



Duneland Weavers' Guild of Northwest Indiana

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March 2026



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Happy March!

Spring is just around the corner and that means in a few days we are going to set our clocks forward one hour. I am watching the sunrise as I am writing this article. The pinks and oranges of the morning sky and the black of the leafless trees are inspiring.

I recently finished weaving a 7-yard warp and am preparing another 6-yard warp to tie onto the previous one. I have never tied on a warp and am a little nervous and excited at the same time. I have been practicing the Weaver's Knot. The warp is 240 threads. Not too many but not overwhelming for a first try.

The new warp is an interpretation of the morning sky. What do you think about while you are weaving a 7-yard warp? Me, I think about what to plant in my garden. This year I want to plant a "Dyer's Garden" and Cherokee Purple Tomatoes.

Our March program will focus on natural dyes! I have my pencil and notebook ready. I am looking forward to seeing everyone on the 14th.

Lisa



Fiber Art 2026 exhibit will be April 7th through April 30th at the Chesterton Art Center. The fashion show will be April 18th. See Jane's article about the exhibit.

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.

March 3, 2026: Judi Jetson

March 10, 2026: Margery Erickson

March 17, 2026: Gretchen Fancher

March 24, 2026: Phoebe Vlassis

March 31, 2026: Patricia Martin



Monthly Weaving Tip

From the book "Weaver's Wisdom: 250 Aids to Happier Weaving"
Acid-free tissue or laundered cloth should be used for storing textiles.

Newsletter Submissions

Newsletter submissions are due the 25th of the month and will be printed in the following month's newsletter. Submissions can be emailed to Mandy Benson at speechless78@yahoo.com



Yearly Membership Dues

Dues will be going up for the 26-27 Guild year. Email newsletters are now \$30 and mailed newsletters are \$35. You can give me cash or a check at an upcoming Guild meeting or mail me a check. I'll start collecting dues at the April meeting.

~Sue Degnan

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Reminder- Meetings are also available by Zoom.

Duneland Weavers Guild is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Duneland Weavers Guild's Zoom Meeting

Time: Mar 14, 2026 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/93282754016?pwd=GZoXsPKGz7wNaSSAlv8VzA7noZb7Di.1>

Meeting ID: 932 8275 4016 Passcode: 081337

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>

2026 Guild exhibition at Chesterton Art Center

As we approach the dates for our Spring show at the Chesterton Art Center, I hope you are all thinking about what you'll put in it that represents and displays your love of

weaving and textile arts. Please remember to take a moment to express your interest in writing, too, and email it to me at jane.whedbee@gmail.com by March 20, if you can.

What to say? How you got involved in weaving/ crafting, what particular work you focus on or like best, what you enjoy about making, what direction you are moving in. What makes it personal for you. You can always write about the work you are presenting as well.

The relevant dates are: April 6 (Monday) – set up, 10 am – 4 pm April 7 (Tuesday) – April 30 (Thursday) exhibition dates April 11 (Saturday) Family Day at the CAC: activities centered on weaving and textile crafting April 18 (Saturday) Fashion Show May 1 (Friday) – the show comes down



Non- sticky/stainy treats are our responsibility for the fashion show event.



Anyone with equipment or ideas for Family Day activities is encouraged to share them with Cara at the CAC ahead of the date.

Jane Whedbee

Weaving friends,

I created four kits to be used for the exhibit/ style show.

All four kits can be woven in plain weave.

These kits are available on a first come first served basis. If there are more than four people who are interested, I will be happy to create more.

There is no cost for the kits. The only thing I ask is that the item woven becomes part of the exhibit/style show. (The item is yours to keep, sell or give away.)



A: 200 threads- Variegated (Purple, Burgundy, Cream and Green) **Cotton Flake** – suggested 20 epi.



C:130 threads - Greens, Pink, Purple and Taupes **Cotton** (heavy) – Suggested 10 epi.



The shawl has a warp of 3 yd plus 21” of loom waste. This warp is 400 threads.

D: 400 threads - Variegated Cream, Gray, Black - **Cotton Flake**, suggested 16-20 epi.

B: 200 threads - Variegated (Pink, Brown, Green) **Rayon** – Suggested 20 epi.



Poker
Challenge
Results
2026



**February
Show
And
Tell**



Up Coming Events:

March 14, 2026 - 10 a.m. Three Moons Fiberworks, 402 Broadway, Chesterton, Indiana

Amber Ostaszewski with "Natural Dying"

April 11, 2026 - 10 a.m. Three Moons Fiberworks, 402 Broadway, Chesterton, Indiana

Ann Coddington Topic TBD, April 9-10 Basket Weaving Workshop



Type of item:

Color:

Fiber Artist:

Model's Name:

Type of weave/process

Type of fiber:

Interesting info about fiber artist and/or making the garment:

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