

# The Push Stick

2025 - Our 32nd year sharing the woodworking experience

## Message from the Prez

Hello To All. I hope all of you are doing well. As summer approaches the club is in full swing with their usual projects. The toy project is well underway. The group at Hathaway has been working to make cars and sanding blocks. We should have about 500 to 600 cars for this year's wheels and axles meeting in November. In July we will be making the cheer Boxes for the Whittier High School cheerleaders again. This will be the club's 3rd year working on this project. More information as to dates and how many boxes will be available in late June or early July. As for other news, the club participated in the annual city of Whittier Founder's day event. I would like to thank the following members for helping. Ray S., Dick T. Arie K. Carlos J. Alfred R. James V, Louis L. and Rich W. The day was a hot day but we all worked through it and we had another good day for the club.

In closing, here are a couple of reminders. The General meeting in June will be at the home of Rich W. There will not be a show & tell. We will be having a raffle and refreshments. I hope you can join us. The other reminders are the Officer's election in July and the 2nd annual Okawa challenge in August. Thanks again to everyone for all of your hard work and I look forward to seeing you at the next general meeting.

Paul W.

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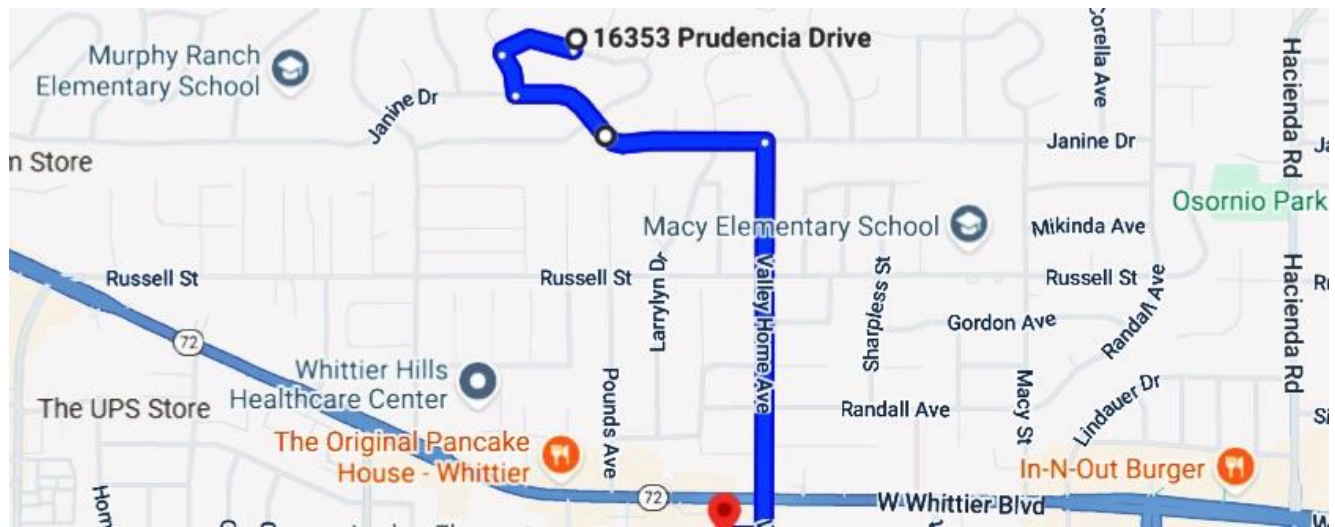
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#### Founders

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Established 1993

## Map To Rich Weidenhoefers House for our June Meeting



## May Club Meeting

### Announcements -

Our club meeting next month will be at Rich Weidenhoefer's home. There will be a raffle and refreshments, but no Show-N-Tell. Please park in the street and leave the driveway for those that might appreciate a little help.

The July meeting will include the annual election of officers. All club members are encouraged to consider participating going forward. New voices, and new ideas in our club leadership are always very much welcome and appreciated.

The August meeting will be the judging for the annual Okawa challenge. It is still not too late to enter the competition.

Carlos Jackson has kindly volunteered to lead a committee to search for opportunities to market the club. See Carlos to help out an important new opportunity for the club. Thank you Carlos!

Steve Romo is offering to gather orders from members for club shirts, hats, etc. Contact Steve if you are interested.

Nominations for Woodworker of the Year are now being taken. Contact Paul.

### Guest speaker -

Steve Lelewer gave us a very informative talk and demonstration on U V resin embellishments to woodworking projects. He offered hints for how to work with resins and various decorations, and what materials work better than others. There are small molds and resins available at local stores like Hobby Lobby and Michaels.

