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DeKalb County Quilters' Guild
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HOLIDAY PARTY

Thursday, December 1, 2011
Cocktails at 6:00pm
Eat at 6:30pm
(Note earlier time)
Johnny's Charhouse
1950 DeKalb Avenue
Sycamore

We're all looking forward to a fun evening at Johnny's Charhouse for our Holiday Party. Johnny's is located on Sycamore Road with plenty of parking on the side and in the rear. We will have the back room so it will be very private for us.

GIFT EXCHANGE

If you would like to participate in a gift exchange, please bring a wrapped gift with your name on it—$5.00 - $10.00 would be appropriate.

ORNAMENT EXCHANGE

(reminder and information for new members)
Please bring two ornaments (hopefully handmade, but not required).
One will go on the tree to be exchanged and
the other will go into a basket to be taken to the nursing home.
The residents love when we bring these ornaments and appreciate our generosity.

We look forward to this opportunity to share, visit and enjoy
a wonderful meal with treats, gifts and surprises.
The Board will furnish all the desserts and we always have LOTS of yummy choices.
It will be a "sweet time" for all.

PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHOICE (list on next page) AND CHECK
TO BARB GEISEMAN
BY NOVEMBER 17.

Happy Holidays,
Barb Geiseman
Julie Goedeke

DCQG 2011 Holiday Party Menu

#1 PRIME RIB, Ladies cut, salad, potato & vegetable_____$25.84

#2 CHICKEN LIMONE, 10 oz. chicken sautéed and topped with lemon-
wine sauce, served with a side of angel hair pasta and salad_____$21.94

#3 FRESH CUT SALMON STEAK , cooked to perfection and drizzled with a berre blanc lemon sauce topped with capers.
Served with salad, garlic mashed potatoes, and vegetables _____$24.53

#4 BAKED MOSTACCIOLI, served with salad and marinara sauce,
topped mozzarella cheese and baked to perfection_____$19.34

#5 WINTER SALAD, mixed greens, spinach, cranberries, walnuts,
bleu cheese crumbles and diced apples served with raspberry
Vinaigrette or balsamic vinaigrette_____$15.45

All prices INCLUDE 10% tax, 18% gratuity and pop/coffee

QUILTING AT THE CASTLE RETREAT

We also want to announce that the Guild Spring Retreat sign-up will begin at the Holiday Party. The retreat will be held at The Stronghold Center in Oregon, IL April 12th - 15th, 2012. Cost is $185.00, includes accommodations, sewing space and all meals. Space is limited to 16 quilters. Full payment (check made payable to DCQG) is due at sign-up.

Barb Geiseman
Julie Goedeke

INFORMATION/NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION TABLE

The information table is a place where new members can come to learn about the activities of the guild and a place where both new and current members can come to have questions answered. If you have quilt related information to share, this is the place to share it. Stop by to see what new information might be there about quilt shops, retreats, quilt shows, shop hops, member-owned businesses, and upcoming events.

Cheri Stack
Information

HOTB BLOCKS

I want to thank everyone for their effort in helping the guild receive some many HOTB blocks to have available for a signature or donation of such at our recent Pumpkin Festival booth. Your efforts were very well received!!!

While there on Saturday, the parents of a fallen soldier from the area came through the festival and said that they had received a quilt in honor of her son. The mother asks that I pass this onto our membership:

> "Please thank your membership for their wonderful kindness in proceeding with such a project. I have placed my quilt in the living room and each time I enter the room I just touch it for that added strength to precede through the day. It truly has great meaning and knowing the additional support from others helps. God Bless and thank you so very much for all you have done."

Soon those blocks from the Festival will be placed into a top and forwarded on to Margaret Steele at the Rockford Sinnissippi Guild for further distribution. If some of you are going through you stash and "cleaning" out fabric that you thinks no longer will work for you and it may be a small print "older type" (Civil War—not that any of us have fabric that old) looking we will gladly take it and use in setting these block. It only takes 1 ½ yds fabric and (13 strips 3 ½" yd) for the sashing fabric and ¼ yd (2 strips 3 ½ sq) for the cornerstones to finish a top.

