

The **Builder News**

The Official Publication Of The Wolf River Builders Association

Calendar of Events

March 2024

March 6 - Chamber of Commerce 'Coffee Connections,' 8-9 a.m., Fannita's Bakery, 128 S. Main St., Shawano. Join and make connections with other businesspeople. Newcomer's welcome! Bring your business cards. This gives business professionals an opportunity to showcase their business, build relationships and learn from each other! Guest speaker: Shawano Specialty Papers

March 12 - WRBA General Breakfast Meeting, 6:15 a.m., Farm Inn' on Main, Shawano. Guest speaker - Kurt Krizan from Shawano Schools. RSVP LINK: <https://forms.gle/iqwbSZXfoRiZjUnu7>

March 26 - WRBA Board of Directors Meeting, 5:45 p.m., The Pad, Shawano

April 3 - Chamber of Commerce 'Coffee Connections,' 8-9 a.m., Fannita's Bakery, 128 S. Main St., Shawano.

April 9 - WRBA Hard Hat Happy Hour, JDogg's, 5:45 p.m., Shawano. Drawings for prizes, 50/50 and attendance raffle at 6:30 p.m. RSVP LINK: <https://forms.gle/ZMxnT9wdAEcgGYp39>

Mission Statement

The Wolf River Builders Association's purpose is to serve as an advocate and resource for area building industry professionals, while supporting a commitment to our community through leadership and education.



Wolf River Builders Association

Professionals You Can Trust!

March General Membership Breakfast Meeting

When: Tuesday, March 12th

Where: **Farm Inn' on Main**
123 N. Main St., Shawano
715-524-4916

6:15 a.m. meeting/breakfast

PLEASE RSVP

by Monday, March 11th

via e-mail or link

<https://forms.gle/iqwbSZXfoRiZjUnu7>

One meal per membership is free, however "no shows" will be charged. Add'l meals for spouse or guests - \$15.00

Progressive Attendance Pot
\$120 for March Meeting

Door Prize donations always welcome!
Just bring it along!

We hope to see you there!

Check out the Member Benefits through NAHB –
<http://www.nahb.org/savings>

From your President

Hello everyone, as spring is approaching (or hopefully here) we have a few events to look forward to.



Going on right now we have our Lego home building contest for kids ages 3-17. All entries are due on March 22 so if you have children or know of any Lego builders please reach out to them to enter. Prizes will be awarded for different age categories.

Coming up on April 9th we will have our Hard Hat Happy Hour hosted at JDoggs of Shawano. Please join us for a fun evening. Also start getting your teams together for our annual sporting clays shoot at J&H game farm on May 14th. If you or your company are willing to help sponsor any of these events, we will list your name/logo on the event flyer. Please reach out if you're interested - wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com.

I hope to see many of you at our upcoming meeting/events and am looking forward to the summer season!

-Bryan Nemetz, WRBA President

Scholarship deadline March 15

The Wolf River Builders Association Scholarship offers a scholarship(s) (up to 3 individuals), with the possibility of an individual receiving up to \$1500.

This is presented to a student or students who are continuing their education in a building-associated trade.

The scholarship is payable in one lump sum to be used for the initial semester at an accredited college, university, junior college, technical college, trade or vocational school or other approved educational organization.

Criteria for selection is as follows:

1. Graduating senior of a high school located in Shawano, Oconto or Menominee counties.
2. Show financial need.
3. Proven leadership ability.
4. Good moral character.
5. Continuing their education in a building associated field.

6. Scholarship request must be made on WRBA application.

The 2024 [SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION LINK](#) is available here and in area schools. The deadline is March 15, 2024.



Lego Home Contest ends Mar. 22

CALLING ALL LEGO BUILDERS ages 3-17! Looking for something fun for the kids to do? Want to add a little 'tech ed' into their education? We're having a Lego Home Building Contest and challenging all Lego builders age 3-17 to show off their master Lego skills!

Those selected as the winners will receive prizes donated by Bryan Nemetz Construction and Knope Heating & Air Conditioning! Submissions are due Friday, March 22 - winners will be announced on Sunday, March 24th.

