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August 2, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

- Call to Order: President Mike Hughbanks called the meeting to order at 5:58 p.m. Vern Morris, Jim Svoboda, Gerry Lesch, Mike Hughbanks, Robin Rios, Rosie Kautz, Tom Kautz, and David Thill attended the meeting.
- June 2018 and July 2018 Treasurer Report (Rosie Kautz): The beginning balance was \$5,656.57, and the ending balance was \$4,948.06. Chilimania made a \$731.00 donation to the club for the 17 chilies. Show table sales brought in \$60.00. Dues brought in \$70.00. The club patches cost \$360.00 which comes out to \$3.61 per patch. Tom Kautz made a motion to give each RRVC member one free patch and to charge \$4.00 per additional patch. Vern Morris seconded the motion. The motion passed. Other major expenses included the show rent: \$900.00, the name tags: \$113.43, and the rent to Trinity Episcopal: \$60.00. The report was circulated for members to view.
- July Website Report (Vern Morris): Website hits: 1,085. 11% from Madison, WI., 7% from Stevens Point, 5% from Janesville, WI., 5% from Wilmington, DE., 4% from Chicago, IL., 68% from Other. The Facebook site had 175 hits. Both the website and the Facebook sites have been updated for the show.

Old Business

- Tuesday Evening Open Carving Sessions at Trinity Episcopal Church (Mike Hughbanks): The next sessions will be held on August 7th and August 21st.
- Get to Know a Fellow Carver (Robin Rios): Need to pick another person to interview tonight at the regular meeting.
- Board Member Roles and Responsibilities Descriptions (Dave Thill): A copy was handed out to each member to read and make suggestions for additions and or corrections.
- 2018 Show Update (Rosie Kautz and Robin Rios): Twenty-three tables have been paid for by exhibitors. Christian Hummul only needs three tables this year. Ray Henry usually needs five

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**He Who Stops
Being Better,
Stops Being
Good**

We meet on the
first Thursday of the month
at the Janesville Senior Center,
Second Floor
69 S. Water St.
Janesville, WI
Meeting or Carving
begins at 7:15 p.m.
Board Meeting at 6 p.m.

tables. Randy Callison will be teaching a class on carving his icicles. Ray Douglas agreed to do a demonstration on the basics of chip carving. Dennis Neubauer will demonstrate how to sharpen carving knives. A volunteer is needed to chair the People's Choice area. Vern Morris volunteered to run our audio/video equipment at the show. Setup for the show will start at 12:00 p.m. on September 7, 2018 in the Craig Center.

New Business

- Reimbursement of Wood to Members that Carve Chilies for Chilimania: Rosie Kautz compiled a list of carvers who carved chili peppers for Chilimania. Following discussion, Gerry Lesch made the motion for the club to purchase wood from Ray Henry to reimburse each carver for the wood they used on their chili pepper. Jim Svoboda seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- Club Library Books (Jim Svoboda): Three new books have been purchased for the library. They include: Woodcarving Magic, How to Transform a Single Block of Wood into Impossible Shapes; Finishing Techniques for Wood Crafters; and the Revised Second Edition of Carving Spoons. Jim is going to pull out the older unused books from the library, bundle them into groups of five, and put them in the show raffle.
- Promotion of Carving at the Hedberg Library: The next session is scheduled for August 14th from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- Additional Items: Rosie Kautz said Ann Sawyer, a member of the Madison club, would like to have a resell table at our show to enable carvers to sell their used carving equipment. This is what Joanne Drinkwine used to do. Rosie suggested we send a card to Joanne to let her know we are thinking of her. Robin Rios said she would take care of it. Mike Hughbanks said he is still waiting for the passes to the Tallman Art Show this coming Sunday. Mike Hughbanks, Ernie Tucker, Tom Kautz, and Dave Thill will be representing the club at the event.
- Adjournment: President Mike Hughbanks adjourned the board meeting at 6:40 p.m. The minutes are respectfully submitted by Robin Rios, Secretary.

August 2, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

- Call to Order: President Mike Hughbanks called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. Attendance: 20
- Welcome Guests/New Members: Bud Cunningham was introduced as a new member.
- June 2018 and July 2018 Treasurer Report (Rosie Kautz): Copies of the general and show treasurer reports were passed around for members to view. See Board minutes for further details.
- Chilimania Report: Tim Banwell absent.
- September Show Update (Rosie Kautz and Robin Rios): Four exhibitors bought show tables tonight. Twenty-seven exhibitor tables have now been sold. Since Jeff Navarro, owner of Jeff's Coffee Bar, is running the kitchen this year, we do not need any cookies, and we will not be giving away chips from Frito Lay.
- Get to Know a Fellow Carver: Mike Hughbanks' name was drawn to be the next featured carver in the newsletter.
- Club Patches (Tom Kautz): Each member will get one patch for free. If a member wants additional patches, they will cost \$4.00 per patch. See Board meeting minutes for further details. Please see Tom Kautz about patches and to order name tags.
- 50/50 Raffle (Randy Callison): Joe McNally won \$13.00.
- Adjournment: President Mike Hughbanks adjourned the business portion of the meeting at 7:30 p.m. The minutes are respectfully submitted by Robin Rios, Secretary.