The resin cures when exposed to U V Light, in short periods of time. Black backed materials cure faster. Sizing can be applied to help fasten materials prior to applying the resin. Glitter and semi-transparent materials work better than opaque materials like metal powders. He produced a beautiful decoration for a ring in a very short amount of time while the club watched. Very impressive Steve - Thank you!



## Club Meeting Show and Tell

Ray Sosa - Fancy wooden framed painting. Sophisticated scroll saw trivet. Six ribbon lei with purple heart medallion

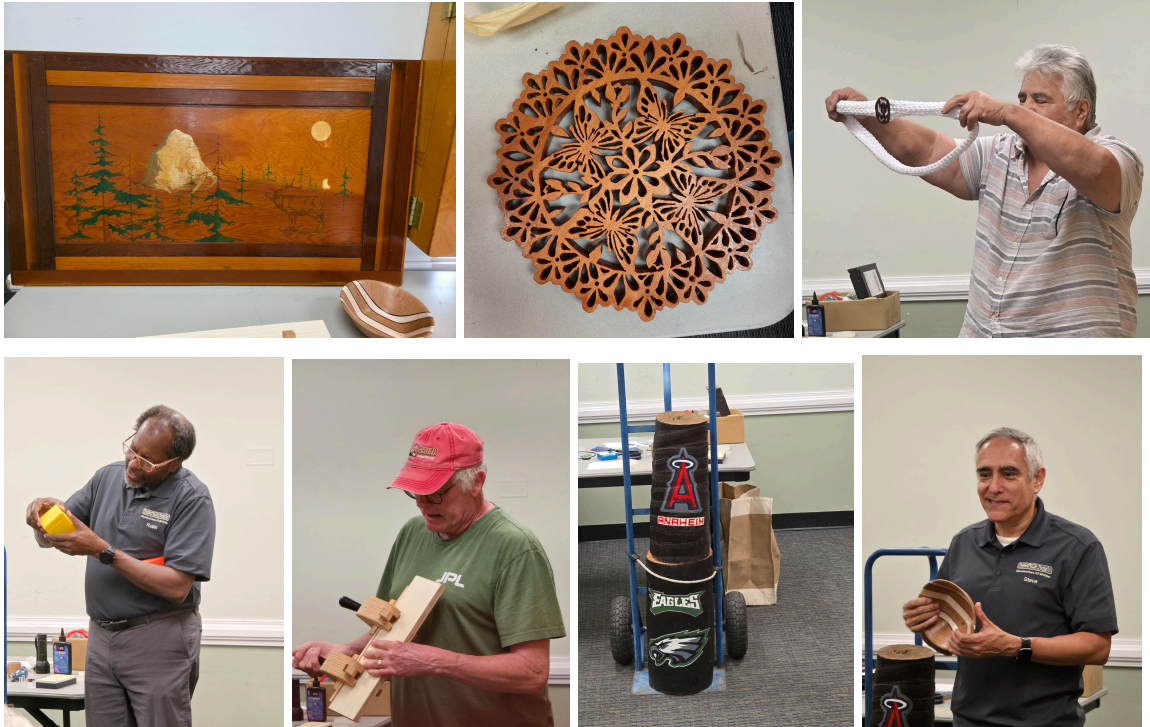
Rubin Johnson - Elaborate 3D printed stop blocks with magnets, dovetails, and adjusting screws.

Peter Roeters - Unique handmade edge clamps

Alfred Ramos - Very nice carved Palm tree yard art.

Steve Romo - impressive bowl turned from a single board.

Thank you all for participating!



## Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

**Steering Committee Minutes:** May 13, 2025

**Present:** Paul Wilson, Steven Romo, Arie Korporaal, Louis Lopez, Paula Wolven, Ray Wolven

**7:00 pm:** Meeting called to order – Previous meeting minutes approved.

**Finances (Arie K.):** EOM April balance \$2,999.52.

**Membership (Steve R.):** 42 active members. 36 members have paid 2025 dues to date. (Not including 1 comp, 5 emeritus.) 19 members at the April meeting, with 2 guests.

**Raffle Discussion: (Paul W.)**

\$100 in tickets sold at the last meeting. Expenses were \$103. \$30 proceeds from the 50-50 raffle..



**Toy project (Paul W.):** Several Boats and Planes in stock, approx half the numbers of cars already made that are needed for the November wheels and axles meeting. Hathaway activities to concentrate on blocks and sanding cars

### **New Business:**

Paul offered a proposal to change the Christmas raffle prizes to be one at \$100, one at \$75, and one at \$50. To be presented to the membership at the next meeting for a vote.

