

# The **Builder News**

The Official Publication Of The Wolf River Builders Association

## Calendar of Events

**February 2023**

Jan. 31-Feb. 2 - International Building Show, Las Vegas

Feb. 1 - Chamber of Commerce 'Coffee Connections,' 8-9 a.m., Beans & Books Espresso, 215 N. Main Street, Shawano. RSVP 715-524-2139 or chamber@shawanocountry.com. This is a great opportunity to meet other business people, share information and ideas. Attendees introduce themselves and their business to the entire group. This is a free event, but registration is appreciated.

Feb. 7 - WRBA Home Show Kickoff, Stone Creations, Shawano. 5:45 p.m. RSVP: <https://forms.gle/kqKBj7iHHzDY17W49>

Feb. 18-19 - WRBA Home Show, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Hillcrest Primary School, Shawano

Feb. 28 - WRBA Board of Directors Meeting, 5:45 p.m., The Pad, Shawano

## 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

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## February Hard Hat Happy Hour & Home Show Kickoff Party

When: Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>

Where: **Stone Creations**

1490 Industrial Drive, Shawano

Networking, food & drink: 5:45 p.m.  
Tours to follow

**PLEASE** help us plan by  
letting us know you will attend

by Monday, February 7

At [www.wolfriverbuilders.org/register](http://www.wolfriverbuilders.org/register),  
phone call @ 715-853-2310 or via Email -  
[wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com](mailto:wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com)

**Progressive Attendance Pot**

\$120 for February

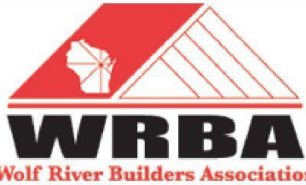
**Door Prize donations**

always welcome!

**Just bring it along!**

Check out the Member Benefits through NAHB –

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



# 2023 Home Show

## Hillcrest Primary

### School

located at

1410 S.

### Waukechon St. in Shawano

Turn onto Waukechon St.  
from County B near the  
Hwy 22/29 interchange.

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### Saturday, Feb. 18

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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### Sunday, Feb. 19

10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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To register, visit  
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three canned goods for the  
Shawano Area Food Pantry & Resource Center

## From your President

We've been working behind the scenes to bring a quality home show to Shawano again - we've got a great lineup of vendors, seminars, and information.



Please plan to join us February 7 for our Hard Hat Happy Hour and Home Show Kickoff Party at Stone Creations. We'll enjoy pizza and beverages at 5:45pm, followed by tours, our 50/50 raffle, and door prizes.

If you're interested in joining our association, this is a great opportunity for networking!. There will be a drawing for the Progressive Attendance Pot. The pot is \$120, so be sure to send a representative for your business to be eligible to WIN!

Please also make plans to join us for the WRBA Home Show at Hillcrest Primary School in Shawano Feb. 18-19. Hours are 9-4 on Saturday, and 10-3 on Sunday.

There's still time to join us as an exhibitor - visit our website at [wolfriverbuilders.org](http://wolfriverbuilders.org) for signup information.

We're still looking for bucket raffle donations from members and area businesses. Your business will be noted on the item for having donated it, so this is another good way to advertise!

Each person - with their entry ticket to the show - will be able to have a chance at the bucket raffles, with additional tickets available for purchase. Get your business name on one of the buckets! Email [wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com](mailto:wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com) if you have a donation you'd like us to pick up.

Sincerely, Jessica Kosnicki

## Membership Milestones



Philip Kersten of Woodstock Flooring & Design Center, left, received recognition for 10 years membership from Executive Officer Nathan Falk at the January Christmas Party. Below, Bryan Nemetz of Bryan Nemetz Construction received recognition for 5 years of membership.



## Scholarship Cash Raffle tickets

Our 2023 Cash Raffle is underway, with the drawing at the Home Show and on Facebook Live on Sunday, February 19 at noon.

Tickets are available for \$20 each, with only 500 tickets sold. First prize is \$2,500 cash, second place \$1000, third place \$500, along with 10 additional prizes of \$100 cash.

The proceeds will help support our scholarship fund for graduating high school seniors pursuing a future in the building trades.

Tickets are available at the front desk at CoVantage Credit Union on Green Bay St. in Shawano, Torborg's Shawano Lumber, BankFirst in Shawano, and AbbyBank in Shawano. Get YOURS before they're all gone!

