Stainless Steel Ice Cream Scoop

Supplies Needed

- 9/32" Drill Bit
- Blank
- Chuck
- Scrap Wood
- Glue (Thick CA or Epoxy)
- Sandpaper/Finish
- Drill or Drill Press
- Revolving Center
- Eye and Ear Protection

Cutting and Drilling the Blank

- 1. Select a piece of hardwood 1 1/2" x 1 1/2" x 5 1/2" long.
- **2.** Make a center mark on the end of the blank and drill a 9/32" diameter hole about 1 1/4" deep.

Make a Drive Spigot

- 1. Mount a scrap piece of hardwood 2" dia. x 2 1/2" long to a faceplate or chuck.
- **2.** Turn a 1/2" long tenon that will fit snugly into the hole drilled in the handle blank. Leave a shoulder on the tenon for the blank to seat against. (See Figure 1)

Turn the Handle Blank

- **1.** Push the drilled handle blank onto the turned tenon. The fit should be snug. Center the other end of the handle blank onto a revolving center. (See Figure 1). Turn the blank round using a roughing gouge or spindle gouge.
- **2.** Using a skew chisel laying flat on its side, square off the drilled end of the handle using the long point of the tool.
- **3.** Measure the length and inside diameter of the ferrule. Turn the tenon on the handle to fit the ferrule leaving the wood slightly longer than the ferrule.
- **4.** Install the ferrule on the handle, chamfered end first. If needed, glue the ferrule in place using epoxy or thick CA glue.
- **5.** Finish turning the handle to the desired shape leaving 1/2" of waste material on the tailstock end. True the wood so that it is flush with the ferrule.
- **6.** Sand and finish the handle blank and ferrule. Be careful when sanding the ferrule not to transfer metal dust onto the wood surface.
- **7.** Trim off the 1/2" waste piece on the lathe or on a bandsaw. Sand and finish the end.

Ice Cream Scoop Assembly

- **1.** Align the scoop with the grain of the turned handle for the best appearance.
- **2.** Test fit the scoop tang into the handle. It may be necessary to run the drill bit into and out of the hole to slightly enlarge the hole.
- **3.** When satisfied with the fit, glue the tang into the handle by placing a small amount of glue into the hole. Use more glue if the fit is slightly loose. Clean up any excess glue with a solvent such as lacquer thinner.

Figure 1

