

Echoes from the "BAT"



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Keith Holt Kicks off May Meeting



Our Vice President Keith Holt started the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

No visitors attended the May Meeting.

Keith introduced the new PA system.

Board Member Comments-

Treasurer-Dave Smith presented the financial report

Secretary-Wayne Kuhn explained Jeff Turi Demo is available on DVD in the library with Jeff's handout.

Librarian-Roland Shepherd had no comment.

Marketing and Advertising-Susan Shane explained Turn Tex offerings and presented a \$50.00 gift certificate from Turn Tex for the raffle.

Webmaster- John Meyer was not present.

Raffle

Our May raffle included lots to choose from, including large pieces of Box Elder,

Chunks of Bradford Pear, Cedar, Hard Rock Maple, Sycamore, Birch and Walnut.

As well as a nice assortment of pen blanks, A photo booth with grey and white backgrounds, and a generous donation of a \$50.00 gift certificate from Turn Tex. <http://www.turntex.com/>



Keith Holt draws winning raffle tickets

Treasury

April Balance.....	\$3,069.76
April New Membership	\$20.00
April Raffle Proceeds.....	\$67.00
Lathe Cabinet Sale.....	\$110.00
May Demo Supplies.....	-\$120.00
<u>Stationary Supplies.....</u>	<u>-\$27.80</u>
Balance as of May 13,2009.....	\$3118.96

June is Demo Month



This demonstrator for the June meeting is Mr. Andi Dipietro from Del-Val turners.

<http://www.del-val-turners.com/main.shtm>

Woodturning is a wonderful journey for me that is filled with passion, hard work, and joy. Wood is one of Nature's most amazing materials and I consider myself fortunate to work with it. It allows me to utilize my artistic skill in creating beautiful shapes and forms to unlock Nature's inner most beauty.

Andy Dipietro

First Annual Summer BAT Picnic

**Mark your calendars and bring your family to our
first Annual Summer picnic on August 8th**

Thanks to committee members Lou Rudinski, Julie Schmidt, Bob Peagram and Keith Holt, we will be going to Kinder Farm Park. Kinder Farm Park is a 288 acre park with an agricultural history program and working farm that shows past and present agricultural practices of Anne Arundel County. The park has a 2.4 mile paved perimeter trail for biking and several miles of natural trails. There is a tractor hayride, saw mill demo and blacksmith shop with four forges as well as a large playground and tot-lot ideal for children of all ages.

Lou lives close to the park and has agreed to use his house as the jumping off point. The time frame is planned for approximately 10 AM to 4 PM.

Volunteers are needed to help set up, break down and cook. We would also like members to bring side dishes and desserts. If you did not sign up at the last meeting, please volunteer to help out to make this first picnic a great success.

Keith also has a great idea for the members to create a unique croquet set. We would like members to turn balls, mallets, wickets and posts and bring them to the picnic. Please use your imagination when designing your mallet. There are no rules for the mallet. The balls and wickets do have to be regulation size. We would like the balls to be the same wood as the mallet head. The set will be raffled off after the picnic.

Additional details will be forthcoming.



MAY SHOW & TELL



Abe Goldstein with his new beer glass.



Abe Goldstein with his walnut & brass kaleidoscope



Chuck Holt with his 3 piece goblet, Tupilow, Mora & Bubinga



Dave Smith with his shop fabricated roughing gouge



Dean Swaggert with his Madrone Bowl



Dean Swaggert with his oval-rose engine bowl



Don Keifer with his Concentric ring bowl.



Don Keifer with his Holly bowl



Don Keifer with his Walnut bowl with Ebony lip



Dave Smith shows his fabricated chuck jaws.
 Jaws are aluminum with magnets to hold them in place.
 These jaws will hold a small blank for accurate drilling even if the blank is slightly rectangular in shape.
 Great mod to your chuck Dave.

MAY SHOW & TELL cont.



Lou Harris with his Maple box



Lou Harris with his shop fabricated depth gage



Lou Harris with his Quinen (sp) lidded box



Lou Rudinski with square edge bowl



Rich Faicloth with his hollow form inspired By last months demo



Steve Lane with his Ambrosia Maple Bowl



Susan Shane wowed everyone with a beautiful Majestic pen with Saquarsky crystal.

Made with a super spalted maple blank.

This will be a gift for one lucky family member.

MAY SHOW & TELL cont.



Jim Oliver with laminated turned spheres



Jim Oliver with his Osage Orange Bowl with crystal inlay



Julie Schmidt with first attempt at a hollow form. We can't wait to see her second and third attempt



Julie Schmidt with her Birch Goblet



Keith Holt with his Flower Vase



Keith Holt with his turned and carved mask



Susan Shane holds turning blanks from Turn Tex



Ted Ryan with his kaleidoscope

Many thanks to all that contributed to the May Show & Tell. It is great to see the talent and inspiration that makes BAT what it is and should be.

To see and hear more details about these pieces a DVD is available in the library.

Tool Tips & Tricks



Lou Rudinski presents the Al Stirt Bowl Driver

Al Stirt Bowl Driver

Is basically a screw chuck face plate

This is a great way to mount large blanks for roughing the bottom side of a bowl.

The bowl driver utilizes a large lag screw as the center screw.

It also utilizes two additional screws on either side of the main screw.

These two additional screws allow the blank to be mounted slightly off of the faceplate to allow the user to take the grain of the blank into their design considerations.

For more information go here

<http://www.alstirt.com/PDF%20files/BowlDriver.pdf>

If you have tip, trick or technique you would like to share, please send an e-mail to admin@baltimoreareeturners.org.

Attach your photos and text. The editor can help format your photos and text for the newsletter. *Please don't be shy.*

Do you have any library items at home? Several items in the library are missing in action. Please bring them to the next meeting.

Share the wealth.

JULY IS SHOW & TELL MONTH-

Bring in your best and worst, explain what went right and what went wrong. Tell us about your favorite finishes, favorite tool, favorite grind and worst grind, homemade tools & jigs. Found wood. Trash wood you saved. Precious old wood.

Lets discuss various techniques that work and don't work.

Inspire, Educate, Entertain.

Upcoming BAT Events

Summer picnic-August 8th, 2009

Turn For The Troops-Saturday November 14th, 2009-Sponsored by Woodcraft

Woodworking Show January, 2010

Baltimore Area Turners meets on the second Wednesday of every month to discuss and share various techniques and aspects of wood turning, Visitors are welcome, please join us at the **Greater Baltimore Woodcraft Store** at

1125 Cromwell Bridge Road

Towson, MD 21286

(410) 828-7426

Next meeting:

June 10, 2009 at 7:00 PM

Agenda: Business, 50/50 Raffle, Demo

Annual dues are \$20.00



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