



# Duneland Weavers' Guild of Northwest Indiana

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**2022-2023**

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**February 2023**



## **President's Letter**

It's another gray winter day in Northwest Indiana. As I was walking down the street, I saw a pink tree in a store window all decked out for Valentine's Day. That pop of color brightened my day. One of the parents showed me their family picture. Everyone was wearing gray except the baby. She had on a rainbow tutu. That pop of color brightened my day.

During lockdown, I took an online class on color theory. It was very interesting how much color effects are lives. Did you know that if you are interviewing for a job, the color of your clothes should vary depending upon the gender of your interviewer?

One of the great joys about being a fiber artist is the ability to play with color. I encourage you to experiment with color. Go outside your comfort zone and add a pop of color to your work. You never know, you might just brighten someone's day.

I hope to see everyone at our February meeting! How much fun would it be if everyone wore a pop of color?

Lisa



The Dear Lucy column is an exciting, new edition to the monthly newsletter. Lucy is the mystery columnist that writes replies to fiber and guild related questions. There are no such things as dumb questions. Lucy will review and answer questions submitted by the not quite yet weaver as well as the experienced weaver and everyone in between. Questions for Lucy can be submitted by emailing Mandy Benson at speechless78@yahoo.com Mandy will get them to Lucy.



Dear Lucy,

I am a new member of the DWG and I would like to know more about the Exhibit that everyone was talking about at the last meeting.

Marti

Welcome Marti, We members who have been members for a long time do tend to get carried away and forget that all the people in the room don't always know what we are talking about. Sorry about that. The exhibit and fashion show is a display of things that the members have been working on for maybe the past year. The gallery is filled with things like scarves, rugs, wall hangings, dish towels, blouses, jackets...I could go on...but you get the picture. These items may be for sale or display only. They do not have to be woven only. They can be knitted, crocheted, spun etc. They are meant to show the people what the Duneland Weaver's Guild is and can do, and to create interest so they can come and learn from what we do. A day or so before the opening the members mount the display at the gallery. Then on the first Sunday of the month we open with our Fashion Show/Reception. That amounts to about a forty five minute show of the garments that have been entered. It is accompanied by a "punch and cookie" reception. Things are sold throughout the month and after the gallery takes their commission the rest of the proceeds are returned to the members who offered them for sale. It is open to every member from beginner to "master" and is really a lot of fun. If you can participate in some way this is a way to make you feel like more a part of the group. So please don't be shy, come join in the fun.

Lucy



### Monthly Weaving Tip

From the book "Weaver's Wisdom: 250 Aids to Happier Endings"

It is never too late to start a notebook which holds a sample and weaving data for each project.



### The Presidents Challenge

While I was in Greece this past summer, I spent a lot of time walking on the beach. I asked the rocks and beach glass which ones wanted to come home with me to be in the President's Challenge. So many wanted to come to the States, I had to leave a pair of shoes, shampoo and conditioner in Greece to make up for the extra weight.

The President's Challenge is to weave, spin or dye something that has been inspired by the rock or beach glass of your choosing. Your creation can be based on color, shape or size. All the creation will be on display at the gallery in April. Remember if you get the rock wet, it changes colors.

I am very excited to see how the rocks and beach glass speak to you.



## Textiles and Tea

Handweaver's Guild of America, Inc. presents Textiles and Tea online every Tuesday, 4-5p.m. EST. Go to <https://weavespindye.org/textiles-and-tea/> for more information and to register.

### February's Schedule:

February 7, 2023 | Jane Stafford

February 14, 2023 | Carl Stewart

February 21, 2023 | Irene Heckel-Volpe

February 28, 2023 | Mary Burgess



### **The Duneland Weaver's Guild Websites**

Check out our Duneland Weavers' Guild website for new content and photographs at:

<http://dunelandweaversguild.org>

Check out the guild's Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/dunelandweaversguildofnorthwestindiana>

The guild has a private Facebook group page for member posts found at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2753907701519609>

### **From the Facebook Administrator**

If you're involved in a fiber show/ event/ art show/ anything creative related event, please let me know so I can post it on our guild Facebook page please.

Peggy Reed



### **February Program**

Our February program is Weavers and Spinners Poker and is presented by Guild members. Each participant gets a set of guidelines to weave a project or spin some yarn and then present their results. It's always very entertaining.

Sue Degnan

### **New Member**

Please welcome our new member:

Name removed for posting on guild website



### **Fiber Found and**

### **Submitted by Mary Warren**

Q: How did the weaver feel when her cow ate her warp?

A: She was udderly beweef



### **Open Board Position**

There is a guild board positions open for a Co-Chair for the Fashion Show. Please consider filling this roles. Thanks!

**January Meeting**  
**Show and Tell**  
**Pictures**



**Message from the President**

If you were at the meeting in January, we talked about sending \$500.00 to sponsor 4 episodes of Textiles & Tea. \$500.00 is roughly 10% of the budget. I would like to hold off on sending the check until next month (February). Please read the sponsorship information below and go to the Facebook page for Handweavers Guild of America and watch several episodes of Textiles and Tea', Melvenea Hodges and Chris Acton are both featured in January of 2023. Please familiarize yourself with material and we will revisit the subject next month.

Lisa

Be a Sponsor & Support Textiles & Tea Through sponsorship you can reach new audiences and connect with the fiber community in their homes. We know from our Spinning & Weaving Week events that an average of 1,000 people viewed our videos either live or recorded. These numbers will only grow as our event grows in popularity. Sponsorship includes: Recognition at the beginning and end of each broadcast (also to be recorded and shared on Facebook Live and HGA's YouTube channel) Emails sent to HGA's mailing list of nearly 11,000 promoting the event with you listed as a sponsor and a link to your website Promotion of the event along with your sponsorship on HGA's social media platforms: Instagram (4,100+ followers), Twitter (1,330+ followers) and Facebook (9,600+ followers) Identified as event sponsor on HGA's website and on the event listing on the HGA Fiber Art Calendar We are offering introductory sponsorship packages at \$150 per Textiles & Tea episode or four episodes for \$500 (call HGA for 4-episode discount). Your sponsorship helps HGA to promote the fiber arts and support the artists who create. Will you be a sponsor?

**Up Coming Events:**

February 11th - Weavers' and Spinners' Challenge

March 11th - West Side Study Group Program