



**Happy Holidays!** And Happy New Year!

There is a lot going on at WNCCC. Again, please read this Newsletter thoroughly and carefully.

We will continue hybrid meetings (generally) for a while. Members can attend either type of meeting as they feel comfortable. The zoom link is in the email to which this Newsletter is attached.

**December Meeting: December 9th at 9 am.** We will be having our annual holiday get together. This is a time to bring your friends and family and show them what you, and this club, do. That said, Please email about 10 images that you would like to show the club. If you cannot email them to me at Trekkilaw @ aol.com or gmail.com, you can bring them on a flash drive. Please bring a dish to pass. Brunch type foods.

**Photo Challenge of the month:** The board voted and we will take a break from the Photo Challenge of them month for 2024.

**The December Challenge is:** The Best of The Best. **VOTING IS CURRENTLY OPEN.** So, go vote.

Photographer of the year will announced at the December meeting.

**January Program: January 13, 2023** – Is editing photos. We will email some images to all member and you, the members, edit the images however you like. Use any post processing program, or combination, that you like. Please

write down what you do to the image so that you can explain what you did and why.

**Upcoming Club Programs:** The next few meeting dates and programs are listed below. **We can really use some ideas of what programs you would like to see in the upcoming year.** The program co-directors are Linnea Matthiesen and Jyoti Sengupta. If you have a topic you would like to see presented, please let them know and if you can coordinate the program, please let them know that also. You may contact them at [trekkielaw@aol.com](mailto:trekkielaw@aol.com) and [jnsengupta56@gmail.com](mailto:jnsengupta56@gmail.com).

- February 10, 2024 – TBD
- March 9, 2024 – Club competition and Judging prints
- April 13, 2024 – Brian Waranauskas will present his flower photography
- May 11, 2024 – TBD
- June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024
- July 13, 2024 – TBD
- August 10, 2024 – Picnic
- September 14, 2024 – TBD
- October 12, 2024 – Walk About at Wehr
- November 9, 2024 – TBD
- December 14, 2024 Holiday Party

**Member Image Sharing:** Members are encouraged to submit several (up to five) images to share with the club for gentle critique or just show and tell. This is a great way to get suggestions for improving your images and developing your photographic skills. **The members for January will be Shelia Donoghue and Cole Carter.**

Please email your images to Linnea Matthiesen at [Trekkielaw@aol.com](mailto:Trekkielaw@aol.com) or [gmail.com](mailto:gmail.com) AT ANY TIME! When submitting your images, please change the file name to include your name as the first information in the file name and mention that this is for the image sharing in the email subject line. Also, resize your images so that the longest side is 1400 pixels, with a maximum file size of 2 mb. This will help to streamline the process of viewing member images.

## **WNCCC News:**

### **MASTER OPERATING MANUAL –**

Covid has delayed this project somewhat but, we have formed a committee to draft a guideline of operating procedures for WNCCC. The committee members are Linnea Matthiesen, and Ramona Lenger. If you have ideas for this project, please let one of the committee members know. There will be more coming on this in future Newsletters.

**AWARDS:** If you know of a member that should be acknowledged and congratulated as they won ANY recognition for any of their images, please forward a copy of the image, the member's name and a copy of the image to Linnea Matthiesen at [trekkielaw@aol.com](mailto:trekkielaw@aol.com). You may nominate yourself also. **NO RECOGNITION IS TOO SMALL.**

**Facebook:** Our camera club has a Facebook Group! If you are on Facebook, simply search for “Wehr Nature Center Camera Club” in the search box and you will find us. Click the join button. **The Administrator will approve you, at which time you may add posts, etc., to the site.** This is a PRIVATE Group and open only to club members. This means that anything posted here can only be seen by members of the group. You can feel free to share your work here without fear that someone outside the club will have access to it. Anything posted here is private, so feel free to ask questions – don't be embarrassed or shy about it. The monthly Newsletter, meeting topics and outings will also be posted here. Check it out!

We also have a Facebook Page. This is used for announcements and advertisement. IF you like the WNCCC page, invite your friends to also like the page. This is public to all of Facebook and will advertise our club to many more people. They are then directed to our website where they ask for the information to attend a meeting or

**Website:** WNCCC has a website also. RAMONA LENGER has volunteered to be the webmasters! She is working on updating the information. The website is [www.wnccc.net](http://www.wnccc.net) . We want to have a gallery that has at least five images from each member. **Please email five of your best images to [lengerphotos@gmail.com](mailto:lengerphotos@gmail.com).** **If you have a website of your images, and you are willing to share, please send**

**Ramona a link to your page.** There will be an updated calendar for all of our events and meetings. This will be a place to go to get all the information on our club. If you have any ideas, please contact our co-webmasters at their email addresses.

If you have images from either of the two outings from this past fall/winter, please send them to Ramona so that she can upload them to our website.

### **Photo Contests and Exhibits:**

Wehr Club Page on WACCO Website: The WACCO website ([www.wicameraclubs.org](http://www.wicameraclubs.org)) has pages for each member club to display photographs from club members. Check it out to see what our members and other clubs are shooting. If you would like to see some of your images on our club page, please send several of your images to Ramona Lenger ([lengerphotos@gmail.com](mailto:lengerphotos@gmail.com)). The images should be 2100 pixels on the long side and no larger than 2 mb. Let's see some of our great member photos on the WACCO site!

