
The Push Stick

Message from the Prez

Hello to all. I hope all of you are doing well. As the days are getting longer and summer approaches, it is that magical time of the year for the club. Our yearly election will be held at the June Meeting. I wanted to remind all of you that nominations are now open for any of the 5 elected club officers. At this time we have 4 members who are willing to continue in their current position. They are as follows: President – Paul Wilson, Treasurer – Arie Korporaal. Secretary – Ray Wolven and Membership – Steve Romo. My thanks to each of you for continuing to serve the club for the next year.

I would also like to recognize a few members who will be stepping down this year. First, Louis Lopez who has served as the club's Vice President since 2018. I appreciate all of his hard work and contributions he has brought to the club over the last 4 years. Second is Jim Sparling, who for the last several years has served as the program chair working very hard organizing guest speakers for our club meetings. Jim has done a great job in making our meetings a lot of fun and a great opportunity to learn.

Finally, Alan Webster, who has served as the Push Stik editor for more than 10 years and also webmaster since 2015 will be stepping down as well. Alan has worked very hard in keeping the newsletter interesting and very informative over the last 10 years and has kept the club relevant on the internet. My thanks to Alan for his years of service and although he moved to Arizona I hope that he remains with the club. So again, my thanks to each of the members who will be stepping down this year. Each of you has put the club in a better place.

So as you can see there are some vacancies in the club's officer group. Please let me know if you are interested in becoming a club officer. The Vice President is an elected position and the other 2 are appointed. In the meantime. The duties of each of the officers will still be carried out. Ray Wolven has agreed to step up and publish the newsletter. Arie Korporaal, Steve Romo and I will be taking care of the website and social media. I would like to have someone step forward to help to fill the officer's openings. I will have a special announcement regarding new club officers at the June meeting. I hope to see you there. The meeting will be at Adventure Park.
Paul W.

May Meeting

Finally, after over two years of waiting for issues relating to the pandemic to resolve themselves, we were finally able to hold the May meeting at Adventure Park.

Volunteers

President

Paul Wilson
(562) 968-4162

Vice President

Louis Lopez
(562) 947-0503

Treasurer

Arie Korporaal
Secretary

Ray Wolven
(562) 708-2539

Membership

Steven Romo
(562) 907-9472

Raffle

Gene Getz
(562) 777-1480

Refreshments

Julie McCamey
(562) 237-0920

Push Stick Editor

Website

Alan Webster
(562) 556-2701

Founders

John Erickson &
Jerry Hughes
Established 1993

Show and Tell

In the May meeting WOW members shared these projects they have completed recently.

Ray Sosa : Intarsia, woodburning and childrens puzzles

Bill Covell - pipe kit turnings

Louis Lopez - lazy susans

Rubin Johnson - table saw dado jig

Steve Lelewer - pepper mill turnings

Mike Perovich - Intricate canoe carving

John Okawa - scroll saw napkin holder

Steve Bruhns - manzanita lamp



Adventure Park Seniors Workshop

If you are looking for something new to do, or want a good way to give back to the community, then you should consider helping out at the WOW Senior Workshops at Adventure park. The workshops last for approximately an hour and a half, twice a month. Recent activities have included lessons in sanding, building a simple birdhouse and one of the club's cars. Special projects are being planned now for the upcoming Holidays, and extra help is always appreciated.

The next seniors workshop meeting dates are June 14th and 28th, July 12th and 26th, and August 9th and 23rd. Come on out! Call Paul Wilson for details.

Steering Committee Meeting Minutes For May

Present: Paul Wilson, Dick Toney, Steve Romo, Ray Wolven, Arie Korporaal, Gene Getz, Jim Sparling, Louis Lopez.

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

Finances (Arie K.): Previous month income \$215 from tool sales and \$30 from dues, zero expenses, current balance \$3,041.49.

Membership (Steve R.): 36 members, 34 paid members and 2 complimentary members. 30 attended the May club meeting.

Toy project (Dick T): 14 sets of blocks completed, approx. 900 cars completed at this time.

Raffle update (Paul W.): \$91 in ticket sales at previous meeting, \$39.95 in expenses, \$150 profit YTD. The committee expressed their thanks to Gene Getz for his tremendous help making this project such a success.

New Business:

- The committee discussed and agreed to the idea that all club documents be maintained in a shareable form, Google Docs. Arie K. to continue to research a secure and easily accessible method to make them readily available to all club members.
- Steve Romo offered the idea to share the new club info cards introduced last month at various places such as Woodcraft and Rockler. Per his request, Jim Sparling graciously volunteered to make dump trucks to be used as displays/card holders for the cards.
- Paul indicated the club has a need for a small number of wooden plaques to be used on some of the upcoming annual club awards. Louis Lopez volunteered to help.
- Paul introduced a new brainstorming process for the committee to use in addressing whatever issues the club might feel need attention. Ideas were solicited from all committee members in turn, were discussed, and notes were taken. Due to the lack of time, not all committee members were able to offer all of their ideas so the process will be continued at the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned 8:02 pm

Let Your Friends Know

Many of our members found out about WOW through a friend. Please let your friends know that we are back and bring them to a meeting. Remember if you make sawdust you are a woodworker.

Upcoming Meeting Schedules: The next general club meeting will be held on June 9 at Adventure park. The next steering committee meeting will be held June 14 at Dick Toney's house. The next senior classes at Adventure Park are scheduled for May 24th and June 14th, from noon to 1:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to help with this worthy cause. Contact Paul Wilson for more info.

Special Note about this month's Push Stick

As Paul mentioned in his message above, Alan Webster is handing off the privilege of sending out the Push Stick each month to me, the Secretary for your club. Please join me in saluting Alan for his many contributions to the club, and his many fine editions of the Push Stick. He leaves a tremendous legacy that will not be easy to follow. I will do my best to continue with his help, and encourage all of you to send any ideas or suggestions for future editions of the Push Stick to me.

In the meantime - keep making sawdust everyone! Ray Wolven (raywolven@verizon.net).

Club Calendar

June Meeting- Thursday June 9th 6:30-8:00pm

Steering Committee Tues. June 14 Call Paul

July Meeting- Thursday July 14th 6:30-8:00pm

Steering Committee- Tues. July 19th Call Paul

Meet 2nd Thursday of the month at Adventure Park

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