

October 2025 Patchword – LVQG Newsletter

Maybe Fall this week? 🍁🌸😊🌻🐛

The weather has felt more like August minus the humidity but the brisk days are ahead and possibly a bit more sewing time.

Membership Renewal

The purpose of a quilting guild is to foster a community for quilters, promote the art and tradition of quilting, and facilitate learning and skill development through meetings, workshops, and charity work. The Lodi Valley Quilters Guild represents these goals. November is our last in-person meeting until March 2nd of 2026. You need to be a member of the guild to receive the Zoom link for the December (25), January (26) and February (26) meetings. Please renew now to support the Lodi Valley Quilters Guild. Forms available on the website and at the meetings.

2025/2026 President's UFO Challenge

Last Chance to Sign-up for the President's Challenge

This year's President Challenge will be the same challenge as last year. Many members approached me and said they loved the UFO challenge from last year so I have decided to do it again! Dig out those UFO projects and choose one or two to bring to the October or November guild meeting to share with us and sign up for a chance to win a prize in March 2026.

Here's how it works:

1. You can bring a pattern, fabric, or a project that has been started.
2. Sign up at the October 6th or November 6th meeting by describing and naming the project.
3. Maximum of 2 projects can be entered.
4. Bring and share your finished project(s) at the March 2, 2026 Guild meeting to be entered into the drawing for prizes.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself or any of the Board with questions. See you at the September 8th meeting!

Natalie Megow

President

UpNorth Retreat – October 13–16

Last chance to sign-up for the guild retreat Our UpNorth Retreat located at Camp Wapogasset in Amery, WI is set for October 13–16. We already have 22 women signed up—with room for 10 more. The cost is \$174, which includes a large room (up to 4 per room, with private bath and shower) plus meals: Monday dinner, Tuesday & Wednesday brunch and dinner, and Thursday brunch.

Sign up at the October 6th meeting or mail a check (made out to *LVQG*) to:

Nancy Betzold

E13530 Tower Rd.

Baraboo, WI 53913

Come ready to create a masterpiece, finish those UFOs, and enjoy some fall color. Of course there will be door prizes and a challenge block or two!

Programs 2025/26

October 6th, 2025

Mary Fisher, is professional organizer, from Waunakee, WI, will use her expertise to help us organize our quilting studios, rooms, and/or spaces. Mary's business, Sort N' Release Organizing, LLC, specializes in organization techniques. No matter if you have a quilt studio or sew on the dining room table, Mary's tips will help to make better use of your sewing space.

November 3, 2025

Elizabeth Tucker, Executive Director from the Textiles Arts Center (TAC) of Madison.

The center is a hub for the fiber arts community, offering classes and workshops, exhibitions and events, and access to supplies for makers and enthusiasts of all ages and backgrounds.

December 1st, 2025 - Zoom

Sheri Cifaldi-Morril of Whole Circle Studio

wholecirclestudio.com

Content, Concepts & Quilts: Approaching Quilting as a Graphic Designer

"I'm an artist who blends principles of graphic design and quilting techniques to create work that can be decorative, functional, or both. My work blurs the divisions between art, design, and craft. In other words, I make quilts that are art".

January 5th, 2026 - Zoom TBD

February 2nd, 2026 - Zoom

Patricia Belyea (speaker)

"Indigo Adventures in Japan"

Meet Okan Arts' co-owners Patricia Belyea and Victoria Stone (mother/daughter duo) are co-owners of Okan Art. Mesmerized by the beauty of Japanese textiles, they are makers of creative quilts, teachers, and speakers. Their West Coast business imports vintage textiles from Japan, runs quilting workshops, and leads tours of Japan.

Hearts and Hands- Donations for August 2025

20 quilts to Sauk EMs

10 quilts to Reach Out Lodi

10 Quilts to Sleep in Heavenly Peace

10 Quilts to Prairie Ridge Food Pantry

60 Cats beds to Latoyas Legacy

30 Cat beds to Madison Cat Project

Amazing!

Next meeting October 10th at Red Barn in Okee, WI

Contact Dottie at dotaug7@yahoo.com with questions.

All for now see you at the membership meetings.