If you are aware of any photo contests or exhibits, please forward the information to Linnea Matthiesen at [trekkielaw@aol.com](mailto:trekkielaw@aol.com).

### **Future Events of Interest:**

If you are aware of any events of general interest, please let me know at [trekkielaw@aol.com](mailto:trekkielaw@aol.com) so I can share them with the club.

### **Wisconsin Chapter of PSA News:**

The next meeting of the WI Chapter of the Photographic Society of America is January 21, 2024 at 10 am via zoom. The afternoon speaker is Jim Lee and his presentation will be on Photojournalism Photography.

The results of the PSA Chapter Showcase are at: <https://psa-photo.org/page/chapters-showcase-gallery>. This is an interesting viewing of images from across America. The WI Chapter of PSA will be the host Chapter for this interclub competition in 2024.

If you are a member of PSA then you can join the Wisconsin Chapter of PSA for \$5. If you have already joined the Wisconsin Chapter of PSA, dues are due again. Send your \$5 to Ramona Lenger.

## **WACCO News:**

The WACCO Spring Program is scheduled for March 2, 2024 starting at 9 am. The presenter will be Steve Gettle. He will present two different programs, one on Bird photography and Landscape photography.

**Digital Forum:** Is a two hour virtual meeting hosted by Jeff Klug. The first hour is an open discussion of photography related topics. The second hour is a specific topic:

You need to register in advance for this webinar:

When: 4th Saturday of the month at 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

To register go to:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_2GyvFCirQIGFzMA9JDLxkw](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2GyvFCirQIGFzMA9JDLxkw)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. You only need to register once, this is a recurring webinar and you will be notified one day and one hour before the webinar.

**Photo ops:** As a club, our members have a wide variety of subjects that we enjoy photographing. This newsletter can serve as an excellent way to share various photo opportunities with club members. If you know of interesting subjects or events that may interest other club members, please forward those to Linnea Matthiesen ([trekkielaw@aol.com](mailto:trekkielaw@aol.com)) so they can be included in future newsletters. If you are interested in having others join you, that information can also be included. It is fun to shoot with a group!

## **Photography Classes:**

Mike Crivello's Cameras is celebrating their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a series of photography classes throughout the year. Check out their class offerings at: [https://medium.com/@Mike\\_Crivellos/2019-event-scheduled-de8726223d51](https://medium.com/@Mike_Crivellos/2019-event-scheduled-de8726223d51) .

Art's Cameras Plus has an extensive list of classes covering everything from camera basics to photographing in a variety of situations, as well as how to use some of the popular post-processing software that is available. Check out their web site: [www.artscameras.com](http://www.artscameras.com) .

The Bryan Peterson School of Photography has quite a few on-line courses available at <https://bpsop.com/courses-1/> . These cost around \$129 for a four-week course BUT there are sales that bring the price down to about \$100. The sales usually run during the holidays. It is worth checking these out.

Photographic Society of America (PSA) also has on-line courses and study groups available. These are available at no charge, BUT you must be a member of PSA to participate. There is more information on all the opportunities that PSA offers at <https://psa-photo.org/index.php?thinking-about-membership> .

If you are aware of other photography classes or seminars, please forward the information to Linnea Matthiesen at [trekkielaw@aol.com](mailto:trekkielaw@aol.com) .

### **Websites of Interest:**

Wehr Nature Center Camera Club (WNCCC): [www.wnccc.net](http://www.wnccc.net) .

Wisconsin Area Camera Clubs Organization (WACCO): [www.wicameraclubs.org](http://www.wicameraclubs.org)

Photographic Association of America (PSA): [www.PSA-photo.org](http://www.PSA-photo.org) .

PSA Wisconsin Chapter: [www.PSA.wisconsin.org](http://www.PSA.wisconsin.org) .

Friends of Wehr Nature Center: <https://www.friendsofwehr.org> .

### **Club Organization:**

Our Club officers are:

Co-Chairs

Ramona Lenger

Linnea Matthiesen

Treasurer

Sheila Hall

Assistant Treasurer

Ramona Lenger

Co-Programs Chairs

Linnea Matthiesen

Jyoti Sengupta

Co-Outings Chairs

Tim Kanty

Trish McCoy

Webmaster	Ramona Lenger
Competition	Ramona Lenger
	Linnea Matthiesen
Judge Procurement	Geri Laehn
WACCO Delegate	Ramona Lenger
PSA Representative	Linnea Matthiesen
Newsletter Editor	Linnea Matthiesen
Membership Coordinator	Sheila Hall
Member at Large	Geri Laehn

Members should feel free to contact the officers with any questions and suggestions they may have for the club.

**Membership Dues:** Annual membership dues are \$20. **Dues will be due at the January meeting.**

**This is a good time to consider becoming a member of the Friends of Wehr for \$25. This entitles you to free parking and it supports the Nature Center.**

We will be meeting monthly on the second Saturday of each month for the entire year, including July and August.