How does it work?

- 1 - Pull out that tub of Legos.
- 2 - Build the best house out of Legos that you can.
- 3 - Snap a photo of your Lego House.
- 4 - Send the photo to us by Facebook Message (<https://www.facebook.com/WolfRiverBuildersAssociation/>) or by email wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com by Friday 3/22/2024. Please include the first name and age of the child who built the house, as well as the city you live in.
- 5 - Our team of 'experts' will select the winners. Depending on entries, winners will be broken into age categories, as well as a category for entries

from outside our service area of Shawano, Menominee and Oconto Counties.
6 - We will post all of the homes and the winners on Facebook.

We're looking forward to seeing all of the fantastic creations you come up with!

Kwik Trip Gift Cards Available

**WRBA has Kwik Trip Gift Cards!
Your purchase helps support our organization!**

Denominations currently in-stock are \$10, \$25, \$50 and \$100. We also have \$25 Grocery Cards and \$30 Car Wash Cards

We are able to order amounts of
\$10 · \$20 · \$25 · \$50 · \$100 · \$500

If you'd like to order for yourself or for employee incentive programs, just visit our online store under the MORE tab at wolfriverbuilders.org, or contact us via email at wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com

Cards are also available at any of our general membership meetings! Help support WRBA!

Health Insurance Plan available

Health insurance remains one of the most expensive employee benefits your business offers. During a time when you are reviewing your current health insurance renewal plans, please take this time to review all your options with superior health care provider networks that are available through our partnership with the Wisconsin Builders Association.

Take a look at cost-effective options with superior health care provider networks that are available through the partnership of the Wolf River Builders Association and the Wisconsin Builders Association (WBA).

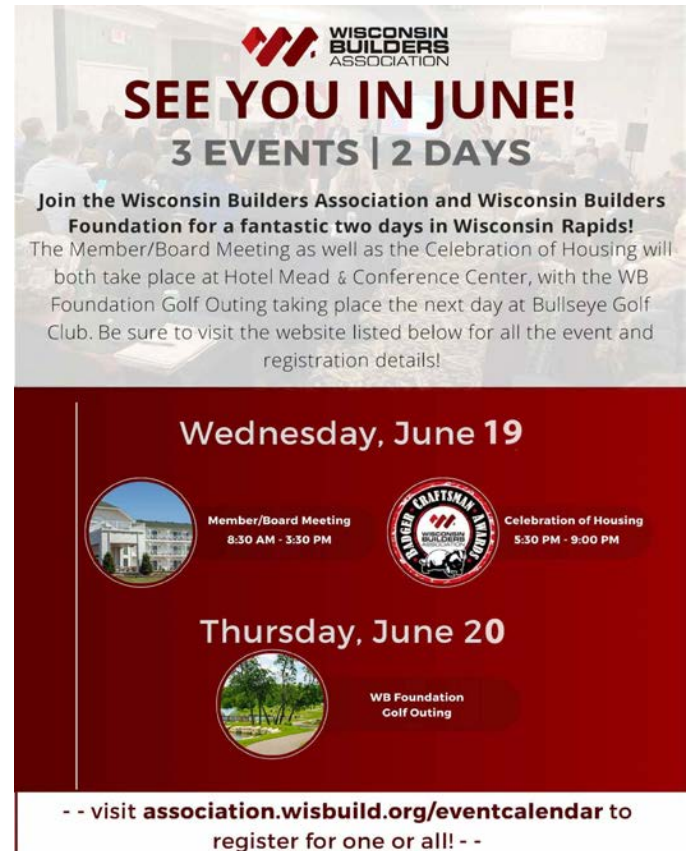
Through the buying power of WRBA and WBA, you can get large group service and prices for your business of any size. New and existing members can take advantage of this opportunity to choose

coverage from WPS Health Insurance and Arise Health Plan. You get help controlling costs and navigating a complex health care system through special pricing exclusively for members.

If you are interested in reviewing the options, simply contact:

Michael Schiewer
The Insurance Center Inc.
608.273.3855

Membership is not required to receive a quote, but membership required to receive quoted policy!



