



## March 2026 VQG Newsletter

### Our next Meeting

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

### From the Co-Presidents' Sewing Room

#### March 2026 Newsletter

The Raffle Quilt for our 2026 Quilt Show will be shown at our March 18<sup>th</sup> 6PM meeting. It is a beauty, so you will not want to miss the unveiling. Special thanks to Bev Peacock for designing and piecing the Quilt with assistance from Becky Ault. The quilting was beautifully completed by Lori Kelley. Our tips and techniques February meeting was a success and we are looking forward to our March workshop and guild program with Elizabeth Bauman. Oh, and let's not forget to get busy on the UFO challenge introduced by Vicky Holly at our last meeting. Details to follow.

Happy sewing,

**Freda Lehman and Jane Gingrich**

Co-presidents Valley Quilt Guild

### Treasurer's Report, *Peggy Dillon*

Balance on Hand as of

Feb 28, 2026      \$4156.19

CD                      \$3169.22

*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.

## What's Happening!

*Bev Peacock & Peg Fuellner*

### Programs & Workshops

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 Quilt that will be displayed at the show need a registration form and those forms are due to Chris Clore by 9-1-26

### Quilt Show 2026 Info

#### by Freda Lehman, chair

The show committee met at the New Philadelphia library on Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> to officially kick off the planning for the show in October. The event will involve lots of preparation over the next several months but a few sub-committee chairs will be going into action right now. Those tasks, and the decisions involved in carrying them out, mostly in the areas of: Vendors; Publicity; Raffle Quilt ticket sales and Venue, will be reported on at the March 18 guild meeting. Every member of the guild will have responsibilities to make the show a success so mark your calendars now with the dates of Wednesday through Saturday, October 7-10, 2026. The event opens to the public at 10am on Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> but lots of work will be done by everyone on the Wed. & Thurs. to make that happen. Let's all bring a positive attitude to the process and enjoy not only seeing our beautiful creations on display, but appreciate and participate in everything leading up to the show.

## **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)

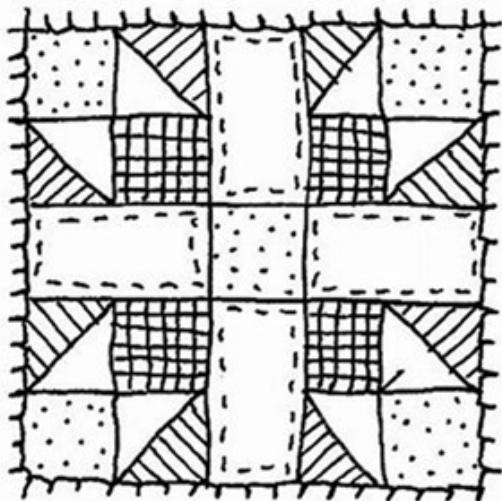
Rules: UFO project must have started in 2025 or earlier.

Project must be completely finished including quilting and binding.

Turn in this list at the Nov 18, 2026, meeting to be entered into the drawing.

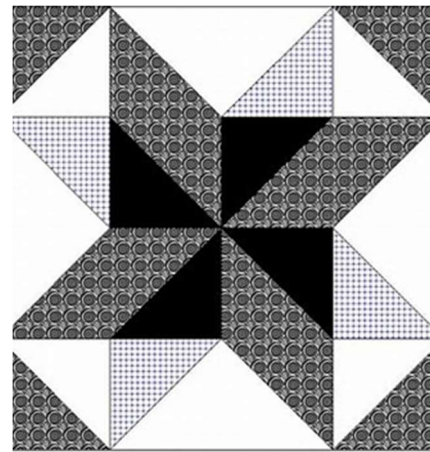
Each finished project will get a chance at the basket drawing.

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.



## **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 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

## Meeting Minutes February 18, 2026

The business meeting of the Valley Quilt Guild was brought to order at 6:00 on February 18, 2026 by Co-President Freda Lehman with 29 members present which represented a quorum.

Lori Kelley was the winner of the fat quarter for the month.

Reminder from VP of membership, Vicky Holly that annual dues of \$25.00 will be due in May.

Secretary's report was submitted by Maxine Elliott was posted in the newsletter with no additions or corrections noted. Motion to accept was made by Beverly Peacock and second by Chris Clore. Motion was approved.

Treasurer report was printed in the newsletter with no corrections needed. Checkbook balance as of 1/31/26 was \$4022.19 and CD balance was \$3159.51. Motion to accept by Jane Gingrich and second by Devanie Gladman. Motion approved.

Treasurer Peggy Dillon reminds anyone needing budgets for the upcoming period that they are needed as soon as possible and must be in before the March meeting.

Co-VPs of Programs and Workshops Bev Peacock and Peg Fuller announced the program for March 18th will be presented by Elizabeth Bauman from 9am-4pm at Sacred Heart Parish Hall. She will have her trunk show at the monthly meeting that evening.

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 a total of 1755 donations were received during the calendar year 2025. Please continue to bring in your donations to the monthly meetings. Items to donate to Snuggle in Hope are quilts, quilt tops, and pillow cases. For Birthright, burp pads and baby quilts. For Union Hospital and Children's Hospital, baby quilts. For Veterans, quilts. Deb Adams presented the need for Akron Children's Hospital of baby quilts for their neonatal unit. Those can be cotton or flannel and should measure around 3-4 ft square.

Sunshine & Shadow chair Cathy Zimmerman sent 3 cards this past month.

Quilt show report by Freda Lehman - a meeting will be held within the next week for the committee. The raffle quilt will be displayed at the March meeting and possibly tickets to be sold.

More information about the quilt show will be forthcoming.

Old business - Freda Lehman is possible going to the Snuggle & Hope event. If interested please contact Freda for carpooling.

New business - Jane Gingrich, Beverly Peacock and Freda Lehman will be doing an outreach of quilts at the Park Village Nursing Home in conjunction with the Library Outreach program.

We have two positions due this year to be filled for officers. Vicky Holly has agreed to an additional 2 year term as membership. Freda Lehman has agreed to a second 2 year term as co-president. A second person is needed to complete the second half of the co-president position. Cinda Pottmeyer will chair a committee to find possible person(s) to fill that position.

With no further business, the meeting was then adjourned at 6:40 pm.

Tips and Tricks by Chris Clore, Peg Fuller, Mary Rinella, Lori Kelley and Bev Peacock followed the meeting and then Show and Tell by members.

The next meeting will be held March 18, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully  
submitted,

Elsie M. Partridge  
Secretary

