



ROCK RIVER VALLEY CARVERS OF WISCONSIN

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December 6, 2022 Meeting Minutes

- President Tom Kautz called a short meeting to order at 6:00 pm for the purpose of electing new officers, directors, and members-at-large. The following people were put forth for nomination and unanimously elected by the members present.

OFFICERS

President - Mike Hughbanks
Vice-President - Mark Ludois
Past-President - Tom Kautz
Secretary - Robin Rios
Treasurer - Rosie Kautz

DIRECTORS

Librarian - Bud Cunningham
Newsletter Editor - Rosie Kautz
Show Chairman - Brad Crandall and John Raisbeck

MEMBERS-AT-LARGE (2)

Gerry Lesch
Dave Thill

- Reggie James recognized Tom Kautz for his service as President. A round of applause followed.
- Mike Hughbanks held drawings for two unclaimed raffle prizes from the show. The winners were Bud Cunningham (plate) and Vern Morris (bird). A third drawing was held for a box of basswood donated to the club by Bill Floss. Mike Hughbanks drew the winning ticket for the wood.
- The meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm. The Christmas Dinner and Christmas Ornament Exchange followed. Minutes submitted by Robin Rios, Secretary.

2022 Officers

President: Thomas Kautz
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**No Fires in
Fireplaces on
Christmas Eve – or
you end up with
Crisp Krinkle**

**Normal meetings on the
first Tuesday of the month
at the First Lutheran Church,
Across from Fairgrounds
612 N Randall Ave.
Janesville, WI
Meeting or Carving
begins at 6 p.m.**

Christmas Party Photos



A great time was had by all and everyone had plenty of delicious Food to eat.



A Christmas Cane Reaction

Our club members decided to present Linda Rufer, a Janesville Senior Center volunteer, with a one-of-a-kind carved friendship cane. She has supported our carving shows each year and purchased numerous raffle tickets trying to win our annual cane without luck. She was totally surprised – to the point of tears. She stated that she has her Christmas tree up year-round and decorates it for each season. The cane will be displayed next to the tree. She later stated that her husband was ticked pink with the cane as well.

Club Members Recent Carvings



Clockwise from left, John Raisbecks' Cane, John Eidens' Pepper, and Gerry Leschs' Pepper



Jim Trumpys Shelf Sitter



Ernie Tuckers Shelf Sitter



Jim Trumpys Eagle Cane



Bud Cunninghams' Woodburned Wren, left, and his Woodburned Box, above



John Eidens' Raccoon and Bob Mortensons' Birdy Cane Segments (on right)



Ernie Tuckers' Gnome



Dale Ehles' Carvings



Ernie Tuckers' Santa Ornament and Jim Trumpys' Old Man

