



April 16, 2025 VQG Newsletter

Our next Meeting

Wednesday April 16th 2025 at 6pm
Sacred Heart Parish Center,
320 Fair Ave. New Philadelphia.

From the Co-Presidents' Sewing Room

April 2025 Newsletter

Spring is here! What a beautiful – and busy, time of year. Our April meeting program will focus on timesaving “Quick Quilts” presented by some of our members. We are also having one of our “Sew-ins” during the day before the meeting. Bring your sewing machine, basic sewing supplies and a bag lunch and join in on this fun and stress-free time to sew. You can bring your own project to work on and/or help with various community service projects and final preparations for the make-and-take craft that our guild will provide at our booth at Art on the Alley. Whatever you choose to work on, it is a great opportunity for our members, old and new, to socialize, learn about quilting and each other. A great turnout at the Sew-in, April 16, 9am to 5pm (even if you can only come for part of that time, please join us) would be an excellent way to spring into the season.

Co-Presidents:

Freda Lehman and Jane Gingrich

Treasurer's Report, Peggy Dillon

Balance on Hand as of

March 31, 2025 \$4640.46

CD \$3050.72

See attachments for full Treasurer Report

What's Happening! Karen Obermiller Programs & Workshops

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

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

Art in the Alley, New Philadelphia

The event is in downtown New Philadelphia on Sunday May 4th. The Art on the Alley Committee have worked hard to get ready to this special event. Freda is spearheading this with the multiple missions:

- Boutique Sales of items members have made,
- Make & Take activity for kids,
- display small quilts
- information about the guild.

2025 Election Update

This year according to our bylaws, the offices of Vice President of Programs and Workshops, Secretary and Treasurer are open for election. Treasurer, Peggy Dillon has agreed to take another term. . Elsie Partridge has accepted the nomination for Secretary. For the office of Vice President of Programs and Workshops, Bev Peacock and Peg Fuellner have agreed to take this office on as co-VPs.

Bylaw revision Committee.

Cinda Pottmeyer and Sally Benkowski have agreed to revise the bylaws and make changes according to suggestion from members and changes that have slowly happened in the guild. This update will be voted on in May. And published with the newsletter as soon as available.

Placements are needed Again

Sally Benkowski has spoken to Kim at Mobile Meals. She said they have 99 clients and would like to give each one a placemat for Easter. This will pretty much wipe out the supply that we have. Please everyone, make a placement or two. They are easy, you could use an orphan block to start it. Suggested size for a placemat is 13x18". Pattern ideas are on our website.

Membership by Vicki Holly

Welcome to returning member Beth Showers, New Members are welcome, invite a quilting friend to come to a meeting.

Valley Quilt Guild WEBSITE

Website maintained by Vicky Holly

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

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.

PROPOSED BUDGET 2025 - 2026

<i>Community service</i>	\$ 125.00
<i>E - Z Stor</i>	\$ 660.00
<i>Insurance</i>	\$ 300.00
<i>Longarm</i>	\$ 200.00
<i>NEOROQ</i>	\$ 65.00
<i>Folders</i>	\$ 25.00
<i>Copy Paper</i>	\$ 7.00
<i>Badge Holders</i>	\$ 20.00
<i>Speakers</i>	\$1,450.00
<i>Workshops</i>	\$1,450.00
<i>Raffle Quilt</i>	\$ 500.00
<i>UCC Rent</i>	\$ 300.00
<i>Sacred Heart Rent</i>	\$ 550.00
<i>Sunshine & Shadow</i>	\$ 20.00
<i>Website</i>	\$ 219.04
<i>Advertising</i>	\$ 100.00
<i>Office Supplies</i>	\$ 18.00
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	\$6,009.04

ESTIMATED INCOME 2025 - 2026

<i>Checkbook Balance</i>	\$4,640.46
<i>Membership dues (Est.)</i>	\$1,500.00
<i>Interest from CD (Est.)</i>	\$ 100.00
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<i>Estimated Surplus</i>	\$ 231.42

March 2025 Minutes

The March 19, 2025 meeting of the Valley Quilt Guild was brought to order at 6:00pm by Co-President Jane Gingrich with 33 present including 1 new member and 1 guest, which represented a quorum. Teresa Kolcow was the fat quarter winner.

VP-Programs/Workshops Karen Obermiller introduced Stephanie Feador of "Stephanie Stitches" out of Lorain, OH who presented a trunk show including quilt patterns that she has designed. Stephanie also has a YouTube site.

VP-Membership Vicky Holly advised that several individuals have not picked up their new NEORQC cards.

Chris Clore made a motion to accept the Secretary's report that was printed in the newsletter with no additions or corrections. Deb Adams seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Nedra Lovell made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report that was included with the newsletter. Checking account balance as of 2/28/25 was \$5,118.21 and the CD balance was \$3,039.73. Cathy Zimmerman seconded the motion. Motion was approved by members.

VP-Programs/Workshops Karen Obermiller noted the following upcoming events for VQG:

- 4/16/25 - Sew-in from 9am – 3pm. Work on community projects, "Art On The Alley" projects
- 4/16/25 – Regular meeting will be "Quick Quilts" for our tips & techniques night
- 5/21/25 – Mug rug exchange. Bring a mug rug, take a mug rug.
- 6/18/25 – Suzette Miller from Plaid Sheep will be our guest

Publicity Chairs Becky Williams and Cindy Hall had nothing to report.

Please get items for the newsletter to Chris Clore by the 1st of each month.

Community Projects Chair Dianne Kohler reported that 135 walker bags, 9 dog/cat beds, as well as pillowcases and quilts for Snuggled-In-Hope have been donated.

Nominating Committee of Chris Clore and Bev Peacock submitted names for new officers to be voted on at the May meeting. Co- VP-Programs/Workshops nominees are Peg Fuellner and Bev Peacock. Elsie Partridge has agreed to be the new Secretary.

Cinda Pottmeyer and Sally Benkowski have been working on reviewing VQG's constitution/by-laws. Cinda stated that incidental changes are suggested. Biggest recommendations are to make all offices a two- person position, if necessary, delete hospitality segment, and update Facebook page. Changes to be discussed and voted on at the May meeting.

Freda Lehman has organized a committee for "Art On The Alley" for May 4, 2025. Freda handed out registration sheets for "small" projects to be displayed by Guild members. Limited space will be available to display projects. Any submitted and not used in May's "Art On the Alley" will get first preference for the October "Art On The Alley". Also, we will be having a boutique area for selling VQG donated items. Again, there will be limited space so for this presentation, we will not be selling vendor items. All items in the boutique will be donated to the Guild with the Guild retaining 100% of the profits. When October comes, we will revisit possibly having the vendors. Display items and boutique items should be turned in at the April meeting. Volunteers are needed for helping at the boutique, publicity table, and crafts table with the kids.

The next meeting will be April 16, 2025 at Sacred Heart Parish at 6pm. We will be going over by-law changes, electing new officers, and presenting budget for next fiscal year.

Maxine Elliott, Secretary