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Fall 2021 Luncheon Thursday, October 21, 2021

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

The luncheon selections are:

- ➤ 1/2 half baked chicken with cranberry sauce
- Breaded pork chops with applesauce
- Seasonal Salad with grilled chicken breast

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 October 14, 2021

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 Speaker



Chris McArdle President, MKE Benefits

Chris grew up in Wauwatosa, graduated from Marquette University, and now he and his family live in downtown Milwaukee.

Over the last twenty five plus years, he feels it has been a privilege to help thousands of neighbors secure the insurance coverage required to protect their health and financial wellbeing.

After our luncheon, Chris will be talking about Medicare and supplemental insurances



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I hope that each of your lives is getting to a new state of normal as most of us get our vaccines. This new normal may not be quite the same as before, but life goes on, and adjustments are always required. Hopefully we don't have a second round of the new Delta Covid that sets us up for another fall/winter like last year, only time will tell.

We had a fairly normal turnout (30+) for our July luncheon in Alioto's tent behind their building. The weather was great and all went well. Members were able to socialize, both before and after the meal was served. It was closer to an outdoor picnic than an indoor event. We have decided to move forward with the Oct. 21 luncheon. It will be indoors since it is rather late in the season to depend on the weather cooperating, and the tent may be down by then. As an indoor event, we will be able to have a guest speaker, which was not something Alioto's could set up outdoors. As this is being written in early Sept. there are no current Covid restrictions in place at Alioto's. That could change between now and our luncheon date. As with the July luncheon, if you are not yet comfortable coming to an indoor gathering, this may not be for you just yet. The Covid situation will continue to evolve and we will try to change with it.

On a different topic, I am aware that Johnson Controls has again approached some retirees with an offer to buy out their pension. They seem to do this periodically to a limited group based on their year of retirement. To the best of my knowledge this time it applied to those who retired in 2006 or later. I have not heard from anyone outside of that retirement range that had received the offer. Some, but not all, have decided to take that option and manage their own nest egg instead of receiving the monthly pension check. Everybody's situation is different.

I'll not be at the Oct 21 luncheon, since it's my turn to walk down the cancer road and see a surgeon shortly before the luncheon, to remove the bad stuff. He says I'll still be recovering for several weeks. So I pray that all goes well, and I will see several of you at a future luncheon.

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: www.wsjsociety.com.

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

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In Remembrance

Joseph W. Lewis passed away on August 17, 2021. After holding many positions with the company, he retired as Executive Vice President with 39 years of service. His wife Mary Ellen predeceased him. He is survived by their 4 children and 3 grandchildren.

Jim Brennan passed away on July 1, 2021. Jim served JCI in many roles over his long career. He is survived by his wife Kathy, their 4 children and their families.



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 1st 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.