

The Builder News

The Official Publication Of The Wolf River Builders Association

Calander of Events

May 2017

- May 9 WRBA General Membership Mtg. and **Membership Promotion**, Club 117, 117 N. Cecil St., Bonduel
- May 14 *Happy Mother's Day!*
- May 16 Shawano Chamber Business Connection, Brother's Pub, N5867 Lake Drive, Shawano 5 – 6:30 p.m.
- May 23 WRBA Board of Directors Meeting Launching Pad, 5:45 p.m.
- May 29 *Memorial Day*

Coming Events

- June 13 WRBA General Membership Mtg & Sporting Clays Outing, J & H Game Farm, W5810 J & H Road, Shiocton
- June 14 *Flag Day*
- June 18 *Happy Father's Day!*
- June 27 WRBA Board of Directors Meeting Launching Pad, 5:45
- June 27 Shawano Chamber Golf Outing, Shawano Lake Golf Course

We are looking to do a couple of breakfast Meetings in the future – let us know your thoughts and if you'd be interested in that option!

Mission Statement

The Wolf River Builders Association's purpose is to associate the builders within Menominee, Oconto and Shawano Counties for the purpose of mutual advantage and cooperation; to collaborate with all fields related to the building industry for the benefit of the industry as a whole; and to assist in the accomplishment of the mutual objectives of the National Association of Home Builders and Wisconsin Builders Association.



WRBA

Wolf River Builders Association

Professionals You Can Trust!

May

General Membership Meeting & Membership Drive

When: Tuesday, May 9th

Where: **Club 117**

117 N. Cecil Street, Bonduel
715-758-2164

Networking/Cocktails: 5:45 - 6:30

Dinner: 6:30; Meeting to follow.

PLEASE RSVP to Diane
by Thursday, May 4th
@ 715-853-2310 or via Email -
wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com

Have a prospective new member to bring? WRBA will cover the meal for one person from a non-member business to introduce them to our organization. Any additional meals for spouse or guests are **\$15.00 each**. "No Shows" will be billed.

Interested in bringing a door prize?
Let Diane know or just bring it along!

Hope to see you there!

Check out the Member Benefits through NAHB –

<http://www.nahb.org/mc>



Progressive “Attendance” Drawing

The pot for the March meeting at The Corral was **\$200**. The name drawn at this meeting was **Torborg’s**. No one from Torborg’s was in attendance. The pot for the April meeting at Antler’s was **\$220** and again the name drawn was **Torborg’s!** Again, no one was in attendance. Sorry Jim! So the pot will increase by \$20 to **\$240** for the May mtg.

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. Minimum pot will always be \$20.

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

Advertising Program - 2017

We are now in the second quarter of the advertising program. If you are not participating at present and would like more information or to be included in our monthly ads, contact Diane. Space is limited and on a first come, first served basis. With the 2017 program, we have a circulation of over 40,000; about 39,000 of those being direct mailed. The papers include the Super Shopper (full page), the Community Shopper (full page), and on the back of the Oconto County Times Herald (same size ad as Shoppers). This will help to get our name out in the Oconto, Aniwa, Antigo, Birnamwood, Bowler, Eland, Elderon, Galloway, Hatley, Mattoon, Rosholt, Tigerton, Tilleda, and Wittenberg areas as well as the Super Shopper territories that we had been covering.

The pricing for one space is still \$90 per quarter, (three issues--one ad/month--a cost of only \$30/month). You can also do a double ad on a quarterly basis for \$180/quarter.

The May ad deadline is May 12th. If you would like to be added to our program or if you are already advertising and have a change for your ad, please let Diane know a.s.a.p., but no later than May 12th. Contact her via email at wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com

Grow our membership! Please **invite member prospects** to membership meetings! We’ll cover dinner for the first meeting to give them the opportunity to see what we are all about. And we will give **you** a \$10 Kwik Trip Card for bringing them! **And the May 9 meeting is the perfect time as we participate in the National membership push.**

Promote new membership and the benefits that NAHB, WBA and WRBA offer!! There are lots of reasons to maintain your membership! We’d love to hear what you find valuable in your membership ...the networking? Dinner meetings? Discounts through NAHB? Contracts, Legal Hotline, or Rebate Program through WBA? Member-to-Member discounts offered at local level? Advocacy? Let us know! *Membership Chairpersons: Trish Kieckhafer – 715-853-9961; Tom Krause – 715-853-7859.*

Still need your WBA member login?

With the conversion to a new website and database in July 2015, the Wisconsin Builders Association needs all members to set up new usernames and passwords (from the ones that were being used on the old website). Simply send a blank email to slong@wisbuild.org to request setup!

Education

Do you need to get your DCQ Credits?

You can check the WB Foundation website for online courses that are available for WI DCQ Credits at <http://homebuildersuniversity.com/wisconsin-home-builder-classes/> To learn more about the WB Foundation, go to www.wisbuild.org/wb-foundation.html.

If there is any interest for specific subjects for classes, please let Greg or Diane know and we will see what we can do. Topics do not need to be only builder related, although we will do what we can to help the builders get CEU's!

We are in the process of setting up a CPR class. It will be a three hour session – date to be determined. Class will run from 6:00 – 9:00 and be held at the fire station in Shawano. The training will be free, however, no certification cards will be included. Just the life-saving information you will receive from the class! If you have any interest in attending this type of class, let Greg or Diane know.

Education Chairperson: Greg Brown – 715-526-2175



Kwik Trip Gift Cards Available

WRBA has Kwik Trip Gift Cards. Denominations available include \$10, \$25, \$50 and \$100. Contact Diane for more information.

