#### MENOMONEE FALLS RECREATION DEPARTMENT





**DECEMBER 2023** Our 48th Year Volume #504



Meetings are the first Tuesday of the Month, at 7:00 pm. We hold meetings via ZOOM, with two in-person meetings this coming year. Visit us at www.falls-photo.org • www.facebook.com/MFCCUA



#### **IN-PERSON MEETING : DOWNTOWN** DEC. 5, 2023 7pm

No Show & Tell; no slide show, however we will judge Wisconsin Print Circuit images!

The December face-to-face meeting will be Tuesday, Dec. 5th at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Menomonee Falls at 7:00pm.

We will also judge images for the Wisconsin Print Circuit followed by a Pizza Party.

Group photo after the judging. If you want, you can bring holiday snacks for the group to enjoy as well. More details page 4.

Map to Holy Cross attached.

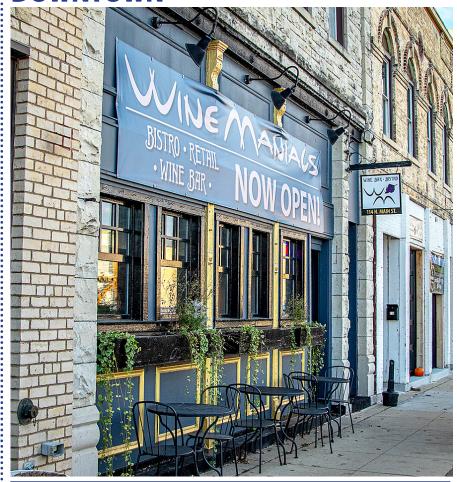
Field Trip TBD, 2023: "Christmas Lights" — led by Jessie Buchholz/ Jane Hirst.

This photo submitted by Ken Bohlman and many more submissions on pages 3-8.



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# Club News & Administrative

# **2024 UPCOMING MEETINGS** Jan 2, 2024: *Show & Tell*:

Roger Crill and Brian Lauttamus

Program: "Storm Photography"
with guest speaker Mike Mezeul
Field Trip TBD, 2024 (Jan/Feb):
"Port Washington Lakefront," led
by Ken Warning/Jane Hirst (weather
permitting)

Feb 6, 2024: Show & Tell: Jessie Buchholz and Pat Lynch Program: "Favorite Images Slide Show" compiled by Jane Hirst Field Trip TBD, 2024 (Jan/Feb): "Port Washington Lakefront." See Jan Field Trip info.

Mar 5, 2024: Show & Tell: Nancy Meier and Dominic Keogh Program: "Image Critique," with guest speaker Lewis Katz commenting on member images.

No Field Trip scheduled



**Field Trip TBD, 2024:** "Zoo Trip-Inside — info pending.

May 7, 2024: Show & Tell: Joe Higdon and Jim Kurovsky Program: "Post Processing Techniques," MFCC member volunteers Field Trip TBD, 2024: "Zoo Trip—Inside — info pending.

June 4, 2024: Show & Tell: lann Dickmann and Ellen Hanrahan Program: "Doors and Gates," the all-member show. Election of 2024-25 Officers Field Trip TBD, 2024: "Zoo Trip— Outside — info pending.

If you are interested in attending our meeting email to kpw1255@gmail.com and an invitation will be sent.

# **PSA News**

**PSA** (Photographic Society of America) is comprised of individuals, camera clubs, businesses and advocates to promote the art of photography.

MFCC is a member. PSA's web site: www.psa-photo.org

PSA-Wisconsin Chapter meets three times a year. Contact Jeff Klug or check the Chapter's website: http://www.psawisconsin.org All chapter meetings via ZOOM. An Invitation to the Zoom meeting will be sent a few days before the Sun-

You must be a member of the Photographic Society of America (PSA) and also a member of the PSA-Wisconsin Chapter to attend meetings.

day meeting.

