



March 2024 VQG Newsletter

Our next Meeting

Wednesday March 20, 2024, at 6pm

Sacred Heart Parish Center,
320 Fair Ave. New Philadelphia.

Meeting at 6pm, doors open at 5:30pm.

President's Sewing Room

We had a great meeting in February. I'm sorry if you missed it. Our speaker, Elaine, was amazing and she is doing a workshop on April 6th on Landscape Quilts.

This year our "Tips and Techniques" night is at our March meeting. Always a fun and informative meeting. Don't miss it.

We had several new members and guests at the Feb. Meeting. We welcome you all.

Chris Clore, president

Treasurer's Report, Peggy Dillon

Balance on Hand as of

Feb 29, 2024: \$2527.68 checking
 \$2068.35 CD

Attached to this email is the bank statement and full treasurer report.

Membership by Becky Ault

Wow!!! 7 new members and guests were at our Feb Meeting. Welcome all.

Valley Quilt Guild WEBSITE

<https://www.valleyquiltguild.org/>

Website maintained by Vicky Holly

Sunshine and Shadow,

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

Community Service – Cindy Bracken

When you bring in items for the guild to donate, please remember to fill out donation slip and give to Cindy. This allows for better bookkeeping for our 501c3

What's Happening!

by Karen Obermiller

Programs

March Meeting will be our Tips & Techniques Meeting. Please contact Karen if you would like to be a presenter for Tips and techniques.

April Meeting, Brian McCoy of Bolts and Quarters will be doing a trunk show.

Workshops

On April 6, Elaine Mitchell will be teaching a Landscape workshop. Signups with Karen have already started.

July 20 will be a workshop taught by Brian Mccoy. It will be one of the patterns he has designed.

2024 Quilt Show Info by Bev Peacock

1. **Challenge:** ALL members to make a placemat for Mobile Meals to be displayed at the show and then donated. This will showcase everyone's talents without requiring a lot of material.

2. **Complete:** Encourage ALL members to be getting their projects completed and hanging sleeve on EARLY to reduce stress in September and take the picture, attach it to the quilt registration form with a good story of why this project was made and GET IT TO CHRIS CLORE. *Sept 1, is the deadline*, this is early due to several things on Chris Clore's calendar.

3. **Volunteer:** Every member needs to volunteer in some way for this quilt show to happen with great results. It is not a small task. BE INVOLVED in the guild, not just a member.

4. **Raffle Quilt:** Please take quilt raffle tickets and sell them to family, friends and even strangers. See Peggy Dillon. This is a big part of our profits for the show.

Important Guild -Elections

Thank you, Bev Peacock for volunteering to take on the Nominating Committee for our upcoming election. This committee is responsible for contacting the guild members to find members willing to take an office.

This year, we are to elect a new president and vice president of membership. Terms of office are two years and the maximum number of terms is two. Just FYI if we have someone who volunteers to take an office, we do not look for an opponent just so we can have a vote.

Vicky Holly has agreed to take on the VP of Membership. Thank you Vicky.

Please call Bev if interested in filling the office of presidency.

February 2024 Minutes

The February 21, 2024, meeting of the Valley Quilt Guild was called to order at 6 pm by Pres. Chris Clore with 30 members, 3 new members and 4 guests, which represented a quorum. Devanie Gladman was the winner of the Fat Quarter drawing.

Karen Obermiller introduced our speaker, Elaine Mitchell. Elaine started with a trunk show of her Landscape quilts and ended with a demo on how to start a landscape quilt and adding shading and details. Elaine gave credit to Karen Eckmeier, author and youtube teacher, as her inspiration. After the presentation there was a short break during which members signed up for the April 6th workshop that Elaine is teaching.

Karen went on to talk about the March Tips and Techniques meeting. She is still looking for a few members to teach a station. She also hinted that the April program will be Brian McCoy of the "Red Neck Quilter Shop" from West Virginia and he will be teaching a workshop in July.

Karen reported that our VQG Facebook page has over 100 members. She asked members who did the Dec. and Jan. workshops to share their creations all at the same time. Sarah Grafton also shared a Quilts of Valor project.

Chris got back on track with the agenda. Starting with a few Newsletter questions where the correct answerer received a small gift. Because the minutes from November were not in the most recent newsletter, we did not vote to approve them, but there were no comments or corrections either.

Officers of VQG were introduced to the membership.

Becky Ault, VP of membership, welcomed and introduced new members and guests. And proposed that we continue to be members of NEORQC, Northeast Ohio Regional Quilt Council. After a discussion, Bev Peacock moved and Jane Gingrich 2nd the motion for our guild to continue membership in NEORQC. Motion was approved.

The treasurer's report shows a balance of \$3,204.68 as printed in the newsletter. The CD that started with \$2,000 will mature in June and has earned \$59.63 to date. The treasurer's report was approved by members. Peggy Dillon, treasurer

has asked officers and committee chairs to prepare their budget requests and get them to her so she can prepare a full budget proposal for the guild this spring.

Community projects were accepted by Alta Marshall as Cindy Bracken was unable to attend the meeting. Alta kept track of all donations. Sally Benkowski reported that at this time we do not need more placemats and she read several thank you cards from those who recently were given a placemat.

Cathy Zimmerman, Sunshine & Shadow Chair, advised that she sent a card to Becky Valentine, Jane Bennett and Maxine.

The quilt show report was given by Bev Peacock. Everyone is asked/challenged to make a 13x18" placemat that will be displayed at the show and then donated to Mobile Meals. Remember no buttons or seasonal fabrics. Show dates are Oct 11 from 10-5 and Oct 12 from 10-3. Set up day is Oct 10th with a free lunch for all volunteers. Please mark your calendars. Vintage quilts are needed for Bed Turning, please quilts must be clean, no smells or pet hair. Boutique items are needed. Quilts displayed at the show are not judged and there is no fee to enter them. We do hope that all members will display at least one: bed quilt, wall-hanging, table topper, etc. Cinda Pottmeyer is our featured quilter.

2024 Elections are in the spring. Chris asked for volunteers for each office that will have a vacancy, VP of Membership and President. Vicky Holly volunteered to take on Membership. As no one came forward for Presidency, a volunteer for the nominating committee was requested. Bev Peacock is the nominating committee. She will be contacting members to discuss who might be our next president. Please note, Bev is unable to be president as she is our Show Chairman.

Our next meeting is March 20th at 6 pm in the Sacred Heart Parish Center

The meeting was adjourned at 7:46, followed by Show n Tell.

Thank you to Deb Adams for taking the minutes.

Classified:

Do you have something you'd like to advertise?
Postings will appear in two issues of the newsletter.