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## President's Message

Bob Buchanan



Greetings to the Woodworkers of the Black Hills!

Congratulations to all who helped make our 16th Annual Wood Working Show on April 20<sup>th</sup> such a great success. Come to our meeting and find out all the details.

Our next General Meeting is Monday evening at 7 pm upstairs in the annex to 910 Wood Ave in Rapid City, SD. We'll discuss the show, plan the TOOL SALE, and then share any SHOW AND TELL items. Hope to see you there!

**See you on Monday evening May 13th, 2024  
starting at 7 pm!**



**DUES FOR 2024 - \$25** - Please bring your dues to the January meeting or mail them to our treasurer Tony Verchio at 143 Rainbow Ridge Ct, Hill City, SD, 57745. Dues cover the entire family. Dues for new members joining after July 1<sup>st</sup> will be pro-rated during the second half of 2024.

Table 1 - Schedule of Monthly Events For 2024

See calendar on next page.

Event	Location	Dates*
General Meetings – see Table 2 for presentation details	Our Redeemer Lutheran Church – in the Annex, 910 Wood Ave, Rapid City, SD	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of the Month, 7 pm to 9 pm
Woodturner's Special Interest Group	Brown's Shop 2879 Spotted Fawn Lane Rapid City, SD	Last Wednesday of the Month 1 pm to 3:00 pm
Toy Making Workshop – Parts Milling and Toy Assembly	Wood Shop 910 Wood Ave, Rapid City, SD	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturdays – dates verified/announced by email.
Scroll Saw Special Interest Group	Rick Weisbeck's Shop 6704 Kimberly Dr, Black Hawk, SD	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month, 1 pm to 3 pm
Extracurricular Activities	Various Locations - See Table 3.	See Table 3.

Table 2. General Meetings for 2024 (2nd Monday of each Month\*)

Date	Presentation Topic	Presenter(s)
20 Jan 2024*	General Meeting	RCWA Board
10 Feb 2024*	General Meeting	RCWA Board
9 Mar 2024*	General Meeting	RCWA Board
8 April 2024	General Meeting	RCWA Board
13 May 2024	General Meeting	RCWA Board
10 June 2024	General Meeting	RCWA Board
8 July 2024	General Meeting	RCWA Board
-- Aug 2024	General Meeting	RCWA Board
9 Sept 2024	General Meeting	RCWA Board
14 Oct 2024	General Meeting	RCWA Board
11 Nov 2024	General Meeting	RCWA Board
14 Dec 2024	Christmas Family Luncheon	All Members

\*Except for Jan Feb Mar 2024



THE CUTTING EDGE – MAY 2024

2024 Calendar - RCWA Events are Circled

(Refer to Table 1 and Table 3 for Key to Circled Dates.)

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Table 3. Events for 2024

Date	Event	Location
January thru August	Toy Workshops – bi-weekly 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturdays	WOOD Shop 910 Wood Ave, Rapid City, SD
January 13 thru Nov 16 – every available day	Toymaking	Club Members Shops
April 11 and 12 – talk to Rick for details	Assist with Pinewood Derby – Rangers	First Assembly of God Church
April 20, 2024	Woodworking Show at Knecht Home Center	
TBD - 2024	Tool Sale – Location TBD	
July 8-10, 2024	Assist with Club for Boys Pinewood Derby	Club for Boys SHOP
84 <sup>th</sup> Rally: Aug 2 – 11, 2024	Sturgis Motorcycle Rally	<i>Minimal Meetings</i>
August 17, 2024 – 9 am to 3 pm; 56th Annual Black Hills Steam and Gas Threshing Bee	Sturgis Threshing Bee – Toy Wooden Tractor Giveaways and Racing Tractors	13380 Alkali Rd, Sturgis
Sept 14, 2024	5K Walk Little Black Hills Battles - Community Event	Old Story Book Island Park
Every Saturday from Sept 9 thru Nov 16, 2024 9 am to noon	Toymaking <i>Marathon - weekly</i>	WOOD Shop 910 Wood Ave, Rapid City SD
December 7, 2024 8:00 to 12 noon	Toy Packing/Distribution Day	WOOD Shop 910 Wood Ave, Rapid City SD
December 14, 2024 11:30 am	Christmas Family Potluck - Nemo	Nemo Community Hall Nemo, SD



