

# The Push Stick

## Tasty Art!



At the October meeting sculptor Nohad Sabbagh showed us what she has been creating. She was last with us in March 2018. <http://woodworkersofwhittier.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/WOW-April-2018.pdf>

Nohad likes to sculpt using various mediums, usually clay. In this case she was using chocolate. She passed around multiple samples, to touch, not to taste. Modeling chocolate is edible, but it is meant to form shapes. There are different hardnesses created by adding more or less corn syrup. White chocolate can be dyed to different colors. She showed us a small Christmas tree she made. Nohad teaches classes on how to make them. [www.sculpturebynohad.com](http://www.sculpturebynohad.com)

A microwave oven to warm the chocolate and a refrigerator to cool and set it are two of the tools used. Spatulas and carvers are used to make details, often these are homemade.

In the end you have made a creation that is made of yummy chocolate, but it is too beautiful to eat! Thank you Nohad for teaching us about making edible art.

## Magic Man

At the September meeting, WOW's resident magician Jim Callen (Dr. Presto) put on a show for us. Despite being 90 years old, his hands are still quicker than the eye. I can't see how he makes those big playing cards change! He performed various tricks that entertained us. Emily Sparling (Jim's granddaughter) assisted on one of them. Jim has been performing since the 1950's <http://woodworkersofwhittier.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/WOW-October-2016.pdf>

Jim has been diagnosed with cancer and started treatment a week after his show for us. The treatment was tough on

him and continues, but he told me he is feeling better and hopefully will be putting wheels on cars with us at the meeting. As performers say "The show must go on" Thanks Jim!

## Club News

WOW has \$1000 in the bank. We have **52 members!** Blocks are finished for 2019.. If you ordered a **club shirt**, you can pick them up at the meeting. At the Steering Committee meeting Gene Getz announced

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that the members only raffle at the **Xmas party** will have two \$100 , one \$50 and one \$25 cash prizes. You can't win if you don't show up. This is for paid members only.

## October 14th Meeting

**All Hands On Deck!** We need all members to show up, even if you didn't make cars, for WOW's annual **Wheels and Axels** meeting. This is when we install the club supplied wheels and axels to cars made by members for charities. This year we have the room from 6pm-9pm and have 800 cars to finish. Starting as soon as we set up, we need enough people to put wheels and axels on cars so we finish on time. Bring a friend or family member and a small hammer for each. This meeting is the favorite one of the year for many members. If you made cars, bring them to the meeting.



## Message From the Prez

This month I have 2 topics I would like to update you on. Topic #1- On Monday Dec 2nd from 9am - 1pm is the clubs toy distribution day. We will be at Hathaway Ranch and Museum. The address is 11901 Florence Ave Santa Fe Springs, Ca 90670. If you have the time please come by and visit and show your support.

Topic #2- December 12th is the club's annual Christmas party. I am currently seeking help for set up and clean up. If you would like to help please contact me by email or phone. There will also be a sign up sheet at the meeting on Nov 14th. Thank you for your help and support. ..Paul Wilson



WOW member **Ray Sosa** is a creative soul. He shares items he has made at our show-and-tells usually monthly. You can tell his mind is always working. He sees what can be made from an object when others see only trash. Ray carves, cuts, wood burns and paints until it comes to life. He doesn't need a shop full of tools to do his thing, just imagination. In the picture on the left he saw the painting and thought it need elephants, so he added them. A chunk of wood is a Tiki. Thanks Ray for sharing.



**Coffee and Cookies-** Remember to put some money in the kitty when you get some coffee or cookies at the meeting. This helps Julie McCamey

pay for the ingredients. Thanks Julie!

### Club Calendar

Nov. Meeting -Thursday Nov. 14th 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
 Steering Committee-Tuesday Nov. 19th 7-8:00p.m  
 Dec. Meeting- Thursday Dec. 12th 6:30-8:00 p.m.  
 Steering Committee- None in December

Meet 2nd Thursday of the month at Adventure Park  
 10130 Gunn Avenue Whittier , CA 90605

Woodchuckles



Unable to afford a panel sander, Ned still saved valuable time with his team of 80 grit cats.