

Echoes from the "BAT" Cave

Baltimore Area Turners

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BAT Elects New Board of Directors



Outgoing BAT President Wayne Kuhn (right) draws first raffle ticket from bowl offered by newly elected President, Bill Henry. Wayne will be new Secretary/Newsletter editor.

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2008 Officers

President

Wayne Kuhn

Vice President

Lou Rudinski

Treasurer

David Reed Smith

Secretary & Newsletter Editor

Richard Dietrich

Webmaster

John Meyer

Librarian

William Henry

Marketing and Advertising

Susan Shane



Details inside

Raffle

Raffle – Birch, Butternut, Maple, and Holly logs, huge Silver Maple wedges, a Mulberry round, Box Elder and Oak splits, a Pear spindle blank, Hard Maple boards, and an adjustable dado saw blade were donated by BAT members. Craft Supplies USA donated \$30 gift certificates. Woodcraft donated a Liberon Woodturner Finishing Kit. Thanks!



Big and little hunks of wood and more were available in the January raffle..

Show and Tell



Susan Shane shows proposed logos. (See Page 4).



Some of the many items presented and discussed at the January meeting.



Bob Rupp describes Banjo construction



David Welch explains pepper mill techniques.



Chris Kunzle shows one of many excellent turnings.



Wayne Kuhn shows Locust bowl.



Steve Lane shows bowl from a board



Dave Smith discusses his spindle steady.



Ted Curtis shows Cherry Burl bowl.



Louie Harris shows fabricated tool rest.

Bob Rupp showed a Walnut segmented Banjo ring. He described its use and that the materials and construction would yield a mellow, deep sound.

David Welch showed a pepper mill turned of Katalox, a very hard, dense South American wood. It was inlaid with Eucalyptus burl.

Chris Kunzle showed a Mexican Chechem burl bowl with Lapis inlay. He explained that Chechem is in the poison

oak family and needs to be harvested and turned very carefully. He also showed a translucent 1200 piece segmented bowl mad with 6 types of wood cut into strips and fused with aniline dyed epoxy. He also showed a Cherry HF with a maple top growing out of it. He explained the technique of getting the top attached to the inside of the hollow form.

Wayne Kuhn showed a Locust bowl finished with Danish oil and buffed as

well as a Locust handle for the knock out bar of his new lathe.

Steve Lane showed a bowl made of Cherry and Walnut with Yellow Heart swoosh inserts using the technique of Michael Mode. He described the technique in detail.

David Smith showed a center steady with a magnetic base made with small roller skate bearings rimmed with craft foam tires. Simple and elegant.

Ted Curtis showed a Cherry Burl bowl

Show and Tell (continued)



Don Bonsall shows inlaid Ambrosia Maple bowl.



Bob Pogrom shows curly Ambrosia bowl



Keith Holt shows large Ambrosia bowl



Flanked by President Bill Henry, Jim Oliver (left) shows Maple burl bowl.

finished with Tried and True and buffed.

Louie Harris showed a tool rest he made to replace the one that came with his new Rikon mini lathe. Parts were purchased at Metal Express and machined by a machine shop near Metal Express.

Don Bonsall told how he broke the cast iron tool rest of his lathe. He also showed an Ambrosia Maple bowl, an inlaid Cherry HF, and a Spalted Cherry bowl.

Bob Pogrom showed a lovely curly Ambrosia Maple-bowl.

Keith Holt showed another pair of turned glasses, Apple vases and cups, Ambrosia Maple bowls, a big Ambrosia pith-sided bowl, and a carved mask made of Cherry.

Jim Oliver showed a Maple burl bowl.

There was discussion of how to inlay lapis and other stones (grind fine, mix with CA, fill in defect and sand), whether to use CA for finishing (it's excellent for pens) and whether or not to use accelerator (it can leave blemishes in the glue line or finish).

BAT Board Elections



From left to right: Secretary/Newsletter editor Wayne Kuhn, President Bill Henry, Treasurer David Smith, PR director Susan Shane, Vice President Keith Holt, Web Master John Meyer. (Not pictured is Librarian Roland Sheppard.)

A new board was elected. Election observers noted no irregularities in the process. This was the first peaceful transfer of power in 2 years. Congratulations to the new 2009 board members:

President – Bill Henry
Vice President – Keith Holt
Secretary / Newsletter Editor – Wayne Kuhn
Librarian – Roland Sheppard
Treasurer – David Reed Smith
Web Master – John Meyer; David Welch volunteered to assist
PR director – Susan Shane
Membership coordinator – duties to be reassigned

Baltimore Area Turners

Baltimore Area Turners meets every month on the second Wednesday of the month at the Greater Baltimore Woodcraft Store at
1125 Cromwell Bridge Road
Towson, MD 21286

Next meeting:

February 11, 2008 at 7:00 PM

Agenda: Keith Holt will demonstrate techniques for eliminating tear out. Bring in your pieces with problem tear out and have our new Vice President smooth things out for you.

Also, BAT should be voting on a new BAT logo. Several candidate designs have been presented over the last year. They are posted on the BAT website (www.baltimoreareaturners.org) for review prior to the meeting.