



February 2026 VQG Newsletter

Our next Meeting

Wednesday Feb 18, 2026 at 6pm
Sacred Heart Parish Center,
320 Fair Ave. New Philadelphia.

From the Co-Presidents' Sewing Room

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This wintery weather has been a challenge – but hopefully also an opportunity to stay indoors with extra sewing time. Our February meeting program is another great opportunity, and one we all look forward to: Tips and Techniques shared by members for members. Even the most experienced quilters among us learn something new or a new twist on something we already knew. Let's make a new year's resolution to have a fun and productive 2026!

Freda Lehman and Jane Gingrich
Co-presidents Valley Quilt Guild

Treasurer's Report, Peggy Dillon

Balance on Hand as of

Jan 31, 2026	\$4022.19
CD	\$3159.51

See attachments for full Treasurer Report

Valley Quilt Guild WEBSITE Valleyquiltguild.org

Website maintained by Vicky Holly
This private Membership gets you into the area of the website that has the newsletters, treasurer reports, by-laws and member list.

Valley Quilt Guild officers are:

CO-President – Jane Gingrich & Freda Lehman
Co-Vice President of Programs & Workshops –
Bev Peacock and Peg Fuellner
VP Membership – Vicky Holly
Secretary - Elsie Partridge
Treasurer - Peggy Dillon

What's Happening!

Bev Peacock & Peg Fuellner

Programs & Workshops

Feb 14 – workshop Quilted Jacket
Feb 18 – Meeting - Tips and Tricks
March 18 – Elizabeth Bauman will present a workshop and stick around to join us for the March meeting.

All Meetings and workshops are held at Sacred Heart Parish Center!

2026 VQG Quilt Show

October 9 and 10 are the Show Dates
October 7 is set up date
October 8 is the day we hang all quilt and all members are needed to help this day.
Sept. 1, 2026 All Quilts that will be displayed at the show need a registration form and those forms are due to Chris Clore by 9-1-26



Sunshine and Shadow

Cathy Zimmerman will send cards to members if she knows that someone needs to get a "Get Well" card or thinking of you or even a sympathy card. Call Cathy at 330-447-6391 to have the guild send its best wishes.

Community Service – Diane Kohler

Diane gave us a break over the holidays. Now it's time to work on Community Projects. Suggestion: Work 15 – 30 minutes a week on Donation items.

Please remember to bring to the meeting the items you have made either from kits that are provided or from your own stash. Also fill out the short donation form so that keeping track of donations is stream-lined.

Meeting Minutes January 21, 2026

The January 21, 2026 meeting of the Valley Quilt Guild was brought to order by Co-Pres. Jane Gingrich at 6:55pm with 20 members present, which represented a quorum. The fat quarter drawing was won by Elaine Schindler.

Chestnut Ridge Quilting Center provided the program for the evening. New services/products/classes at Chestnut Ridge were discussed.

VP-Membership Vicky Holly reported that the Guild now has 56 members. Membership information has been entered to NEORQC. Vicky is working on a "UFO" membership challenge. More details to follow.

Cinda Pottmeyer made a motion to accept Secretary Elsie Partridge's report that was posted in the newsletter without any additions or corrections. Chris Clore seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Peg Fuellner made a motion to accept Treasurer Peggy Dillon's report that was printed in the newsletter without any additions or corrections. Checkbook balance as of 12/31/25 was \$4,517.83. Balance in the CD as of 12/31/25 was \$3,148.80. Nedra Lovell seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Co-VP of Programs/Workshops Peg Fuellner reported the following VQG events:

1/24/26 – Chris Clore's layer cake quick quilt workshop

2/14/26 – Suzette from Plaid Sheep will have a workshop on making a quilted jacket.

2/18/26 – Program for the February meeting will be the annual "Tips & Techniques."

3/18/26 – Elizabeth Bauman will present a workshop and stick around to join us for the March meeting.

There are currently no "sew-in" days scheduled.

Contact Bev Peacock or Peg Fuellner with questions/comments on workshops and programs.

Publicity Co-Chair Cindy Hall stated that advertising for the '26 VQG Show has started. She encouraged everyone to get the information out on their personal social media sources.

Chris Clore stated that the newsletter will be a little delayed next month as she will be out-of-the-area.

Vicky Holly continues to administer the website, and Karen Obermiller takes care of the Guild's Facebook.

Community Projects Chair Dianne Kohler was not present for personal reasons, but several items were donated by VQG members.

Sunshine & Shadow Chair Cathy Zimmerman was not present, but a greeting card was sent to Dianne Kohler. Also, Kathy Hamilton (Sacred Heart custodian) passed recently, and a card was sent to her family.

Freda Lehman, Chair of the '26 VQG Show, has started working on the Show. The Chair positions for the Show have been filled. Thanks to all!! Freda will need help in a few areas. 1.) Overseer for raffle basket display at the Show, 2.) help with block challenge, and 3.) help with VQG member challenge. Freda plans to start monthly meetings of the various Chairs as soon as the raffle quilt is complete. It is currently at the quilter.

Freda Lehman is setting up a road trip/sewing session to one of the Snuggled in Hope facilities on March 12, 2026. Contact Freda with questions.

All committees need to submit budget request for the coming year to Treasurer Peggy Dillon before the March meeting.

Membership and a Co-Pres officer positions are up this year. Vicky Holly has agreed to stay on for another 2-year term and Co-Pres Freda Lehman has agreed to stay on for another 2-year term. We need to find someone to fill Jane Gingrich's Co-Pres term that expires in May. Anyone wanting to nominate themselves can call either Co-Pres. If no one volunteers, a nominating committee will need to be set-up.

The VQG's next meeting will be February 18, 2026 at 6:00pm at Sacred Heart.

The meeting was then
adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Maxine Elliott
Sub for Secretary

