

Hello, PDX Handweavers Guild Members and Fiber Friends –

## *We're On Track!!!*

**Annual Portland Handweavers Guild Spring Retreat 2026**

**2:30 PM Thursday, March 26, 2026, through Noon, Sunday, March 29, 2026**

***Online Registration Opens on January 10, 2026***

Thanks to all of you who have expressed an interest in attending this year's  
**Annual Portland Handweavers Guild Spring Retreat 2026.**

The holidays had a bit of an impact on schedules (OK, just mine...) so the opening of the  
**Online Registration has been pushed out to January 10, 2026.**

So, please continue to plan to attend the **Annual Portland Handweavers Guild Spring Retreat 2026**. You do not need to be a member of PHG and there is no surcharge if you're not but as a PHG Member, you will get first dibs on signing up.

***At the end of this article, there is a list of suggested items to consider packing in order to make your Retreat experience even more wonderful.***

A lot of this is a repeat of what came out in December but just in case you missed it here's what you need to know and what you need to do:

### ***What Do We Do at the Retreat?***

- The short answer is, "Anything fibery that you'd like to do." We also have a great time socializing with other interesting Guild members, eating lovely food with NO preparation before or clean up afterwards ☺, and having dedicated time and space to work, learn, and share with other like-minded, wonderful people.
- It is an ideal place to bring any **UnFinished Object** (UFO) from the back of the closet to finish up. Or, maybe you'd like some dedicated time to work on items for the Gathering of the Guilds Sale in April?
- There are no scheduled things like classes or activities except for meals and our Happy Hour. ☺ On the other hand, there is a LOT of sharing of knowledge, techniques, ideas, conversation, inspiration, and good times.
- And, the **Sharing Table** is a great place to swap out some items you no longer need for something new-to-you for your stash.
- We have a **Sale Table**. You may bring items for sale and are responsible for pricing and doing the sale. Tag each item with your name, price, etc.
- There are rumors of the return of the *tre chic* Cocktail/Mocktail Bar which made its grand debut at the 2025 Daily Happy Hour. And, yes, it will be complete with little paper umbrellas!

### ***The venue is Cedar Ridge Retreat and Conference Center***

The Cedar Ridge Retreat and Conference Center has proven to be a wonderful venue for us. The Work Space is spacious, the food is good and plentiful, and the staff is superb. Add to that the fact that they love us and it's a perfect match!

### **Retreat Dates and Prices:**

**2:00 PM Thursday, March 26, 2026, through Noon, Sunday, March 29, 2026**

**Online Registration Opens on January 1, 2026**

**Note: New this year! We're doing ALL Registration and Payment online. (Thank you, Dan!) Yippee!!**

Please see the Registration Form below for exact costs depending on the Option you choose.

#### **Note:**

*Last minute meals cannot be added. ALL meal choices by ALL attendees must be submitted by the **Registration Deadline of Tuesday, March 10, 2026**. This is so the Retreat facility has an accurate headcount for meals and food orders.*

### **Day Tripper**

If you have never attended a Retreat, you might be hesitant to sign up for the whole (WONDERFUL!) event. If you can't or don't want to stay overnight but want to get a taste of the fun we have, the **Day Tripper Option** is for you. We are very excited to offer this attendee category and hope it meets the needs of more of our members. And, if you 'Day Trip' for multiple days, you can leave your projects in place.

**Please Note: We must have Day Tripper meal selections (if any) by the Registration Deadline of Tuesday, March 10, 2026. NO MEALS can be added after that date.**

### **Food, Housing, and General Venue Information**

Some basic information:

**Food:** The Retreat meal folks are very accommodating for anyone with special dietary needs, within reason. Vegetarian and Vegan menus are available and are cooked and served separately. Our group is not huge so little changes have a big impact on their ability to provide them in a cost and time sensitive way. When or if in doubt, please contact me and I'll check for you. The current example menu is below for you to study.

**Housing:** Rooms are individually heated and have easy access to bathrooms with toilets, sinks, and showers. They vary in size and sleep 2 to 6 people. **Individual rooms cannot be guaranteed.** Roommate requests will be honored as closely as possible. There is one designated Accessible room but all rooms on the ground floors are not difficult to access.

Lodging includes sheets and towels. Rooms are carpeted. Bathrooms are shared but are plentiful and very clean. Accessibility (flat floors to the facilities' entrances and exits and bathrooms) for anyone who needs it is also very good.

**Venue:** This is a wonderful venue. There is space aplenty in the Main Hall for all of us with room for multiple projects. The setting is open and inviting. It's full of natural light and there is a large fireplace to gather around. Food is fresh, plentiful, and delicious. The Staff is excellent and very accommodating.

### **Location:**

Cedar Ridge Retreat & Conference Center  
18062 Keasey Road  
Vernonia, OR 97064

### **What to Do Right Now:**

Plan on attending! We need a minimum of 15 to make this a go. For those in doubt, it's simply a great weekend that is much anticipated and enjoyed. Friends are also invited, and pricing is the same. You do not need to be a PHG Member to join in on the fun!

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***Registration and Final Registration with full Payment Deadline is  
Tuesday, March 10, 2026.***

Please contact me with any questions about the Retreat.  
Looking forward to seeing you there!

