



The Wellesley Rotascope

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The Resilient Project at **Newton-Wellesley Hospital—12/4**

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

Wednesday, December **4, 2024**—*The Resilient* Project—NW Hospital, Emily DeMariano, Senior Project Manager for Community Health—Wellesley Country Club—6:30 – 8PM.

Saturday, December 7, 2024—Holiday Party at Donna Armentano's home — 5:30—9:009PM...RSVP please.

Tuesday, December 17, 2024—Service & Fellowship meeting— MBCC Alumni Board Room—6:30-8PM

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



Land's Sake Farm in Weston and Food Insecurity with Executive Director **Pam Hess** (photo above) was the subject of our meeting on Wednesday, November 20th at the Wellesley Country Club. Pam has more than 25 years of experience in conservation and environmental education management, non-profit management, and strategic planning. She has been at Land's Sake in Weston for over 8 years and has led the farm through a major capital improvement project and strategic planning effort. In addition, she has a passion for the outdoors.

For 13 years she was the Director of Youth Engagement and Education for the Appalachian Mountain Club. Prior to that she served as a refuge manager and outreach specialist with the US Fish and Wildlife Service. She encouraged all of us to visit Land Sake Farm. Everyone enjoyed her presentation. There will be many opportunities for Wellesley Rotary to partner with the Farm in the future. . **Toby Kell** was honored as he retires from Wellesley Rotary.



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

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Needham/Wellesley Football Banquet will be held in Needham (as the annual Thanksgiving Day game (11/28/24) will be played in Needham). This year, the Needham Wellesley Football Banquet is held on Monday evening, November 25th at the Needham VFW, 20 Junction Street (off Chestnut Street) in Needham

Attending are 27 WHS Senior football players, coaches and administrators from Wellesley High School along with 8 Wellesley Rotarians. (Cave, DeFazio, Hayden, O'Connor, Pou, Rowbotham, Spoto & Westerman) Combined with Needham Rotarians and NHS, we expect an attendance of about 75.

Guest speaker is retired NFL player, **Jermaine Wiggins**. Wiggins has a share of our collective memory for making a 7-yard catch from Tom Brady vs. the St. Louis Rams in *Superbowl 36* (February 2002) that set up the game-winning field goal, the first Superbowl win in Patriot's history (20-17). He grew up in Boston and played with the Patriots for two seasons (2000-2001). He currently hosts a morning radio show on Hot 96.9 and remains active in the Patriots Charitable Foundation.



Rotary Foundation Month

November is Rotary Foundation month. In all respects, we celebrate our Rotary Foundation year-round. November provides us the special opportunity to create awareness about the transformative work of our Rotary Foundation programs and to thank our generous donors for making a difference.

As you know, The Rotary Foundation's goal is to build its endowment to \$2.025 billion by 2025. The endowment is a fund that allows individuals to combine their gifts to address global needs for generations to come. We are currently just under \$200 billion.

Many of our districts throughout Zones 28 and 32 have legacy dinners and events underway to encourage their members to contribute to the endowment (Our District (7910) held *The Rotary Foundation's Magic, A Celebration of Your Impact* (aka the "District Foundation Dinner") with Wellesley's **Patti Quigley** speaking about Razia's Ray of Hope, among others on Wednesday, November 13th.)

For the 16th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating of four stars from *Charity Navigator*, an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S. This is an accomplishment of which to be very proud. Thank you for supporting our Rotary Foundation programs, as we are truly "Doing Good in the World" every day.

BIRTHDAYS John Adams—11/2 Nora Pou—11/11 Dan LaRochelle—11/15 Vin Spoto—11/23 Paul Simard—11/28