The graphic features the Wisconsin Builders Association logo at the top. Below it, the text reads "SEE YOU IN JUNE! 3 EVENTS | 2 DAYS". A central paragraph invites members to join the Wisconsin Builders Association and Wisconsin Builders Foundation for a two-day event in Wisconsin Rapids, including a Member/Board Meeting, Celebration of Housing, and a Golf Outing. The events are listed for Wednesday, June 19 (Member/Board Meeting and Celebration of Housing) and Thursday, June 20 (WB Foundation Golf Outing). A red banner at the bottom contains the registration link: association.wisbuild.org/eventcalendar.

Registration open for WBA events

Registration is currently open for the June [Member Meeting Day](#) and [Celebration of Housing](#), both taking place at the Hotel Mead & Conference Center in Wisconsin Rapids on Wednesday, June 19.

To book a room, call 800-843-6323 and mention the Wisconsin Builders Association block. Deadline to reserve within the block is May 19, 2024.

-Queen/King Rooms: \$139

-Whirlpool Rooms: \$159

The [WB Foundation Golf Outing](#) is set to take place Thurs., June 20 at Bullseye Golf Club in Wisconsin Rapids.

Member Spotlight

WRBA would like to have you present information about your business at a monthly general membership meeting and in our newsletter.

It could be general information about who you are, how your business got started, what your company does, or info on a special promotion that you are holding, a sale that you have going on, etc. Consider it free advertising! Contact Nathan at wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com to set this up.

Online Education Course available

In partnership with On3 Field Learning, the Wisconsin Builders Foundation offers a 4-credit online course that will satisfy the new continuing education requirements for Dwelling Contractor Qualifiers. Due to a recent law change, anyone renewing their DCQ credential will be required four of the 12 required credits in subject matter that includes construction laws and codes and contracts, liability, and risk management.

To register for the course, members or non-members can simply click the red **REGISTER** button. Members of record can access this course free of charge by entering the promo code provided on [this page](#) at checkout; note: WBA member login will be required to access this page.

The course is available to non-members for \$55.00. Your DCQ number will also be required at the time of registration.

Directions:

1. Click the Red **REGISTER** Button (or visit <https://wisconsinbuildersassociation.growthzoneapp.com/ap/Events/Register/gLW88V9r?mode=Attendee>)
2. Complete the required information and payment on checkout page (reminder to members of record to enter **promo code DCQ2022MEMBER** for free registration)
3. You will receive a confirmation that you have been registered. At this time, please watch your inbox - and spam folder - for an email from On3. Note: it may take up to 48 hours if registering on the weekend.
4. Follow the instructions in the email and complete the online learning (from smart phone, tablet, web browser, etc.) within 30 days

5. After you have passed the course with a 70%, WBF will receive confirmation of your exam from On3 and will submit your credits to DSPS!

Progressive Attendance Drawing



The name drawn for the \$100 pot at the Hard Hat Happy Hour was A-1 Elevator. A representative was not in attendance to claim the prize, so the pot at the March Breakfast Meeting will increase to \$120.

Unfamiliar with the “Progressive” Attendance Drawing”? For each General Membership Meeting, each member will have a chip with a number that corresponds to their name placed in the bucket, whether the member is in attendance or not.

If present and your name (#) is drawn, you will win the pot! If you are not present and your name is drawn, the pot will grow by \$20 for the next meeting or Hard Hat Happy Hour event. Minimum pot will always be \$20. It costs you nothing, but you could be a winner if you’re there!

Make sure you are there to win if your name (#) is called!

Membership News

New Member – Welcome!

- Perry Seamless Gutters - Parker Perry

Memberships Renewed – Welcome Back!