Annual dues for PSA-WI are \$5 per year with no other fees for virtual meetings.

There is a fee for joining the national PSA group. For more info click www.psa-photo.org.

**PSA CLUB REP—JEFF KLUG**For any questions regarding PSA, please contact Jeff Klug.

## **WACCO News**

**WACCO** (Wisconsin Area Camera Clubs Organization) is comprised of 19 Camera Clubs throughout Wisconsin and sponsor several events throughout the year, including 2 competitions. Jeff Klug is our WACCO delegate, Pat Lynch is 2nd delegate and Ken Warning is our alternate.

The WACCO web site address is: <a href="https://www.wicameraclubs.org">www.wicameraclubs.org</a>

#### DIGITAL FORUM MEETING

Digital Forum meets the 4th Saturday of each month, 10am to Noon. The next Digital Forum is **January**. We discuss anything about photography, equipment, processing, etc. and invite anyone to join the meeting. Please submit questions or comments to: <a href="mailto:waccoprogram@gmail.com">waccoprogram@gmail.com</a>.

Meetings are found in one place on the WACCO website with the link below taking you to the Digital Forum page on the Wisconsin Area Camera Club Organization website. You can access recent, as well as previous meetings:

http://www.wicameraclubs.org/digital-forum-1#/dfmeeting

• **DELEGATES MEETING: Saturday – February 3, 2024** • 9–11am Delegates Meeting. This will be a Zoom meeting. Delegates will be notified a few days before the meeting.

**Welcome to WACCO**, the Umbrella for Wisconsin Area Camera Clubs The purpose of WACCO is to promote the art and science of photography and its various branches through study and entertainment.

We offer various programs including seminars given by nationally recognized professional photographers, workshops, exhibition opportunities, and competitions. WACCO has been in existence since 1982 with approximately 20 clubs in Wisconsin that are a part of WACCO. Find a club near you.

#### **PSA-Wisconsin Chapter**

The PSA Wisconsin Chapter welcomes PSA Member photographers of all skill levels to attend meetings.

This includes those just starting out in photography to seasoned professionals. Even if your only camera is a smartphone, you're welcome here! Current membership is about 70 individual members of PSA who live in Wisconsin.

#### 2024 PSA Chapter Meeting Sunday, January 21 Guest Speaker Jim Lee "Photojournalism"

Chapter meeting on Zoom begins with Chapter business meeting, BYOI and Tech Tips from 10:00am to 12:00pm. One hour break for lunch and then a guest speaker. 1:00pm to 3:00pm, our afternoon speaker will be Jim Lee and his presentation will be on "Photojournalism."

# From the President

Before we get started; I have to say, I am really impressed with the pictures that people have been submitting for the president's monthly challenges for the newsletters and for the slideshows! It seems that everyone's pictures are dramatically improving in quality. Great job people!

Well, we made it to the last month of 2023! However it's not even close to the end of the President's monthly challenges. We still have 9 more months of great opportunities to get out and get those fantastic images. With that said, below is your next challenge.

**Monthly Challenge: December** is *Holiday Decorations*. For this, anything that has some beautiful colors and decorations. (Examples; Christmas trees, Ornaments, Santa Claus, Outdoor Lights, Indoor Lights, Store Displays and etc.) (Time frame: November 1st 2023—December 31st 2023)

**Monthly Challenge: January** is *Cold Weather*. For this, anything that has the cold factor involved. (Examples; Snow, Blizzards Frozen Water, Icicles, Snowmen, Snow Angels, Ice Sculptures, and etc.) (Time frame: December 1st 2023—January 31st 2024)

Thanks ... Clint

# THE PHOTO CHALLENGES FOR 2023-2024 ARE:

December	<b>Holiday Decorations</b>
January	Cold Weather
February	Low Light
March	Close-ups
April	Smartphone
May	Flowers & Plants
June	Abandoned
July	\$1 Million
August	<b>Favorite Picture</b>

# **Slide Show Note:**

Since we are meeting in person this month, the slide show for our images of "Downtown" will be shown at the January 2024 meeting (along with the "Holiday Decorations").

