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The Wellesley Rotascope

Rotary Club Number 6594, Chartered March 26, 1946

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April 8, 2026

Tuesday, April 21, 2025—Annual Tree Bagging at DPW—4:30 PM

Wednesday, May 6, 2026—Rotary meeting at Wellesley Country Club—6:30 PM

Saturday, May 16, 2026—Pups in the Park—4 PM—Hunnewell Field

Sunday, May 17, 2026—Wellesley Parade—1 PM (Rt. 9 & Rt. 16)

Wednesday, May 20, 2026—Annual Taste of Wellesley—Wellesley Country Club -6:30 PM

Wednesday, June 3, 2026—Rotary meeting at Wellesley Country Club—6:30 PM

Wednesday, June 17, 2026—Induction of New Officers for 2026-2027—Wellesley Country Club—6:30 PM



Annual Tree Bagging - 4/21/2026

Wellesley Department of Public Works—4:30 to 6PM

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.”

The seven key areas of Rotary to improve lives globally and locally:

- **Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution**
- **Disease Prevention and Treatment**
- **Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene**
- **Maternal and Child Health,**
- **Basic Education and Literacy**
- **Community Economic Development, and**
- **Supporting the Environment**

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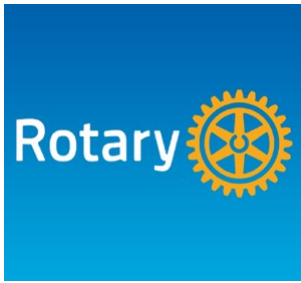
Our *Service and Friendship* meeting is usually held on the **first Tuesday/Wednesday of the month** and a *Rotary speaker* meeting on the **third Tuesday**.

17 Rotarians and guest were present for the April 8th meeting of Wellesley Rotary at the Wellesley Country Club. After the Pledge and Introductions there were *Happy Dollars* from **Adams, Dole, Hayden, Herning, LaRochelle, Nelson, Rowbotham, Sulzman** and **Westerman**. Guests included prospective members: **Tom Ankermann, Bob Sulzman** and **Jessie Sun** (with her daughter, **Catherine Liu**), and **Neil Hillmer**.

Updates were given by **Patrick Hayden** on the status of fundraisers: *Pups-in-the-Park*—almost reach goal of \$10K; and, good progress on *Taste of Wellesley* (\$40K plus). Also, information on the Rotary Raffle (“Ride-along Raffle” for a student to ride to school in a police car on the first day of school (2026-2027)). Drawing is on May 16th. Regarding the Taste of Wellesley (5/20/2026) Patrick said we are looking for more Sponsors. Everyone was urged to view the promotional video organized by **Edith Paley**. Also, everyone was urged to promote the event. 350 tickets are now on sale. *...continued*

The following individuals has been proposed for membership in *The Rotary Club of Wellesley*. If you have any comments please make them within ten days of receipt of this Rotascope.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Proposed by:</u>
Thomas Ankermann 40 Appleby Road, Wellesley	Kip Dole
Jessie Y. Sun 20 Abbott St, Wellesley	Patrick Hayden



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MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:30 P.M.
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There was discussion about possible raffle prized, signage and “honorary” co-chairs. Patrick also updated us on “Pups-in-the Park” with Monday morning (8AM-9AM) meetings until the event via Zoom. Publicity was discussed. Our thanks to **Linda Tighe** and **Susan Bevilacqua** for leading this. Treasurer **John Adams** updated us on the Club’s banking status. There was discussion on the need for grant training by the Club according to the District timetable.

Tory DeFazio announced that the annual “*Every Rotary Every Year*” campaign is underway (April 1 to June 30th). Checks should be made out to “The Rotary Foundation” and given to Tory. The Club will match each donation up to **\$200!** Our Club goal is \$ 6K.

The meeting concluded with open discussion on items including relations with the Charles River Chamber of Commerce and Village Table. Other topics included food insecurity and affordable housing.

The month of April is Environmental Month in Rotary. As our newest area of focus, it is exciting to learn about the projects of our clubs and districts including tree plantings, micro-forest programs, watershed clean-up and pollinator programs. Rotary works with communities to implement service projects that improve the environment and transform lives. Thriving ecosystems can support people’s health, create economic opportunities, and help build peace.

Water is something we all need to survive.

But 2.2 billion people still live without clean water to drink. That’s more than 1 in every 4 people facing this challenge every day. To help communities thrive and build healthier futures, we need your support. Rotary members are working tirelessly to complete projects that provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene sustainably like these.

- **Clean water in Kenya:** A Rotary Foundation global grant funded the construction of two sand dams in Kenya through the African Sand Dam Foundation, providing reliable clean water that benefits over 5,000 people, supports agriculture, and improves public health and livelihoods in rural communities.
- **A drop to drink in the Ganges Delta:** A Rotary Foundation global grant funded numerous water filtration systems providing a sustainable source of clean water that benefits communities and its residents by supporting agriculture, livestock and local livelihoods

With your help, we can expand these efforts and bring clean water, sanitation, and hygiene to even more people. This life-changing work is possible only because of generous supporters like you. Your gift to The Rotary Foundation becomes resources Rotary members use to implement projects that transform

Sincerely, The Rotary Foundation

BIRTHDAYS

*Julie Ginn—4/ 15
Susie Perkins—4/12*

ANNIVERSARIES

Kip & Vivian Doyle—4/7