



## Big News from May Meeting By Ed Burgess

At last month's meeting we voted unanimously to affiliate with IPMS. I did the paperwork (minimal) and paid the \$20 fee. We are now IPMS approved and are in Region 6.

The biggest immediate benefit is that we automatically get insurance coverage for our events. Takes a lot of pressure off the next show. We also get visibility for our events.

The members also decided to hold the next contest on September 25, and to make that the target date for future annual shows. This was an ambitious and somewhat unexpected

action, but there's no reason we can't make it work. We do need some members to step up, naturally.

The venue is reserved. Same place as March. We need to build on our publicity and make very sure all the regional clubs are alerted. We will have a judging seminar this summer to get everyone tapped as a judge to the same standards.

Returning to our usual venue this month. The June meeting is 21 June at the Leavenworth Public Library.

Sadly, I will be out of the country that day, attending a seminar in Auschwitz about genocide. I expect the club will survive my absence.

Ron Reynolds will have the program this month. He writes:

Be prepared for a "IPMS/USA style judging presentation(s)" that everyone seems to be in favor of. Rick Brownlee, Bud Ellis, Gary Ruhnke, myself and Bill Pettyjohn (a prospective new member from Topeka and an outstanding modeler), will be prepared to jump into an IPMS/USA Rules / Judging 101 presentation that will stay to the point and within our available time. We will bring all the cue cards, props, and printed handouts that will be needed for the presentation.