did not make an appearance and Cindy Lou contributed to the fun atmosphere for the party. At the end of the event she also demonstrated her incredible balancing skills with her Hover Board!

While planning the party, Dede offered that she had a baby grand piano for holiday songs. **VP Patrick Hayden** played guitar for an hour of holiday music and was accompanied by vocalist **Dr. Shira Doron**, a Wellesley resident, who is the head of Infectious Diseases at Tufts Medical. She has an incredible voice!

I also want to thank all of the participants for contributing food and drink for the party. We had quite a feast and there was no "food insecurity" at this event!

Happy Holidays! **Bill Westerman**,
President, Rotary Club of Wellesley

Thoughts for Wellesley Rotarians at this time of year...

- ◆ Until we eradicate polio, it is still a paralyzing threat to children everywhere.
- ◆ In the Dominican Republic, biosand water filters are used to provide clean water.
- ◆ In Ecuador, grant funding provides vital personal protective equipment and training to help protect communities from COVID.
- ◆ The WASH in Schools program provides hand washing stations, clean water, and teacher training to educate students on better hygiene practices.
- ◆ Newborns start their lives healthy when hospitals have up-to-date equipment to care for babies in their first moments.
- ◆ Tools and training support ecotourism businesses in Costa Rica and expand opportunities for local female entrepreneurs.

BIRTHDAYS

Ginny Greiman—12/8

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