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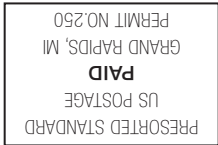
Technology on board to teach us the business and lay the groundwork for the company after his retirement. To his credit it was a great decision as the company has been very successful under our leadership.”

“Working for Merchants Terminal has been a very satisfying experience. After working in the bureaucracy of a large corporation with red tape, Merchants was a breath of fresh air. It was certainly one of the best decisions I have ever made when I joined the Merchants family.”

Ken is active in industry associations and currently serves as Chairman of the World Food Logistics Organization, Chairman of the Operations Committee for the World Food Logistics Organization, Co-Chairman of the Logistics Advisory committee and a member of the Planning and Education Committee of the American Frozen Food Institute. He is past Chairman of the IARW North-Atlantic chapter and is currently the treasurer for The World Group.

“I am very excited about our latest acquisition of a 6.1 million cubic foot warehouse in Wilmington, DE. It will certainly complement our other facilities and position us to service markets that will make us even more competitive. My goal is to make the transition as smooth as possible.”

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Meet Your Members



Ken Johnson
 Merchants Terminal Corporation

The Johnson family has a long history with Merchants Terminal Corporation. Ken Johnson, Vice President of Operations, has headed Merchants Terminal Corporation’s operations since 2000 and has been with the company since 1991, cutting his teeth as Dock Supervisor. A graduate of Illinois State University, Ken began his professional career with Ben Franklin Stores. Married to his college sweetheart, Ken and Linda have two daughters, Nicole, 20 and Megan, 17. Nicole attends Towson University outside Baltimore and has shown interest in logistics after working at the MTC Jessup plant for the past 3 summers as a filing clerk and customer service representative. If she follows Ken’s footsteps, she will be the third generation of Johnson’s to work in

the PRW industry. Ken’s father Roy was president of Merchants Terminal Corporation for 18 years and brought Ken into the industry. Roy was Chairman of both the IARW and WFLO.

“I’m proud to say that we are the first father/son to be Chairman of the WFLO,” says Ken. “I guess temperature controlled logistics is in my blood as my first visit to one of my fathers warehouses was when I was 8 years old. I never thought I would follow in his footsteps but life doesn’t always follow the path you think it will.”

“Back in 1991 my father looked to the future by bringing myself, Harry Halpert, current president of Merchants Terminal and Dave Eden, VP of Information

World Group Members Host Poultry Party

The World Group's annual 'Poultry Party' was held Thursday, January 25, 2007 at the Atlanta Hyatt Regency Hotel. This event has become a tradition over the years, and has grown in popularity as the highlight of the International Poultry Expo. More than 100 customers of World Group members were in attendance, making this party one of the most successful over the years. The evening's entertainment included the very talented magician, Dan Garrett, who amazed our guests with his many tricks and illusions.

Customers dined on a variety of hors d' oeuvres which ranged from fresh fruit, seafood, chicken and beef. We also included a ravioli station that was a huge success!

World Group members that contributed to this party were NOCS, American Cold Storage, Frialsa Frigorificos, Henningsen Cold Storage, Imperial Freezer Services and Merchants Cold Storage.



Left to Right: "Big Daddy" Don Ellen - Sanderson Farms, Inc. and Mark Blanchard, NOCS



Left to Right: Doug Martin with Henningsen Cold Storage Co., Duncan Gilchrist - Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, and Tyler Kirby with Sellari Enterprises, Inc.



Left to Right: Robert Frederiks, Van Weelde Chartering B.V.; Angie Molenaar, NOCS; Scott Trapp, Lamex Foods, Inc.; Robert Nobleman, Zandbergen Services B.V.



Left to Right: Phil White with Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, Angie Molenaar, NOCS and Irina Rebe with Globex International, Inc.



Left to Right: Sameh Yacoub - Mirasco, Inc. and Sam Barsoum (also known as "Jr.") with Mirasco, Inc.



Well, At Least The Friendship Was Warm...

The World Group members and guests braved the unseasonably cool California weather for golf, dining and business ... not necessarily in that order. The AFFI Frozen Food Convention, previously known as 'The Western' was held from February 24-28 in Monterey, CA. The World Group had a general business meeting with attending members and hosted a gala dinner party at the Monterey Bay Aquarium on

Sunday evening. Nearly 150 guests of the World Group attended ... a record number for this event. Earlier on Sunday, they hosted a golf outing at the Links at Spanish Bay. Six foursomes enjoyed the beauty of a world-class golf course on the picturesque California Coast on historic 17-Mile Drive on the Monterey Peninsula.



Left: (L to R) Stephani Weaver, Frozsun Foods/Sunrise Growers; Steve Bannworth, Watts Bros.; Hollee Parker, Diversifood Associates; Christine Reker, Frozsun Foods/Sunrise Growers



Below: (L to R) Rodney Cook & Leanne Kelly, Overlake Food Corp.; Andrea & Alan Breslow, Somerset Industries



Left: (L to R) Hollee Parker, Diversifood Associates, Inc.; Don Odegard, Watts Bros.



Below: (L to R) Rick & Melanie Bentley, SunOpta Fruit Group; Jim Roberts & Linda Ervin, Rainsweet, Inc.



Above: (L to R) Nicolas Nouvel, Distribution & Services, Inc.; Doug Martin, Henningsen; Kenny Perez, Distribution & Services, Inc.



Left: (L to R) Linda & Lou Steck, Ruiz Foods; Ernie Ferguson, Merchants Terminal Corp.

Right: (L to R) Merlin Fischer, Transpacific Foods; Tony Lucarelli, Henningsen; Mike Alley, Kerr Concentrates



Below: (L to R) Sandy Biggs; Terry & Tricia Taylor, Odom's Tennessee Pride Sausage



Above: (L to R) Bryan & Jeff Malensky, Oregon Berry Packing Co.; Walter Smith, NORPAC Foods



Right: (L to R) Kurt Weise, Dole Packaged Foods; Colin Rooney, Trinity World Trading; Mike Kreppi, Maple Leaf Consumer Foods



Above: (L to R) Colin Rooney, Trinity World Trading; Mike Kreppi, Maple Leaf Consumer Foods; Kurt Weise, Dole Packaged Foods



Above: (L to R) Stan Firestone, Firestone Pacific Foods; Jordan Wick, Kiwa International; Bob Barnhouse, Dole Packaged Foods; Dave Williams, Firestone Pacific Foods



Above: (L to R) Doug Byers, JR Simplot Co.; Emmanuelle Bommier, Bonduelle



Above: (L to R) Mike Kreppi, Maple Leaf Consumer Foods; Ernie Ferguson, Merchants Terminal Corporation; Colin Rooney, Trinity World Trading; Kurt Weise, Dole Packaged Foods



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