



# The Push Stick

2023 - Celebrating Our Club's 30th Anniversary

## Message from the Prez

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Hello to all. I hope all of you are doing well. As July gets under way the club is looking to have a very exciting summer. We got off to a great start with our June Meeting at the home of Stan Quade. The meeting was an amazing experience. Stan was kind enough to walk us through his house to showcase 45 years of woodworking. Everyone who attended was in awe of his accomplishments and we realized it was a lot to take in in a couple of hours. The evening concluded with Stan and his daughter Renee serving pie and ice cream to everyone. So a big thank you to Stan and his generous hospitality and amazing display of scroll saw projects.

As for July the club will be celebrating our 30th anniversary at our regular club meeting. Once again the meeting will have a different format than usual. We will be having a show and tell and raffle. We will also be serving refreshments to celebrate the occasion. Members are encouraged to bring their spouses and other family members to join us. There will also be a 15 minute video of a look back at the club through the years. Hope to see you there.

Finally as many of you know by now we have a community project which we will be starting in July. The club will be building cheer boxes for the Varsity and Junior Varsity cheerleading squads at Whittier High School. The work will be done at Hathaway during the month of July if you would like to help please contact me for more information. Until our next meeting, have a great Independence Day and I look forward to seeing you on July 13th.

## Special note about this Month's Push Stick

200th Newsletter

The club's newsletter was first available in 2009 and 14 years later July 2023 will be the 200th edition of our newsletter. During the 14 year span the club has had 4 editors prior to our current editor Ray Woven. The list of

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editors is as follows John Rodgers 2009-2012, Dave Reid 2012-2013, Paula Eagleman 2013-2015, Alan Webster 2014-2022 and Ray Wolven 2022- Present. To these individuals the club owes each of you a thank you for all of your hard work. We would also like to thank all of the members who have contributed pictures and ideas throughout the years. Your help is greatly appreciated and hopefully your contributions will continue. The newsletter has continued to be a great source for club news and updates with the exception of a few months over the years when there has been no new information most recent was during Covid 19. The newsletter has been faithfully mailed or emailed each month and as we move forward I would like to ask if you have an idea for an article or you would like to share some pictures please contact Ray Wolven. Thank you again to all who have contributed to the club's newsletter.

Paul Wilson

## June Meeting

Our June meeting was very special. Long-time member Stan Quade opened his house to the club, and gave us a guided tour of his house and grounds, showing us his many outstanding projects and accomplishments. He told us that he has lived in the house for 45 years, and he has been retired for the last 32 years. After our visit several club members were amazed that Stan could have accomplished so much in those 32 years. A recent accomplishment is the amazing gazebo that he built himself in the last two years, and which he used to serve the club refreshments after the tour. It would take several editions of the push stick to show all of the projects and improvements to the house he has done. Below are pictures of just a few of them. And not the least of which is the last image showing a quilt and headboard that won an award at the LA County fair!

The club would like to take this opportunity again to send our sincerest thanks to Stan, his daughter, and wife for their generous hospitality during our visit.

Thank you Stan!



## Adventure Park Woodcraft Class

The senior class project is on hiatus for the month of July. The next meeting dates are August 10 and 15. Please contact Paul for details about the meetings - the club is always looking for more club members to help out with this great community service activity.

The June project was a key shaped key hanger.

## Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

**Steering Committee Minutes: June 13, 2023**

**Present:** Paul Wilson, Skip Porter, Arie Korporaal, Steve Romo, Dick Toney, Ray Wolven, Paula Wolven

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

**Finances (Arie K.):** May ending bank balance \$3,163.61, No unusual expenses.

**Membership (Steve R.):** There are 29 paid club members and one compensated member. June meeting attendance (Stan Quade's house) was 17 members and 2 guests.

**Toy project (Dick T.):** Cars inventory = 165 cars without wheels, 440 cars with wheels. The quantity of blocks expected to be given away in 2023 are completed. 80% of blocks expected to be needed in 2024 are completed. A discussion about the process to put the blocks into bags was held. . Tentative schedule is to start bagging the blocks at Hathaway as soon as all of the blocks needed for this year and next year are completed. A discussion was held concerning various branding irons the club may want to use to put our name or logo and wood projects we give away. Several designs were considered. The issue was tabled for the July steering meeting. Dick Toney to follow up on a lead from Chick-Fil-A about ad flyers we might put in the bags of blocks or toys in exchange for possible club sponsorship.

**New Business:**

- A new Whittier High School Cheerleader box project was discussed and approved by the committee. Paul to investigate and communicate with the steering committee any further details.
- Dick Toney offered the idea for the club to make a cutting board as a Christmas present to Francine Rippey in appreciation of her generous support of the club. The committee approved the idea, and a max of \$100 expense for the wood and supplies. Paul to coordinate the project.

**Upcoming Meeting Schedules:** The next general club meeting will be July 13, our 30th anniversary(!) at the Whittier community center, and the next steering committee meeting will be

held July 18 at the Whittier community center. The next woodcraft classes at Adventure Park are scheduled for August 10 and 15.

Meeting Adjourned 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted by Ray Wolven, June 13, 2023.

## Push Stick Show and Tell

This space gives members the opportunity to show off their recent projects that may be too large or otherwise impractical to be shared at the in-person monthly meetings. Send in your pics and let the club see what you are up to!

## Club Reminders

Don't forget that the club has activities to participate in besides the monthly meetings. Each one is an opportunity to meet and share time with people that you might not otherwise have the privilege of visiting with, and you would be doing something very worthwhile for the community at the same time!

If you have not already done so, please remember to pay your dues. Dues can be paid at the monthly meeting, or you can go directly to the donations page on our website to pay dues by entering this link in your browser: [bit.ly/40sTfKo](https://bit.ly/40sTfKo) or by scanning this QR code.



(Thanks to Arie K. for bringing us into the 21st century with these cool new on-line tools!)

## 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. Business cards and postcards with club information are available to hand out. See Paul W. if you would like some.

## Note from the Editor

There will not be a Push Stick published next month. The entire editorial staff is taking time away to go camping.

### **May Club Calendar**

Club Meeting - WOW 30th Anniversary

Thursday July 13, 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Whittier Community Center.

Steering Committee meeting - Tuesday July 18

7:00 to 8:00 pm. Whittier Community Center

7630 Washington Ave. Room # 5

Hathaway Ranch Toy Project

Monday's July 10, 17, 24, 31

9:00 am to approx 11:00 am

11901 Florence Ave. Santa Fe Springs, 90670

Adventure Park Woodcraft Project - Tuesdays

No meeting in July

August 8 and 22.

10:30 am to 11:30 am - Adventure Park



