

Warren S. Johnson Society Newsletter WSJSociety.com Vol. 29, No. 1 / First Quarter 2022

# Spring 2022 Luncheon Thursday, April 21, 2022

Alioto's-3041 N. Mayfair Road **NOTE PRICE INCREASE: \$19 per person** 11am-Gathering / 12pm-Lunch / 1:00 program

The luncheon selections are:

- Chicken Romano with side of Mostaccioli
- Roast sirloin of beef with brown gravy
- Grilled Chicken Greek Salad

### Each meal comes with:

- Salad with choice of dressing, or soup, or fruit cup (depending on lunch choice)
- Whipped or buttered new potatoes
- Italian bread
- Coffee, tea, milk
- Chocolate sundae for dessert

Lunch is \$19 per person.

Please make checks payable to: WSJ Society.

Checks need to arrive by April 14, 2022

Mail checks to:

WSJ Society P.O. Box 1425

Grafton, WI. 53024

Please let us know of any dietary restrictions you may have when making your reservations.

Or, contact Jim Pasterczyk, VP Program, at 414-764-8609.

# Program Speakers Zoological Society of Milwaukee



Paul Vandermeuse Empathy Education Specialist Isabelle Herde Manager of Innovation & Community Engagement

Isabelle works within the community to promote empathy for wildlife and conservation for the zoo including grant projects and other initiatives.

Paul teaches 2nd through 4th graders and furthers the Empathy for Wildlife initiative for the Zoological Society of Milwaukee.

Paul and Isabelle will talk about the Milwaukee County Zoo and Zoological Society of Milwaukee's history, how to support the Zoo, and the joint effort on the Empathy for Wildlife initiative.



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### **Spring Coming?**

As I write this the calendar still says February. The Ground Hog has recently had his (or her) day and I do not recall if the shadow was seen or not. Here in Wisconsin we are willing to call it Good News - if he tells us we ONLY have six more weeks of winter ahead of us. So far so good the snow has been limited and the temps relatively mild (for Wisconsin).

My ears perked up when I heard some talk about getting ready to tap the maple trees to make maple syrup. I've often wondered about this activity since we have more maple trees than I could ever count on our hunting land in northern Wisconsin. It is a sure sign that spring is not too far away and winter is about to loosen its grip on us. The sap starts to flow when the temps hit the mid 40's during the day and the nights retreat back down into the mid 20's. That is the cycle that starts and keeps the sap rising into the tree structure. If that temperature cycle stops so does the sap flow. The season is usually only 1 to 3 weeks long, often with weather caused pauses in sap flow.

Large trees can have two taps while small ones (10-12") just one. Each tree can produce a few gallons, which is a very small % of their total flow. It takes 1-2-3 visits to each tree each day to collect the sap and carry is back though snow covered ground. *This is starting to sound like work*. It requires 40 gallons of the tree sap to be boiled down to 1 gallon of syrup. That means 39 gallons have to be boiled off. That takes quite a pile of firewood, cut, split, and ready to keep the fire going under a large pot that can't go dry. Also, that 39 gallons of water is then turned into steam, which isn't a problem if it's outside, but could be a problem if you are trying to do this indoors. (*Spoken by an HVAC professional*). So you are either standing outside, or in a steam room. That is why the regulars have a special building for this purpose (a Sugar Shack), with a dedicated stove in it. *Now this is turning into a construction project*.

The concentrated sap has to get up to just the right density. Too much water left in it and it spoils, but if too much is boiled off it crystallizes to sugar. Too hot along the way and it gets a burnt taste. *Now this is sounding like a chemistry process*.

Like many things that look good at first, this could be quite an undertaking for a remote location - *in my situation*. I think I will put a little more of our store bought maple syrup on my pancakes and ponder this a bit longer before taking all that on. The snow will melt, the leaves will come out, and the flowers will bloom, whether or not I decide to participate in this early spring tradition.

Enjoy your syrup!

Gene

### **About the WSJ Society**

The WSJ Society is a social group of people who share career experiences at Johnson Controls, Inc. The Society brings its members together to enjoy and help each other; and, contribute to community. Activities of the society are described at the website: <a href="https://www.wsjsociety.com">www.wsjsociety.com</a>.

This Newsletter is published quarterly to contribute to those goals. Member stories and ideas are welcomed and encouraged.

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For membership information and dues payment, please contact Brian Bould, Treasurer

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# In Remembrance

John Pozorski passed away on February 6, 2022. He was the Director of Engineering and Quality Assurance. He retired in 2000 after 43 years of service. His wife Barb predeceases him; their children Mark, Ann, Beth, John Jr. and their families survive him.

Kathy Doig passed away on February 12, 2022. She is the beloved wife of George Doig, long time retired employee of JCI who served the company in many executive roles. George, their two sons and families survive Kathy.



Charleston reunion (by Erica Wolfe)
My husband and I have been wintering in
South Carolina since retiring a couple of
years ago. This year we had the pleasure of
having lunch with Doug & Judy Decker and
Frank & Barbara Krouse (who are all SC
residents). It was great to reconnect and
we look forward to the next time! Ironically
Jim and Bettie Keyes were lunching at the
same restaurant that day.