Area Carving Opportunities!

Janesville Senior Center: Mondays & Thursdays from 8:30 – 11:00. Meet and carve with fellow carvers. A wide variety of carvings is always going on. Helpful instruction is available.

Edgerton Senior Center: Tuesday morning carving with Bob Phelps, 9 am until whenever.

Tuesday Evening Open Carving Sessions

September 4th and 18th are our next open carving sessions from 6 pm until 8 pm at Trinity Episcopal Church in Ortmayer Hall, 409 E Court St., Janesville. Enter through the door on the west side of the building. Bring something to carve and inspire some new carvers!

Shows & Seminars Coming Up

Sept. 1-2, Springfield, IL. Sangamon Valley Woodcarvers show in Illinois Building at Illinois State Fairgrounds, Sat. 10 am-5 pm, Sun. 10 am-4 pm, Betty Legg 217-546-8792, lelandleggsr4296@comcast.net

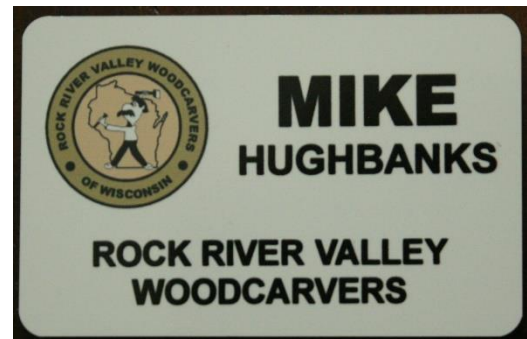
Sept. 8, Our Show at the Fairgrounds

Sept. 15-16, Stevens Point, WI. Wisconsin River Wood Carvers show/competition/sale at the Holiday Inn & Conventions Center, www.wisconsinriverwoodcarvers.org

Library Carving

Our next library carving demonstration and promotion of carving and our show will be Sunday, September 16 from 1 to 3 pm.

Club Name Tags similar to the one on the right can be ordered by contacting Tom Kautz. If we place an order of at least 12 at the time, the cost will be \$9. The metal tags have a strong magnetic fastener on the back so clothing is not damaged. Tom can be reached at 608-868-4522 or rosietom@centurytel.net



Keeping Spray Nozzles Clean, by Dennis Weber (Glendale, California)

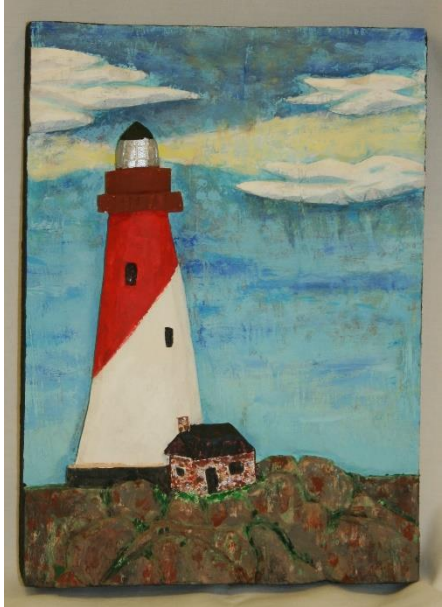
Instead of turning my cans of spray finish and paint upside down and spraying the gas to clear the nozzle, I pull the nozzles and drop them into a jar of mineral spirits and give it a few shakes. I leave the nozzles submerged in the solvent until I need them again. Then I pour the spirits off into a second jar for re-use, and drop the nozzles onto the lid to keep my fingers dry. My method saves the propellant, and the nozzles are ready to go whenever I need them again. I've been using several of my spray cans for years and never had a clog this way.

Show & Share



Sailor and Oak Leaf Spoon above
Carved by Jim Svoboda
Bark Wood Spirit by Ernie Tucker

Beautiful Detailed
Plant Stand
by Ruth McNally



Basswood Wood Spirit and
'Old Lady in a Shoe' House,
both by Ernie Tucker

Lighthouse Relief by Jim Svoboda

Canvasback Decoy by Randy Callison

