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

What to wear

Going to a quilt show? Volunteering in the quilt area at the fair? Taking the LVQG bus to the Quilt Expo? And standing in front of your closet wondering what to wear? Your quilt guild has a solution—a LVQG polo shirt would be perfect.

Members will have the opportunity to order quality, fashionable polo shirts at the March and April meetings. Shirts are available in any size and several colors with coordinating LVQG logos and are made of a 60/40 cotton/polyester blend easy-care pique. Best of all, the price will be just \$6.00 per shirt with the guild picking up a portion of the cost. Payment must be made when ordering your shirt. Delivery is scheduled for the May guild meeting.



Be a quilt-y fashionista and show your pride in the guild. More information and samples will be available at the March meeting.

We've come a long way, baby

Quilters know a good thing when they see it . . . or hear about it. Lodi Valley Quilters Guild now has 121 members and keeps growing every month. We're becoming known as a dynamic guild with interesting programs and ambitious special events like Quilt Academy. So, give yourselves a hand and keep spreading the word.

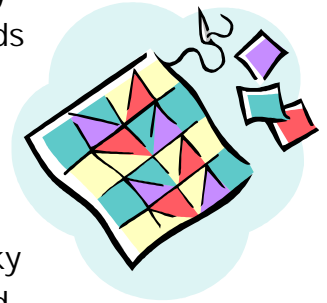
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Retreat makes group therapy a pleasure

Forty-seven LVQG members gathered in early February at the Lodi Sports & Recreation Center for a one-day retreat. "All About You" Quilt Retreat or Group Quilt Therapy offered an opportunity to work on projects surrounded by like-minded friends and was declared a resounding success by participants.

To sum up the day--coffee and donuts in the morning (*love those chocolate cream-filled ones!*), a pillowcase demo, a make-your-own sandwich and salad lunch, yummy treats, fabulous door prizes throughout the day, even two hunky guys (thanks to Donna Hoerig's husband and son) to pack sewing machines and other stuff to the meeting room. And eight luxurious hours to quilt to our heart's content with our LVQG friends. As one participant said: "Could we do this every month?"



At its recent meeting, your LVQG board considered that question. The consensus was that every month would be a bit much, but at least twice a year would be do-able. Of course, the guild will continue to sponsor the multi-day retreat in November. Watch *Patchwords* for more information as more retreat events are planned.

Upcoming programs announced

Program chair Irene Stoll has been working hard to organize programs into the summer months and beyond. Whether you're a beginning quilter or a seasoned veteran, a contemporary quilter or a traditionalist, there's something for everyone. Here are the scheduled topics and speakers for the rest of the year (information through May can be found on guild bookmarks and in Mark Your Calendar):

June—What To Do With Asian Fabrics, Gloria Stehley

July—Quilting 101, Dee Van Driel

August—Needles & Thread, Rosemary Huber Pauls

September—The 10-Minute Quilter, Jane Vaughn

October—Collaborative Quilting, Kristie Christy & Marilyn Boyle

November—Free-Motion Quilting, Karen McTavish (includes lecture, trunk show & book signing)

December—Mini-Workshops, Last-Minute Christmas Gifts

Hearts & Hands to make Camo Quilts

By Dotty Sutfin, Hearts & Hands chair

We have been asked by the Camo Quilt Project to make camo quilts for the soldiers that are deploying. At this time, more than 10,000 quilts have been made and they are still 1400 behind. They provide all the materials to make the quilt except for thread. Please let me know if you plan to come to help make these quilts as we want to have materials on hand for everyone who wants to participate. There will also be work for you if you do not want to bring your sewing machine or do not want to sew.

Where: Lodi United Methodist Church, 130 Locust St., Lodi

Time: 9:00 a.m. until ????

When: Saturday, March 26, 2011

What to bring: sewing machine, any notions you like to use, grey or tan thread, a white fabric marker or white chalk marker, if you have one.

R.S.V.P. Dotty Sutfin at 608-592-4139
or email dotaug7@yahoo.com

For more information on the Camo Quilt Project, visit their webpage at camoquiltproject.blogspot.com.

The next regular Hearts & Hands meeting will be on Friday, March 11, at the Lodi United Methodist Church at 9:00 a.m. Hope to see you there.



Join fellow quilters at Minnesota show

Oconomowoc Quilters Guild is hosting a bus trip to the Minnesota Quilt Show June 16 - 18. They have opened the trip to surrounding quilt guilds. The four-day trip includes bus, hotel (2 per room), admission to the show and a shop hop to area quilt shops on June 19. The package cost is \$275.00. If interested, contact Judy Michael at judyfoy@centurytel.net or call her at 414-581-9440 for more information.

