

The Push Stick



Great Party!



WOW's annual Christmas Party was enjoyed by all. It was a festive atmosphere with music, decorations, good food and good people. WOW president Paul Wilson led the event. Many members were thanked for helping the club in the past year. There was a great selection of potluck food brought by the attendees, with no one leaving hungry. Gene Getz ran the free raffle, giving away shop made prizes to the winners. A separate raffle was for members only. Two members won cash prizes of \$50 each. Additional thanks goes to Gene's son and grandson for handing out the prizes.

Kudos to those who did the setup and decorating- Dick and Jackie Toney, Ron and Joanne Holtz, Jim and Marleen Sparling, Paula Wolben and Paul Wilson. Jim Sparling provided the snowmen table decorations. Paul Wilson would like to thank Nathalia Garate for helping him.

Thanks to all that attended, making it a special evening.

President Award

One of the last things proposed by Dave Reed, at a Steering Committee meeting, was letting the club President give an award out to member with over 5 years of service to the club. The President would decide who this was, that is why it is named the "President Award". Dave indicated he wanted to give it to Julie McCamey for her many years of service to the club. In Dave's honor the award was created by the Committee and current President Paul Wilson agreed that Julie McCamey should be the recipient for 15 years of bringing refreshments to the WOW rabble. After receiving the award Julie said, she couldn't believe it had been that many years and she enjoyed doing it. Thank you Julie!



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General Club News

Toy Distribution Day- Jim Sparling reports that 18 charities received toys. 5800 blocks and 2380 cars were given to needy children. Thanks to all who helped on this day.

Dues of \$30 are now due. Please make checks out to Woodworkers of Whittier. Your cancelled check will be your receipt. You can also pay by mail. Send to our treasurer Arie Korporaal, WOW Dues, P.O. Box 9314, Whittier, CA 90608. There is a late fee after February, so pay as soon as possible.

January 11th Meeting

In honor of WOW's 25 years of being a club, Paul Wilson has put together a video of the club's history and all the good works it has done over the years. WOW has been around a quarter of a century!

February Meeting- Larry Farnworth from Interstate Battery in Whittier.

New Year's Resolution

Make a New Year's Resolution to be more active in the club. The more active you are in WOW, the more you get out of it. There are many things happening behind the scene of the main meeting. Most of it is discussed in this newsletter. It is easy to get involved and it doesn't take a lot of time. You can go to Hathaway Ranch on Mondays, make toy cars, participate in club activities, show and tell at the meeting, give a tour of your home shop, hold a workshop or come to a Steering Committee Meeting where decisions are made.

If you have a woodworking skill that you think would interest WOW members, please demonstrate it at a meeting. We are not looking for professional grade presentations. We know our members have skills. Think of how you would like to become active and let us know. You can call Jim Sparling about Hathaway or doing demonstrations 562-943-3013 - Paul Wilson about everything else (562) 968-4162.

A New Year for Creating

Clear a space on your workbench for new creations to grow. A clean workbench is a blank canvas for a new project or indicates a sick mind. Seriously, I often have more than one project laying on my workbench waiting to be done, leading to clutter, confusion and one big pile. It is best to pick one project to concentrate on and finish it. Or get a box for each project and put the parts in there. I find over time, parts start to go missing or I forget what belongs to each project. Gallon and quart ziplock bags work great. They can be written on and you can see what's inside. Then when you finally get to a project, you will have all the parts.

Table Saw

Only a woodworker can understand how exciting it is to get a new tool. I think the table saw is the one to shoot for, at least it was for me. I have been waiting too long, using a saw I often cursed. The fence was terrible, the table was aluminum and I was lucky to get a straight cut. This Delta 36-725 I got from Lowe's is the opposite. Great fence, cast iron table, cuts straight and has a riving knife. I love it. It is not a cabinet saw, but it easily moves and does what I need. \$600 at Lowe's.



As John Rodgers said "Be Safe"

Club Calendar

Jan. Meeting -Thursday Jan. 11th 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 Steering Committee-Tuesday Jan. 16th 7-8:00p.m.
 Feb. Meeting-Thursday Feb. 8th 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 Steering Committee- Tuesday Feb. 13th 7-8:00p.m.
 Meet 2nd Thursday of the month at Adventure Park
 10130 Gunn Avenue Whittier , CA 90605