## This Month's Meeting Agenda (5-13-2024)

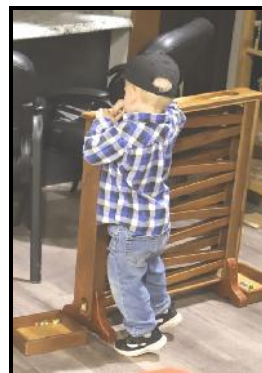
## Program Chair

Our May 2024 General Meeting will be held from 7 pm to 9 pm upstairs from the Wood Shop in the annex to 910 Wood Ave in Rapid City, SD on May 13, 2024. We'll discuss the WW show, plan the TOOL SALE, and then share any SHOW AND TELL items. Items to be discussed:

1. Guests/new members
2. Treasurer's Report- Reminder about Dues - \$25/year
3. Sign-in / Email / Newsletter Check / Blog
4. Next Events:
  - a. This months' meeting: May 13th at 7 pm
  - b. Events/Extracurricular Activities – Al Oines
  - c. Special Interest Groups
    - i. SS SIG - date is: June 20, 2024 at 1 pm at Rick's
    - ii. WT SIG - date is: 5-29-2024 at 1 pm at Brown's
5. Next General Meeting – June 10th, 2024 at 910 Wood Ave at 7 pm
  - a. Refreshments: \_\_\_\_\_
6. Other Topics for Discussion
  - a. Tool Sale Planning
    - i. Date: TBD, 7 am to 3 pm
    - ii. Guidelines
    - iii. IDs for Tool Sale
    - iv. Flyer – Publicity - TBD
  - b. Community Event Date: Sept 14, 2024 Black Hills Battles - at Old Story Book Island
  - c. CFB Pinewood Derby Assistance – July 8-9-10, 2024 - 9 to noon each day  
POC: Carrie Redmond and Tanner Tucker
7. Woodworking Show Review
8. TOY PROGRAM
  - a. Toy Workshops – every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> weekend – May 11th and 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024
9. Projects for the WOOD SHOP
10. Wood Recovery Projects
11. Future Discussions
12. SHOW and TELL

## Last General Meeting Summary - April 8, 2024

Our last General Meeting was held on April 8, 2024 at the annex to 910 Wood Ave in Rapid City, SD. For details on the meeting and minutes, go to the Blog.





## Photos from Previous Meeting

Lon Gose/Cori Weisbeck

Photos taken at previous meetings are posted on our social media pages and/or on the BLOG on the website:  
[www.rapidcitywoodworkers.com](http://www.rapidcitywoodworkers.com)

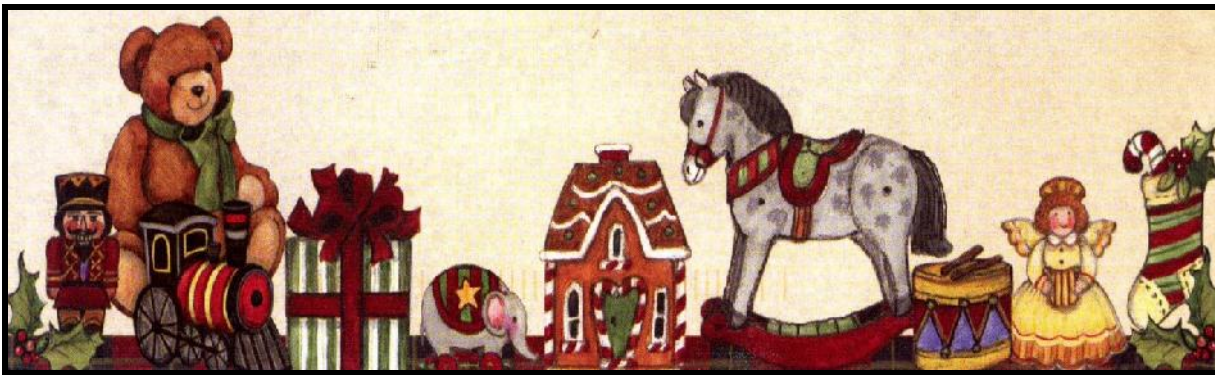
If you have a completed project, bring it or photos of it, if it's too big to carry, to the next meeting for SHOW and TELL. Or send photos of it to Cori ([rapidcitywoodworkers@gmail.com](mailto:rapidcitywoodworkers@gmail.com)) and she will post them on our social media pages (Facebook ([facebook.com/rcwasd](https://facebook.com/rcwasd)) or Instagram ([instagram.com/rcwasd](https://instagram.com/rcwasd))).

