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The Wellesley Rotascope

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August 5, 2026

Wednesday, August 19, 2026—Service & Fellowship meeting at the Wellesley Country Club—6:30 PM Dinner Meeting

Wednesday September 2, 2026—**DG Annual Visit**, DG Penny Hamel... at the Wellesley Country Club—6:30 PM Dinner Meeting

Wednesday, September 16, 2026—Service & Fellowship meeting at the Wellesley Country Club—6:30 PM Dinner Meeting



Service & Fellowship Meeting ***August 19, 2026*** at Wellesley Country Club



Left: Rotarian **Bob Anthony** was speaker at our August 5th meeting on *Adolescent Wellness and its Rotary Connections*. **Below:** New member, **Fady Neseem** was inducted by Rotarian **Tory DeFazio**.

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**



Our August 5th meeting at the Wellesley Country Club had a good turnout (21) with guests **Ben Kahrl, Robert Mackowiak** and **Jessie Sun's daughter, Catherine Liu**. The meeting, covered by Wellesley Media, opened with the Pledge, followed by ***Happy Dollars*** from: Anthony, Armentano, Bevilacqua, Kahrl, McCabe, McCauley, Rowbotham, Simard, Spoto & Westerman. ***...continued***



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MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:30 P.M.
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Members were reminded to sign up by August 17th for **An-drea Kaiser's** summer Food Program (August 31st). **Bill Westerman**, in for **Prez Kip Dole**, opened the meeting with round-table introductions. He mentioned more Club Spon-sors are coming. **Nora Pou** reported the Club's District Grant is "under review" with more information coming. Rotarian **Bob Anthony** was present with his wife, **Nancy**. He presented an update and recent status of "*Adolescent Wellness (AW) and its Rotary connections*". He covered the following:

- **AW History**; "*Building Bridges of Understanding*" with Bos-ton Children's Hospital; AW is important; and suicide conta-gion with a list of 10 names. WRC has supplied "training & tools". Reviewed "breaking free from depression" with Wellesley Interact teens. Described role of Rotary Action Group for AW and the impact that influenced recent year.
- **Challenges today**; Depression is still the 2nd leading cause of death among teens....discussed solutions. He showed a video (support AW principals. Other: Pediatric Primary Care Practi-tioners; Behavioral conditions and "Anxiety Care Pathways"
- **What would success look like?** Doctors find BBU practical & valuable with great results.
- **What can I do?** Expanding BBU in US; volunteer hours; dol-lar impact with scholarship to establishing a Center. Many Q& A's followed....

Donna Armantano announced that WRC received a **\$5000** Sponsorship from JetSet Pilates. Also, Needham Bank will feature WRC at their Wellesley Branch from 8/17 to 8/22 as part of National Nonprofit Day. ❤️❤️❤️

"Every Rotarian Every Year" (EREY)

In 2026, 13 Wellesley Rotarians contributed to the 2026 "*Every Rotarian Every Year*" campaign rais-ing \$ **3,350**. Matching funds of \$ **2,200** were add-ed for a **total of \$ 5,550**.

These funds were sent to **The Rotary Foundation** on July 21, 2026.

Congratulations and thanks to all!

Donations for the past five years are:

- 2026—\$ 5,550
- 2025—\$ 5,450
- 2024—\$ 5,275
- 2023—\$ 5,975
- 2022—\$ 6,600

Our thanks to the following Rotarians:

John Adams; Donna Armantano, John Bradica, Tory DeFazio, Kip Dole, Patrick Hayden, Andrew Herning, Don McCauley, Frank Rowbotham, Vin Spoto, Linda Tighe, Bill Westerman & Fred Wright.

BIRTHDAYS

Don McCauley—8/26

ANNIVERSARIES

NONE