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# The Wellesley Rotascope

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**Tuesday, October 22, 2024 - International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW)—MBCC Library Atrium—6:30-8PM**

**Tuesday, November 5, 2024—Service & Friendship meeting—MBCC Board Room—6:30 PM**

**Tuesday, November 19, 2024—Lands Sake Farm in Weston and Food Insecurity with Pam Hess - MBCC Library Atrium—6:30—8PM. Also, drawing for the 2024 DOU fundraiser!**

**Monday, November 25, 2024—Needham/Wellesley Football Banquet, hosted by Needham Rotary in Needham.**

**Tuesday, December 3, 2024—The Resilient Project—NW Hospital—MBCC**

**Tuesday, December 17, 2024—TBA**



## IFAW—MBCC Library Atrium

### 6:30 to 8 PM

### 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 Friendship* 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

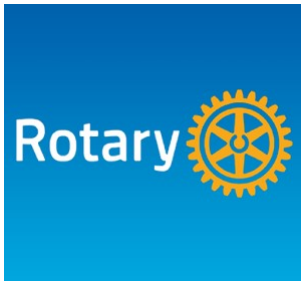
*To see if the upcoming meeting is held in person or via ZOOM visit the Club’s website:*  
**[www.wellesleyrotary.org](http://www.wellesleyrotary.org)**

**Keep Up-to-date on District Happenings**  
Visit the District website—**[rotary7910.org](http://rotary7910.org)**

We welcome **Michelle Biscotti**, Assistant Director of Development in the Office of International Advancement & Alumni Relations, as MassBay’s representative to Wellesley Rotary. She replaces **Mishawn Davis-Eyene** who has moved on to be the Executive Director.

The October 8th meeting was attended by 13 Rotarians and 9 guests. **President Amelia Schwartzman** opened the meeting with the Pledge (with flag courtesy of **Patrick Hayden**). *Happy Dollars* came from **Dole, Hayden, McCauley, Nelson, Perkins, Rowbotham, Spoto, Schwartzman & Westerman**. **Vin Spoto** reported on the successful three day golf tournament hosted by **Paul Simard** on the Cape. Prez Amelia encouraged all to see the *Dinner On Us* videos on the Club’s website. She then introduced **Marybeth Martello**, Wellesley’s Sustainability Director. Marybeth titled her talk: *“Wellesley Climate Action...Be part of It”* She began with outlining some common climate myths like: “Recycling is enough” and “Sustainability requires too much sacrifice”. She gave an overview, “the path to net zero”. There were graphs about Wellesley’s contribution to total emissions including sources like electricity and natural gas. Wellesley has set goals since 2009 and now is reaching for 2050.

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

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She laid out a townwide road map with emphasis on “Climate Action Plan pathways” (energy, buildings, mobility, waste, and natural resources). It was a practical plan with various sectors & levers including education. There is a “Climate Action Committee” along with a two person staff. There are also “partners” (regional, municipal, state & federal as well as businesses). “We’re making progress”, she said. Her spreadsheet included a preliminary decline in greenhouse emissions over the years. In the “household” area, she encouraged “leading by example”. She went into this in more detail: (showing the logo; how to weatherize; electrifying; shifting to renewable energy; switching to heat/cooling heat pumps; two new schools, the renovated town hall, and DPW yard & trucks.) She encouraged going “solar” and getting around (walk, bike, public transportation, EV’s, etc.) She also touched on other efforts like Repair Café, food waste, landscape and funding. She encouraged Rotary to be more involved. ♥♥♥♥♥

**Needham/Wellesley Football Banquet...**

In November each year Needham and Wellesley Rotary clubs celebrate the Needham & Wellesley football game, the oldest schoolboy rivalry in the nation. This year the game is being played in Needham and the traditional banquet prior to the game is being hosted by Needham Rotary at the Needham VFW, 20 Junction Street (off Chestnut Street) in Needham on Monday, November 25, 2024. 27 WHS senior football players, coaches and administrators will represent Wellesley High School. In addition it is important we have a strong representation from Wellesley Rotary. Gathering time at the VFW hall is 5 PM with dinner and program to follow. Please sign up by letting **Tory DeFazio** know if you are coming ([tory@windsorpressonline.com](mailto:tory@windsorpressonline.com) or call his office at **781-235-0265**).

**Dear Rotarians:**

Supporters of The Rotary Foundation and Rotary members like you make it possible to promote peace through service projects and supporting peace fellowships and scholarships. With your help, members take action to address the underlying causes of conflict, including poverty, discrimination, ethnic tension, lack of access to education, and unequal distribution of resources.

Did you know that Rotary partners with seven universities around the world to establish Rotary Peace Centers to train individuals devoted to peacebuilding and conflict resolution? Rotary’s newest peace center partnership is at the Bahcesehir University in Istanbul.

Peacebuilding is a cornerstone of our mission as a humanitarian service organization and one of Rotary’s areas of focus—the channels of activity through which our members make their mark on the world. Our programs, grants, and fellowships focus on creating environments where peace can be built and maintained, including promoting Positive Peace. Rotary believes that if concerned citizens work together to create peace locally, lasting change can happen globally.

Each year, The Rotary Foundation awards up to 130 fellowships for master’s degrees and certificate studies at premier universities. Today, more than 1,800 Rotary Peace Fellowship alumni are actively contributing to world peace, working in areas from grass roots initiatives to police development.



**BIRTHDAYS**

- Dan Juliani—10/21*
- Susan Bevilacqua—10/23*
- Fred Wright—10/28*
- Mike Cave—10/31*

**ANNIVERSARIES’**

- Paul & Mary Wilson —10/5*
- Mike & Kim Cave—10/6*
- Dan & Kenna Juliani—10/12*