Our outreach for generosity has increased far more than anyone of us could ever realize it from the beginning whether it is as a baby or lap quilt, wheel chair pocket or HOTB block. And, it only comes from your love of cutting two perfectly good pieces of fabric apart and sewing them back into another shape. Ladies you are making a mark on this world, and it is being recognized.

Jo Ann Russell
Ways and Means

BOOTH AT SYCAMORE PUMPKINFEST 2011 (OCTOBER 29 & 30)

I would like to say a big Thank-you to all who participated in our booth at Pumpkin fest. Sales were up from last year. People were looking for our booth and asking about the raffle quilt. We told them just wait 'til next year – it will be worth waiting for.

There was a spot for all those wonderful HOTB blocks that I received from so many in responses to my plea for more blocks. We now have enough signed blocks to make 8 quilt tops – watch for an upcoming workshop – possibly in January to assemble the tops. The comments and responses from people coming thru the craft show were really a boost for us.

We had a mother of a soldier who lost his life in Afghanistan stop at our booth. She had one of the quilts. It means so much to her – only her words can explain.

Again, thank-you to all who helped out, sales were good, blocks were signed, and donations for more sashing and corner-stone fabric were received. Looking forward to next year.

Bobbie Lundberg

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE NOVEMBER 2011

Kyra Rider

HI!

Can you believe it is already November?!? I was in Wal-Mart yesterday and they are playing Christmas music already. Not just a little mixed in – all Christmas music! It is really stressing me out. I started on some holiday projects this summer thinking "oh yeah, I'm on top of this I'll have these all done in plenty of time." Needless to say, I haven't touched them since then and now I think I'm not going to finish anything.

I did have to give myself a gold star today. I am taking an online statistics course and our homework is due every Sunday by 7:00 pm. I am usually submitting it on Sunday at about 6:59 pm (or later). Today (Saturday) I got it done at 3:00 pm and was going to reward myself with some guilt-free sewing time. (Yes, I should clean the house, but I've gotten over feeling guilty about that. – Just know that none of you can ever just "stop-by.") Anyway, I check my email quick before putting the computer away and I have a friendly reminder from Kathi Davis about getting this article done for the newsletter. Drat! I'm usually getting that done last minute too. And now I have an excuse for not getting anything done. – It's your fault ;-)

After my experience at Wal-Mart yesterday I think I've also come to the conclusion that I might have to give up Black Friday shopping. All those people…it just makes me kind of crazy. True story: I actually got in a fight with someone while in line to get into Target the past two years. I really don't want to end up looking like one of those crazy people on the TV show *Cops*. The problem is that I really enjoy shopping and I love a good deal. So, I guess we will see what happens; I might catch a tryptophan high and decide I need to be shopping at 4:00 am. Otherwise, I'll try to put that extra day to good use and get some sewing done.

Remember, we will have show and tell at the Holiday Dinner so you will have a chance to show off your designs before you give them away. I love the idea of making ornaments for display on the tree at the Museum of Natural History. I think I'll wrap this up and dig out some holiday fabric and see about making something fun. I'll be sure to get at least two ornaments made for the holiday dinner, oh and maybe something for the gift exchange, and a miniature for the quilt show, and…(see why I get nothing done. I haven't even started and I'm already exhausted!)

If I don't see you before hand, I hope you all have a happy and safe holiday season. I am lucky to know you all and call you my friends.

Cheers.
~ *Kyra*

UPCOMING DCQG MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

Our new program year is right around the corner and we hope you will find something to suit your fancy. **Give yourself a gift for the holidays...** grab a sign-up sheet and sign up for a guild workshop! ***Don't forget, you can always mail them to me!*** This is really where the fun happens and where you get to know your fellow guild members. Sign up for what you love or step outside your comfort zone and try something new. Be among the first to get your sign-in sheet and payments to us and secure your place in the fabulous workshops we have lined up for 2012. There's always a light bulb moment, no matter who the teacher is and what your interests are.
PS... We hope you will enjoy Saturday workshops this year!