### **WSJ Society Membership Summary:**

Our society has 477 members which is up 1 since the last report on Dec 5, 2021. 2 new members have joined and 1 member has been removed. 11 members have dues that are unpaid by more than 2 years and they will be removed after the July luncheon meeting unless dues are paid.

By policy, members are added after their application is approved & dues are paid. Members are removed upon personal request, or if a member passes away and they have not assigned an associate (spouse or designee), or if a member's dues are unpaid for more than 2 years following the July luncheon meeting."

For our newsletter, email copies will be sent, at no charge, to the 291 members who have given us their email address and paper copies will be mailed to 4 members who have paid this year's paper newsletter subscription fee.

Additional membership detail is shown just below. The table on the next page shows membership distribution grouped by business unit and location.

### WSJ Society Membership Details:

Total Members	477	
Life Members	424	88.9%
Associate Members	11	2.3%
Renewing Members	51	10.7%
Pd Thru 2019 (Past due)	11	
Pd Thru 2020 (Past due)	14	
Pd Thru 2021 (Late fees)	8	
Pd Thru 2022	7	
Pd Thru 2023	9	
Pd Thru 2024	1	
Pd Thru 2025	1	
Pd Thru 2026	0	
Pd Thru 2027	0	
Pd Thru 2028	0	
Support Staff	2	
Editor	1	
Historian	1	
90 day Temp members	1	
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Newsletter Paper Subscriptions	4	
Emails for Newletter	291	

# Membership Distribution by Country, State & Business unit

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	Member Count	۸۲	Division / Business Unit			
	Count	AE	BE	PS	Corp	Unknown
Australia	1	-	-	-	1	-
Canada	5	-	5	-	-	-
USA	471	2	399	20	39	11
AL (Alabama)	1	-	1	-	-	-
AK (Alaska)	2	-	2	-	-	-
AZ (Arizona)	9	-	7	1	1	-
AR (Arkansas)	4	-	4	-	-	-
CA (California)	9	-	7	2	-	-
CO (Colorado)	13	-	13	-	-	-
CT (Connecticut)	2	-	2	-	-	-
DE (Delaware)	-	-	-	-	-	-
FL (Florida)	21	-	17	1	2	1
GA (Georgia)	11	-	11	-	-	-
HI (Hawaii)	-	-	-	-	-	-
ID (Idaho)	2	-	2	-	-	-
IL (Illinois)	7	-	5	-	2	-
IN (Indiana)	8	-	8	-	-	-
IA (Iowa)	2	-	2	-	-	_
KS (Kansas)	-	-	-	-	-	-
KY (Kentucky)	3	-	2	1	_	_
LA (Louisiana)	2	_	2	_	_	-
ME (Maine)	1	_	1	_	_	_
MD (Maryland)	4	_	3	_	_	1
MA (Massachusetts)	1	_	1	_	_	-
MI (Michigan)	6	_	6	_	_	_
MN (Minnesota)	10	_	9	1	_	_
MS (Mississippi)	-	_	-	_	_	_
MO (Missouri)	2	1	1	_	_	_
MT (Montana)	1	-	1	_	_	_
NE (Nebraska)	1	_	1	_	_	_
NV (Nevada)	2	_	2	-	_	
NH (New Hampshire)	-	_	-		_	_
NJ (New Jersey)	2	-	2	-	_	-
NM (New Mexico)	1		1			
NY (New York)	4	-	4	-	-	-
NC (North Carolina)	9	-	9	-	-	-
ND (North Dakota)	1	-	1	-	-	-
OH (Ohio)	5	-	5	-	-	-
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OK (Oklahoma) OR (Oregon)	11 2	-	11 1	-	-	1
PA (Pennsylvania)	10	-	10	-	-	
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RI (Rhode Island)	7	-	-	-	-	-
SC (South Carolina) SD (South Dakota)		-	6	-	-	1
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TN (Tennessee)	3	-	3	-	-	-
TX (Texas)	16	-	16	-	-	-
UT (Utah)	1	-	1	-	-	-
VT (Vermont)	-	-	-	-	-	-
VA (Virginia)	8	-	8	-	-	-
WA (Washington)	8	-	8	-	-	-
WV (West Virginia)	-	-	-	-	-	-
WI (Wisconsin)	257	1	201	14	34	7
WY (Wyoming)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Members & Support	477	2	404	20	40	11
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### TIME?



## ..... YES, and time to renew your membership!

Keep in touch with your life-long work associates via the Newsletter! Annual Association membership dues are \$5.... You may choose to pay several years in advance or pay a lifetime membership of \$50 as over 500 members have chosen to do. Annual printed Newsletter Subscription = \$6/yr. New members (only) paying after September 1<sup>st</sup> will be credited for both the current and next year. Send dues money to Brian Bould. Not sure you've paid your dues? Check the first line of this issue's mailing label. In addition to your name, it identifies the last year for which you paid dues (2018, 2019, Life).

# MEMBERSHIP ENTITLEMENT COMES WITH 10 YEARS

If you are retired from Johnson Controls or still working there with 10 years of employment, you are eligible for membership in the Johnson Controls Retirement Society.

Send your membership fee to our treasurer, Brian Bould. The address is listed inside this newsletter.