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The Wellesley Rotascope

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March 7, 2023

Tuesday, March 21, 2023—Service & Fellowship meeting— 6:30 to 8PM

Tuesday, April 4, 2023— Prajakta Jagtap

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

Tuesday, May 2, 2023—TBA

Thursday, May 4, 2023— *Taste of Wellesley*—fundraiser— Elm Bank (6:30—9:00 PM)

Tuesday, May 16, 2023—TBA

Saturday, May 20, 2023— **ROTARY DAY OF SERVICE**



Service & Fellowship Meeting

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:

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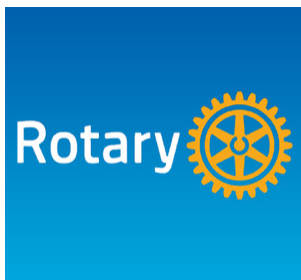
Keep up-to-date on District Happenings

Visit the District website—
rotary7910.org

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

We’ve raise \$ **1,100** towards our goal of \$ **6K** in Wellesley Rotary’s 2023 *Every Rotarian Every Year* campaign—a great start but don’t miss out! Get your contribution to **Tory DeFazio**, with your check payable to **The Rotary Foundation**, before **June 1st** and get matched by Wellesley Rotary for up to \$ 200. Earn your first Paul Harris Fellow or move on to a multiple PHF. Contact Tory for more information.

President **Bill Westerman** opened our March 7th meeting held at MBCC Board Room on Tuesday, March 7, 2023. After the Pledge there was a Moment of Silence followed by Introductions by those present. *Happy Dollars* came from: **Westerman, Adams, Wright, Simard, Rowbotham, Armentano, DeFazio and Spoto**. **John Adams** reported on the plans for the upcoming “*Taste of Wellesley*” (May 4th at Elm Bank). Planning meetings are being held at **Andrea Kaiser’s** home weekly (Sundays at 5:30 PM). He reviewed ticket sales, posters and fliers (**Vin Spoto**), and other details. Discussion about the Metrowest Women’s Fund resulted in the need for more information so we need to get back to them. **Vin** brought up the “Pooch Parade” on May 20th. It is renamed “Puppy in the Park” this year and in partnership with the Wellesley Celebrations...*continued*



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MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:30 P.M.
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Committee, focusing on animals in distress in Ukraine. On a motion, Wellesley Rotary approved a donation of \$ 5,000 for this effort. Additional funds will come from a \$ 20 entrance fee. Rotarians have been cordially invited by Wellesley Kiwanis to their annual St. Patrick's Day party, this year on Friday, March 17th, 12 noon at the Village Church. Please RSVP if you plan to attend. John introduced our guest speaker, **Doug Peck** from Southboro speaking on behalf of "Seniors Helping Seniors", a private franchised company operating in Metrowest Boston. "Aging is a gift, an opportunity to do things you never were able to do. Today is the youngest you're ever going to be!" He outlined its mission ("improve dignity and the quality of life") and the high interest Seniors have to age in place but not feel isolated. Goals are to keep healthy, keep a high quality of life and be a "friendly neighbor". He described the situation today, how services are made known ("a challenge"), and the benefits gained. SHS operates out of Reading, PA as a private company. Their franchises, operated among other activities include a "memory café", going out to dinner, home health care and making social experiences available. They work with "Aging Lifecare Specialists" to enhance their operation and outreach. Discussion followed including the mention of the local "Wellesley Neighbors" which provides similar services in town, approaching the Wellesley Council on Aging (a public entity), and the growing market. ✓

The Rotary Foundation's Turkey/Syria Disaster Response Fund

Dear Rotarians...

Disasters can devastate a community without warning, leaving people in urgent need of medical care, housing, and other basics they need to survive. In response to recent earthquakes in the region, The Rotary Foundation invites contributions to the Turkey/Syria Disaster Response Fund to support member-led projects that provide supplies and health care to people who have been affected. Together, we can offer our support to these communities: - Donate to the Turkey/Syria Disaster Response Fund; - Fundraise among your colleagues, friends, and family using *Raise for Rotary*; - Learn how Rotary members are helping. Your gift will make priority funding available for disaster recovery and support for Turkey and Syria through disaster response grants.

Jennifer Jones, Rotary International President
& Ian H.S. Riseley, Rotary Foundation Chair

BIRTHDAYS

Bill Westerman—3/23

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