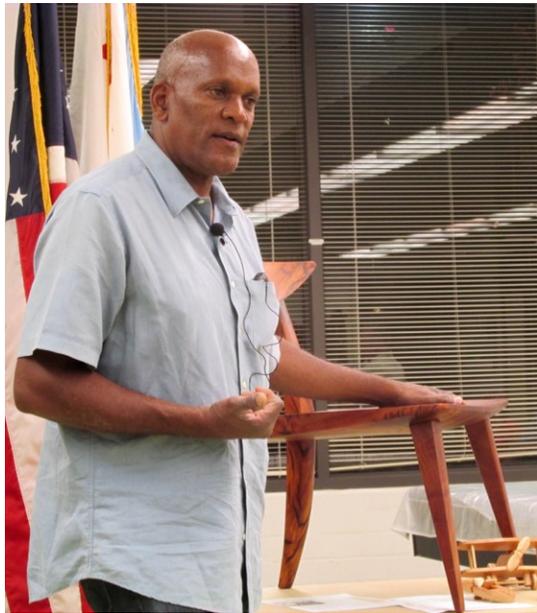


The Push Stick

Harold Greene



Harold Greene came to the October meeting and spoke to us about what he has been up to. We last saw him in 2011. Harold is a fine furniture maker <http://www.antiquesofthefuture.net/>

He grew up in Los Angeles. As a child, he and his brother would get wood out of the scrap bin at local furniture building shops and make toys. In Junior High he took woodworking and found he had a knack for it. Later, he would make furniture for himself and friends. He became a Los Angeles City Fireman, but still kept woodworking. In 1978 he decided he wanted to make custom furniture full time. There were not many places to learn back then. He used magazines and books to learn and took seminars with Sam Maloof and others.

Starting out, he took what jobs came his way and got the reputation for getting projects done quickly. He makes 1/10th scale prototypes so the client can visualize the end product. He showed us pictures of a large project he completed for the Port of Los Angeles in San Pedro. They were large benches and seats he designed in Douglas Fir. He had to build them in a warehouse because they were so large at one ton each! The hardest part was to make sure the brackets in the concrete lined up with the table legs. A lot of accurate measuring had to be done. You can see pictures on his website of the project.



After he was done with that massive undertaking, he moved back to his garage, where he has produced his creations for many years. He said that he sees in his mind what he wants to create, then he has to figure out how to make it real.

Harold was a featured artist at COLA (City of Los Angeles) Individual Artist Fellowship Exhibition <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wphLstSX6bk> and will be curator of a show at LAX in July 2016 titled Best of Woodworking. I first saw him on a TV show on Home and Garden TV called Modern Masters.

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November 12th 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. Last year we did not have enough people to help and ran out of 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.

General Club News

Steering Committee Minutes- WOW has 42 paid members. \$2,340 in the bank. Jim Sparling said they have 2500 blocks finished of each shape. Dick Toney projects WOW members will make 1400 cars that will need wheels and axels installed at the November meeting. Dave Reid is the Christmas Party Chairman.

Club Membership List- Jim Lockwood has updated the WOW membership list. He will have them at the meeting if you haven't received one

Monte Koch has hardwood for sale at his house- cheap. You are actually making a donation to WOW. Give him a call 562-697-9594

Toy distribution day to the charities is December 7th from 9-3pm at Hathaway Ranch. Everything will be ready in boxes. If you want to help, call Jim Sparling 562-943-3013

When you are buying **Christmas presents for yourself. Save Money!** Don't forget to show your WOW membership card when you go to **Rockler** or **Woodcraft** and save 10% off your purchase. After 20 people from WOW make a purchase at a Rockler store, WOW gets a \$20 Rockler gift card to raffle off!

Volunteers needed to put WOW toys in Library displays and under city Christmas Trees. It gives the club publicity and is a community service. Call Jim Sparling for details. 562-943-3013. We also need a program chairman for speakers at WOW meetings. If you come across someone who would be good for a presentation at a WOW meeting and is interested in doing it, please let us know.

The WOW **Facebook page** is being updated often with club news and announcements between meetings. Give it a look and a "like".

www.facebook.com/woodworkersofwhittier

Club Calendar

Nov. Meeting -Thursday Nov. 12th 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Steering Committee-Tuesday Nov. 17th 7-8:00p.m
Dec. Meeting- Thursday Dec. 10th 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



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Upcoming Meetings

December- Christmas Party

Thanks to: Harold Ehlers for mailing the newsletter, Julie McCamey for bringing the snacks.