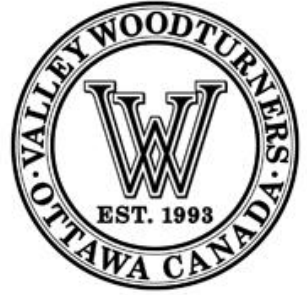


# VALLEY WOODTURNERS NEWSLETTER



March 2023

## WEBSITE UPDATES

You may have noticed our website is being updated – content, colours, navigation. We welcome any feedback you might have, and any ideas of what you'd like to see more (or less) of! Contact [ovwwwebsite@gmail.com](mailto:ovwwwebsite@gmail.com)

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Tue, April 11th** - Turning a pen with a Celtic knot - David Oldford

**Tue, May 16th** - Note the Date Change!!!! Special guest Frank DiDomizio is returning!

**Tue, Jun 13th** - McGee Award Challenge, demo TBD

## AAW Symposium

If you are up for a trip to the US, the AAW Symposium takes place in June in Louisville Kentucky.

<https://www.aawsymposium.org/>

## NEWSLETTERS ARE BACK!

There is so much going on, that we've decided to get the Newsletters up and running again. This one in particular has some time sensitive information. The highlights of the material in this newsletter are:

- McGee Award – it's that time of year again! – Prepare for the June meeting
- Woodchuckers Offer (10% off most items) – March 31<sup>st</sup> deadline

## Mentoring Program Re-launch

Are you ready to share your knowledge with a new turner? Are you a new (or maybe not so new) turner looking for a mentor? We are re-launching the mentoring program, and already have a few candidates who are looking for a mentor. To try and match people better, we've prepared a survey to collect information on both Mentors and Mentees. We'll try to match people who live kind of close to each other, and have similar interests. For example, we won't match someone who is actively interested in bowls with someone who wants to specialize in Pens.

Please take a few minutes to fill in our [survey](#).

## McGee Award

If you're new to the club and don't know what the McGee Award is, the short story is that it is an annual challenge the Valley Woodturners runs, open to the membership, to create a turned object that becomes the award for Excellence in Advanced Theory of Nursing Science at University of Ottawa's School of Nursing. It is called the McGee award in honour of Marian McGee, one of our members and Professor Emeritus of the faculty of the School of Nursing. Check out the website (<https://www.valleywoodturners.com/challenges.html>) for more details on the award and to learn more about Marian.



*Benjamin Villeneuve – winner of the 2022 McGee Award*

This year's graduation is scheduled for June 22, which means we need to get turning! If you are interested in submitting a piece for judging, **plan on being in person at the June meeting**, as that will be the day we collect pieces for our committee to judge and identify the winner.

If you want more information on this challenge, please reach out to [ovw.president@gmail.com](mailto:ovw.president@gmail.com)

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## WOODCHUCKERS BULK ORDER!

Woodchuckers is offering a 10% discount on most items as long as we do a bulk order. If you would like to take advantage of this offer, here is the process to follow:

1. Go to the Woodchuckers website : <https://woodchuckers.com/>
2. Identify the item(s) you would like, and give us some details. Here is an example of what we need:

Item Title	Quantity	Website Price per Item	Other Information (Size, Color, model number)
HAM-M42GL4 Glenn Lucas - 1/2" flute Bowl Gouge Gouge	1	\$166.60	
SAI-3inch Round	1	\$18.95	Color : 320 Size: 3" Round

3. Send the completed form to [ovwtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:ovwtreasurer@gmail.com) no later than April 1<sup>st</sup> and make sure to include your name and phone number.

The club will send in the order and all items will be shipped to a single address, and once tax and shipping has been calculated, you will be informed of the total amount of your order. We request that you wait to hear what your total amount is, and then e-transfer to the treasurer [ovwtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:ovwtreasurer@gmail.com). Since we are making a bulk purchase, we'll also save on shipping costs.

Orders will be distributed through our regular monthly meetings.

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