## RCWA Events since the Last Newsletter Release

Events attended by members since the last General Meeting in April 2024 included two Toy Workshops, a Woodworking Show, a Woodturning SIG, and a Scrollsaw SIG.

## Toy Program/Toy Workshops

## Toy Makers



**THE TOY PROGRAM.** The Toy Program effort consists of 5 major phases:

- Phase 1: Tracing
- Phase 2: Cutting toys to shape
- Phase 3: Milling - routing, drilling, machine sanding
- Phase 4: Finish - sealer coat - sanding - spray - sanding
- Phase 5: Wheel installations

*Simplified: Draw! Saw! Stack! Play!*



For more information, contact Bob Buchanan at (605) 348-2865 or Rick Weisbeck at (605) 431-4708. Or go to our website at <http://www.rapidcitywoodworkers.com>.

## Next Toy Workshops

We will hold our next workshop at the WOOD SHOP in the basement of the annex to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church on 910 Wood Ave on Saturday morning May 11 and May 25, 2024 from 9 am to noon. Refer to our BLOG for all the details about these workshops:



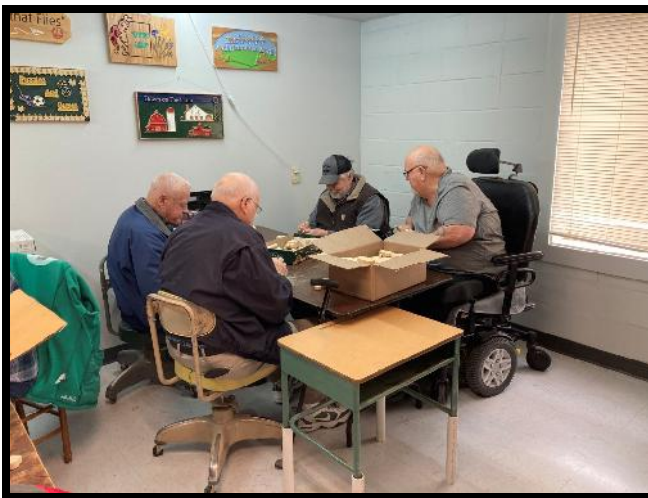
## Quick Status of Toy Workshops



We have completed most of Phase 1 tracing, so are moving to phases 2, 3, 4 and 5. Our goal for 2024 is to build about 3,500 toys to donate to organizations who work with kids in South Dakota.



## Photos from Toy Workshops





## SS SIG - April 18, 2024

The ScrollSaw Special Interest Group (SS SIG) was held today from 1 pm to 3 pm at Rick's shop in Black Hawk. Al, Ken, Jerry and Rick attended the SIG today. This was the pre-WW Show meeting to plan the movement of all the items needed for the show from the WOOD SHOP to Knecht Home Center.

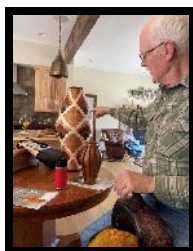


## WT SIG April 24, 2024

The Wood Turning Special Interest Group (WT SIG) was held on April 24, 2024. All RCWA members and guests are welcome to attend. It is on the calendar for the last Wednesday of each month at 1 pm. It is held in Jim and Maggie's Shop at 2879 Spotted Fawn Lane, Rapid City, SD 57702. Thank you to Maggie and Jim for hosting and preparing today's Woodturning SIG.

Attending today: Steve, Dave, Al, Maggie, Jim Brown, Ken, Michael, Bob, and Kathie.

Today's SIG was a planning session for the rest of the year, held sitting around Jim's new dining room table. Details are forthcoming from Maggie Brown. There were Show and Tell items shown and discussed.

