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**Hi all,  
Please take a look and let me know if you have any  
corrections, additions, etc.  
Thanks, Jim**



**Meeting Wednesday February 16 at 7:00.**

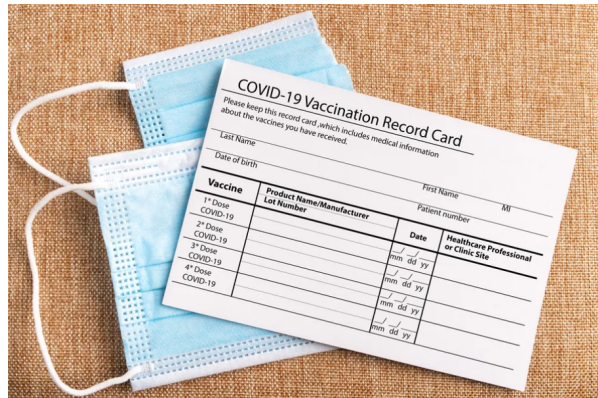
**This Month - Limited Live  
Attendance plus Remote via ZOOM.**

**This month's meeting will be will be open to 20  
individuals, plus the support staff and demonstrator.**

**To sign up for [in-person attendance](#), please add your  
name to the sign up sheet [HERE](#).**

**The Zoom meeting will be available to join at 6:30.  
To Join the February ZOOM Meeting press [HERE](#)**

**- Masks and Proof Of Vax required for in-person  
Attendance**



**Due to the current levels of Covid including breakthrough cases, masks proof of vaccination will be **required** for those attending in person. The board wants all Keystone members to feel safe and comfortable when attending a meeting.**

**Note - If you want to save time at the door, you can email a picture of the front side of your card to Rob Podbielski (jrpodbielski@gmail.com) and he will keep it on file.**

## **February Demo - Mike Kuterbach**



**Keystone member Mike Kuterbach will be demonstrating how to make tea lights, a quick and easy project suitable for all skill**

levels. Tea Lights don't require a lot of special tools - a 4 jaw chuck, drill chuck and a bowl gouge and you are good to go. They are a great way to use up those little bits of wood that are just too nice to throw away. Mike will also show several surface treatments to make plain wood pop.

## **Show and Tell**

It will be a Show and Tell meeting. If you haven't shown your work recently, now is the time! Show us what you've turned recently! Please send pictures to Thomas Scurto-Davis <TScurtoDavis@gmail.com>

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## **Tribute to Joe McCann**

**by Carol Hall**



Joe McCann was so deeply infused into the fabric of Keystone Woodturners, that it is hard to imagine a meeting without his presence.

It is so kind of his family to allow us to continue our meeting in his shop, and if you are at all like me, it is a warm heart moment

**to be in his creative space and remember all the times Joe was in our spin.**

**I know we have all heard the story of the Friday Joe quit PECO, and then how on the following Monday they hired him back as an independent contractor. Joe was a lucky man and was always willing to share that good fortune with all of us. Joe was quick with a story or a tool to loan. I remember joining his carving group one Tuesday morning to try to become better acquainted with my new carving system. Joe had plans to finish an owl, but dropped them all to spend the next 2 hours showing me how to use an assortment of bits he had. I came with just a starter pack, so Joe brought out an International Coffee tin filled with bits of every shape and size. As I walked out the door to leave that day, Joe placed that coffee can that was filled to the brim with bits into my hand, winked, and said "Remember, Kid, the Rose Bit is the best one". Unbelievable.**

**Joe loved cars and speed. He was always tinkering on that brown MG or the white Mustang. His stories of racing and averting the cops when he was a young buck were wonderful.**

**Imagine a teenaged, renegade Joe, speeding down the road in a souped up car on a warm Summer night. That is the image of him I hold in my heart. At one of the last Keystone gatherings after meeting for pizza, Joe said "Come on, Kid. I'll take you for a ride!" I hopped in that growling MG and we sped through the developments. When everyone else took a different route to the shop, we zoomed along a dark winding road and beat them all. So fun!**

**I love how Joe never had his elbows out about anything. He was always busy and willing to share. He never minded us using his space and always had everything we needed stashed somewhere - we just had to find it. I had gotten so used to being the finder as**

**the others would set up the camera equipment and chairs for our meetings.**

**Last month, as Joe's son had started cleaning up the shop of it's bricka-brack, I realized this was the last time I would be able to hang out in his beautiful mess the way it had always been. I love how he had his shelves organized with those plastic "Label Maker" titles, that didn't always correspond to reality. His tiny jars of screws and bolts. The weird little treasures that he found at an auction, that he would enjoy for a bit, and then send back to a different auction. And all of us were so jealous of the 5th or 6th Fordham that he bought for \$15 from a widow at a garage sale. That man had a nose for a bargain.**

