

The Push Stick

Christmas 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. Award winners for 2018 were recognized including Dick Toney, Ron Holtz, Jim Lockwood and Stan Quade. 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. Everyone attending received a prize. A separate raffle was for members only. Ernie Moraga and Steven Romo won cash prizes of \$50 each. Additional thanks goes to Sue Ellison and Sharon Macias for handing out the prizes. They were busy.

Thanks to those who did the setup and those who stayed after to clean up. Everything went smoothly.

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

President's Award



One of the last things proposed by Dave Reid, at a Steering Committee meeting, was letting the club President give an award out to a 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". This year President Paul Wilson picked two members for the Dave Reid Presidential Award- Jim Sparling and John Okawa. Paul said John won the award for his many years working at Hathaway Ranch and great show and tell items. Jim Sparling won for his help

at Hathaway, liaison to the Carpenters Union to get wood for Hathaway and finding people to demonstrate at our meetings. Congratulations gentlemen and thanks!

Pay Dues

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 check made out to "Woodworkers of Whittier" to our treasurer Arie Korporaal, WOW Dues, P.O. Box 9314, Whittier, CA 90608. Pay as soon as possible.

Bring a Friend. Many of our members were introduced to WOW through a friend. Do you have a friend interested in woodworking? Do them a favor, bring them to a meeting.



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President's Message

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy New Year! I hope that each of you had a great Christmas. Hopefully, 2019 will be another great year for the Woodworkers of Whittier.

Our annual Christmas party last month was a great success. We had great: food, door prizes and turnout. About 25 members of the club along with their guests for a total of 50 showed up for the festivities. I would like to thank all of those who helped with set up and clean up. Your help was greatly appreciated and made the party a great experience. Finally, I would like to acknowledge Ron Holtz for all of his help at Hathaway Ranch. He is our purchasing agent and go to guy. I want to apologize for not mentioning him during the party. Thanks again to all. I look forward to working with you in 2019. Paul Wilson

January Meeting

WOW member **Steven Romo** has taught bowl turning at Woodcraft and Cerritos College. Jim Sparling took a class with him on segmented bowl turning at Woodcraft. He will talk to us about bowl turning at the January meeting.

Orange County Wood Carvers



In October I went to the Orange County Woodcarvers Show in Santa Ana to see what was on display. In addition to carvings they had some scroll saw works and the Gourd Society was there. They have some amazing artwork made from gourds.

I saw Mike Lisberg and John Okawa there, so we looked at the creations together. Turns out Herb Ludeking, Robert Bilevich and his wife Rita had tables, selling their wares. WOW was indirectly represented. It was fun to look at the carvings, with some having incredible details.

One guy that carved models of fish told me he takes charcoal rubbings of real fish to get the details of the scales so he can recreate them. Now that is an eye toward detail! Carving is just one part as you then have to paint the model to make it realistic. Air brushing is something you have to learn to do it right. A couple guys were outside doing chainsaw carvings. The chainsaw cutting bar is modified so it can cut finer detail. It was a well organized and fascinating event.

My grand-dad always said "when one door closes another opens". Great man, terrible cabinet maker.

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!

Club Calendar

Jan. Meeting -Thursday Jan. 10th 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 Steering Committee-Tuesday Jan. 15th 7-8:00p.m
 Feb. Meeting- Thursday Feb. 14th 6:30-8:00 p.m.
 Steering Committee- Tuesday Feb.19th 7-8:00 p.m.
 Meet 2nd Thursday of the month at Adventure Park
 10130 Gunn Avenue Whittier , CA 90605

Coffee and Cookies- Remember to put some money in the kitty when you get some coffee or cookies at the meeting. This helps Julie McCamey pay for the ingredients. Thanks Julie!

Thanks to Julie McCamey for bringing the snacks and Gene Getz for organizing the raffle.