The Monthly challenges are printed and shown in the following month's newsletter and meeting.

## THE PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE IMAGES ARE USED EACH MONTH IN THE NEWSLETTER AND AS A SLIDESHOW.

Ellen and I will use the images for the newsletter and a slideshow each month. Please email 1–8 pictures to us prior to each newsletter. Ellen will note the deadlines on the monthly calendar in the newsletter. If you miss the newsletter date by a couple of days, I can still work it into the slideshow. Challenge images should be sized to 2100 pixels on the long edge.



#### **INTERACTIVE PDF LINKS**

Click on the links and you will be taken to the hyperlink, email or reference point.



# Facebook

Check Facebook for current info: the **Menomonee Falls Camera Club UA**—available to the general public to promote our organization, showcase our photos and seek new members.

The Menomonee Falls Camera Club UA Group is private.

Members can share tips, comments and ask question of other members. An Administrator needs to verify your request.

# Rec Dept. Print of the Month

Don Gorzek will be our contact to continue to display our Print of the Month in the Rec Department entrance.

Please continue to submit images for the website and Facebook to promote our club.

#### ART'S CAMERAS PLUS

http://www.artscameras.com

Please check out Art's Camera Plus for great help in your next purchase of camera equipment.

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#### **MIKE CRIVELLO'S CAMERA**

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# Of Photographic Interest

#### **DECEMBER FESTIVITIES:**

This is definitely the time of year that offers, fun, memories and magic. *Travel Wisconsin* offers a source to find what's going on in the Milwaukee area—from concerts and events, both indoors and outdoors, in one handy place. Check it out at: https://www.travelwisconsin.com/events

#### **■** Milwaukee Magazine

December offers an exciting and affordable activity—Christmas light displays! *Milwaukee Magazine* will make it easier for you and yours to enjoy the spirit this season. They have provided a list of the best holiday light displays in and around the city.

https://www.milwaukeemag.com/best-holiday-light-displays-in-milwaukee/

■ Various Cities and Towns in Southeastern Wisconsin

Many cities and towns have their own annual events. Check those out at the Chambers of Commerce in the area



#### A CHANGE OF VENUE FOR THE MFCC DECEMBER MEETING

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, (W156N8131 Pilgrim Rd, Menomonee Falls) located on Pilgrim Road just south of Appleton Avenue, will be the gathering space for the December Christmas party from 7:00 to 9:00pm.

The following is a tentative agenda for the evening...

- There will be pizza and soda. If you desire, holiday treats will be gladly accepted.
- 7:00–7:30 pm: Judge Wisconsin Print Circuit Images using the round tables.
- 7:30–7:45 pm: Group Photo in the gym after judging.
- 7:45PM-8:45pm: Eating pizza, snacks, treats, and socializing. The room where we will meet has 8 round tables with 6 chairs at each, giving us seating for 48.
- Map is attached as separate PDF. Park in the south parking lot, and enter through the south-east door. We'll mark the appropriate doors to enter.
- Here is a link to the Holy Cross location from the Holy Cross website: https://holycrosslutheran.org







The easiest way to submit images for either the Newsletter or Digital Slide Show is to size them at 2100 pixels on the long side.

#### **DOWNTOWN**











# Jim Bauer

#### **DOWNTOWN**







Linnea Koenigs

Continue to visit our various websites: Menomonee
Falls Camera Club
Facebook (Menomonee Falls Camera Club UA &
Menomonee Falls Camera Club UA Group),
Wisconsin Camera Clubs and
the Photographic Society of America
for the latest in club news.

