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Lodi Valley Quilters' Guild, PO Box 132, Lodi, WI 53555

"Crazy Mom" to speak at August meeting

Amanda Jean Nyberg, the self-described "crazy mom" of the Crazy Mom Quilts blog, will bring her unique style to the August 5 meeting. She is also the co-author of *Sunday Morning Quilts*.

She brings a fresh perspective to quilting preferring to use every last bit of her scraps to create her modern quilts. As her blog says, she is a "scrap hoarder/lover/user." The popular blog is filled with easy-to-follow tutorials on basic quilting making and quilt block and patterns. Check it out for yourself-- <http://crazymomquilts.blogspot.com>.

Put this on your calendar

Quilt Expo isn't the only event on the quilting calendar. LVQG has several events planned that you won't want to miss. Bring your checkbook to the meeting and see Irene Stoll to register for these events:

Friday, Sept. 6—LVQG will sponsor a bus to the Wisconsin Quilt Expo in Madison leaving Lodi at 8:30 a.m. and returning at 3:30 p.m. Leave the driving (and parking fee) to the pros. The cost of \$10 pays for your one-day ticket.

Saturday, Sept. 14—Join your fellow guild members from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for another One-Day Retreat at the Lodi Sports & Rec Center. The \$15 fee includes lunch, door prizes and hours of fellowship, good times and quilting.

Next month begins a new year for LVQG with membership renewal at the September 9 meeting. Be sure to check out the next *Patchwords* for your membership form.

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In appreciation of quilts

By Dotty Sutfin, Hearts & Hands chair

Back in January, LVQG members helped make 26 angel quilts to send to families in Newton, Connecticut following the tragedy there. Those quilts were delivered and the following note was received:



Dear Members of the Lodi Quilting Community,

The beautiful handmade quilts arrived today at the parish, and we will do our best to get them to as many families as possible. Some of the families have already moved and others have left for the summer months to be with extended family. These quilts are a reminder that we are not alone as a result of the December tragedy.

These remain sad and challenging times for our parish and community. Each day brings something different with which we must deal. Grief has taken hold and is being expressed in many ways throughout the town. We just pray for the healing we all need to keep us moving forward. I feel we have been a great example to the world of values that are positive and important in life: faith, family and friends.

Thank you again for your thoughtfulness and continued prayers. I know that each stitch in these quilts is a good thought and prayer for which we are most grateful.

God bless,

Monsignor Robert Weiss

Saint Rose of Lima Parish Community, Newton

As an ongoing project, Hearts and Hands make quilts to provide comfort to children, elderly and others. The quilts are carried in police cars and ambulances in Columbia county and given to those individuals in emergency situations. As you can see, our efforts are appreciated.

Thank you dearly for all the lovely quilts for our ambulances. They are fantastic! I wish you could see the faces of our patients when they get these beautiful quilts to cover the sterile hospital blankets! Your kindness and talents are appreciated by so many.

Thank you,

Carie Myers & your friends at Poynette EMS





Lodi Lotto Block: Wisconsin

September 9 Deadline

Get in on the fun--explore Wisconsin this summer and make a block to celebrate our state. The added bonus may be the start of a new quilt.

Blocks need to be $12\frac{1}{2}$ inches square unfinished (for finished blocks 12 inches square). Use any fabric you like—need not be Wisconsin shop hop fabric. Enter as many blocks as you like - more blocks entered means more chances to win! If your name is drawn, you will win all the blocks that are entered. Blocks are due at the LVQG meeting on September 9. If you have questions, call or email Anne Frihart, 608-644-9294; afrihart@wildblue.net.

Quilts charm fair visitors

Lodi's quilting community again added stories, charm and competition to the Lodi Ag Fair. As has become a tradition, the quilt turning provided the audience in the free tent with the beauty of quilts and their stories. From quilts made by great-grandma many years ago to those made to celebrate this year's graduates and new babies, every quilt had a story to tell.

Over in the open class building (the curling club), Friday's judging of quilt entries was standing room only as the judge explained her placings. Quilt area superintendent Belinda Zeman counted 93 entries saying it was probably a record in that department. Many LVQG members took home their quilts with ribbons and Best of Show rosettes attached.

A popular fair activity for quilters and those who love quilts has been the Viewers' Choice Awards. Fair-goers voted for their favorite quilts in some "fun" categories. Winners were: Karan Thompson—quilt I would decorate a room around; Lori Ripp—quilt I would keep for myself and quilt I would give to my brother for his birthday; Kaye Cline—quilt I would give as a wedding gift; and Carrie Ballweg—quilt I would give my mother. Prizes were provided by Village Creek Quilts, Mill House Quilts and Fiskars. For a closer look at their stunning quilts, go to the Lodi Age Fair page at www.lvqg.org.



Mark your calendar . . .

August 5	LVQG Monthly Meeting	Amanda Jean Nyberg, Crazy Mom Quilter and author of <i>Sunday Morning Quilts</i>
Sept. 6	LVQG bus to Quilt Expo	Cost \$10 includes ticket to Expo.
Sept. 6-8	Wisconsin Sheep & Wool Festival, Jefferson County Fair Park, Jefferson WI	Fri. & Sat. 7-7. Sun. 7-3. Admission \$7 - Kids 8 & under free. Includes quilt show and fiber arts classes, shearing demos. For more info, go to http://www.wisconsinsheepandwoolfestival.com .
Sept. 9	LVQG Monthly Meeting	Sharon Rotz, Diet Quilts—Using Up Stash
Sept. 14	Fall One-Day Retreat	Lodi Sports & Rec Center, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sept. 28-29	Lighthouse Legacies Quilt Show, Sturtevant, WI	Features over 250 quilts, small quilt silent auction, demonstrations, quilt turning, raffle, handmade items, vendor mall, concessions. For more info, go to www.lighthousequiltersguild.org .
Sept. 28	Celebration of Quilts - presented by the Iola Norske Needlers Quilt Guild, Iola, WI	Sat., 10-4. Admission \$4. Over 200 quilts, antique quilt show-within-a-show, vendors, demos. Appraisals by appointment with Carol Butzke. For more info, go to http://iolaquiltshow.wordpress.com .
Sept. 28-29	Quilts Among the Pines- presented by Pine Tree Quilters, Inc. of Central Wisconsin, Patriot Center, Cedar Creek Mall Rothschild, WI	Sat., 10-5, Sun. 10-4. Admission \$5. Hundreds of quilts, demonstrations, bed turning, merchant mall, challenge block display, two quilt raffles. For more info, go to www.pinetreequilters.org
October 7	LVQG Monthly Meeting	Mary Backes, designer of Patch Abilities patterns
October 19	LVQG Workshop Lodi Sports & Rec Center 9a.m. - 4 p.m.	Linda Halpin, Tinker Toys & Lincoln Logs. All slots are filled for this workshop. www.lindahalpin.com .
October 19	Edgerton Quilt Show Edgerton Middle School, Edgerton WI	Sat., 9-4. Admission \$3, children 10 and under free. Featured speaker Mary Fisher at 11:00 a.m. on "Tackling Your Quilt Space". Quilt displays judged by viewer's choice. Quilt appraisals, vendors, demonstrations.
November 4	LVQG Monthly Meeting	Dianne Larson, Scraps
Nov. 7-11	LVQG Fall Retreat Voyager Inn	Begins on Thursday, Nov. 7, at 2:00 p.m. and ends on Monday, Nov. 11, at 3:00 p.m. Make plans now!

Reminder—The September meeting is on September 9 (second Monday due to Labor Day). It is the beginning of a new LVQG year so your membership dues can be paid at that time.