

# Echoes from the "BAT" Cave



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## Combined November/December Issue

In this issue;

- Wayne Kuhn's Tool Handle Demo
- Club Holiday Party

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## How to Turn a Tool Handle

For our November meeting, our very own Wayne Kuhn demonstrated how to turn a tool handle. He started with a home-made laminated spindle blank and with just a few skilful moves turned the blank into a beautiful tool handle. Along the way during the demo, Wayne stopped several times and held a raffle giving away tool handle kits he had made.

Important features that Wayne mentioned during the demo were :

- 1) Using brass flarenuts for the handle ferrule
- 2) Use of a friction polish for the final handle finish (1/3 DNA + 1/3 shellac (clear Zinssers), and 1/3 BLO
- 3) Favorite woods for handles are maple, cherry, and walnut
- 4) Using a paper towel for applying the finish, a cloth towel could get caught in the lathe and wouldn't tear easily
- 5) Using J-B Weld as the epoxy to secure the metal tool tang into the just-made wooden handle



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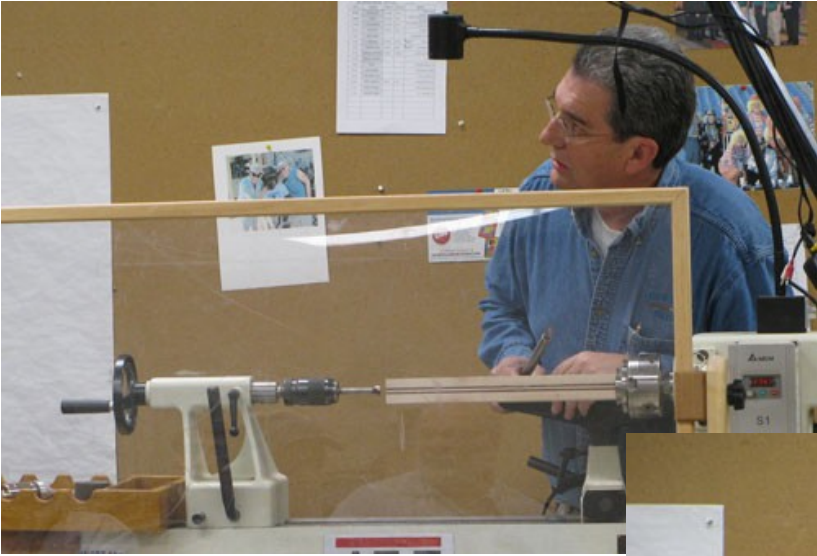
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Wayne's demo



The finished product, which was raffled off to a lucky winner !



## Upcoming “The Woodworking Show” at the Md. State Fairgrounds in Timonium

The weekend of January 5, 6, and 7 is the annual Woodworking Show at the Maryland fairgrounds in Timonium, MD. You can read more about the show at this website; <http://www.thewoodworkingshows.com/baltimore.html>

Our club has a large booth at the show where we demonstrate the fine art of woodturning to show attendees and we also get to show off some of our finished handiwork.

The club needs volunteers to man the lathes and to talk to show attendees about the club and to answer questions. If you're interested , make sure you contact Stephen Jones.

The club operates two mini-lathes at the show. In order to demonstrate you need to be a member of the AAW (American Assoc of Woodturners) for insurance purposes.

Volunteers get free admission to the show !!

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## Upcoming “American Crafts Council Show” at the Baltimore Convention Center

The weekend of February 23, 24, and 25 is the annual American Craft Council show at the Baltimore Convention Center in downtown Baltimore, MD. You can read more about the show at this website; [American Craft Council show details](#)

Our club gets a free booth at the show where we demonstrate the fine art of woodturning to show attendees and we also get to show off some of our finished handiwork.

The club needs volunteers to man the lathe and to talk to show attendees about the club and to answer questions. If you're interested , make sure you contact Stephen Jones.

The club operates one mini-lathe at the show. In order to demonstrate you need to be a member of the AAW (American Assoc of Woodturners) for insurance purposes.

Volunteers get free admission to the show !!



# Club Holiday Party

The club's December meeting was replaced with a holiday party featuring great food and fun conversations. There was a gift exchange and a People's Choice contest. Pictures are below.

*The buffet table*



*The dessert table* —>



## President's Challenge Status

Here is the current status of the President's Challenges. If I've missed any entries, please let me know so that I can correct the chart.

### Presidential Challenges - 2017

Member Name	Elliptical	Stool	Natural Edge	Threaded Lidded Box	Ornament	Segment/Laminate
Clark Bixler	X		X			
Ed Cohen				X		
Ron Ford	X	X	X	X	X	X
Louie Harris	X	X	X	X		X
Kris Kazmierski	X					
Steve Langrall			X			
Alayna M.	X	X	X			
Dave Mardt	X	X	X			
Jim Oliver			X			
Bob Pegram			X			
Roland Shephard	X					
Robert Sobczak	X	X	X	X	X	X

### Sect'y/Newsletter Editor Resigning !

This December issue of the newsletter is my **LAST** issue as your editor. Starting in January we will have a **NEW** editor !

### Baltimore Area Turners

Baltimore Area Turners meets every month on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm Our meetings are held at the Boumi Temple located at:

5050 King Avenue  
Baltimore MD 21237-3325

Drive around to the parking lot at the back of the building and enter thru the set of glass doors. If the door feels like it's locked, it's not, just give it a tug. :-)