

January 2022

Who's New in Madison

Where New Faces Become Old Friends

President's Corner

January is traditionally a time to look back at the past year, take stock, and make plans to turn hopes into reality in the new year. After the pandemic-fueled madness that was 2020, we all had high hopes that COVID-19 would go away and leave us all alone in 2021. But, here we are still stuck with each other. My sister-in-law has a saying, "It's like thawing a turkey: If you think it's going to take one day, it takes two. You can get impatient, but it still takes as long as it takes." Fortunately for the members of WNIM we can quell our impatience with the support network WN provides. Thanks to vaccines and the personal responsibility of our members, most interest groups have been able to resume meeting in person this past year. The ability to have contact with our friends, whether it be for mah-jongg, book club or pickleball is therapeutic and even rejuvenating. It helps keep us sane in the face of a world that seems to have gone off the rails. It's our antidote to the disease of social isolation and separation. With luck, 2022 gets us back to a greater sense of normality and a life without COVID and its variants haunting us.

Thanks to all who turned out for the December 9th Luncheon and Holiday Bazaar. It's such a fun and supportive way to help WN meet our financial goals for our Service Partnership with Girls on the Run. Remember you can also take advantage of the donation button on the Who's New website to contribute to GOTR. I for one am so proud of the force for good our WN group is in the Madison community.

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Please Take Note

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whosnew.org

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I'm looking forward to our January 13th Luncheon at Bonfrye American Grille. We will hear from James Shulkin about current developments on the much anticipated Madison Public Market (<http://madisonpublicmarket.org/>) coming in 2023 at the corner of First Street and E. Johnson Street. What a fabulous addition to Madison in so many ways.

A big thank you goes out to Barbara White and Nancy Chapman for hosting the November and December Not Just Wine and Cheese events. How fortunate we are to have these ladies open their exquisite homes for the evening. Mark your calendar for the January 21st NJWC. Back by popular demand is a Zoom NJWC featuring Metcalfe's Wine and Cheese pairings. There is nothing quite as delectable as the perfect pairing for amplifying the flavors of both. Gather a small group of WN friends and guests together and have fun learning from the pros about pairings. All WN snowbirds welcome! Full details: <https://whosnew.org/not-just-wine-and-cheese>.

Happy New Year! My hope for all of you in the New Year is the same as I wish for you every month...

Good health, lasting friendship and peace,

Annie Cooper

WNIM COVID-19 Policy

To attend a luncheon you must be vaccinated.

If you test positive for Covid-19 within 48 hours after an indoors WNIM event, please contact us so that we may inform those who were in close contact with you.

After a luncheon:

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After an Interest Group Event: Contact the IG leader

January 13th Luncheon

Bonfyre American Grille and Beacon Lounge, 2601 W. Beltline Highway, Madison, 53713

Register at whosnew.org

Deadline is midnight January 3rd, 11:59 pm

Seating is limited to 55 people

To attend a luncheon you must be vaccinated.

All entrees are \$25

Mort's Pot Roast

Slow roasted pot roast, red wine demi glaze, shiitake mushrooms, garlic, served with Bonfyre Mash, spinach, asparagus and carrots.

Southwest Chicken Salad

Grilled chicken, romaine spring mix, black beans, corn, pepperjack cheese, tri-pepper mix, avocado, quinoa, pico de gallo, tossed in a cilantro lime vinaigrette, topped with tortilla chips. (GF - can be dairy free on request)

Pan Fried Walleye

Lightly breaded and pan seared, served with roasted rosemary potatoes and fresh vegetables.

Vegetable Risotto

Onion, garlic, cherry tomatoes, peas, asparagus, shiitake mushrooms, spinach, asiago cheese, butter and lemon risotto (GF).

Dessert will be mini mousse parfaits. Fruit bowl on request for dairy free.

Parking

Parking is best in the ramp behind the Beacon Lounge. The Beacon Lounge is on the left side of the building and is the cocktail lounge associated with the Bonfyre Grille. Enter the atrium through the Beacon Lounge, not through Bonfyre Grille.

Luncheon Program



From the moment you walk in, the sounds, savory aromas, and positive energy will create a unique experience. The **Madison Public Market** will feel alive with social and economic activity. The market will be filled with local food merchants from a variety of cultural backgrounds offering a unique array of cuisines and products.