For **January 2012**... If you have an idea you'd like to share with your DCQG quilting friends, please let us know **ASAP** as we need to get things finalized for our **Round Robin Demo's**... it is quickly approaching. We have three confirmed demos... Kathi Davis will show us how to access our DCQG member page on Facebook, Nancy Baker (back by popular demand) will again demonstrate applying binding to our quilts, and Lori Dickman will show us a Fancy Folds method for fabric to use in our art quilts or wearable's - sounds neat! **We need your help... Is there anything you want to know or could maybe learn in 5-10 minutes time that we might be able to find a guild member to demonstrate? If so, let us know, and we can see if we can find someone willing to help out. E-mail me or Monica**

In **February 2012, FRIEDA ANDERSON** will provide our lecture and workshop. Please see the attached supply list if you are interested in taking the workshop, there is a little bit of preparation needed. The board has decided to keep our class fees set at $40 for 2012. So in this case, you have a full day class and a topic in which I think we are getting a big bang for our buck. Where else can you do all this for such a low fee... Grab a friend and spend the day "dying" together! $40... what a bargain!

Program: Thursday February 23rd, 7pm: "Fabric to Dye For" One hour lecture and PowerPoint presentation. Frieda will show you how she dyes her gorgeous hand dyed fabric. This is the step by step process of gradation dyeing in her new book, Fabric to Dye For. Along with the lecture Frieda will bring many of her quilts for display as well as her patterns and fabrics for sale.

Workshop: Saturday February 25th, 9am - 4pm: "Flooded with Color" Color is one of the reasons we love quilting, and achieving the abundance and variety of color is one reason we dye our own fabrics. The most dependable, lightfast and washfast dyes used by the industry are Procion MX Fiber Reactive Dyes, the same dyes used in this workshop. Participants will learn the techniques and dye formulas of 24 shades, introducing the flood of color that can be achieved with this easy dyeing method. You will go home with 24 fat quarters seen in the photo below. We will meet at Art Attack in Sycamore for this workshop... more info to follow. **We already have 5 people who have signed up and paid for this workshop. We hope to see many more members join in on the fun. You will go home with a completed rainbow of pretty fabric to just look at and touch, or to use in that next exciting colorful quilt project. Don't miss out.**
*****VERY IMPORTANT***PLEASE SEE ATTACHED SUPPLY LIST*****

Ann Sands
Monica Gum

***** For Workshops – Circled BELOW: Please mark your calendars and sign up early *****

Notice

You MUST register by completing the "Workshop Registration Form" and paying in full

Form may be downloaded from end of this newsletter

2011 Programs

December 1, 2011 – Holiday Party
6:00pm – cocktails
6:30pm – dinner

2012 DCQG Programs

January 26, 2012 Guild Meeting—7:00pm
Round Robin – Guild Member-Lead Demo's

February 23, 2012 Guild Meeting—7:00pm
* Frieda Anderson – "Fabric to Dye For"
www.friestyle.com

Saturday, February 25, 2012—Workshop
"Flooded with Color"
Full Day
Frieda Anderson

March 22, 2012 Guild Meeting – 7:00pm
* Lynne Erback– "Before the Show – What Happens Behind Closed Doors?"

Saturday, March 24, 2012—Workshop
"Quilt as Desired"
9:00am – 12:00pm
Lynne Erback

April 26, 2012 Guild Meeting—7:00pm
Generosity Project

May 24, 2012 Guild Meeting—6:30pm
Salad Supper

June 28, 2012 Guild Meeting—7:00pm
Chris Moline – "Not Just Your Grandmother's Flower Garden"
English Paper Piecing
www.paperpieces.com

Saturday, June 30, 2012—Workshop
"Basic English Paper Piecing"
10:00am – 1:00pm
Chris Moline

July 26, 2012 Guild Meeting—7:00pm
*****Monique Dillard **–"Designing Fabric and Books – How is that done?"**
Open Gate Quilts
www.opengatequilts.com

Saturday, July 28, 2012—Workshop
"Hidden Glory "
(Full Day)
Monique Dillard

August 23, 2012 Guild Meeting—7:00pm
**Lesley Gebbie – "Wool Appliqué"
Acorn Quilts, Rockford, IL
www.acornquiltsrockford.com

Saturday, August 25, 2012—Workshop
Wool Appliqué Flower
9:00am - 1:00pm
Lesley Gebbie

September 27, 2012 Guild Meeing—7:00pm
Carol Wilhoit – Get Your Stash Together!
NO Workshop