#### **DOWNTOWN**

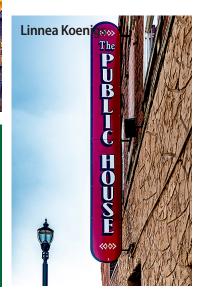






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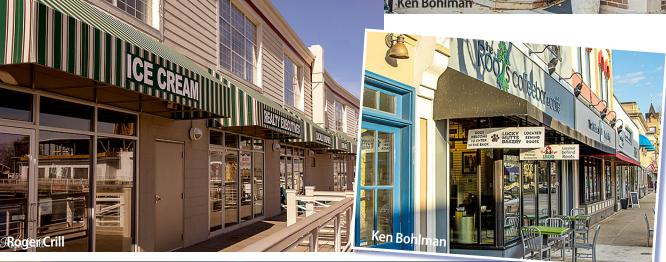




#### **DOWNTOWN**









# WISCONSIN AREA CAMERA CLUBS ORGANIZATION 2023 Fall Competition Results

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NAME	TITLE	SCORE	AWARD	TYPE CODE		
Kenneth Bohlman	I Wonder If	13	Honorable Mention	CNP		
	Out At Home	12	Honorable Mention	LMOP		
	Animas River	12	Honorable Mention	NST		
Jessie Buchholz	Milkweed Curls	13	3rd Place	MNP		
	Evergreen Blue Jay	12	Honorable Mention	CNP		
	Dust Devil	14	Honorable Mention	LCOP		
	Turkey Strut	12	Honorable Mention	MNP		
	Zinnia BW.jpg	12 Honorable Mention		MNP		
Roger Crill	Bee on an Astor	14	2nd Place	CNP		
	Jellyfish Displaying Its Arms (21127654)	13	Honorable Mention	CNP		
	Savannah Church	13	Honorable Mention	COP		
	Painted Bubbles (21127581)	13	Honorable Mention	LCOP		
	Storm Clouds Over the Plains	12	Honorable Mention	LMOP		
	I'm trying to Sleep Here	12	Honorable Mention	MNP		
	Clouds at Driftwood Beach	12	Honorable Mention	MOP		
Ian Dickmann	Reflecting.jpg	14	1st Place	MOP		
	Lotus Flame.jpg	15	2nd Place	LCOP		
	Triangles.jpg	12	Honorable Mention	COP		
	Hidden Treasure.jpg	12	Honorable Mention	LCOP		
	Superstar.jpg	13	Honorable Mention	LCOP		
	Starbursting.jpg	13	Honorable Mention	MNP		
	Santa.jpg	12	Honorable Mention	MOP		
Patricia Grindley	Budding Lily	12	3rd Place	LMOP		
	Musket	13	3rd Place	MOP		
	Portrait of Crowned Crane	12	Honorable Mention	CNP		
	Honey Natural Bee (21114439)	12	Honorable Mention	CNP		
	Alley Oop	13	Honorable Mention	COP		
	Vertigo	13	Honorable Mention	COP		
	Late Summer	12	Honorable Mention	LCOP		
	Who Wore It Best	12	Honorable Mention	LCOP		
Jane Hirst	Bluebird and Mountain Ash	14	1st Place	COP		
	Birt The Keeshond Black and white	14	2nd Place	MOP		
	Atlantis Fritillary butterfly	13	Honorable Mention	CNP		
	Purple and White Cone Flowers	13	Honorable Mention	LCOP		
	My Big Eyes	12	Honorable Mention	LMOP		
	Beautiful Razzy Duck	12	Honorable Mention	MOP		

