



# The Wellesley Rotascope

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October 22, 2024

#### Tuesday, November 5, 2024—NO MEETING

Wednesday, November 20, 2024— Land's Sake Farm in Weston and Food Insecurity with Pam Hess -Welleslev Country Club—6:30—8PM. **Al**so, Drawing for the 2024 DOU fundraiser!

Monday, November 25, 2024—Needham/ Wellesley Football Banquet, hosted by Needham Rotary in Needham. Contact Torv **DeFazio** for more information (see p. 2)....

Wednesday, December **4, 2024**—*The Resilient* Project—NW Hospital—Wellesley Country Club—6:30 –8PM.

Tuesday, December 17, **2024**—TBA

# Land's Sake Farm & Food Insecuity 11/20 - Wellesley Country Qub- 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

**Keep Up-to-date on District Happenings** Visit the District website—

rotary7910.org

Our presentation on Tuesday, October 22nd at MBCC highlighted the **International Fund for Animal** Welfare (IFAW). It is one of the largest animal welfare and conservation charities in the world with offices in 15 countries and projects in more than 40. The speaker was A. J. Cady, Senior Program Advisor for IFAW. Their vision and mission in the context of today's environmental challenges was presented. The spotlight was on recent wildlife rescue operations as well. Also covered were explanations about their field teams and their experiences in emergency rescues, habitat restoration and successful rehabilitation efforts. Heartwarming and inspiring stories of animals saved through IFAW programs included from majestic elephants and tigers to marine life such as whales and dolphins. Their work to rescue animals in war zones and disasters was also covered.

According to **Frank Rowbotham**: "IFAW's first actions in their early

efforts was to stop the baby seal hunts in Canada. IFAW has since become a worldwide organization saving animals in Africa and around the world. Our speaker mentioned their efforts in Ukraine two years ago after the start of the war to save, in particular, the country's dogs. The most interesting part of the

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program dealt with the fact that the Wellfleet area of Cape Cod experiences more dolphin and porpoise standings than any other area in the world. In particular, IFAW has around 300 volunteers in the Cape Cod area who can be called upon to help the dolphins who are stranded at low tide in Wellfleet and help guide them back to deeper water. She said the largest stranding involved well over 125 dolphins. One extremely interesting fact is that IFAW has been able to increase the survival rate over the years for stranded dolphins from 14 percent to 70 percent. Another fact about strandings is that there is an area similar to Wellfleet in New Zealand and that the IFAW's representatives there communicate regularly with their counterparts on the rescue of stranded dolphins and porpoises."

#### The Annual Needham/Wellesley Football

**Banquet**, hosted by Needham Rotary in Needham, will be held on **Monday**, **November 25**, **2024** at the Needham VFW, 20 Junction Street (off Chestnut Street) in Needham.

27 WHS senior football players, coaches and administrators will represent Wellesley High School along with 7 Wellesley Rotarians (so far) to celebrate good sportsmanship in the oldest football rivalry in the country. If you would like to attend please contact **Tory DeFazio** for more information at **781-235-0265** or tory@windsorpressonline.com.

### Rotary this 'n that...

- Want to learn more about Rotary Youth Exchange? Do you know families with teens that might be interested in youth exchange? Tell your friends and neighbors. Rotary 7910 had a virtual information session on October 16th to cover the basics of both tong term and short term exchanges and how they work.
- We are excited to bring <u>Visioning</u> back to District 7910. Visioning helps clubs produce a strategy to become irresistible, resulting in a plan for membership attraction and retention while creating impactful opportunities for service to our communities. Visioning is a facilitator-led exercise where we guide clubs to develop a strategic road map consistent with Rotary's Action Plan.
- Rotarians from around the District will celebrate <u>The Rotary Foundation's</u> role in creating the magic of Rotary and to recognize those who are helping make it happen Reserve Wednesday, November 13th.at the Hudson Portuguese Club in Hudson.
- Since the start, the <u>Rotary Business Network-ing Series</u> has been open to all Rotarians and "not-yet" Rotarians who are interested in doing more business with Rotarians more often because we are people of integrity who value the 4-Way Test in business as we do in life.

# 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