



June 2026 VQG Newsletter

Our next Meeting

Wednesday June 17, 2026 at 6pm
Sacred Heart Parish Center,
320 Fair Ave. New Philadelphia.

From the Co-president's sewing room:

Summer is here! The next few months are a great time to get inspiration and share the joy of quilting with the wider quilting community. We are very fortunate to live in an area where there are so many ways to interact in person with others who share our enthusiasm for quilting. There are shops, shop hops, and shows and events in such great abundance that you might not be aware of them all but they are easy to find with a little effort. A good place to start is the NEORQC website

<https://www.neorqconline.org/> And be sure to plan to take advantage of the rare opportunity to see the world class exhibit of quilts at the AQS Quilt Week in Columbus in September

<https://www.americanquilter.com/quiltweek/show/columbus-2026/> See you there!

Co-Presidents Freda Lehman & Devanie Gladman

Treasurer's Report, Peggy

Dillon

Balance on Hand as of

March 31, 2026 \$7609.26

CD (Cashed IN) \$ 0.00

The CD was closed on 5-12-2026 to pay for the upcoming Quilt show expenses.

See attachments for full Treasurer Report



What's Happening!

Bev Peacock & Peg Fuellner

Programs & Workshops

June 17 at 9am to 4 pm is a "Sew In Day", you can work on Community Service Project – Peg will have kits available. Or you can work on your own quilts, get them ready for the Oct. Show.

Meeting at 6 pm

July 15 *Meeting at 6pm.* During the day you have a chance to attend the "Sew In" starting at 9am or help sell Quilt Raffle tickets. Call Bev for details.

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

Membership dues of \$25 are to be paid at the June meeting.

Cash or checks payable the **Valley Quilt Guild** will be accepted. Call Vicky if you have any questions. 240-216-5026. If unable to attend the meeting, please mail a check to:

Vicky Holly
572 Keim Dr NW
Strasburg OH 44680

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

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.

Valley Quilt Guild officers:

CO-President:

Freda Lehman & Devanie Gladman

Co-Vice Pres. of Programs & Workshops:

Bev Peacock and Peg Fuellner

VP Membership: Vicky Holly

Secretary: Elsie Partridge

Treasurer: Peggy Dillon

2026 VQG Quilt Show Update:

Planning work on the October 9 & 10, 2026 quilt show is well underway and ticket sales of the fabulous raffle quilt are going splendidly. This month the registration forms for the projects members choose to display in the show will be available so start making plans for getting those items prepared: filling out & turning in the forms; putting hanging sleeves on the bed quilts; making sure you have bags to keep your items safe and make the hanging process go smoothly. Be sure to read and follow the instructions with the registration form.

The chairs and committee members are working diligently to prepare for a great show. The current committee is as follows, thank you to everyone who has stepped up to take charge of specific areas, and when we get closer to the show date, everyone will be needed to make the show a success.

2026 Show coordinator – Freda Lehman

2028 Show coordinator – Vicky Holly

Featured quilter – Jane Gingrich

Publicity – Becky Williams & Cindy Hall

Café – Cinda Pottmeyer

Bed Turning – Jane G.

Quilt Hanging/Set up – Freda, Bev Peacock & Chris Clore

Raffle Quilt – Completed by Bev, Becky Ault & Lori Kelley

Raffle Quilt tickets & Coordinating ticket Sales – Bev,

Becky A. & Freda

Front Entry/Admissions – Bonnie Clay & Carmella Garrett

Front Entry Décor – Becky W. & Cindy H.

Demos – Jane Bennett

Vendors – Debbie Hendershot

Raffle Baskets – Freda & Devanie Gladman

Quilt registration and label signage – Chris Clore *Help

Wanted* - a volunteer is needed to step in and help with this huge job

Quilt check-in at show set-up – Becky W. & Cindy H.

Community Service Display – Diane Kohler

Membership & Website – Vicky

Program Design & Printing – Freda & Vicky

Treasurer/Money Handling – Peggy Dillon

Block Challenge: “Enchanted Forest” – Freda & Mona Fair

Guild Upcycle Challenge: Teena McCreery

Boutique – Maxine Elliott

Remembrance of recently lost members – Catherine Zimmerman *Help Wanted* - please everyone help make sure we don't miss including anyone whose memory should be honored in this way

2026 VQG Quilt Show Dates

October 7 is set up date

October 8 is the day we hang all quilt and set everything up. All members are needed to help this day.

October 9 and 10 are the Show Dates

All Quilt that will be displayed at the show need a registration form and those forms are due to Chris Clore by the Sept meeting on 9-16-26

UFO Challenge

How many Unfinished Objects do you have (UFO)?

At the February meeting we launched the UFO Challenge and revealed the gift basket prize.

List up to 10 unfinished quilting or sewing projects you want to complete during the challenge. Check them off as you finish each one!

Don't forget to post a picture of each finished project along with your list to our Facebook Group. (optional)

Rules:

1. UFO project must have started in 2025 or earlier.
2. Project must be completely finished including quilting and binding.
3. Turn in this list at the Nov 18, 2026, meeting to be entered into the drawing.
4. Each finished project will get a chance at the basket drawing.

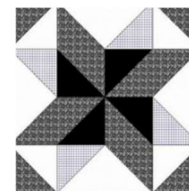
Bring your UFO Challenge paper to each meeting so we can see how you are doing. This list is attached to the Newsletter. I will have copies available at the next meeting.