New at your local library or book store

Elm Creek Quilt fans have another novel to enjoy with the release of *The Union Quilters*, Jennifer Chiaverini's 17th book in the Elm Creek series. The Civil War-era tale of love and sacrifice behind Union lines showcases a remarkable group of quilters coping with changing roles and the extraordinary experiences of the Civil War.

Quilt Academy coming soon

Arrangements for the 2nd annual Quilt Academy are nearing completion. Volunteers are needed to work in the guild booth for short periods to relieve booth coordinator Sharon Wetherall. If you can lend a hand for 15-20 minutes, contact Sharon at sharonw12@frontier.com.

Enrollments have been received from quilters as far away as Minot, North Dakota and from more than 60 Wisconsin communities. If you haven't already enrolled, a few spots are still available. The deadline is March 16, but classes are filling fast. Remember, as an LVQG member, you pay only \$20 for the entire day (\$25 including lunch), a \$10 discount.



Guild has new secretary

Darlene Sauby is the guild's new secretary. She will fill the rest of the term of former secretary, Patti Koch, who resigned. Darlene has been a member of the guild since November 2009 and says she joined because she "adores and cherishes everything about quilting and its tradition, and loves being around people who feel the same way." Her favorite quilts are scrappy.

She and her husband Phil live near Harmony Grove and have two daughters and three granddaughters.

Minutes available online

The minutes of the regular monthly meetings are now available on the LVQG website, www.LVQG.org. They will be posted on the About Us page. A copy will also continue to be available for your perusal at the meetings.

LVQG now on Facebook

LVQG now has a Facebook page. Click this link to become a fan: <http://tinyurl.com/6c5sxd8> or search for Lodi Valley Quilters Guild.

Now where did we put that?

The LVQG Board has been working on a list of items owned by the guild. If you have any guild asset (equipment, signs, banners, etc.) in your possession, contact Secretary Darlene Sauby at pdsauby@centurytel.net. She is making an inventory list so that we can find things when we need them.

Are you challenged?

Just a reminder—challenge quilts should be ready for the May meeting if you want to be considered for prizes. All those showing their challenge quilts at the evening's show and tell will have their name entered in a drawing for great prizes. So—if you haven't started, get going. Check out the guild library if you need inspiration.

Mark your calendar . . .

March 7	Lodi Valley Quilters Guild monthly meeting	Continuous Line Quilting with Renee Shedivy
March 19	Quilt, Purse & Tote Show Medford Area High School Medford, WI	Displays, demos, vendors, items for sale & more Show runs 10:00-4:00. Contact Pat at 715-748-5842 or Betty at 715-678-6166 for more info
April 3-5	Sun Prairie Quilt Show St. Albert's Center	Sponsored by Prairie Heritage Quilters Quilt show, vendors, lunch available Go to www.sunprairiequiltshow.com for more info
April 4	Lodi Valley Quilters Guild Monthly meeting	Kansas Troubles by Lynn Hagmeier
April 5	Kansas Troubles Workshop Sponsored by LVQG	Raw Edge Applique with Lynn Hagmeier Additional fee
April 9	2 nd Annual Quilt Academy Lodi High School	Sponsored by Lodi Valley Quilters Guild Advance registration required
April 9-10	Kaleidoscope of Quilts Monroe High School	Sponsored by Courthaus Quilters & Monroe High School German Exchange Club
April 30- May 1	Crazy Quilters Guild of Mukwonago Quilt Show, Park View Middle School, 930 N. Rochester Street	24 th annual show featuring quilt display, vendors, raffle quilt, lunch available Go to www.mukwonagocrazyquilters.com for more info or to enter a quilt
April 30- May 1	Stargazers Kettle Moraine Lutheran High School, Jackson, WI	It's a Stitch Quilt Guild's 15 th annual show featuring speaker Wendy Butler Burns and quilt displays, vendors, silent auction. Go to www.itsastitchquiltguild.com for more info
May 2	LVQG Monthly Meeting	Challenge Reveal & info on fair entries
May 12-14	Ricky Tims Super Seminar Ramada Inn, Eau Claire	Multi-session lectures, piano concert Advance registration required, limited attendance Go to www.rickytims.com/seminar-main for info
May 14-15	A Garden of Quilts Rock Co. Fairgrounds Janesville	Sponsored by the Rock Valley Quilters Guild Go to www.webpages.charter.net/rvqq for more info
June 15-18	Minnesota Quilters Show St. Paul RiverCenter	33 rd annual show and conference Go to www.mnquilt.org for more info