- Wolf River Habitat for Humanity - Mark Flunker
- The Sherwin Williams Company - John Zovnic

Members – Renewal Due February

- Frontline Fence LLC - Cayla Farley
- Schneider & Son's Landscaping Inc. - Angela Schneider

Members – Renewal Due April

- AbbyBank - Samantha Olson
- Hawkeye Hearth & Home - Dale Hawkinson
- Moede and Sons Inc - Curt Moede
- Tundraland Home Improvements - Cassie Lambrecht

Upcoming Events/Meetings

March 12 - Breakfast Meeting - Farm Inn on Main

April 9 - Hard Hat Happy Hour - JDoggs, Shawano

May 14 - Sporting Clays Shoot - J&H Game Farm

June 11 - Picnic - Kuckuk Park, Shawano

JULY - NO MEETING

August 6 - Golf Outing - Golden Sands, Cecil

Sept. 10 - Officer Elections - Location TBD

October 8 - Officer Installation - Location TBD

NOVEMBER - NO MEETING

Dec. 10 - Breakfast Meeting - Farm Inn on Main

RED = OPEN TO THE PUBLIC / Spread the word!

Please **invite member prospects** to membership meetings! We'll pay for their meal for the first meeting to give them the opportunity to see what we are all about. We'll also give **you** a \$10 Kwik Trip Card for bringing them! Share our membership info by sharing this link: [WRBA Potential Member Letter](#)



Wolf River Builders Association 2023/2024 Board of Directors

President	Bryan Nemetz Bryan Nemetz Construction W8885 Oak Avenue Shawano, WI 54166 Mobile: 715-853-7104
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Executive Officer	Nathan Falk Email: wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com Website: www.wolfriverbuilders.org Ph: 715-853-2310



Hard Hat Happy Hour

A networking event for our builder and associate members, as well as prospective members!

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

JDogg's
136 S. Main Street, Shawano

**Networking / food & beverage:
5:45-6:30 p.m. - drawings at 6:30**

There is no guest charge. Members will each receive a \$15 gift certificate towards their food/beverage. Please pre-register the names of those attending on our website at www.wolfriverbuilders.org/register or call 715-853-2310

We are also looking for door prizes for the event - please e-mail us at wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com or call us at 715-853-2310 if you have something to bring.

2024 MEMBER SAVINGS PROGRAM | AT A GLANCE

nahb.org/savings



AUTO

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
BMW	Earn up to \$1,500 on a new BMW or up to \$500 on a new MINI	BMW	memberdeals.com/nahb/shopping.php?action=view&sub=bmw&login=1
GOODYEAR	Members must log into NAHB.org to save 15% on Goodyear Tires.	Goodyear Tires & Services	nahb.org/goodyear
NISSAN	Save \$450 to \$3,800 on sedans, crossovers, SUVs and trucks.	Nissan	nahb.org/nissan

BUILDING MATERIALS

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
LOWE'S	5% off* in store, plus 2% statement credit with Commercial Account (LCA) or Lowe's Business Advantage (LBA). 5-10% off online orders using any payment method.	Building Materials	lowes.com/nahb 877-435-2440

WIRELESS

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
T-MOBILE	Save 12% on wireless.	Cell Phones, Internet, Plans & More	nahb.org/t-mobile

TRAVEL & ENTERTAINMENT

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
AVIS	Save up to 30% off Avis PAY NOW rates when making a reservation with Avis Worldwide Discount (AWD) number G572900.	Rental Cars	avis.com/nahb 800-331-1212 AWD #G572900
BUDGET	Save up to 35% off Budget PAY NOW rates when making a reservation using Budget Customer Discount (BCD) number Z536900.	Rental Cars	budget.com/nahb 800-283-4387 BCD #Z536900
HOTELPLANNER	NAHB members can save up to 65% on hotel room rates at over 800,000 properties worldwide in more than 250 countries.	Hotels	nahb.hotelplanner.com 800-497-2175
MEMBER DEALS	Up to 50% off.	Theme Parks, Movie Tickets, Concerts, Water Parks & Gift Cards	memberdeals.com/nahb/?login=1 877-579-1201
SAM'S CLUB	Save over 60% on a new membership plus receive travel and entertainment credit	Club Membership	memberdeals.com/nahb/packages.php?sub=packages&action=view&id=3291&login=1

Health & Wellness

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
ACTIVE & FIT DIRECT	Find your perfect gym for \$28/month.	Fitness Membership	nahb.org/nahb-community/member-benefits/savings/active-and-fit

