



NOVEMBER 2011

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**MEETING NOTES**

**The November Meeting will be on Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. 6:30 pm at Adventure Park, 10130 Gunn Ave.** There will not be a show and tell for November and December meetings.

*Wheels and Axles;*

Axle holes need to be drilled with **7/32 bit**. 1/4 bits are too large

**Santa's Whittier Wheel and Axle Work Shop** is the program for this meeting. **Bring your own cars and small mallet**. A light weight, about the size of a gavel will do nicely. Glue, applicators, small bowls, spacers, bags and **instructions** will be supplied.

It is important that assemblers **follow the instructions** to prevent waste and damage to the vehicles. Improper assembly will cause wheels that will not rotate.

**All members** who make non-standard toys are asked to bring samples of each. Non-standard toys are not made from club furnished templates and plans. Examples include, **Hunter Smith's** cranes and **Monte Koch's** keepsake boxes. These may be included into standard toys for the children.

**DUES**

Please pay your dues as soon as possible. **Mike Scott** is accepting dues before the meeting and during breaks. Please do not disturb the meeting to pay dues.

**Steering Committee Actions**

The Steering Committee has made some change to the Board. The position Treasurer/ Membership has been split. **Mike Scott** will continue to be the treasurer and **Jim Sparling** will take over the membership duties.

This action was taken to make the board five persons instead of four to prevent tie votes.

Due to the extra materials the board is studying, the Steering Committee has temporarily changed the Steering Committee hours from 7:00pm to 8:00pm to 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

The committee is working on a club bylaws document. The IRS will require this if we continue to apply for a non profit status. At the present Mike Scott is the lead with the IRS.

**WOW** is in the process of changing the **WOW** website manager. **Bill Pounds** designed and managed the website since its inception. **Bill** is also a past president. **Bill** has been a mainstay for the club and deserves our thanks and appreciation for all the unnoticed work and effort on the part of **WOW**.

**Paula Eagleman** is new to **WOW** and is in the process of taking over the website management. **Paula** is mostly self taught in computers while in college. **Paula** and friends had a lot of work experience in the early days of internet websites use and development.

The Steering Committee would like to create a post of Club Historian. This would be a non elected post, open to all who would volunteer for the position and approved by the Steering Committee.

A replacement for **Joe Carillo** has been tabled, pending clarification of Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act (CPSIA). Under present guide lines **any children's product** must be tested by an independent laboratory. It must noted that this will affect the availability of **dolls** from the Doll Project Ladies. It also would include any **parent** or **grand parent** from making **toys, clothing, furniture** and **crafts** for use by **any child under the age of 12**.

Use of any material with an Environmental Product Safety Data Sheet **will not meet these requirements**. Testing is required.

PS. Yes you may, call or write your senator and representative.

The City of Whittier has agreed to allow **WOW** to display our toys, sign and flyers under their tree in City Hall lobby. Other City locations are under consideration.

**Joe** is asking for 11-14 oz. tin or plastic coffee cans for the painting crew. Bring them to the November meeting.

New members have asked about **WOW** Club shirts. Shirt styles and colors will be shown at the meeting. The minimum order is twelve shirts in any combination, so if your present shirt is faded or worn and you want a replacement, now is the time.

**Members Helping Members**

One of the purposes and benefits of membership in WOW is Members Helping Members. **It is a feature that is not used as much as we could.** In an effort to be a woodworking resource, the club is launching a two pronged plan.

If you have a woodworking question or a problem, contact **Don Prince** for time on the meeting agenda. This is important, time is allocated, first come, first served.

The club has a program for older, more skilled members to mentor younger or less knowledgeable members. We will begin this plan by encouraging current members to really reach out to the new members to find out what area of woodworking they are interested in and if they have all the tools or equipment to do the basics. Keeping notes of your contacts will help us to help them.

**Christmas Pot Luck Party.**  
**December 8<sup>th</sup> at Parnell Park Senior Center. 6:00pm for setup.**  
6:30 to 7:30 Dinner

**Members are encouraged to bring their spouse, partner or friend.**

The December meeting is our annual Christmas Pot Luck. This is a potluck party. **Each member** is requested to bring a **main dish or salad or dessert** and **servicing utensils to serve 10 to 12 people. Food should be cut into portions at home.** Drinks, plates, cups and table service will be provided.

All Members are encouraged to bring three shop made door prizes for raffle. We hope to have a prize for all guests, spouses and members. We will have one raffle. The raffle is for our members and invited guests. Our guests include those persons who provide **WOOD** for blocks and cars, **SPACE** for **BLOCK PRODUCTION**, **DOLLS** for cradles and strollers, and the **BLOCK PAINTERS**. Each is special to the **WOODWORKERS OF WHITTIER.**

**WOW BAGGING DAY**

8:00am for members to set up tables, 9:00am for wives, painters, doll project ladies and other volunteers and to help bag blocks at the stagecraft area at the Community Center. This is accessed from the alley between the Community Center and the Whittier Senior Center, 13225 Walnut Street. Coffee and donuts will be available. This is the time and place where we bag all of the blocks. The cars and trucks are counted and bagged. The Doll Project Ladies place dolls and layette sets in the cradles and strollers.

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### **Christmas Parties**

The **Boys and Girls Club** party is Friday December 16 at 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm. The children will decorate tree ornaments and hang them on their tree at home.

**Adventure Park** party is Tuesday December 20 at 5:30 pm until 8:00 pm. We may be outside so please dress warmly. Again the children will make their tree decorations and take them home for the family tree.

### **WANT ADS**

Want to buy, sell, swap, help wanted, etc. Ads can be listed in the Pushstick. Deadline is the Friday before the next regular meeting.

Contact **John Rodgers** with the details by phone or email at [www.woodworkerofwhittier.org](http://www.woodworkerofwhittier.org)

### **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 6:30pm and is over at 8:00pm. The next meeting is cancelled.

**All members are invited to attend these meetings. The only requirement is paid membership.**

### **On your Calendar**

**Steering Committee**, November 15, at 6:30pm. to 8:00pm.

**December Meeting Potluck Party**, December 8, at 6:00pm. for setup.

**Steering Committee, cancelled for December**

**Boys and Girls Club** Christmas Party, December 16, at 4:00pm to 6:00pm.

**Adventure Park** Christmas Party, December 20, at 5:30pm to 8:00pm.

**January Meeting**, January 12, at 6:30pm to 8:00 pm.

**Steering Committee**, January 17. at 6:30pm. to 8:00pm.

Thank You, Bill, Julie, Harold and Paula

**The most dangerous tool is the one you are using or ignoring**