

Echoes from the "BAT"



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November is Demo Month !!!

Demo By Kevin Bedgood



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Details inside



Bill Henry Kicks off June Meeting

Our President Bill Henry started the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Bill introduced Brian Graham– The new Woodcraft manager.

Board Member Comments-

Treasurer-Dave Smith presented the financial report

Secretary-Wayne Kuhn added a few DVD's of past meetings to the library.

Librarian- Bob Pegram requested overdue books, tapes and disks be returned.

Marketing and Advertising-Susan Shane discussed the logo, had sample shirts & caps for review, the BAT Holiday party is to be for members only due to space constraints at Charm City Café, and the wooden name tags will be available at the November meeting.

Webmaster– John Meyer explained the website has pages available for members to edit if they have a special project etc they would like to post.

Member Cort Robinson has completed the lathe stand and safety shield for demos performed at shows and functions outside of BAT meetings. NOTE-BAT will be purchasing a chuck for the lathe.



Woodcraft has a new manager, Brian Graham. Stop and say Hello next time you are in the store

October Raffle



Our October raffle had lots to choose from including, Sanding pads and storage containers donated by Woodcraft, Turning blanks of Holly, Lots O' Walnut, Bradford Pear, Spalted Maple, Red Maple, and Yew.

Tickets are a dollar a piece. Just about everyone goes home with something. Even if your ticket is not drawn, generous members who have two tickets picked, typically donate them to someone that has not had a ticket drawn.

Treasury

The BAT financial reports are available for review upon request.

October was Show & Tell Month



Bob Peagram with a natural edge Maple hollow form



David Smith with new method of sanding bottom of natural edge bowls



Dean Swaggert with Rose engine lathe piece



David Welch with spalted maple bowl



Keith Holt with new Jig for turning masks



Don Heafer with Segmented lidded bowl



Ernie Grimm With bowl turned with e-z rougher and e-z finisher



Jim Oliver with piece of holly dyed with aniline dye



Louie Harris with turned rolling pin

Show & Tell Con't



Patrick Stein with spalted maple hollow form



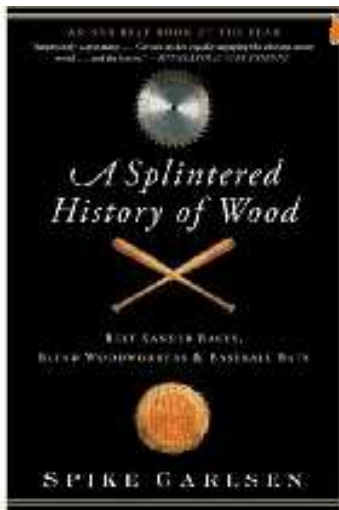
Wayne Kuhn with rosewood bowl

Book Review-A Splintered History of Wood



Susan Shane introduced BAT to *The Splintered History of Wood* By Spike Carlsen.

Spike Carlsen is an editor, author, carpenter and woodworker, who has been immersed in the world of wood and woodworking for over 30 years. He is former Executive Editor of Family Handyman magazine where he wrote hundreds of articles on home improvement and oversaw the creation of dozens of books including the revised Readers Digest, Complete Do-It-Yourself Manual. He has written articles for Old House Journal, Fine Homebuilding, Workbench, The Minneapolis Star Tribune and other publications. He currently works as Projects Editor for Fresh Home magazine and serves on the Advisory Board for Men's Health magazine. He has made appearances on the CBS Early Show, The Weekend Today Show, WGN-TV, Good Morning Texas, HGTV's "25 Biggest Renovating mistakes" special, USA Radio and many other national radio and television shows. Prior to becoming an editor he worked as a carpenter for 15 years, and ran his own construction and remodeling company, working on projects ranging from energy efficient homes to historic restorations. He and his wife Kat have five adult children and live in historic Stillwater, Minnesota. In his spare time he enjoys biking, restoring vintage radios, wood-working and renovating (and renovating and renovating) their 1850s Greek Revival home.



Partial reviews from Amazon.com

This is a book about wood that will amaze you, inform you, make you wise and make you laugh. Where else, between two covers could you hope to learn about the history of the catapult, the worlds largest wooden airplane, a model city built of 2 million toothpicks, how a grand piano is made, the world championship belt sander races, and much, much more.

A.J Rooze

Because this book is as much about people as it is about wood it's incredibly readable -- and funny. The author got out from behind the desk and got into the stories as much as possible and shares self-effacing tales along the way.

L.B. Amundson

All and all, it is an absolutely wonderful book; and I would like to thank Spike Carlsen for all his work in writing it.

Guy M. Marzano

Turn For The Troops

WOODCRAFT held it's annual "Turn for The Troops " Friday and Saturday November 6th & 7th.

Woodcraft provided all of the kits & blanks with the tubes glued in and milled.

It was a great day of turning as well as teaching. They had (not so old) teaching young, young teaching old, new turners, experienced turners, and all levels in between. Woodcraft supplied pizza and soda for lunch.

The lathes did not stop turning all day. It was a great turnout for a great cause. Everyone that attended had a good time.

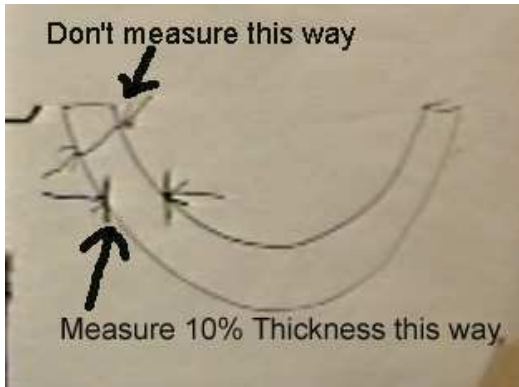
Many thanks to Woodcraft for providing this opportunity to serve our troops.



Turn For The Troops



Tool Tips & Tricks



Ever wonder about the 10% rule on large bowls? I did. My green roughed bowls larger than 12 inches would very often crack in the drying process even with shavings in the bag, wax sealer on the end grain etc. etc.

Following the 10% rule, a 12 inch diameter bowl when turned green should be turned no thinner than 1.2 inches almost 1- 1/4 inches. I always thought this was rather thick and was contributing to my bowls cracking while drying.

When I asked about this at the October meeting David Smith helped me realize the error of my ways, I was measuring the wrong dimension.

David drew the diagram to the left to help explain his point.

This makes sense, as the actual wall thickness measured with calipers will be less than the traditional way I have been measuring,

Thanks David

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.

NOVEMBER IS DEMO MONTH-

Kevin Bedwood will be demonstrating for us at the November meeting.

Sculptural / Wall Hangings

My greatest explorations lately have been in pushing some boundaries of what is normally created on a wood lathe. Most of my wall hangings are created by turning multiple pieces of wood, generally in unusual shapes like squares or rectangles, then cutting them apart and reassembling the pieces in such a way as to integrate the disparity of design into a coherent piece that creates a sense of movement or evokes an emotional response or memory.

<http://www.kevinbedgood.com/index.html>

Upcoming Events

Winter Holiday Party-Date and place to be determined.
Woodworking Show January, 2010
BAT board member elections-January
February 21st-Mark Supiks Open house with Jerry Kermod
American Craft Council Show-February 25-28

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
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Next meeting:

November 11, 2009 at 6:30 PM
Agenda: Business, 50/50 Raffle, Demo
Annual dues are \$20.00

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