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MEETING NOTES

The July Meeting will be on the 10th 6:30 pm at Adventure Park, 10130 Gunn Ave.

Election and Celebrations are our agenda for this meeting.

Nominations for offices will be made from the floor by the membership. The **nominee** must be **present** and **accept** the nomination to make the **nomination valid**. The four offices are President, Vice President, Treasurer/Membership, and Secretary. Three nominations were made and accepted at the June meeting. Those nominations are President, **John Rodgers**; Vice President, **Jim Lockwood**; Treasurer/Membership, **Mike Scott**. There are no nominations for Secretary. **We need some one to step up to fill this office.**

Immediately following the election, the members will be asked to approve a policy statement regarding WOW's mission statement to promote woodworking as a hobby, profession, art, and craft.

The Celebration of our 15th anniversary will start with the unveiling the John A. Erickson Founders Award and presentation of a certificate to the Erickson family. The certificate will honor John for his commitment to the children and service to community and charitable organizations.

We will have a special raffle for WOW members and cake and punch will be served to guests and members along with a few surprises.

SHOW AND TELL

All members are encouraged to bring an example of their woodworking for Show and Tell. All examples are welcome. The purpose is to share and encourage members to stretch their woodworking skills. Please give them your attention and allow the knowledge to reach those who want to learn

TOOL SALE RESULTS

If you missed this opportunity to add to your tools you missed a good show. Routers, clamps, planes, saws, tables, a planer, one huge library of woodworking magazines ton of fun for all in attendance. There were approximately seventeen members in attendance and eleven of them spent \$565.00. Unsold were two Craftsman contractor table saws, one MarkVII Shopsmith with a large amount of add-ons and accessories 10" blades and a dust collector, two possible collector hand planes. The unsold items will be discussed at the July meeting. I did win the Delta table saw. My sincere appreciation to all those who attended with special thanks to **Bill Pounds** for furnishing his truck and trailer, **Michael Barba**, **Steve Cary**, **Ray Jolley**, **Jim Lockwood**, **Andy Stanton**, **Rick Stifle** and **Tony Walker** for loading, moving, unloading all the tools. With lots of help, it was more fun than work. **THANK YOU!!!**

STEERING COMMITTEE ACTIONS

During discussion about the 15th anniversary a motion was made, seconded and passed that **Jerry Hughes** be issued a lifetime membership.

John Rodgers presented \$465.00 to **Mike Scott** from the sales of tools from the estate of **John Erickson**. Not included was \$100.00 still to be collected.

A representative of Whittier College re contacted Ron Holtz: building a display case. There was some discussion but no action taken.

John Rodgers presented a Proposed Policy statement regarding members selling woodworking goods. It was approved for presentation to the membership.

WOW will have two booths at the Adventure Park Health Fair and Festival set for August 16, 10a.m. to 3p.m. One booth will be in the information area where we were last year and the second will be in the craft area for members wishing to show and sell woodworking items.

Election of Officers

The election of Club Officers is scheduled for the July monthly meeting. All WOW members are eligible to run for office. Duties of the various offices are straight forward and do not require a lot of time. All members who would like to know more about an office should talk to a current or past officer. They will be happy to tell you what they do and how much time it involves. It is not hard work and only requires a desire to make WOW a better club.

Nominations for officers of WOW will take place at both the June and July regular meetings. Any member may nominate any member. The nominee **must be present and agree to serve** if elected before the nomination will be accepted. Please discuss any planned nominations from the floor with the proposed nominee prior to making the nomination.

The election will follow close of nominations at the July meeting.

HUNTER SMITH

Lets get to know **Hunter Smith**. To most of the members **Hunter** is the guy that sits on the side of the meeting room who doesn't say too much.

Hunter is a California Okie. Born in Okmugee, Oklahoma, his parents moved to the Whittier area when he was 3 years old. His father worked in the oil fields until **Hunter's** uncle left the Whittier police motorcycle patrol to join the Los Angeles Motor Patrol, forerunner of the CHP. Hunter's dad joined the Whittier Police Department where he later became Chief of Police, serving 16 years.

Hunter attended Whittier schools, graduating from Whittier High where he took drafting.

A Korean War Veteran, drafted in 1947, he was eventually assigned to an artillery unit and was a Sergeant First Class, Chief of Survey, fire control.

Hunter started woodworking shortly after being married in 1950 because his new bride wanted a cabinet. He and his father went to the Sears store on De Soto St. in Los Angeles, where he bought a saw, planer, some hand tools and a woodworker was born.

He started working at Accessory Products in Whittier, an aircraft components manufacturer as a machinist. His drafting class led to being moved to the drafting department and a design draftsman. Textron bought Accessory Products and Hunter continued to thrive.

Hunter was a carpenter and woodworker professionally for 20 years and his design and machinist background led him to use fixtures and jigs in cabinetry and now we know why any one can cut strollers and cradles. Hunter's creed is if you make more than one, build a jig.

As a member of WOW, **Hunter** became a close friend of **John Erickson**. Together they gathered wood, made toys, cut blocks and co-coordinated some service projects.

Email *Pushstick* Subscription

We are trying to reduce the amount of postage and envelopes spent on mailed *Pushsticks*. Email ***Pushstick*** get instant updates and changes.

Yes, we can do updates and changes. Tool and wood sales, hardwood dealer specials electronically by email and it does not cost WOW any extra money.

Here is how - send an email to pushstick@woodworkersofwhittier.org asking to subscribe. That's it! The newsletter will come as an attachment in Adobe Acrobat PDF format. For more details and a link to get the free Acrobat Reader, visit our club website at **www.woodworkersofwhittier.org** and click on the Newsletter link.

Happenings

The August meeting is on the 19th at Adventure Park 6:30 pm.

Adventure Park Health Fair and Fiesta August 16, 10:am to 3:00pm
Open Shop at **John Rodgers** 15102 Starbuck St. July 19, 9:00am to noon. Tools, jigs, fixtures, and techniques.

Steering Committee

The Steering Committee meets on the Tuesday after the club regular meeting at the Whittier Senior Center at 13225 Walnut Ave. Starts at 7:00pm and is over at 8:00pm. The next meeting is Tuesday, July 15th

Thank you Harold, Julie, and Bill

Safety is NOT an accident. It is on purpose!

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY. THIS WILL BE DISCUSSED AT THE JULY MEETING AND BE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL BY THE MEMBERS

Woodworkers Of Whittier Proposed Policy Statement

Club members selling woodworking items

This is a proposed policy to allow the Club to promote woodworking members to sell items and crafts. After discussion, comment, and/or changes by the members, members will approve or disapprove for implementation.

The purpose of this policy is to connect woodworking members and persons interested in purchasing wood items.

A. The Woodworkers Of Whittier (WOW) will not engage in any selling of woodworking items.

B. Individual members may choose to engage in selling wood products in any manner they choose.

C. Members **will not** produce for sale **cradles or strollers** similar to those made by the club for **Christmas or the Boys and Girls Club auction**.

D. WOW will produce and maintain a registry of members who wish to be contacted by the public for woodworking items. The registry will be divided into categories. (toys, crafts, models, furniture, etc.)

E. Woodworkers in the registry will be contacted when persons asking about woodworking contact WOW. Woodworkers in the registry will be contacted by email. Woodworkers will contact interested persons by telephone or email.