**I feel so lucky, as I am sure all of us do, to have counted Joe as my friend. He made my life better and was a perfect example of generosity and joy. Joe passed his luck on to all of us, because we have wonderful memories and an amazing group to share them with. Keystone will always be better by virtue of Joe's gentle friendship.**

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## **Coatesville V.A. Hospital Turning Center**

**The Coatesville V.A Hospital is in the process of developing a woodturning program as a source of behavioral therapy for their residents.**

**Thomas Scurto-Davis, Mike Kuterbach and Carol Hall are working with Jennifer Lilly at the hospital and I are going to the Coatesville VA on Wednesday to scout the site that they are making available for the turning program. They are working with Jennifer developing equipment lists for work stations (starting with two) and think through logistics. Once the equipment has been acquired, Thomas will be looking for volunteers to provide**

**demos and instruction for the Vets. Folks who are interested in helping out with this program as demonstrators/teachers should contact Thomas Scurto-Davis.**

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## **Coming Soon - Frisbee Challenge!**



**It's almost time for the frisbee challenge. Now would be a great time to hone your design and test out some aerodynamic options. Spring being just around the corner, you don't want to be left out of the fun. Our Prez is not telling which meeting is going to include the competition, but we will need a big field and there is at least one meeting site that seems appropriate!**

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## **Newsletter Content Wanted**



**Calling all Keystoners! We would like to include content in the newsletter beyond the regular info sharing that we do, such as announcements, demo reveals, etc. If you are they type of person that is always looking outward for interesting turning info, symposia, area workshops etc., we'd love your submissions.**

**Please share your links for:**

- Interesting videos**
- New tools on the market**
- Cool tricks/tips**
- What are other local clubs doing**
- What's happening with national trends**
- Regional opportunities for showing work**
- Learning from "the masters"**

**Please forward any submissions to Jim Kelly at [jr\\_kelly@hotmail.com](mailto:jr_kelly@hotmail.com) for inclusion in the next newsletter.**

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**We need help! The following are just a few of the positions that could use member involvement (the name in parenthesis is who is currently in charge):**

- Website (Mark Hall) - Update the technology we are currently using, so that the newsletter is easily disseminated to the group and social media. Must be able to work with or learn MailChimp, Word Press and Face Book.**
- Photography (Larry Soma) - Photographing the show and tell. Needs to be able to get to meeting a bit early. Sending photos to newsletter, posting on FB**
- Library - This job has changed to one where we want people to write a short info article for the newsletter featuring materials of interest that we have or that can be found on the web.**
- Health & Safety (Kevin Levign)**
- Videography (Mike Kuterbach)**
- Chat Moniter on Zoom Meetings (Thomas Scurto-Davis) - adding in Google links to materials mentioned.**
- Philanthropy & Grants**
- Beads of Courage (Bernie)**
- Wig Stands (Paula Garton)**
- Workshops**
- Sending wood to members (Paula)**
- Regular Content provider for the newsletter - write an article, or find links to compelling info.**



**Is there another job you can imagine would help? Everyone doing a job already could use an assistant - offer to help!**

**Contact Carol at [carol@thecarolhall.com](mailto:carol@thecarolhall.com) to volunteer.**

**Call or email Carol Hall with your ideas! [carol@thecarolhall.com](mailto:carol@thecarolhall.com) (610) 256-1888.**

**Let's all get back to having a creative, skillful, and sharing group.**

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## **Keystone Mentoring Program**

**Keystone Woodturners offers a mentoring program to members. An experienced club member will hold a 1/2 day class held at Joe's shop. Details can be found [HERE](#) on the Keystone website.**

**If you have skills that you would like to offer as a mentor, contact Mark Hall at [mark@seaglass.us](mailto:mark@seaglass.us) and he will add you to the list.**

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## **Zoom Info for February**

**Thomas Scurto-Davis is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.**

**Topic: Keystone Woodturners**

**Please download and import the following iCalendar (.ics) files to your calendar system.**

**Monthly:** <https://lasalle.zoom.us/meeting>

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## Join Zoom Meeting

<https://lasalle.zoom.us>

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**Meeting ID: 848 2286 5058**

**Passcode: 180766**

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We welcome suggestions and items for the newsletter.  
If you are scheduled for a show or displaying your work somewhere, let us know so  
we can add it to the newsletter.

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[Rob Podbielski](#), Membership Director



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