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The Wellesley Rotascope

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May 6, 2025

Saturday, May 17, 2025—*Pups in the Park*—Hunnewell Field—4 PM

Sunday, May 18, 2025—Veterans Parade—1PM - Wellesley Wonderful Weekend

Wednesday, May 21, 2025 - Annual Rotary fundraiser, *Taste of Wellesley*, at the Wellesley Country Club.

Tuesday, June 3, 2025—TBA

Tuesday, June 17, 2025—*Annual Installation* with Jack Colamaria, District Governor Nominee Designate (DG in 2027-2028)



Taste of Wellesley

Wednesday, May 21, 2025—Wellesley Country Club

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**

PLEASE NOTE

Our *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 (Calendar):
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President **Amelia Schwartzman** opened the Wellesley Rotary meeting of Tuesday, May 6th at the Wellesley Country Club with the Pledge followed by *Happy Dollars* from **Donna Armentano, Tory DeFazio, Brian O’Connor, Amelia Schwartzman, Paul Simard, Frank Rowbotham & Cynthia Westerman**. Prospective Wellesley Rotarian **Harrison Shaw** was introduced. Prez Amelia gave an update on the *Taste of Wellesley (5/21/25)*. Adding up the tickets sold on-line and the paper tickets, we have about 50 more that need to be sold to reach our goal of 250. Amelia urged one final push! **Linda Tighe** gave an update on *Pups in the Park (5/17/25)*. Sponsors are needed but there is excitement building for a successful event. Tickets to *Taste of Wellesley* can be sold there as well. Tory gave an update on the 2025 campaign for “Every Rotarian Every Year” A question about **The Rotary Foundation** came up. “The Rotary Foundation is a significant entity within Rotary International. The net worth of the endowment exceeds \$1.3 billion.” (See left to see the **seven key areas of Rotary**). Rotary clubs are asked to support TRF through their annual EREY campaigns. There was discussion about membership. Amelia introduced our guest speaker, **Jake Miskin** of Needham. He was motivated to write and produce a film
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MEETINGS: 1st & 3rd Tuesday Evenings at 6:30 P.M.
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caused by an incident (2008) where five Needham High School students committed suicide. *Shattered Ice* is a moving portrayal that blends the world of high school hockey with the true and tragic stories of students. His film recently won the “Most Impactful Award” at the Sedona Film Festival and is now the centerpiece of a New England-wide school and college tour. He showed us the first fifteen minutes of his film with “O Danny Boy” playing in the background. His film runs a full hour and a half. As Rotarian **Brian O’Connor** said, it all centers around ‘conversations’ with students in schools and colleges. “QPR” (*Question/Primary/Resuscitation*) initiates discussion and reflection about youth suicide as a major mental health issue. “Its positive approach is out there and organized.” He urged promoting the subject and spreading the word. It’s great for schools “without scaring them off.” Following his presentation Miskin led a thoughtful discussion aimed at mental health awareness and student connections. Everyone was encouraged to open the conversation to hope! He concluded with his interesting efforts about the costs of making a film and how many educational institutions were interested.



I am happy to announce that registration for the 2025-2026 District Installation ceremony on **Monday, June 16, 2025** is OPEN! It would be an honor if you could join us as we thank **DG Joyce Graff** and the 2024-2025 Club Presidents and Assistant Governors for their service to our organization and welcome the 2025-2026 leadership teams (District Governor, Assistant Governors, and Club Presidents) starting their terms on July 1, 2025!

2025 is a big year for us as we *“Unite for Good”*. Three clubs are celebrating their centennial year, and we will be featuring them at the District Installation ceremony which will be held at the Devens Commons Center, home of my Rotary Club of Leominster. My club just celebrated its centennial last week and is excited to be the host club of the District Installation event this year. This is the first time a District Governor has come from this club!

Register now to take advantage of the discounted rate as prices will go up on May 2nd. I look forward to seeing you at 5:30 PM on Monday, June 16th at the Devens Commons Center.
Please go to the District website (rotarydistrict.org) to register

Thank you...
Johnny Ahern
(Incoming District 7910 Governor)

BIRTHDAYS

ANNIVERSARIES'
Carl & Barbara Nelson—5/17
John & Jan Adams—5/22
Bill & Cynthia Westerman—5/23