

NOVEMBER 2025

It seems Fall is really here now; the leaves are off the trees and fall cleanup is underway. Time to Quilt!

Membership:

Please renew your membership by November 18th to take advantage of the virtual membership meetings that will take place in December 2024, January and February of 2025. Only renewed members will receive links to the virtual meetings. Invite a friend to join.

The membership form can be found on the lvqg.org website and attached to this email.

LVQG President's Challenge 2024/25 - Finish A UFO!

You have one more chance to share your UFO's for this year's President's Challenge.

1. **Select 1 or 2 quilting related UFO's** (unfinished objects) and bring them to the November membership meeting for Show & Tell.
2. Briefly explain what the project is.
3. Fill out a form describing the project. Forms will be provided.
4. Bring your FINISHED project(s) back to the **March 3, 2025** in-person membership meeting and show everyone! If you are doing a quilt, it needs to be completed and bound, so plan accordingly. If not a quilt, it needs to be completely finished.
5. Anyone finishing their project will be entered into a drawing for a prize.
6. Now here's the HARD part: you can bring no more than TWO UFO's! Even if you have 40, we are limiting you to TWO for this challenge.

If you are unable to bring your UFO's to the September meeting, you can bring them to the October or November in-person meetings to share.

Please join us and work on those projects!

Our goal is to provide you with motivation to finish your UFO's.

Hearts & Hands

Hearts and Hands will be meeting on Friday November 11 at the Red Barn in Okee.

Christmas pillow cases are due by Thanksgiving.

Donations for October include:

1 Quilt to Prairie Arlington Prairie Drifters Snowmobile Club

14 Quilts to EMS Sauk

Thank you for your contributions!

Programs

November 4th, 2024 featured speaker: *Ruth Green* from "Green Glass Designs"

Ilene comes to us from Blue Earth, MN. She has developed quilting techniques to produce beautiful wall hangings that look like stain glass.

Visit her website: <https://greenglassdesigns.square.site>

December 2nd, 2024 featured speaker (virtual) Kim Oleson - "Ice Dying"

Quiltaholics Anonymous

Facebook - <https://quiltaholicsanonymous.com>

Instagram @quiltaholicsanonymous

Check out Kim's Facebook and Instagram pages to see her colorful projects.

January 6th, 2025 featured speaker (virtual) Aimee Newell - "A Stitch in Time - Quilts by older women 1820-1860"

Aimee E. Newell is Curator of Collections at the National Heritage Museum in Lexington, Massachusetts. She is the former Curator of Textiles and Fine Arts at Old Sturbridge Village, as well as the former Curator of Collections at the Nantucket Historical Association. She received a BA in American Studies from Amherst College and an MA in History from Northeastern University. She is currently pursuing a PhD in History at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. She is a contributing author to the forthcoming Massachusetts Quilt Documentation Project book, *Massachusetts Quilts: Our Commonwealth*; and she has written for *Piecework Magazine*, *Sampler* and *Antique Needlework Quarterly*, *Blanket Statements*, and the *Proceedings of the Dublin Seminar for New England Folklife*. She is an Associate Fellow at the International Quilt Study Center in Lincoln, Nebraska.

February 3, 2025 (virtual)

Jen from "Loose Ends"

Loose Ends is a wonderful nonprofit organization that matches projects with finishers with projects of individuals who have died or are unable to finish a project due to health concerns or disability.

Check out their website at <https://looseends.org>.

Quilting Inspirations 2025- mark your calendars!

- Event to be held on April 5th, 2025
- 8:30 a.m. to approximately 2:00 p.m.
- Poynette Village Hall
- Keynote Speaker is "Ilene Bartos" from Urbandale, Iowa.
- Check out her website <https://ilenebartos.com/>
- Vendors, door prizes, swag bags, etc.
- Please plan on joining us for this fun event - invite your friends.
- There will also be a workshop with Ilene on Monday, April 7th. Location and project TBD.
- Interested in helping with the planning of the event? Meetings are held virtually (no longer than 1 hour) once per month.
- Please contact Mary Vassalotti mvassalotti77@gmail.com or 608-279-0703 if you are interested.

All for now. Go Pack!

P.S. Do you like to take pictures? The LVQG Board is looking for volunteers to take pictures during our meeting to share on our social media sites. If interested please contact Mary Vassalotti or Karen Bender.