# The Push Stick

#### Message from the Prez

#### Hello to all.

I hope all of you are doing well. As we approach the end of 2022, that means another successful year is almost done. Our toy project will once again be a great success and with our newest activity the woodcraft class growing, 2023 promises to be another great year. As we look for weather to get cooler please keep in mind that our annual Christmas Party is almost here. So for those of you who plan to attend this year's party please make sure not to forget the door prizes. Each member is asked to make and bring 3-5 handmade items. I hope to see you there.

As for our meeting in October the location will be different. We will be meeting at the Whittier Community Center located at 7630 Washington Ave Whittier, Calif 90602. The officers and I would like to know how you feel about using the community center as a meeting place. I will have more details at the meeting on the 13th of Oct. I have attached a picture below to see the parking options. We will be meeting in room 2. I hope you will come and tell us what you think. Thank you for all of your continued support. Paul W.



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#### September Meeting

The September meeting was held at Adventure Park. David Guy gave a very interesting demonstration of his CNC machine. The club also conducted a special fund raiser to pay for the upcoming liability insurance expenses now required by the county for our meetings at the park. There were tools and wood from the Monte Koch estate for sale during and after the meeting. A huge thanks to the many members that participated and bought items for sale. The club was able to raise \$540, which will cover the cost of the insurance through next year, plus the cost of the pen kits being donated to the Veterans agencies. A great success, and thanks again to all!

## September Show and Tell

In the September meeting WOW members shared these projects they have completed recently: David Guy – cribbage board and CNC drilling machine Ray Sosa – Scroll saw jig Rubin Johnson – Arched entry table Steve Lelewer – knife board



### Special Note on the Adventure Park Woodcraft class

During the month of September the Adventure Park class members have worked on a Halloween project. As you can see by the picture below the project has been a huge success. A special thank you goes out to Julie McCamey for cutting these out for us. As of our last class we are averaging about 15 to 20 individuals who have really been having a lot of fun, and are very appreciative of the WOW club members who have come to volunteer. So a special thank you to them as well: Arie Korporaal, Julie McCamey, Dick Toney and Paul Wilson. We hope the class will continue to grow. If you would like to help out please contact Paul W. for more info. The classes are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays from 10:30 am - 11:30 am. I hope you can join us.



#### Steering Committee Meeting Minutes For September

Steering Committee Minutes: September 13, 2022

**Present:** Paul Wilson, Steve Romo, Ray Wolven, Arie Korporaal, Lois Lopez, Dick Toney, Jim Sparling.

**7:00 pm: Meeting called to order** – Minutes approved.

**Finances (Arie K.):** End of August balance \$ 2,913.97. The club is now able to use Zelle for money transfers, payments and receipts. We also have a card reader which allows us to accept payments from anyone wishing to pay the club using a credit card.

**Membership (Steve R.)**: 34 paid members. 22 members and 2 guests attended the August club meeting.

**Toy project (Dick T.):** 14 sets of blocks completed, now working on blocks for 2023 give away. approx. Approx 1,500 cars completed or in process. The club anticipates holding a wheels and axles meeting again this November 10. Packing day for the toy distribution day will be at Hathaway on November 14.

**Raffle update (Paul W.):** \$65 in ticket sales at the previous meeting, and \$50 profit. As of this month the Christmas membership prize goal has officially been met. A special thank you to Gene Getz for this tremendous accomplishment again this year. His hard work conducting the raffles at the meetings each month helps make the meetings much more enjoyable, and it makes the Christmas party extra special for the club. His efforts are very much appreciated by all. Thank you Gene!

New Business:

- Proposal approved to create an annual club award of a certificate, and \$25 cash, to be awarded to the club member with the most show and tell appearances at the club meetings each year.
- Veterans pen project Proposal approved to buy 30 pen kits from Penn State Industries which will be handed out at the October meeting for club members to turn and assemble for donation to the vets.
- Motion carried and approved for the President, Treasurer, and membership chair to be authorized to accept payments to the club using the Square cash app and card reader so the club can accept card payments to the club anywhere.
- Conversation was held and agreed that membership dues for 2023 would remain at \$30, despite the increase in expenses related to the liability insurance the club is now obligated to pay for and maintain.

**Upcoming Meeting Schedules:** The next general club meeting will be held on October 13. The next steering committee meeting will be held October 18 at the Whittier community center, 7630 Washington Ave, Room # 5. The next senior classes at Adventure Park are scheduled for October 11 & 25.

Meeting Adjourned 8:05 pm

Respectfully submitted by Ray Wolven, September 13, 2022.

## Let Your Friends Know

Many of our members found out about WOW through a friend. Please let your friends know that good things are happening in the club this year, and bring them to a meeting. Remember: if you make sawdust you are a woodworker.