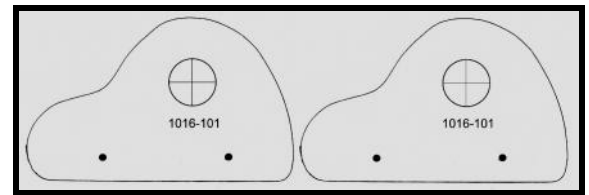






## Project Love Bug

Lots of Love Bugs have been made at Toy Workshops and in-home shops; and are available to members. This special toy is allocated for distribution to members for everyday giving to a child deserving or needing a little love. If you need a few “Love Bugs”, ask Rick. We keep hearing good stories/feedback from this project. “Love Bugs” are ending up all around the world.



## Library

Grant Coffin

Grant Coffin, our librarian, has lists of available DVDs, and books that you can review. Additionally, you may send an email to Grant to request info on any subject and he will research it for you and send you a response. So, send your requests to Grant Coffin: [redtopg@hotmail.com](mailto:redtopg@hotmail.com).

## Website Notes

Webmaster

We now have one convenient way to get to our website: [www.rapidcitywoodworkers.com](http://www.rapidcitywoodworkers.com)

## Social Media Notes

Cori Weisbeck

Cori Weisbeck is our Social Media Manager. Cori says that most organizations these days use social media to disseminate information about events around the community. She has set up accounts for the RCWA on Facebook and Instagram. Facebook is for information and pictures, and Instagram is mostly for pictures. You do not need an account to read our Facebook and Instagram information. To see current events and photos, type in the links below. The accounts can be viewed by using these details:

Facebook page link: [facebook.com/rcwasd](https://facebook.com/rcwasd)  
Instagram Link: [instagram.com/rcwasd](https://instagram.com/rcwasd)

Facebook page name: @rcwasd  
Instagram username: rcwasd

Cori is our central point for posting information and photos on these two sites. You can email your project photos to her at the address below ([rapidcitywoodworkers@gmail.com](mailto:rapidcitywoodworkers@gmail.com)) and she will post them.

Note: Everyone can send project photos to [rapidcitywoodworkers@gmail.com](mailto:rapidcitywoodworkers@gmail.com) – this is Cori’s address – and she will post them on the club’s social media platforms. Please include a few words about each project.

## Meeting Location/Project Shop Location

With the exception of the Winter Months (Jan thru March), we hold general meetings on the 2nd Monday of each month on the main level of the annex to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church at 910 Wood Ave in Rapid City from 7 pm to 9 pm. In the winter months, we meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month after the Toymaking Workshop, starting at 11 am.

Project Workshops are now being held at the “WOOD” SHOP at 910 WOOD Ave on the second and fourth Saturday mornings from 9 am to noon. The WOOD SHOP on WOOD Ave is located in the basement of the annex to Our Redeemer Lutheran Church at 910 Wood Ave in Rapid City. You can enter the WOOD SHOP thru the brown door on the east side of the building. Parking is available on the east and south sides of the building. Wood and supplies are stored at an off-site location.

## Purpose of the RCWA

The RCWA exists for two main reasons: (1) To exchange information that will enhance the enjoyment and skills of woodworking; and (2) To promote woodworking as a hobby, as a profession, or anywhere in between. The focus of the RCWA is woodworking in general. We discuss everything from the phenomenon of seasonal wood movement, to finishing techniques, to table-saw tuning, to shop safety. Members include a mixture of hand-tool (Galoot) and power tool (Normite) enthusiasts.

