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Meeting Notes

March Meeting

The March meeting is Thursday, March 12 at Adventure Park, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. The park is located at 10130 Gunn Ave., Whittier.

The meeting will feature a presentation by **Tom Rooney** of the Carpenters Union.

Earlier that day, club members will tour the Carpenters Union Training Center, 7111 Firestone Blvd., Buena Park. The tour begins at 9 a.m. Members attending this event are asked to wear their WOW shirts. It is not too late if you wish to attend. Simply go to the facility at the time and place listed to join the tour.

February Meeting

The meeting featured a presentation by **Mike Gonzalez** of Advantage Carbide & Re-Saw, 19042 E. San Jose Ave., Unit E, Roland Heights. He discussed the firm's sharpening services and other services for woodworkers, which includes welding of bandsaw blades, sharpening of various types of saw blades, planer and jointer knives, kitchen knives, etc. He told the group, "I can sharpen everything but your wit." Club members say his prices are reasonable.

President **Alan Schwartz** reported on attending a meeting of the Santa Fe Springs City Council, where the club was honored for its toy project that benefited several groups in the local community.

There was also discussion of the future tour of the Nethercutt Collection in Sylmar on Saturday, April 12. The museum showcases more than 130 of the world's greatest antique, vintage, classic and special interest automobiles,

including many top winners of the Pebble Beach Concours d' Elegance. The Collection also includes an amazing array of automobile mascots, antique furniture, clocks and watches, and one of the world's finest collections of mechanical musical instruments. The museum is located at 15151 Bledsoe St., Sylmar. See **Jim Sparling** at the meeting for additional information. Members are asked to wear their WOW shirts at this event. Possible car pools for the Nethercutt Collection visit will be discussed at the

Announcements

March meeting. **Mike Scott** announced that he has a friend who wishes to dispose of a workshop full of tools. Contact **Mike** at (562) 694-5452 for details.

Steering Committee Report

Treasurer **Red Nichols** reported a bank balance of \$1,281.56. This included donations and membership dues. Membership chair **Lindsey Fisher** reported that the club had 38 paid members out of a total of 47 listed. **Lindsey** will be contacting members who wish to receive the *Push Stick* via email. He will also distribute an updated membership roster at the March meeting. **Ray Mitchem** reported he donated 60 of his “pocket cars” to a local hospital.

President **Alan Schwartz** discussed the possibility of having a woodworking video presentation available as a standby in the event a scheduled speaker cannot attend the meeting. **John Rodgers** volunteered to make a custom gavel block for the president’s gavel. **Alan** requested that any member seeking reimbursement for items purchased to use the club’s reimbursement form to facilitate proper payment.

John Rodgers also volunteered to make arrangements for a new order of WOW shirts and caps. He will provide details on shirt styles, cost, sizes, etc. at the March meeting. There is a required minimum order of 12 shirts.

Dues

Dues of \$30 are now due and payable. If you haven’t paid, see Treasurer **Red Nichols** before or after the meeting or at the break. Make checks out to Woodworkers of Whittier. There will be a late fee of \$10 if dues are not paid by Thursday, March 13.

Don’t Miss this Open Shop!

On Saturday, March 8, **Louis Lopez** will host an Open Shop at his spectacular workshop in La Mirada, 9 a.m. – 12 noon. His extensive shop fills a three-car garage with tools collected from his 40 years of woodworking. His home is located in the vicinity of the La Mirada Golf Course. From Whittier, take Santa Gertrudes Ave. south; go past Imperial Highway to Alicante; turn left on Alicante; turn left on Hillsborough; turn left on San Martin; turn left on Los Alisos; turn left on Avenida San Miguel. **Louis’** house is at 16005 Avenida San Miguel. In addition to displaying his tools, **Louis** will show visitors some great examples of his skilled craftsmanship throughout his home — clocks, bookcases, tables, an entertainment center and more. Those who attended his Nov. 9, 2013 open shop thought it was one the best ever.

Share Your Skills

Members are encouraged to share their woodworking skills with others in the club who may have limited experience in some aspects of woodworking such as turning, furniture making, drawer construction, etc. **Ron Holtz**, who taught woodshop to middle school students for 15 years, said members should not hesitate to ask others for help when working on a challenging project.

Show and Tell

Bring an example of any project you wish to tell us about at the March meeting.

Parking Lot Sale This Weekend, March 1

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James Hardware, 701 S. Beach Blvd., La Habra (corner of Lambert Rd. and Beach Blvd.) is having its annual parking lot sale on Saturday, March 1, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. **Ray Mitchem, Jim Sparling, Ron Holtz** and **Louis Lopez** will man a WOW informational table at the event. Owner **David Samarin** offers WOW members a 15 percent discount on any type of drill bit or saw blade. Just show your WOW membership card to get the discount. See JamesHardware.com for more details on the store.

On Your Calendar

March Meeting Thursday, March 13, 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Steering Committee Tuesday, March 18, 7 p.m. – 8 p.m.

April Meeting Thursday, April 10, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Steering Committee Tuesday, April 15, 7 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Thank you Bill, Julie, Harold and Paula