



April 2026 VQG Newsletter

Our next Meeting

Wednesday April 15, 2026 at 6pm
Sacred Heart Parish Center,
320 Fair Ave. New Philadelphia.

From the Co-Presidents' Sewing Room

Co-President message for April 2020 newsletter:

Spring is welcome but.... With the change to milder weather (some days!), the season brings more busy days to our schedule so it becomes harder to carve out time to spend on our sewing and quilting. Come and sew at the next "Sew-In" Saturday, April 25 from 9-3, a guaranteed time to spend together sewing. Spring is a busy time for guild business too: April's meeting must include presenting the proposed 2026-2027 budget to the membership so that it can be discussed and ready to approve in May. The May meeting will also be our election day for any new officers and is the annual dues deadline. Between the April and May guild meetings – be sure to schedule time to participate in our third time at Art on the Alley, on Sunday, May 3rd 11am to 4pm – hopefully the weather that day will be Spring at its best!

Freda Lehman and Jane Gingrich

Co-presidents Valley Quilt Guild

Treasurer's Report, *Peggy Dillon*

Balance on Hand as of

March 31, 2026 \$3205.19

CD \$3180.00

See attachments for full Treasurer Report

What's Happening!

Bev Peacock & Peg Fuellner

Programs & Workshops

April 15 meeting: Connie Miller from the Tuscarawas County Stitchers is our April speaker. She will talk about the charity sewing the group does at the Senior Center for 3rd world countries.

April 25, Saturday, Is our Charity "Sew in Day." We are going a sew in for charity projects. Bring your own project or do one of the projects provided. Any questions? Please text, call or email. This is a wonderful chance to help charities but also to relax and socialize. You might also learn a trick or two for other members.

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

Art on the Alley – Sunday May 3rd

This year the guild will again have a booth at The Art in the Alley. Part of the booth is a boutique where we sell our "quilted" plus items. Maxine Elliot is the chair for the boutique and is asking members to contribute items. All proceeds will go back to the guild; there will not be individual "member/vendors" sales. Items are to be turned in at the April 15th meeting.

Valley Quilt Guild officers:

Co-President:

Jane Gingrich & Freda Lehman

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 Dates

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

The chairs and committee members are working diligently to prepare for a great show on October 9 & 10. The current committee is as follows *And there are some specific jobs still needing volunteers, please consider stepping up to fill these roles.

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 *Help Wanted*
Membership & Website – Vicky
Program Design & Printing – Freda & Vicky
Treasurer/Money Handling – Peggy Dillon
Block & Guild Challenges – Freda *Help Wanted* - with these, especially at the show/set-up
Boutique – Maxine Elliott
Remembrance of recently lost members – Catherine Zimmerman *Help Wanted*

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 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 March 18, 2026

The business meeting of the Valley Quilt Guild was brought to order on March 18, 2026 by Co-President Jane Gingrich with 32 members and 1 guest present which represented a quorum.

Peggy Dillon 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. DUES for membership to NEORQC have been paid and cards distributed to all attending this evening. For all not in attendance please contact Vickie Holly for your card.

Secretary's report was submitted by Elsie Partridge was posted in the newsletter with no additions or corrections noted. Motion to accept was made by Freda Lehman and second by Nedra Lovell. Motion was approved.

Treasurer report was printed in the newsletter with no corrections needed. Checkbook balance as of 2/28/26 was \$ 4156.19 and CD balance was \$3169.22. Motion to accept by Lori Kelley and second by Cathy Zimmerman. Motion approved.

Treasurer Peggy Dillon reminds those who have not submitted their budgets for the year that they are due ASAP.

Co-VPs of Programs and Workshops Bev Peacock and Peg Fuellner:

The workshop today was presented by Elizabeth Bauman, was well attended and the blocks made by the attendees were beautiful! Elizabeth presented her trunk show prior to the meeting this evening and was well received by all membership.

It was announced that the next charity sew-in will take place April 25, 2026 from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm.

Next month's meeting program will be presented by Tuscarawas County Stitchers' Connie Miller.

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 that there were 13 finished blankets, 2 tops and 37 pillow cases submitted for Snuggle for Hope. 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. Akron Children's Hospital premie blankets can be cotton or flannel and should measure around 3-4 ft square.

Sunshine & Shadow chair Cathy Zimmerman said she was not notified of anyone in need of cards this past month.

Quilt show report by Freda Lehman - The raffle quilt was displayed at the meeting and it is beautiful! Tickets for the raffle are being printed by Buckeye Career Center and should be available soon. Layout for the show will be altered for better flow with vendors in the area previously utilized for the boutique and boutique moved to the classroom. The theme for the bed turning for this year will be Christmas Quilts and should be bed size. Freda will put donations together for baskets.

Old business - Devanie Gladman has volunteered to co-president with Freda Lehman for the next two years term. Voting to be held at the May meeting.

New business - Freda Lehman and Peg Fuellner attended the NEORQC meeting and reported it was very informative. The next meeting of NEORQC will be held in Canton, Ohio in June. They encourage members to attend.

Art in the Alley will be May 3rd. Remember to sign up to assist with set-up, tear down, crafts and manning the booth.

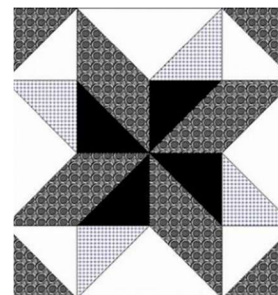
Show and tell followed the meeting.

Next meeting will be April 15, 2026 at the Sacred Heart Parish Center at 6:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49

Respectfully submitted,

Elsie M. Partridge
Secretary



Valley Quilt Guild

UFO Challenge

Name: _____

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#	Unfinished Project	Finished
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