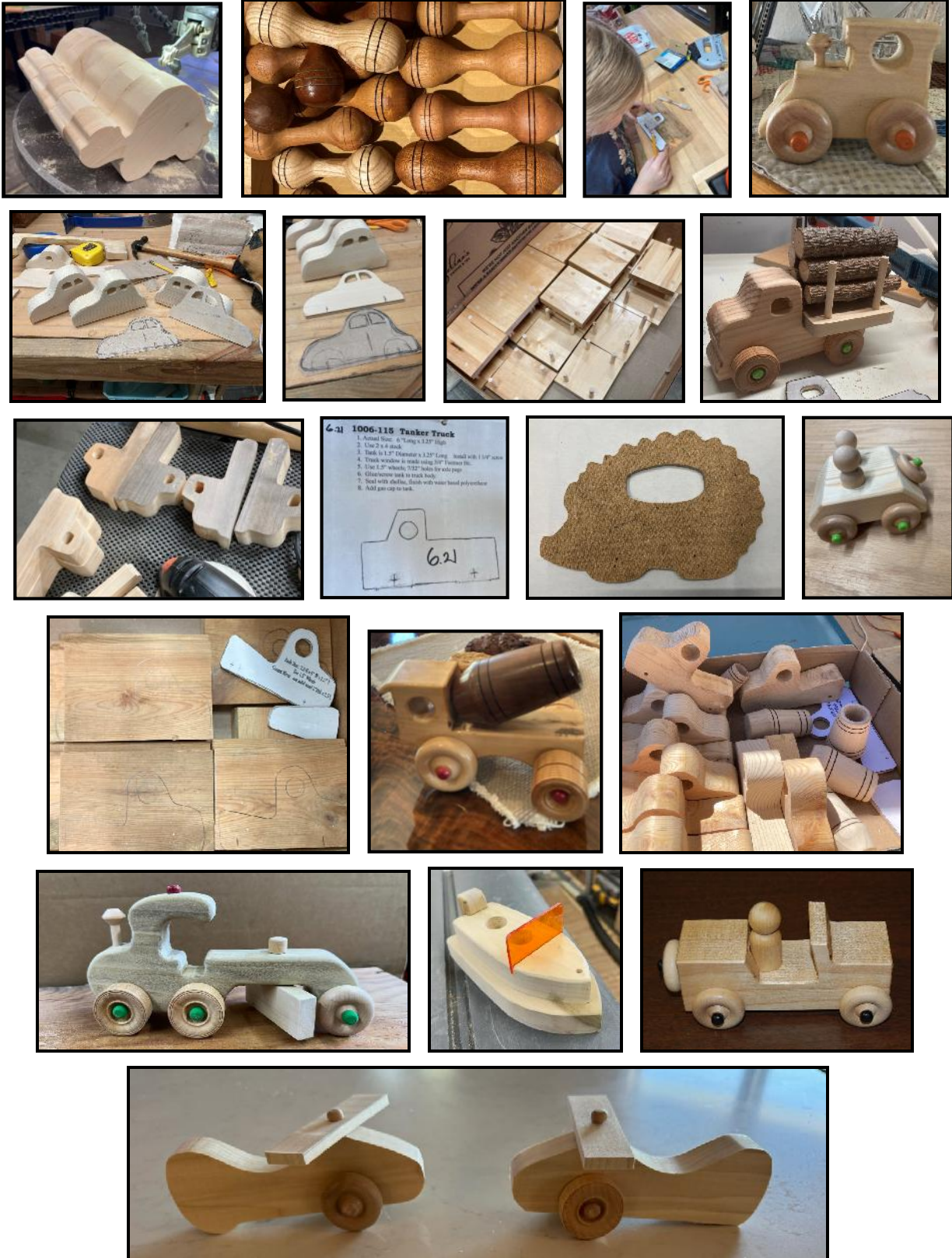
Except for Jan-Mar, the RCWA meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. on the main floor of the annex to OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH at 910 WOOD Avenue in Rapid City. Each general meeting has a theme with one main topic, which is presented and discussed. It’s a great opportunity to meet fellow woodworkers, share ideas, seek advice, and get out of the sawdust for a while. We cordially invite men and women of all ages who have any interest in woodworking, both hobby and professional, to attend our meetings.





## Research and Development News

Several new toys are being developed for deliveries this year. Here are some of them:





## A Few Photos from WW Show 4.20.2024





### Tool Sale Guidelines

1. Tool Sale Leaders: Rick, Bob, Jerry, Stu, Tony and Al
2. The Tool/Garage Sale is a fundraiser for the Toy Program. Anyone on the members roster may bring items to sell. Ten percent of your sales will be deducted as a donation to the Toy Program.
3. You may bring anything you want to the sale, not just tools.
4. Your garage sale ID is listed in the attached member roster.
5. Before the sale, label each item you want to sell with your ID and asking price. (Use tag or tape or other.)
  - ) If you are donating an item to RCWA - mark item with #99 and a suggested price. Leaders will disposition donated items that do not sell.
  - ) If you are selling an item, mark item with your ID# from list, and asking price. You are responsible for retrieving items you bring that do not sell.
6. Tony will total all your sales using your ID number. Shortly after the end of the sale, he will deduct 10% from your total sales as a donation to this fundraiser, and write you a check for the rest.
7. A Poster is attached for posting in your favorite places.
8. A map and poster is TBD.
9. We will setup tables before 7 am on Saturday.
10. You may bring items TBD on Friday afternoon if you like. Call TBD before bringing.
11. The Sale runs from 7 am to 3 pm on Saturday. We may end sooner if interest wanes, or if it rains.
12. If you can't come to the sale and still want to sell something, let one of the Tool Sale leaders know, to work out arrangements.
13. Signs will be posted around the neighborhood.
14. There will be a table set up with info and samples from the Toy Program.