## Progressive Attendance Drawing



The name drawn for the \$100 pot at the January meeting was Hawkeye Hearth & Home. A representative was not in attendance to claim the prize, so the pot at the February Hard Hat Happy Hour will grow 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!**

## New Online Course available

In partnership with On3 Field Learning, the Wisconsin Builders Foundation has launched a newly created 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.) with 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!

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## **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 2023 [SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION LINK](#) is available here and in area schools. The deadline is March 15, 2023.

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## **Membership News**

### **New Member – Welcome!**

- REMAX North Winds Realty - Stephanie Rydzewski

### **Memberships Renewed – Welcome Back!**

- Maule Construction LLC - John Maule
- Raddant Electric Service - Keith Raddant
- Stone Creations of Wisconsin - Trish Kieckhafer

### **Members – Renewal Due February**

- Bill Biese Masonry, Inc. - Bill Biese
- Dave's Floor Coatings - David Byler
- Lakeview Revival WI Inc. - Bryce Szymanski
- Schneider & Son's Landscaping Inc. - Angela Schneider
- The Sherwin Williams Company - John Zovnic
- Torborgs Shawano Lumber - Jim Torborg

### **Membership Dues — Installment Payments**

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

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## Event/Meeting Calendar

Feb. 7 - Hard Hat Happy Hour - Stone Creations

**Feb. 18-19 - Home Show - Hillcrest Primary School**

March 14 - Breakfast Meeting - Farm Inn' on Main

April - TBD

**May 9 - Sporting Clays Shoot - J&H Game Farm**

**June 13 - Picnic - Kuckuk Park, Shawano**

JULY - NO MEETING

August - Golf Outing Date TBD

**RED = OPEN TO THE PUBLIC / Spread the word!**

## Kwik Trip Gift Cards Available

**WRBA has Kwik Trip Gift Cards.** Denominations currently in-stock are \$10.

We are able to order amounts of \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50 \$100 or \$500. If you'd like to order a large amount for yourself or for employee incentive programs, just fill out our [ORDER FORM](#), or send an e-mail to [wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com](mailto:wolfriverbuilders@gmail.com)

Contact Nathan for more information. Cards are also available at any of our general membership meetings! Help support WRBA!

## Kwik Trip Rewards program

The Wisconsin Builders Association (WBA) has partnered with Kwik Trip for a discount program.

This program allows your company to take advantage of Kwik Trip's fuel Card Program with No Minimums, No Monthly or Annual Fees, and discounts on your fuel and in-store purchases.

The member discount received will be \$0.06 cents off of every gallon of fuel purchased along with 10% off of most in-store purchases. If you have a current Kwik Trip account, please reach out to Brayton Duin at 608-793-4708 or [bduin@kwiktrip.com](mailto:bduin@kwiktrip.com) to upgrade your status to reflect that you are a member of the WBA.

For those who have their own Kwik Trip Business Rewards program, reach out to Brayton Duin to move your current Kwik Trip Account to the WBA program as you will get better rewards than what you are currently signed up for.

There are no annual or monthly fees, no minimums or gallon requirements.

If you want to join the program, simply visit <https://www.kwiktrip.com/business-cards> to get started and select "Apply Online". Be sure to use code **WBA2022** when completing your application.

## Wolf River Builders Association 2022/2023 Board of Directors

<b>President</b>	<b>Jess Kosnicki</b> CoVantage Credit Union 911 E. Green Bay St. Shawano, WI 54166 Work: 715-524-8200 ext. 3238
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## AUTO

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
	<b>GM</b> Save \$500 on select vehicles for retail and fleet customers. Discount is stackable with most national retail and fleets offers. NAHB Members and household family are eligible for discount.	Chevrolet, Buick, GMC	<a href="http://nahb.org/gm">nahb.org/gm</a>
	<b>Goodyear</b> Members must log into NAHB.org to save 15% on Goodyear Tires	Goodyear Tires & Services	<a href="http://nahb.org/goodyear">nahb.org/goodyear</a>
	<b>NISSAN</b> Save between \$2,500 - \$8,150 per vehicle. Must be purchased in member's company name. NOT stackable with most national offers. Member's company eligible.	Nissan	<a href="http://nahb.org/nissan">nahb.org/nissan</a>





## BUILDING MATERIALS

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
	<b>LOWE'S</b> 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	<a href="http://lowes.com/nahb">lowes.com/nahb</a> 877-435-2440