NAHB Members Saved over **\$40,000,000** last year

2024 MEMBER SAVINGS PROGRAM | AT A GLANCE

nahb.org/savings



FUEL

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
VOYAGER	Save on Fuel with Voyager card for Business. Savings anywhere Mastercard is accepted.	Fuel Savings & Fleet Management	usbank.com/splash/corporate-payments/transportation/nahb.html

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
DELL	Up to 40% off Dell computers, servers, electronics & accessories.	Computers & Hardware	dell.com/nahb 800-757-8442
ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS	Up to 75% off online regular prices on their Best Value List of preferred products. Plus, free shipping over \$50.	Office Supplies	officediscounts.org/nahb 855-337-6811 x2897
UPS SHIPPING	Flat-rate pricing. 50% discount for next day shipping, 30% for ground commercial/residential.	Business Shipping	1800members.com/nahb 800-MEMBERS
YRC FREIGHT	At least 75% off Less Than Truckload (LTL) shipping over 150lbs.	Freight Shipping	1800members.com/nahb 800-MEMBERS
RINGCENTRAL	Save 15% off monthly on a new RingCentral Office service. Receive \$50 off the list price on any RingCentral phone. Current NAHB RingCentral users are eligible for discounts by calling and re-signing a 24 month agreement.	Message, Video & Phone	ringcentral.com/nahb 800-417 0930
HEARTLAND	Merchant processing and payroll solutions at reduced fees for NAHB Members	Payment & POS Solutions	go.heartlandpaymentsystems.com/nahb 800-613-0148

INSURANCE

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
FARMERS INSURANCE	Choose an insurance plan that fits you and save at least 10%.	Personal & Business Insurance Needs	farmersinsurancechoice.com/nahb 888-528-0530

NAHB ASSOCIATION DISCOUNTS

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
NAHB INTERNATIONAL BUILDERS' SHOW®	Up to \$200 off show registration. Up to \$3.75 per sq. ft. off exhibit space.	Trade Show	buildersshow.com
STRUCTURE PRODUCTIONS	Discounts on professional video and television production services.	Visual Media	structure-productions.com
NAHB CONTRACTS	Up to 30% off contract rates.	Legal	nahb.org/nahbcontracts
HOUSINGECONOMICS	\$100 off annual subscription.	Economic & Housing Data	housingeconomics.com
BUILDERBOOKS	10% off books. Up to 45% off research.	Books	builderbooks.com
ONLINE EDUCATION	Up to 30% off webinars; Up to 50% off online courses.	Education	nahb.org/education

*Discounts are as of 2/9/24 & subject to change at any time. Visit nahb.org/savings for latest deals & limited time offers.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

WISCONSIN BUILDERS ASSOCIATION



1. KWIK TRIP REWARDS

\$0.06 cents off of every gallon of fuel purchased along with 10% off of most in-store purchases. Valid for business accounts.

2. CONTRACTS/FORMS

Legally vetted and regularly updated construction and remodeling contracts and forms are free to use by our members. \$6,000 Value



3. MEMBER HOTLINE

WBA provides complimentary access to legal, building code, and safety experts to answer any building-related issues you're facing. \$100 value/question

4. INSURANCE

Customizable industry-specific business and health insurance packages available for members at discounted rates.



5. REBATE PROGRAM

Builder and remodeler members are eligible to receive cash back on materials, appliances, and more used in their construction projects. Average Returns = \$1,472/quarter!

6. CONTINUING EDUCATION

12 FREE continuing education credits for dwelling contractor credentials, and discounts on plumbing and electrical credits.



7. COACHING & CONSULTING

Members can receive complimentary business assessment services every year - a \$2,200 value!



Even More Benefits Available at
WISBUILD.ORG/MEMBER-BENEFITS

JOIN US... Meet Your Area Builders & Building Professionals
to Learn About Networking Opportunities and the Way
We Help Each Other and Our Communities!



Our next membership meeting will be held **March 12, 2024**
— send us a message for location & time.

WRBA is always looking for new members to expand our team of professionals!
Come mingle & your meal is on us!



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