## ***THE CUTTING EDGE***

Monthly Newsletter of the  
Rapid City Woodworkers  
Association

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The newsletter is posted on the website  
shortly before the RCWA General  
Meeting.

Any articles you wish to submit must be  
in my hands no later than the Tuesday  
before that date.

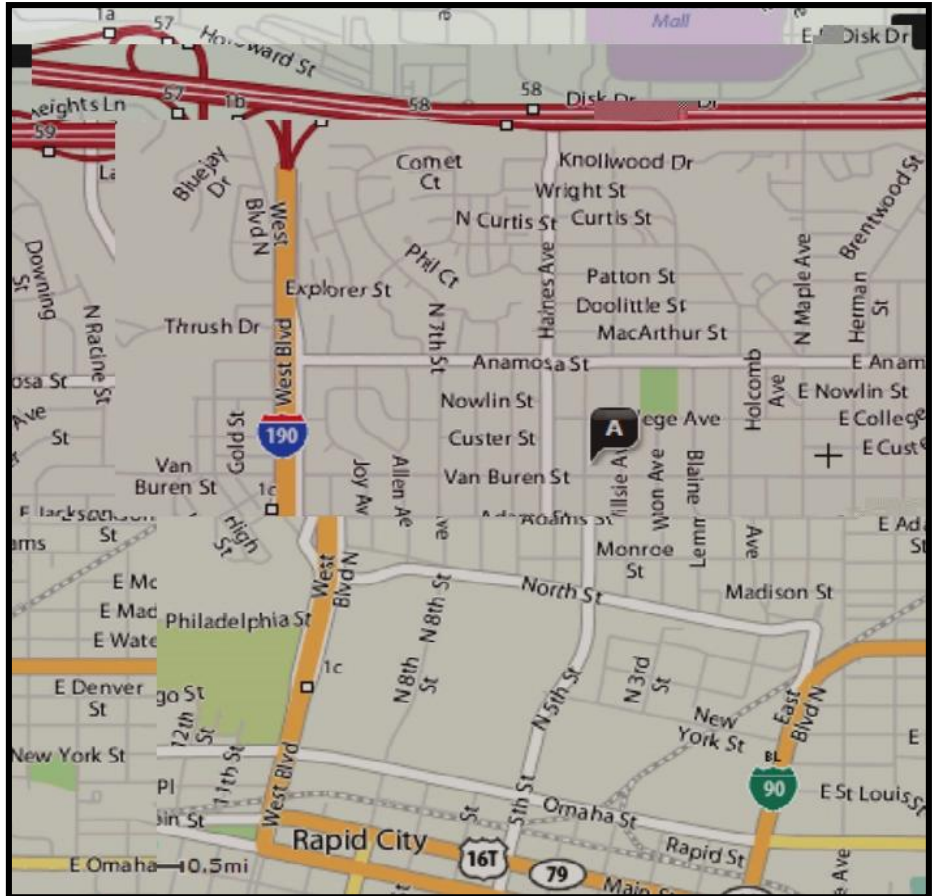
Editor – Bob Buchanan

### **WHERE?**

In the Annex to:  
***Our Redeemer Lutheran Church***  
910 Wood Avenue  
Rapid City, SD 57701

### **WHEN?**

***GENERAL MEETING***  
Monday, May 13, 2024  
7 pm to 9 pm



### **Friends of the RCWA**

J&D Woodworking	Knecht Home Center
Magnum Enterprises, LLC	Club for Boys
Ray Tree Farm on Nemo Rd	Jim and Marilyn Reaser
Forest Products	Our Redeemer Lutheran Church
Katherine Hastings	Chris Dancy
Nuts and Bolts Fabric	Solutions Chiropractic