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COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
	<b>VOYAGER</b> Save on Fuel with Voyager card for Business. Savings anywhere Mastercard is accepted.	Fuel Savings and Fleet Management	<a href="http://usbank.com/splash/corporate-payments/transportation/nahb.html">usbank.com/splash/corporate-payments/transportation/nahb.html</a>

## TRAVEL & ENTERTAINMENT

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	<b>AVIS</b> Save up to 30% off Avis PAY NOW rates when making a reservation with Avis Worldwide Discount (AWD) number 6572900.	Rental Cars	<a href="http://avis.com/nahb">avis.com/nahb</a> 800-331-1212 AWD #6572900
	<b>BUDGET</b> Save up to 35% off Budget PAY NOW rates when making a reservation using Budget Customer Discount (BCD) number 2536900.	Rental Cars	<a href="http://budget.com/nahb">budget.com/nahb</a> 800-283-4387 BCD #2536900
	<b>HOTELPLANNER</b> NAHB members can save up to 65% on hotel room rates at over 800,000 properties worldwide in more than 250 countries.	Hotels	<a href="http://nahb.hotelplanner.com">nahb.hotelplanner.com</a> 1-800-497-2175
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
NAHB Members Saved  
over **\$36,000,000** last year



## BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
 <b>DELL</b>	Up to 40% off Dell computers, servers, electronics & accessories.	Computers & Hardware	dell.com/nahb 1-800-757-8442
 <b>HOZZ</b>	25% Off Houzz Pro, free help with best practices, 10% trade discount on Houzz Shop purchases.	Marketing Solutions, Building Products	houzz.com/for-pros/nahb-discounts (888) 225-3651
 <b>ODP BUSINESS SOLUTIONS</b>	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
 <b>UPS SHIPPING</b>	Flat-rate pricing, 50% discount for next day shipping, 30% for ground commercial/residential.	Business Shipping	1800members.com/nahb 1-800-MEMBERS
 <b>YRC FREIGHT</b>	At least 75% off Less Than Truckload (LTL) shipping over 150lbs.	Freight Shipping	1800members.com/nahb 1-800-MEMBERS
 <b>RINGCENTRAL</b>	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
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 <b>CONSTRUCTIONJOBS.COM</b>	20% discount on standard rates.	Job Postings	nahb.org/careers 828-251-1344

## NAHB ASSOCIATION DISCOUNTS

COMPANY	SAVINGS	PRODUCTS	INFO
 <b>NAHB INTERNATIONAL BUILDERS' SHOW®</b>	Up to \$200 off show registration. Up to \$3.75 per sq. ft. off exhibit space.	Trade Show	buildersshow.com
 <b>NAHB CONTRACTS</b>	Up to 30% off contract rates.	Legal	nahb.org/nahbcontracts
 <b>HOUSINGECONOMICS</b>	\$100 off annual subscription.	Economic & Housing Data	housingeconomics.com
 <b>BUILDERBOOKS</b>	10% off books. Up to 45% off research.	Books	builderbooks.com
 <b>ONLINE EDUCATION</b>	Up to 30% off webinars; Up to 50% off online courses.	Education	nahb.org/education

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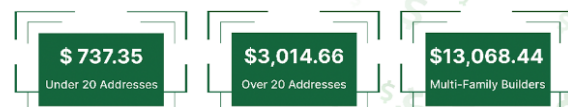
THE AVERAGE REBATE PER BUILDER / REMODELER COMPANY WHO PARTICIPATED IN 2021 WAS:

# \$1,582.20

### PARTICIPATING MANUFACTURERS



### HBA REBATES Builders Average Rebate 2021







# Scholarship Cash Raffle

**1st prize: \$2,500**

**2nd: \$1,000 3rd: \$500**

**Ten \$100 winners**

**Tickets are \$20 each,  
only 500 tickets sold!**

**Tickets: AbbyBank-Shawano, CoVantage Credit  
Union, or any WRBA member**

**Proceeds benefit local high school  
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**Drawing will be held Sunday, February 19, 2023 at NOON at  
our Home Show and on our Facebook page**

Wolf River Builders Association - P.O. Box 595 - Shawano, WI 54166

**[www.wolfriverbuilders.org](http://www.wolfriverbuilders.org)**

RAFFLE LICENSE NUMBER: R0027713-A-06214



# WRBA HOME SHOW



**February 18 & 19, 2023**  
**Hillcrest Primary School**

1410 S. Waukechon St, Shawano

Interested in a booth at our show? Find our information at [www.wolfriverbuilders.org](http://www.wolfriverbuilders.org)

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