

Warren S. Johnson Society Newsletter WSJSociety.com Vol. 30, No. 3 / Third Quarter 2023

# Fall 2023 Luncheon Thursday, October 19, 2023

Alioto's-3041 N. Mayfair Road **NOTE PRICE: \$25 per person** 11am-Gathering / 12pm-Lunch / 1:00 program

#### The luncheon selections are:

- Chicken Normandy-boneless chicken breast; homemade bread dressing; gravy; Cranberry sauce
- > Tenderloin tips; with a bed of noodles
- Grilled Chicken Breast Salad with Raspberry Vinaigrette

Lunches include choice of dressing, whipped or buttered new potatoes, Italian bread and coffee. Rice or Mostaccioli is served in lieu of potatoes for certain entrees. Salad lunches are served with Italian bread, coffee, tea, or milk. Strawberry sundae for dessert

Lunch is \$25 per person. Please make checks payable to: WSJ Society.

Checks need to arrive by October 12,2023 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.

## <u>Program</u>

Stacy Vogel Davis
The Water Council

Milwaukee is, as historian John Gurda puts it, "a city built on water". Over the years, we have earned a global reputation as the freshwater technology capital of the U.S. due to our well-established water technology industry and extensive network of water innovators.

As we gaze at the lakeshore, the water seems to go on forever. But climate change, population growth and contamination increasingly strain the world's freshwater supply as economic growth collides with the world's finite natural resources.

Stacy Vogel Davis is the communications director for The Water Council. She will explain how The Water Council harnesses the economic potential of Milwaukee's water technology hub while addressing the vital task of preserving the world's freshwater resources. She will speak about the importance of water innovation and stewardship. Especially in light of the changing climate and growing water scarcity in some places, Stacy will discuss Milwaukee's leadership in making improvements.

The water council website is:

https://thewatercouncil.com/

#### President's Message

### WSJ Society – Wants You

The W. S. Johnson Society of Retirees is looking to add one or two new members to our Board of Directors at this time. As a general rule there is probably a need for at least one new board member each year as prior members either want to focus on other things, or can't continue for some reason. The rotation of members on this volunteer board, that coordinates the functions of your organization, keeps the ideas changing and continues to bring in fresh ideas and contacts with other retirees, or future retirees. I'll give a brief overview of our Board and how we go about running your WSJ Society.

We are an official non-stock corporation in the State of Wisconsin. Our organization has the common roles of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, but there are other functions as well to keep this locomotive on the tracks and the wheels rolling. Membership roster, Programs, Web-Site, Newsletter, and Luncheon coordination are activities that need to run smoothly if we all want to benefit from a well running organization. While each board member tends to focus on certain areas, we coordinate things well enough to even out the list of duties to not overload one person, and fill in for someone having other temporary conflicts, such as travel, medical issues, or other. We meet once a quarter, generally about 6 weeks before each luncheon to assure everything is on track and covered for the next activity, and that the Newsletter is accurately pointing toward that event. We also plan for future events and other issues that arise. Until Covid came along we met in person. Now we have adopted the Zoom Call approach, with a few just calling in via phone, and it is working well. This quarterly meeting along with email and the old fashioned telephone, are our primary tools for communication. This approach would also open the opportunity to other retirees that are more remote from SE. Wisconsin, either seasonally or permanently, and may be more available for this virtual coordination.

Are you interested in getting involved to help us keep rolling?

If so, you can either call me at 262-251-0166 (leave a message – since we don't pick up every unrecognized call) or email via the WSJ Society at <a href="help@wsjsociety.com">help@wsjsociety.com</a> (this will be a bit delayed since it will need to be forwarded to me by another). I can provide more detail as desired.

Regards	,
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#### **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.

#### **OFFICERS:**

Gene Strehlow President Jim Pasterczyk **VP Program** Mary Kehoss **VP Membership** Brian Bould Treasurer Dave Anderson Secretary Website Otto Mageland John Meyer Carol Lomonaco Richard Schreiner Jude Anders Greg Pascucci Erica Wolfe, Ex-Officio

For membership information, contact the Membership VP using this email:

#### help@wsjsociety.com

For any payments, include a note describing the intent of the payment, make checks payable to **WSJ Society**, and mail to:

WSJ Society P. O. Box 1425 Grafton, WI 53024

For street or email address changes, and items submitted for publication in the Newsletter, please contact our Newsletter Editor:

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# In Remembrance

Submitted from Pamela Rootham:
William Rootham died on February 23,
2023 in Sydney, Australia.
Apart from his stint as a Bombardier in the
RCAF in WWII, Johnson Controls was the
only company he ever worked for, starting
in Sales in Toronto and ending up in
Milwaukee as Vice President of JCI.

**Stanley Stephenson** passed away on January 15, 2023 at the age of 95. He was a JCI employee for 38 years. He is survived by his wife Betty, 4 children and their families.

**Liz Angoli** passed away on March 26, 2023 at the age of 91. Long time JCI Milwaukee employee.

### 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. Not sure you've paid your dues? Please refer to the "WSJ Society - Members List", which is included as an attachment to this newsletter, and can also be found on our WSJSociety.com website in the "Members Only" section.

# 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.

The address for sending your membership to is listed inside this newsletter.