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## **Meeting Wednesday April 19 at 7:00.**

The April Meeting will live at Joe's. There will not be a Zoom meeting. Proof of Vax is no longer required for In-Person Attendance. Come on out to Joe's and socialize with your Keystone friends!

## **Show and Tell**

This 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!

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## **April Demo - Gary Johnson - Silver Wire Inlay**



Keystone treasurer Gary Johnson will be showing us how to inlay

silver wire into wood. This technique is commonly used to decorate knife and gun handles. Silver inlay is easier than it sounds and can add some serious bling to your turnings.

In addition, there will be opportunity for club members to give it a try after the demo.

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**Coming Next Month - Mike Kehs - Platters**



**Mike Kehs will be in person at Joe's, showing how he turns and decorates a platter. Mike is an accomplished woodturner/woodworker who is also an excellent demonstrator. Put this demo on your calendar!**

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### **Wood Auction Update**

The annual Keystone wood auction will be held June 21st at Dave Souza's house again this year. Remember, we want to have collaboration pieces (made by two or more collaborating club members) for auction in addition to the wood, so please start planning your collaborative projects now. Please donate good, rare, beautiful or otherwise desirable wood (in the eyes of other turners) to the cause of helping the club raise money for future demos and events.

### **Wood Auction Help Needed**

Thomas will be out of the country for this year's wood auction and needs one or more club members willing to step up to help facilitate the wood auction, particularly setting up/striking the auction tables, and accepting donations, but ALSO, IMPORTANTLY, we need someone to keep track of who bought what at what price so that payment can be collected at the end of the auction. This includes loading the PayPal Here app on ones phone to collect credit card payments.

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### **Keystoners Sweep Totally Turning 2023**



**Totally Turning is a symposium produced by The Northeast Woodworkers Assoc. and held in Saratoga Springs NY. This year's event happened the last weekend in March with several Keystone members delivering quite the showing for the instant gallery.**

**There are 10 categories in which participants may enter their work to be displayed and judged. This year's display had hundreds of pieces and represented a good cross section of skill levels.**

**All attendees may enter work in as many categories as they wish. This year, **Keystone members walked away with 8 of 40 ribbons!** By far, the most of any club! The awards are as follows:**

### **Alternate materials**

**First Place to Carol and Mark Hall for a colorful vase with watch parts adorning the top.**

## **Artistic**

**First Place to Thomas Scurto-Davis for his pierced towers.**

**Third place to Thomas Scurto-Davis, Micheal Kehs, Mike Kagen and Carol Hall for a collaborative work in the form of a colorful boat upon a wave.**

## **Bowls**

**First Place for a large spalted and bleached bowl to Danielle Barbour.**

## **Hollow Form**

**Honorable Mention to Danielle Barbour for a finialed burl piece.**

## **Novice**

**First Place to Karl Brachwitz for a thin walled spalted rice bowl.**

**Second Place to Karl Brachwitz for a hollow vessel.**

**Third Place to Karl Brachwitz for a thin walled, spalted, shallow bowl.**

**There are no confirmed reports of any arrests involving the team after the frivolities that ensued when they learned of their combined performance.**



**Congratulations to all the winners!!**

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## VA Turning Program Update



The VA program is underway, Thomas and Mike have gone twice to teach the veterans how to turn, and future sessions are in the works.

If you want to participate, sessions are on select Friday afternoons from 2-4 pm. Please let Thomas know if you are interested.

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## Volunteers needed for The Mashrabiya Project



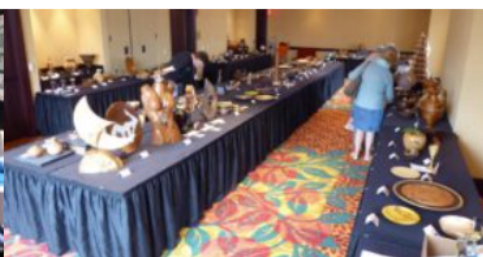
**The Mashrabiya project is currently underway at the Museum for Art in Wood . So far, Paula Garton, Mike Kuterbach and Thomas Scurto-Davis have gone down to the Museum to turn pieces of the mashrabiya. Mike leads the way with three visits, Thomas with two, and Paula with one.**

**Thomas and Mike Kuterbach have also been turning the parts in their own shops and would be happy to show anyone how to do it. Folks are welcome to come to Thomas' studio to learn. Thomas is also happy to partner with anyone who wants to go down together, he'll even drive (he's got good parking-karma). Just call**

him a week or so in advance of when you would like to go down.

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## **Mid Atlantic Woodturning Symposium**



**The Mid Atlantic Woodturning Symposium will be held on September 22rd – 24th in Lancaster, PA.**

**MAWTS is a three day opportunity to meet and learn from some of the worlds greatest turners.**

**Demonstrators this year are:**

- Eric Lofstrom**
- Neil Turner**
- Kristen Levier**
- Simon Begg**
- Roberto Ferrer**
- Jason Breach**

**Registration will be opening in the next 2 weeks. Complete details can be found [HERE](#)**



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## **Keystone Prez Gets AAW Turning of the Week!**



**Thomas Scurto-Davis was recognized with the AAW Turning-of-the-Week" this week for the piece attached.**

**Adjudicator, Emiliano Achaval said: "It's always fun to look through the galleries to select the TOTW. I look for a good picture: a clear or gradient background is a must. A cluttered shop in the back or your living room is not an appealing picture. This week's honor goes to Thomas Scurto Davis and his amazing piece called "Patient Practice." I'll encourage him to keep exploring this technique. If this is not a finished piece, I can't wait to see one that he calls it complete! Congratulations Thomas."**

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## Dues - They're Due



### 2023 Dues are Due!

Please remember that Keystone membership has its rewards, costs and value.

- Rewards - You can surround yourself with fascinating people
- Cost - \$30 per Year
- Value - Priceless

Our treasurer Gary Johnson reminds us we can pay in a virtual plethora of ways:

- via PayPal on the [kestonewoodturners.com](http://kestonewoodturners.com) website. Click the "Pay Dues" button on the homepage
- Via cash, check or credit card at the meeting.
- Or you can mail a check to Gary Johnson. Contact him for details ([gjohnson331@gmail.com](mailto:gjohnson331@gmail.com))

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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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