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PHG Spring Retreat Information Form

**Online Registration Opens on January 10, 2026**

**All Registrations and Payments will be done online.**

**Registration Deadline: Tuesday, March 10, 2026**

**Retreat Dates: 2:30 PM Thursday, March 26, 2026 through  
Noon, Sunday, March 29, 2026**

**Call to Action!**

**Be ready to sign up on January 10, 2026.**

**2026 PHG Spring Retreat Categories and Prices\*:**

Options: Circle Selection	Retreat Option	Lodging	Meals	Totals
#1	<b>Full Retreat:</b> Thurs. Dinner – Sun. Breakfast 3 nts & 8 meals	3 nts = \$198.00	8 meals = \$171.00 Thu: D Fri: B, L, D Sat: B, L, D Sun: B	Total Due: \$369.00 Less Deposit: <u>-\$50.00</u> Balance Due March 10, 2026 \$319.00
#2	<b>Partial Retreat</b> Fri. Lunch –Sun. Breakfast 2 nts & 6 meals	2 nts = 132.00	6 meals = \$128.00 Fri: L, D Sat: B, L, D Sun: B	Total Due: \$260.00 Less Deposit: <u>-\$50.00</u> Balance Due March 10, 2026 \$210.00
#3	Friday Day Tripper (No Breakfast)	Day Use Fee*= \$15.00  * Required	Meals ( <b>Optional</b> ): Select and add: L 21.00 D <u>25.00</u> Total:	Day Use Fee: \$15.00 Total meals +\$____.00 Full Payment req'd: Total Due: \$____.00
#4	Saturday Day Tripper (No Breakfast)	Day Use Fee*= \$15.00  * Required	Meals ( <b>Optional</b> ): Select and add: L 21.00 D <u>25.00</u> Total:	Day Use Fee: \$15.00 Total meals:+\$____.00 Full Payment req'd: Total Due: \$____.00

**\*All pricing includes a gratuity for the Camp Staff.**

## **Example Menu for PHG Annual Spring Retreat 2026**

This is an **EXAMPLE** menu without special dietary considerations. It will be updated in February Newsletter.

Vegetarian and Vegan menus will be added and shared as needed.

<b>3/26/2026</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Portland Handweavers' Spring Retreat 2026</b>
	Dinner	Turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, asparagus, salad bar, strawberry shortcake
<b>3/27/2026</b>	<b>Friday</b>	
	Breakfast	Eggs, bacon, hashbrowns, yogurt bar, fresh fruit, toast bar
	Lunch	Seasonal soup, MYO sandwiches w/ asst. breads, meat & cheeses, salad bar, ice cream
	Dinner	Fettuccini alfredo, broccoli, chicken and apple sausage, salad bar, tiramisu
<b>3/28/2026</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	
	Breakfast	Pancakes, sausage, eggs, yogurt bar, toast bar, fresh fruit
	Lunch	Veggie stir-fry, Thai chicken, jasmine rice, salad bar, cookies
	Dinner	Roast beef, rosemary/garlic new potatoes, honey roasted carrots, salad bar, rolls, apple crisp
<b>3/29/2026</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	
	Breakfast	Eggs, bacon, hashbrowns, yogurt bar, fresh fruit, toast bar

## Here are a 'few' suggestions of what folks have brought in past years that have made their Retreat experience homey:

### Personal Stuff:

- Slippers or house-only shoes for in the dorms and general Kitchen area (Shoes are OK in the Project and Dining Room areas).
- A flashlight or headlamp for the walk between the dining hall and sleeping areas.
- A clamp on lamp for your room. Some folks like to read in bed and the wall switch might as well be a mile away when it comes time to turn off the overhead light.
- Chargers for your phone, iPad, Kindle, etc.
- An extension cord for said clamp on lamp and chargers.
- Alarm clock (or cell phone).
- Hair Dryer
- Personal pillow
- Medicines, prescription and OTC, vitamins, etc.
- An extra afghan or throw is nice.
- Light hiking and rain gear for the walk to the Dining Hall or around the hiking trail.
- Hat, mittens, extra socks, scarf, etc.
- House coat for those middle of the night trips down the hall...
- Pencils, pens, pad of paper, for notes, etc.
- A personal beverage glass. Wine glass for Happy Hour, covered mug for daily tea/coffee.
- An appetizer or snack to share during the 3 Happy Hours at 5:00 PM on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings.
- A beverage -- adult or otherwise -- to share during Happy Hour.

### Project Stuff

- All materials and equipment you'll need for your projects.**
  - *Ruler, tape measure, scissors, hooks, spinning wheel, spinning wheel oil, extra drive band stuff, extra fiber, cards, warp yarn, weft yarn, knitting yarn, iron, ironing board, shuttles, ball winder, niddy noddy, swift, and so on.*
- A task light with extension cord for the Work area. LED lights preferred due to reduced power consumption.
- A circuit breaker bar – there aren't many outlets in the Work area and we need to be prepared to share.
- A personal chair –or --
- A chair cushion. (The chairs and benches in the Work area can get really ... firm...)

### And, finally .....

- We have greatly improved the lighting in the Work Area. We'll have bright LED lights stationed around the room and it's great!
- Bring something for the **Sharing Table**. This is a good way to swap out some items you no longer need for something new for your stash. *These items are free to all.*
- Sales Table!** Do you have excess equipment, special yarns, etc., you'd like to sell? We'll have a space in the Work Area set aside for fiber-related equipment and materials and products that you would like to offer for sale. **Items must be**

***clearly marked with price and owner's name. All sales will be transacted privately between the interested parties and the seller.***