



February 2025 VQG Newsletter

Our next Meeting

Wednesday February 19th 2025 at 6pm
Sacred Heart Parish Center,
320 Fair Ave. New Philadelphia.

Co-President's Sewing Room

We've just turned the calendar page on this cold and snowy winter – we will soon start noticing the days getting a bit longer but the weather may continue to keep us inside, in our sewing rooms, where luckily, we quilters like to be anyway!

We also love to gather with other quilters so our upcoming meeting on Wed. February 19 will be a great antidote to any wintertime cabin fever we may be enduring. Our planned program: Trunk Show by Deb Strain, Moda fabric designer, is sure to keep us inspired. After her presentation, we will have a full agenda of business to cover, looking forward to the upcoming year. At the top of our list of business to accomplish in the next few months are the big three: Elections, By-Law Revision, and Budget. This February meeting will kick off the work of the two committees tasked with officer nominations and the updating of our guild by-laws. All officers and committees will need to work on their budget proposals, which will be due in March. April will bring showers of discussion about our guild budget, filling officer positions, and updating our by-laws. May will end our fiscal year and finalize the business of the big three.

May will also bring the flowering of an event new to the guild: having a booth at Art in the Alley, a topic also on February's meeting agenda. See you the 19th – we are all looking forward to quilting together on a great year!

Co-Presidents Freda Lehman and Jane Gingrich

Treasurer's Report, Peggy Dillon

Balance on Hand as of

Jan 31, 2025	\$5559.21
CD	\$3029.84

See attachments for full Treasurer Report

What's Happening! Karen Obermiller Programs & Workshops

February 8, Suzette Miller of Plaid Sheep, needle punch a lamb workshop

February 19, Meeting speaker is Deb Strain, Moda fabric designer, trunk show

March 19, Stephanie Feador of Stephanie Stitches, pattern designer

Workshop "Bloom & Grow quilt Meeting and trunk show

April 16, Quick Quilt for our Tips and techniques night.

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

Membership by Vicki Holly

New Members are welcome, invite a quilting friend to come to a meeting.

Valley Quilt Guild WEBSITE

Website maintained by Vicky Holly

New Website is here.

Valleyquiltguild.org

All members should have received an email to join and become members of the website. This private Membership gets you into the area of the website that has the newsletters, treasurer reports, by-laws and member list.

Remember to check out the VQG Website and Facebook for information and updates between the meetings.

Sunshine and Shadow

Kathy 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 Kathy at 330-447-6391 to have the guild send its best wishes.

Community Service – Diane Kohler

Recent donation to Union Hospital was 62 bibs, 62 crochet hats, and 3 blankets. Kits are available at the meetings for I-Spy quilts and more. Diane recently came into a ton of denim and has asked members to cut them into squares for a "to be determined" project.

January 2025 Minutes

The January 15, 2025 meeting of the Valley Quilt Guild was brought to order at 6:00pm by Co-President Jane Gingrich with 21 members and 2 guests present. Nedra Lovell was winner of the fat quarter drawing.

Deb Shaw of the Coshocton Canal Quilters presented a trunk show of her many unique quilts as the program for the evening.

VP of Membership Vicky Holly advised that the membership with NEORQC is up for renewal. Members discussed the advantages/disadvantages of continuing the membership. Jane Bennett made a motion to renew the membership and Devanie Gladman seconded the motion. Motion passed by members.

Chris Clore made a motion to approve the Secretary's report with no additions/corrections. Mary Rinella seconded the motion. Motion was approved by members.

Becky Ault made a motion to approve the Treasurer's report with no corrections. Checking balance as of 11/30/24 was \$5,663.86. Checking balance as of 12/31/24 was \$5,663.86. The VQG CD balance is \$3,018.92. The motion was seconded by Devanie Gladman. Motion approved by members.

VP of Programs/Workshops Karen Obermiller reported the following upcoming Guild events:

1/25/25 – Lori Kelley's Chandelier class

2/8/25 – Suzette Miller's (Plaid Sheep)

needle punch a lamb workshop

2/19/25 – Deb Strain, Moda fabric designer,

will present a trunk show for our meeting program

3/19/25 – Stephanie Feador (Stephanie

Stitches) will have a day-time class on her "Bloom & Grow" quilt. She'll then stick around town to present a trunk show for our meeting program.

4/16/25 – Quick Quilts for our annual tips & techniques night

Get all articles for the newsletter to Chris Clore by the first of each month.

Dianne Kohler, Chair of Community Projects, stated that 62 bibs, 62 hats, and 3 blankets have been distributed to area agencies. She's also working on denim Valentine projects for women at the shelters to give to their kids for Valentine's Day. Contact Dianne with questions.

Sunshine & Shadows Chair Cathy Zimmerman sent a card to Becky Valentine.

Vicky Holly advised that the new "GoDaddy" website is up and running. Each Guild member should receive an email with information on it. Contact Vicky with inquiries. Thanks Vicky, for all the time to get this working.

The Guild will have two (2) officer positions (VP of Programs/Workshops and Secretary) to fill this year. Please advise Freda Lehman and/or Jane Gingrich if you are interested in filling either position. Also, the By-laws need to be updated. Please review before our next meeting and bring any recommendations to the meeting with you.

The long arm machine is currently not working. The machine won't be serviced until February. Contact Freda Lehman regarding use of the long armer.

The next meeting will be 2/19/25 at 6PM at Sacred Heart Parish.

Maxine Elliott, Secretary

