

# Luncheon News

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## Spring 2017 Luncheon

Thursday, April 20, 2017

Alioto's - 3041 N Mayfair Road

Cost \$16.00

11:00 Gather—11:45 Lunch—1:00 Program

### Menu Selections

- **Roast Sirloin of Beef, Brown Gravy**
- **Chicken Parmesan, Side of Mostaccogli**  
(Entrees served with salad and choice of dressing, Italian bread, coffee, tea or milk)
- **Chef's Salad**  
(Salad served with soup or fruit cup, Italian bread, coffee, tea or milk)
- **Dessert – Chocolate Ice Cream Sundae**

### Program

**An Overview of the East Troy Railroad Museum**

**Guest Speaker: Ryan Jonas, Museum President**

<http://www.easttroyrr.org/>

One hundred years ago, a Johnson Service employee could walk a few blocks down Michigan Street to the Public Service Building to board an electric interurban car that would arrive in East Troy in just 70 minutes. Or they could ride to Burlington, Muskego, Hales Corners, Waukesha, Pewaukee, Watertown, Sheboygan, Port Washington, Racine or Kenosha. The East Troy Railroad Museum's rail line between East Troy and Mukwonago is the last remnant of this once vast interurban rail system that had over 300 miles of track in Southeastern Wisconsin.

The East Troy Railroad is a living history museum that lets people see and experience what it was like to ride an electric trolley or interurban car 90 to 100 years ago. With more than 30 historic railroad cars, including 17 that currently operate; we feature Chicago, South Shore & South Bend interurban cars and the only working Milwaukee Streetcar in existence. The museum is run entirely by volunteers, including Ryan Jonas. Ryan will provide an interesting and educational presentation about the history and operation of this unique museum, which drew over 24,000 people to East Troy in 2016.

**Please: Make checks payable to: WSJ Society - Cost \$16.00**

**Mail to: WSJ Society in time to arrive by April 10th.**

P.O. Box 1425

Grafton, WI 53024

**Also, let us know of any dietary restrictions when making your reservation, or call Janice Peters, Co-VP Program at 414.412.0200**

## Winter Luncheon – January 19, 2017

Manfred Olson Planetarium ...

### A Gem at UWM!

How about "Life of a Star", "Evening in the Land of the Rising Sun", "Solar Eclipse 2017", or, "Moons and Their Myths" and top it all off with "Colors of the Cosmos"? Those are the featured programs for the "2017 Friday Night Shows" at the Manfred Olson Planetarium at UWM. Never heard of it? Well we did at the Winter Luncheon and it was great!

Dr. Jean Creighton, Director of the Planetarium took us through the history of the planetarium, and the program she and her team have created to share the wonders of astronomy with all who visit. More than that, Dr. Creighton began the presentation with her personal experience in science from Greece to CalTech to UWM in Milwaukee ... doing world-class work all along the way.



If you know someone who might be interested in science, get them to the Planetarium for a dose of "pure love of science" from Dr Creighton. In line with sharing ideas, Dr Creighton invited two of her team, Derek Palecek and Sam Gallagher to share their experiences at the Planetarium. Net result ... a great time for all members ... a real learning experience ... and something to share with those who we might be mentoring along their way.

By the way, the entire program of the Planetarium is available at the website: [www.planetarium.uwm.edu](http://www.planetarium.uwm.edu). This is one of those enjoy while you learn resources, a real gem. I've added it to WSJSociety.com at [Resources for Life-long Learning](#). Check it out!