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The Wellesley Rotascope

Service & Fellowship Meeting

MBCC Alumni Board Room

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Saturday, December 7, 2024—Holiday Party at Donna Armentano's home — 5:30—9:00 9PM...**RSVP please**.

<u>Tuesday, December 17,</u> <u>2024</u>—Service & Fellowship meeting— Annual Meeting— MBCC Alumni Board Room—6:30-8PM

<u>Tuesday, January 7,</u> <u>2025</u>—*Service & Fellowship meeting*—Kate Leavy from "Spark Hope" - MBCC Alumni Board Room—6:30-8PM

<u>Tuesday, January 21,</u> <u>2025</u>—TBD

<u>Tuesday, February 4,</u> <u>2025</u>—TBD

<u>Tuesday, February 18,</u> <u>2025</u>—TBD

<u>Tuesday, March 4,</u> <u>2025</u>- - TBD

<u>Tuesday, March 18,</u> <u>2025</u>—TBD





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 <u>Programs &</u> <u>Events (left) or check the Club</u> website for more information

President Amelia Schwartzman called the Wednesday, December 4th Wellesley Rotary meeting to order followed by the Pledge. We welcomed guests: Gary McCabe from Wellesley Kiwanis and, Ellen Pavleyan who recently moved to Wellesley from Armenia where she was President of her Rotaract Club in Yerevan (Rotary District 2452). Happy Dollars: Hayden, O'Connor, Rowbotham, Spoto, Schwartzman, Westerman, & Wilson. 11 Rotarians were present. We were sorry to learn that former Rotarian Anna Marie Anders, former Polish Ambassador to Italy, broke her leg recently in Rome. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Club business included:

- This Fall's *Dinner On US* netted <u>\$ 16,680</u> for Wellesley Rotary's charities
- Discussion about when and where to meet in 2025.
- Rotarians were asked to RSVP for the Club's Holiday Party at **Donna Armentano's** home..
- Discussion about next year's *Taste of Wellesley* (May 21, 2025).continued



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

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continued....We were pleased to hear about our local Community Health initiatives at Newton-Wellesley Hospital. This is the "community" arm of the Hospital made up of volunteers. It's a "model of its kind" beginning in 2017. Emily's presentation covered *The Community* Collaborative, its mission, vision, and values. It's objectives are covered by superb leadership, impacting expertise, and generous donors. She covered 8 areas and gave examples, starting, as she said, as "small seeds.": Domestic and Sexual Abuse Council...bringing people together; Elder Council...for elders & caregivers; Heart Health & Wellness Council...an over-diverse group; Maternity Services Council...for women & offspring, support & transition; Palliative Care Council...serious illnesses/ and help with challenges; Substance Abuse Council...education & outreach; Workforce Development Council...career opportunities; Youth Mental Health Council .. for on-going crises.

She also gave an overview of the *"Hospital's Champion Roles"* along with key responsibilities (Council <u>leader-ship</u>; Event <u>participation</u> & Council <u>management</u>). Suggested areas of contribution included:

• Your time; your talents, and your treasure (\$\$\$)

She encourage all to attend their *Annual Gala* which raises \$3 to 4K towards their annual goal. Emily can be reached at edemariano@mgb.org.



BIRTHDAYS

Paul Wilson—12/26

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Thanks to you, Rotary members can continue to work toward solving some of the world's most complex problems such as improving people's <u>health</u>, supporting high-quality <u>education</u>, protecting the <u>environment</u>, and aiding communities affected by <u>disasters</u>. We accomplish this while remaining committed to <u>eradicating polio</u> to make sure children are free forever from its devastating effects.

With your support we can continue to unite and take action to create lasting change.

Your donations make *Doing Good in the World* possible. Thank you for strengthening your own community and communities everywhere.

Sincerely, The Rotary Foundation

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