Come and hear all about this soon-to-be Madison iconic shopping experience! Learn about the progress of the market, when it will open, future vendors, and more from James Shulkin, our January speaker. He serves on the Board of Directors at the Madison Public Market Foundation. The Foundation is working with the City of Madison to bring the proposed Madison Public Market to fruition. The shared vision is to create a vibrant, year-round public marketplace where new entrepreneurs and long-established Madison favorites will grow their businesses and find success.

James has a background in healthcare marketing and communications. He is a professional mixed media artist and hopes to someday sell his artwork at the Market.

Service Committee

Girls On The Run News

The members of the Service Committee hope everyone had a happy holiday season. Thank you to all the contributors and shoppers at the Holiday Bazaar. It was so much fun and a big success. We also greatly appreciate all the Giving Tree gifts members brought to the December luncheon and sent directly to the GOTR office.

Girls on the Run is busy preparing for the Spring season. Typically the Spring season sees almost double the number of locations and participants than the Fall season. That means over 1200 girls! Therefore GOTR needs more coaches. Please consider this incredible opportunity to help steer the lives of young girls who are our future. Coach registration is open now! Click the link below for more information about becoming a Coach. The spring season runs from April 13th through June 4th.

From Christine Benedict, Executive Director of GOTR in the Madison area:

Did you know that volunteering has been shown to reduce feelings of social isolation and lower stress levels? And when you volunteer with Girls on the Run, you can make a difference in the lives of girls in our community. We recognize the important connection between body and mind. Our program centers around fun and accessible physical activity, ensuring we are strengthening physical – as well as emotional – health.



As a Coach, you will be fully trained with our curriculum and provided with everything you need to create a positive and inclusive environment for our girls. Over the course of 8 weeks, you will lead your team through fun and interactive lessons. You'll make a commitment to support the team either once or twice per week after school.

To learn more about what it means to be called "Coach," visit:

<https://www.girlsontherunscwi.org/Coach>.

Lace Up & Power On! With great appreciation for your support of Girls on the Run.

The members of the Service Committee

Genevieve Murtaugh, Judy Thorpe, Nan Youngerman, Nancy Daly and Susan Cambria

Interest Group News

The *Cross Country Ski* group is waiting for snow but we will not let grass grow under our feet. Every Friday we will ski or walk up to two hours. Start time is 10AM - location and time are variable. Go to the WN website and access the Interest Group home page. For more information contact:

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Looking for an experienced geocacher to assist in forming an interest group. We need your expertise! Please contact:

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Books and Bites II meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month from 9:30-11:30 and is looking for 2 to 3 new members. On The WN website access the Interest Group home page for this group.

New Group starting—Not Just Kid Stuff

Great books for children and teens make great reads for adults as well. If you're not familiar with these genres you might be in for a big—and very pleasant—surprise. The location, time and frequency will be decided by interested members. Go to the website and join this group by accessing the Interest Group home page.



Not Just Wine and Cheese

Friday, January 21st

Back by popular request, **Not Just Wine and Cheese is Zooming** on January 21, 2022. Social chat room starts at 6:30, Presentation at 7PM. Click this link to sign up.

<https://whosnew.org/not-just-wine-and-cheese>



Metcalfe's cheesemongers will present "Top Tier Wisconsin Cheeses". Sample award winning cheeses representing the best of Wisconsin cheesemakers. In this tasting event, we will enjoy –

Roelli Cellars Little Mountain
Sartori Black Pepper Bellavitano
Deer Creek Vat 17 Cheddar
Hook's 10 Year Cheddar
Blakesville Creamery Lake Breeze



Paired with colorful and informative commentary and cheese board favorites of nuts, preserves and crackers, these cheeses will come to life!" Wine pairings will be suggested. Place Cheese Board order on WNIM website. Cost \$25 per Cheese Board.

Deadline to place orders is Sunday, January 16th on WNIM website. Please pick up your order at Metcalfe's Hilldale 726 North Midvale Boulevard Madison, WI 53705-3207 after 8 AM Thursday January 20. The weather outside may be frightful, so please join us and stay safe.



Our New Members to WNIM

Please welcome

Juanita Halls	Kelsey Dornfeld
Roberta Beson-Crone	Lynn Thor
Elizabeth Whynot	Betty Mastey
Ursula Richards	

What does the Who's New Board of Directors talk about each month?

You can find out by reading the minutes of our board meetings which are available on our website. Use the Quick Menu to find the "Board Minutes" tab; or from the Members Homepage, scroll down to Board Meeting Minutes in the Club Information section. Your WN Board members welcome your input and ideas on any of the matters that we discuss. Contact any of us to let us know your thoughts.

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- click on *My Account* box
- then go to *Account Details* to edit.