NAME	TITLE	sco	RE AWARD	TYPE CODE
Jeffrey Klug	Car 23 and 57 Spin	14	2nd Place	COP
	Sunflower Opening	13	3rd Place	COP
	Milkweed Blossom	13	Honorable Mention	CNP
	Sunflower Bud	12	Honorable Mention	CNP
	Racing Helmut	12	Honorable Mention	LCOP
	Car 2 and 701 at Corner 6	12	Honorable Mention	LMOP
	Reay to Race	13	Honorable Mention	LMOP
	Car 2 at Corner 6	12	Honorable Mention	MOP
Patrick Lynch	Thompson's Gazelle	13	2nd Place	MNP
	Dead Wood	13	3rd Place	NST
	Eagle in the Wild	13	Honorable Mention	CNP
	corvette	12	Honorable Mention	COP
	Ready To Open	13	Honorable Mention	LCOP
	Big Shot	12	Honorable Mention	LCOP
	Black-handed Spider Monkey	12	Honorable Mention	MNP
	Flamingo	12	Honorable Mention	MNP
	Formation	13	Honorable Mention	MOP
	Alaska	13	Honorable Mention	NST
	South Dakoda	12	Honorable Mention	NST
	Tracks to the City	12	Honorable Mention	OST
	Sculpture in Chicago	12	Honorable Mention	OST
Ken Warning	Eagle Checking Catch	14	Honorable Mention	CNP
	South Korean Racer	13	Honorable Mention	COP
	Frog in Waterlillies	12	Honorable Mention	LCOP
	Glowing Waterlilly	14	Honorable Mention	LCOP
	End of the Season Bloom	13	Honorable Mention	LCOP
	Helping Hand	12	Honorable Mention	MOP
	Council Lake Fog	12	Honorable Mention	NST

#### **WACCO FALL COMPETITION**



Patty Grindley 3d Place "Musket"



**Jeff Klug 2nd Place** "Car 23 and 57 Spin"



lan Dickmann 2nd Place "Lotus Flame"



lan Dickmann 1st Place "Reflecting"

#### **WACCO FALL COMPETITION**



Jessie Buchholz 3rd Place "Milkweed Curls"



Patrick Lynch 3rd Place "Dead Wood"



Patrick Lynch 2nd Place "Thompson's Gazelle"



**Roger Crill 2nd Place** "Bee on Astor"



Jane Hirst 2nd Place "Birt the Keshond Black and White"



Jeff Klug 3rd Place "Sunflower Opening"



Club Notes

**ALL-MEMBER SHOW 2024** 

"DOORS & GATES"

the all-member show in June.

Start looking for doors and

gates: old or new, open or closed, fancy or plain, etc. for

Jane Hirst 1st Place "Bluebird and Mountain Ash"



Patty Grindley 3rd Place "Budding Lily"

Jim Kurovsky 2nd Place "Flax into Fibers" Jim entered through Unlimited Vision Camera



View these and other images at:

https://www.wicameraclubs.org/artists#/competition-videos

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# From the Newsletter Editor

Some very interesting (and notable) takes on the President's Challenge, "Downtown." Although it's the end of the year, our club still has a lot of interesting challenges coming up... as well as some interesting speakers for 2024. Mike Mezeul and "Storm Photography" in January, will be fascinating and enlightening...and not to be missed!

Thanks to Clint for putting the maps together to get to Holy Cross Church. Looking forward to seeing as many members as possible for the December 5th meeting! Pizza, treats, and socializing makes for a great opportunity to mingle and find out what everyone is working on.

-Ellen Happy Holidays!

# **DECEMBER 2023**

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
DETAILS FOR THE DECEMBER CHRISTMAS MEETING CAN BE FOUND ON PAGE 4. MAP IS ATTACHED IN PDF.  THERE WILL BE NO DIGITAL FORUM THIS MONTH: Instead Jeff will send a link to a video of new items in Photoshop and Lightroom. Hope everyone has a Happy Holiday.					1	2
3	4	MFCC IN-PERSON PIZZA PARTY 7:00pm	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	Challenge Images to Ellen for Newsletter	NO DIGITAL FORUM
24	Merry Christmas	26	27	28	Challenge Images to Clint for Slideshow	30
31	JAN 1 Happy New Year!	JAN 2 MFCC ZOOM MEETING 7:00pm	JAN 3	JAN 4	JAN 5	JAN 6