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.



Meeting Minutes May 20, 2026

The business meeting of the Valley Quilt Guild was brought to order at 6:00 on May 20, 2026 by Co-President Jane Gingrich with 30 members present which represented a quorum.

Mona Fair was the winner of the fat quarter for the month.

Reminder from VP of membership, Vicky Holly that annual dues of \$25.00 are due.

The secretary's report was posted in the newsletter with no additions or corrections noted. Motion to accept was made by Devanie Gladman and second by Mona Fair. Motion was approved.

Treasurer report was printed in the newsletter with no corrections needed. Checkbook balance as of 4/30/26 was \$3116.94 and CD balance was \$3190.47. The CD was cashed in to make the new checking balance \$5656.26. Motion to accept was made by Cinda Pottmeyer and second by Sally Benkowski. Motion approved.

The budget for the 2026-2027 year was proposed and copies distributed to the membership. Discussion followed with questions being sufficiently answered and a motion to accept as presented was made by Donna Miller and seconded by Chris Clore. Motion approved.

The program for this meeting was presented by Wendy Lab from Material Girl in Bolivar, Ohio. She talked about long-arming and the grooved boards that she has to assist with patterns on the long-arm quilting. Multiple samples were presented for examples.

There is no workshop for June but there will be a sew-in on June 17th from 9-4 prior to the next meeting so bring your projects and get your quilts going for the quilt show or you can work on charity projects or maybe those UFOs its a great time to get to know your fellow members or just socialize. Workshop for July TBD, stay tuned.

Please continue to get newsletter items to Chris Clore by the 1st of each month. Contact Karen Obermiller regarding Facebook items and Vicky Holly on the website.

Community Projects Chair Dianne Kohler reported 16 blankets were donated to Akron Children's Hospital and 35 walker bags were donated to Hennis Care Center.

REMINDER: if you have QOV for veterans please notify Diane so that she can arrange for you to get them to a veteran in need.

Sunshine & Shadow had no report.

Quilt show report by Freda Lehman - the venue is set. Jane Gingrich will be the featured quilter this year.

Jane will also be heading the bed turning which will feature Christmas or winter quilts.

Chairs for all committees of the quilt show are set:

Chair: Freda Lehman

Coordinator: Vicky Holly

Publicity: Becky Williams & Cindy Hall

Cafe: Cinda Pottmeyer

Bed turning: Jane Gingrich

Quilt hanging: Fred, Bev and Chris Clore

Raffle quilt: Bev Peacock, Becky Ault and quilted by Lori Kelly

Raffle tickets: Bev Peacock and Becky Ault

Front entry: Bonny Clay and Canella Garrett

Demos: Jane Bennett

Vendors: Debbie Hendershot

Raffle Baskets: Freda Lahman

Quilt signage/registration: Chris Clore, Cindy Hall and Becky Williams

Community Service display: Diane Kohler

Membership & website: Vicky Holly

Program design and printing: Freda and Vicky

Treasurer/money handling: Peggy Dillon

Boutique: Maxine Elliott

Upcycle Challenge: Tina McCreery

Old business - Devanie Gladman was nominated for co-president for the upcoming term. With no other nominations, vote was held and she was approved. Congratulations Devanie.

Art in the Alley report by Freda: sales improved with each time we participated and because we provided an opportunity for children, our fee to participate is waved.

Raffle tickets for the quilt are now available for sale and were sold at the VFW on May 3rd for a total of \$317.00. Future ticket sales planned for May 23rd at Buehlers in Dover and again at Buehlers in New Philadelphia for September 5th.

In July we have been invited to sell tickets and display the quilt at Harley Davidson Cycle during their rally. Please see Bev Peacock and sign up to help with ticket sales.

New business - The executive board will meet to merge the new and previous members to pass the torch. Freda will coordinate the meeting and notify those involved.

With no further business, the meeting was then adjourned at 8:00 pm.

The next meeting will be held June 17, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

REMINDER: please remember to bring in any donations you have for raffle baskets, boutique for the quilt show and batting scraps and completed donation projects.

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie M. Partridge
Secretary

Quilt Show 2026

Registration Form Instructions.

ALL SUBMISSIONS MUST BE TURNED IN NO LATER THAN Sept. 16, 2026

1. All forms must be to Chris Clore on or before September 2026 Meeting, 9-16-2026.
2. Make a copy of the form and place copy into the bag with the quilt for easy identification at quilt check in on Oct 8. **See comment under #7.*
3. All forms from one quilter must be submitted at one time.
4. You may submit a form for a quilt not yet finished in the hopes that it will be done before the show and then displayed. We can pull it if it doesn't get done, it's harder to add one.
5. At present, we are not limiting the number of quilts one quilter submits, but you must rank all your quilt: #1 being the one that you really want hung, #8 less important to display.
6. All forms submitted must look like the original form created by Chris. Sometimes computer will reformat forms and then it is very difficult to find all the information. It needs to be one sided.
7. Pictures for the form need not be high quality photographs, but should be clear and in color. I open a word document, create 2 columns and minimal margins. Then open my Picture app. Copy and paste individual pictures onto the word document, adjusting the size so I can get 6 – 10 pictures on one sheet of a paper. Cut pictures apart and staple or tape onto the registration sheet. Then I make a copy of the form to keep in the bag with the quilt. **See number 2.*

Form is attached to Newsletter