WRBA Home & Cottage Show

The 2017 WRBA Home & Cottage Show has come and gone. Final figures for how we did will be out soon...still have some invoicing out for our television advertising to promote the show.

We had a nice assortment of vendors for this year's show, with 55 booths! We again allowed craft/artist type vendors in the show and had a wide assortment

of products available to the attendees. We are always looking for more of our members to participate...and the public was also looking for some of our members that were missing. I personally had requests for the landscape, flooring and heating vendors. Wish you had been there!

The Bucket Raffle was again a success with 20 people going away as winners! Raffle prizes were donated by members **Cellcom, Stone Creations, Heins Appliance, Woodstock Hardwood Flooring & Design Center, Shawano Community High School Trades Program, Wolf River Habitat for Humanity, and Bank Mutual**, as well as non-members - **Charlies County Market, Sun Comfort, Shawano Auto Sales, Spielvogels, Hanging Pines Wood Carving, South Forty, Golden Sands Golf Course, Anthony Gauthier, and Bartel's Chainsaw Carvings.**

Attendance was down; the weather was gorgeous. But the regular vendors seemed to agree that there were some very good leads and jobs to be gained! To try to avoid the problem with the good weather we tend to have in April for our show, the committee is investigating other venue options for the 2018 show.
Home Show Chairperson: Cap Wallrich – 715-526-2156

Scholarship Raffle & Awards

The 2017 Scholarship Raffle drawing was held on Sunday, April 9th at the WRBA Home & Cottage Show. Watch for pictures of the winners of our prizes in the next newsletter! First prize was \$500. Second prize was a framed and signed Green Bay Packer jersey – Jeff Janis (#83). Third prize was \$200.

Three young men, all from Shawano High School, were the recipients of our scholarships. All three will receive \$500 to use toward their continuing education. Recipients are Patrick A. Brodhagen, Christopher D. Hass, and Weslee J. Carlson. Our congratulations to these students and our wishes for all the best as they further their education.

Executive Officer Position

As many of you know, a little over a year ago I took a full time job in Shawano besides this position as the Executive Officer for WRBA. I would like to find someone who is interested and qualified to take over this position. It is part time and can be fairly flexible other than meeting dates and times. **If you are interested in getting more information or know of someone who might be, please let me or one of the board members know.** *Diane Montour*

Membership News

Memberships Renewed – Welcome Back!

- Stone Creations
Representative: Trish Kieckhafer
- Felts Construction
Representative: Chuck Felts
- Wolf River Habitat for Humanity
Representative: Mark Flunker
- Robinson Construction LLC
Representative: Ray Robinson
- Cellcom
Affiliate Representative: Laura Hoppe

Members – Renewal Due February

- Bill Biese Masonry Inc. – Bill Biese
- Torborg's Shawano Lumber – Jim Torborg
- The Sherwin-Williams Co. – Sam Schabow

Members – Renewal Due March

- Apple Valley Nursery & Orchards – Roy Brodhagen
- Bank Mutual – April Adasiewicz
- Budget Blinds – Kurt Deneys

Members – Renewal Due April

- Universal Windows/Affordable Siding – Steve Larson
- Hawkeye Hearth & Home – Dale Hawkinson
- Moede and Sons Inc. – Curt Moede
- Titledown Flooring LLC – K J Schreiber
- Wolf River Media – Chris Kennedy
- Wolf River Habitat for Humanity – Affiliate Membership – Dorothy Foster

Members – Renewal Due May

- Heins Appliance & Refrigeration – Brian Heins
- Luisier Drilling Inc. – James Meyers
- M J Electric – Mike Johnson
- Shawano Well Drilling Inc. – John Dillenberg

Non-Renewing Members

The following members have either allowed their membership to lapse with NAHB or have opted to not renew their membership. If you see this past member, please encourage them to renew today.

- Menominee Tribal Enterprises – Al Quinney

Membership Dues — Installment Payments

If desired, you may make installment payments on your membership dues renewal. You may split the payment up into two or three payments, with the final payment due by your renewal date. There will be no refunds if dues are not paid in full. And one payment in full when due is always an option!

Wolf River Builders Association 2016/2017 Board of Directors

President	Bill Rapaich Top Shelf Builders Inc. W8043 County Road M Shawano, WI 54166 715-524-2016
President-Elect	Greg Brown SCHS Trades Program 220 County Road B Shawano, WI 54166 715-524-2016
Treasurer	Don Pedersen KerberRose, S.C. 115 E. 5 th Street Shawano, WI 54166 (715) 526-9400
Secretary	Cap Wallrich Wallrich Agency 300 E. Green Bay St. P. O. Box 90 Shawano, WI 54166 715-526-2156
Past President	John Maule - Maule Construction LLC (715-745-2256)
Builder Directors	Trish Kieckhafer – Stone Creations of WI (715-526-8690) Mark Flunker – Wolf River Habitat for Humanity (715-584-5995)
Associate Directors	Mike Johnson – M J Electric (715-853-7630) K J Schreiber – Titledown Flooring LLC (920-655-6100) Sam Schabow – Sherwin Williams Co. (715-526-1818)
State Directors	John Maule – Maule Construction LLC Bill Rapaich – Top Shelf Builders Inc.
Executive Officer	Diane Montour Email: wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com Website: www.wolfriverbuilders.com Ph: 715-853-2310

Member Spotlight!

WRBA would like to have you present information about your business at a monthly general membership meetings. 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 Diane today via email or phone message.

National Association of Home Builders

Put your membership to work now.

Money-saving discounts that benefit you, your business, and your family



and many more...



nahb.org/MA