Founders day recap – ideas for next year to include 2 or 3 E-Z-Ups. A discussion concerned the layout of the booth, and how to better show the demonstrations. Suggestions included buying two adjoining booths, on a corner. This should better display everything the club is doing. The corn hole game can be included next year. Paul also proposed that the club make a Plinko game as an additional game for next year. Paula suggested the club buy small SWAG items with the club name or logo as give away items for game winners. Donations can be expected for club made items such as pens, cutting boards, etc.

Steve Romo is preparing to offer the purchase of shirts and hats to the club again. Will advertise at the next club meeting.

Whittier high is expecting to need approximately 20 cheer boxes this year. The club agreed to plan to make them in late July. Louis Lopez volunteered to host the box making at his house.

**Meeting Adjourned :** 7:57 pm

Respectfully submitted by Ray Wolven, May 13, 2025

## **Hathaway Ranch Activities**

If you would like to join us we meet most every Monday from 9-11 am. If you have never been there and would like to check it out you are always welcome to join us.

The June workdays are the 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th.

## **Push Stick Show and Tell**

This space gives members the opportunity to show off their recent projects that may be too large or otherwise impractical to be shared at the in-person monthly meetings. Send in your pictures and explanations of the project to my email address anytime. They are always welcome additions to the newsletter, and you are automatically entered into the Ron Holtz participation award drawing at the end of the year!

This month we have two submissions, from Chris Voien and Michael Perovich. Thank you both!

Chris Voien has sent us this picture of a very nice looking picture frame he made recently. Thank you Chris - well done!



Michael sent us this note and pictures:

I just replaced the stretcher on a stand for a magic trick for a friend. It was not a complicated job but removing the old piece was a bit of a challenge. Here are the old and new pieces and the finished stand.



## Birthday Wishes

We are recognizing club members who are celebrating (or not) a birthday during the month. Happy Birthday this month to Steve Bruhns and Bill Covell. Happy Birthday to all !

## Swap Meet

This is the classified ad or “Swap Meet” section to the Push stick. You can send me pics and a description for anything you wish to sell or trade.

Louis Lopez has a beautiful blanket chest we have seen in a recent Pushstick, as well as a drum sander and scroll saw for sale. They are all in excellent condition. Please contact Louis ASAP before these hot buys are gone! Text him at (562) 833-3934. Here are his notes:

Glass Lined blanket chest – It's about 48" L x 20" W x 20" D. I'm asking for \$300 for the chest. First come first serve.



Hegner 18 inch Multimax scroll saw. I've had it for over 30 years and never used it. It's just not something I use very often, or at all for that matter. I think it works pretty good, but not being a scroll saw guy, I really couldn't tell you. I'm asking \$200.00 for it.





This is a 10-20 inch Jet drum sander I got talked into buying because they said I needed one. Ok, so I've had this for a few years and have used it two or three times, and that's it. It just doesn't work well in my shop. I'm asking \$600 for it. I think it's a pretty good deal.



And don't forget that Steve Lelewer is still looking for a new home for this beautiful Cabinet. Please contact Steve directly with any questions.

FREE LARGE CABINET

Location: Yorba Linda

Size- 72" high by 48" wide by 28" deep

Looks like cherry

call: 909-263-9197 or email: [slelewer@ix.netcom.com](mailto:slelewer@ix.netcom.com) for more info





## Club Reminders

We are currently looking for Guest speakers for 2025. If you would like to give a presentation or have a suggestion please let Paul W. or Skip P. know.

Don't forget that the club has activities to participate in besides the monthly meetings. Each one is an opportunity to meet and share time with people that you might not otherwise have the privilege of visiting with, and you would be doing something very worthwhile for the community at the same time!

There are still pen mechanisms for the club pen donation project. Contact Paul Wilson if you would like to make a pen for a worthwhile military/veterans charity.

If you have not already done so, please remember to pay your dues for 2025. Dues can be paid at the monthly meeting, or you can go directly to the donations page on our website to pay dues by entering this link in your browser: [bit.ly/40sTfKo](https://bit.ly/40sTfKo) or by scanning this QR code.



## Let Your Friends Know

Many of our members found out about WOW through a friend. Please let your friends know that good things are happening in the club this year, and bring them to a meeting. Remember: if you make sawdust you are a woodworker. Business cards and postcards with club information are available to hand out. See Paul W. if you would like some.

### **Club Calendar**

Club Meeting - Thursday June 12th, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Rich Weidenhoefer's home

16353 Prudencia Dr., Whittier

Steering Committee meeting - Tuesday June 17th. 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

Whittier Community Center, Room # 3

7630 Washington Ave. Whittier, Ca 90602

Hathaway Ranch Toy Project.

Mondays - June 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, and 30th.

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