September 29 & 30 – Harvest of Quilts 2012
Setup Friday, September 28, 2012

October 25, 2011 Guild Meeting—7:00pm
TBD

November 2012 – No Meeting

December 2012 – Holiday Party

QUILT SHOWS COMING UP

Nov 11 - 13, 2011 - - WI Quilt Retreat 2011
9th annual Quilt Retreat Getaway, Belmont, WI
www.Quiltsbybarb.com

Nov 21, 2011 - - The Fair City Quilters' Guild
The Fair City Quilters' Guild has extended an invitation to all DCQG members to attend the presentation by Clarice Boswell, an expert in civil war quilts, on November 21, 2011, at 7pm. The Fair City Quilters' Guild meet at the Federated Church, 403 North Main, Sandwich, IL. There is a $5 guest fee. Clarice has a national reputation as an excellent speaker and a wealth of knowledge about stories behind civil war quilts. If you are interested in reading write ups on Clarice Boswell's many presentations, enter a google search for "clarice boswell civil war quilts" and many articles and accolades will appear.

Feb 2012 - - 14 day Hawaii Cruise
www.worldofquiltstravel.com

Mar 3 & 4, 2012 - - Salt Creek Quilters' Guild
The Community House, 415 West Eighth Street,
Hinsdale, IL
www.saltcreekqg.org

Mar 10 & 11, 2012 - - Pride of the Prairie Quilt Show
Richland Grade School, 1919 Caton Farm Road,
Crest Hill, IL 60403
www.prideofprairie.org

Frieda Anderson 1995 Murcer Lane Elgin IL 60123
http://www.friestyle.com frieda@friestyle.com 847-697-6557

FLOODED WITH COLOR WORKSHOP

Level: Beginner to Advance 1 day
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SUPPLY LIST

I WILL BRING THE FOLLOWING Kit for each student: Kit fee includes, dye and chemicals, face mask and gloves-$15 per student. OR $35 participants buy 6 yards of fabric from teacher.

- Masks
- Gloves
- Dye
- Chemicals
- Measuring equipment

PARTICIPATE RESPONSIBLE for:

- 6 Yards of PFD (prepared for dye) 100% cotton fabric OR white or muslin **prewashed 100% cotton fabric**
- Old clothes, comfortable old shoes, an apron and dishcloth
- 24 small lidded containers, like Gladware or old yogurt containers (zip baggies are OK for this class)
- Bucket and dishpan (two people can share one set of these)
- Several large garbage bags for protection in your car
- Old newspapers and box or laundry basket for protection in your car
- Extra - 100% cotton, tensel, rayon or silk fabric, clothes, and socks to dye in the afternoon

GUILD RESPONSIBLE for:

- 3 old working blenders
- Plastic to cover anything that needs to be covered at dye location
- 2 clothes racks for drying (optional)
- Tables that can go outside
- 8 - 4’x 2’ plastic covered syrofoam sheets - optional

SPECIAL NEEDS

- Class room must be equipped or have easy access to hot water and sink that chemicals (non-toxic) can be disposed down.
- Classroom needs to be appropriate for dyeing. Dye does not wash away if spilled on some surfaces.
- Cover any areas that need to be protected.
- We should be able to go outside in the afternoon. It should be warm enough to dye outside in the afternoon.

Plastic covered Styrofoam sheet

At Menards or Home Depot, buy two insulation Styrofoam sheets.
They are 4’ x 8’.
Have the store cut them into four sections that are 4’x2’. They should do this for free.
Purchase a roll of clear heavy weight painters plastic and tuck tape.
Wrap each sheet like a package and secure with tuck tape.
In the afternoon we will use these “Platters” to dye fabric flat on top of.

DCQG Workshop Sign-Up 2012

Fee: $40.00 for DCQG Members, $50 for non-members

Please fill out this form and give it to Ann Sands or Monica Gum along with your payment at the guild meeting or mail to Ann Sands Any questions, please contact Ann or Monica .

Name_____
_____

Address_____

Phone #_____ E-mail address_____

Indicate your workshop selection by circling the name of the workshop below. Please write on the check which workshop(s) you are signing up for. Please make checks payable to DCQG.

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August 25, 2012 (Saturday): Lesley Gebbie, "Wool Appliqué Flower" 9:00am – 1:00pm

October 2012: Workshop TBD

Are you a DCQG Member? YES NO Total Amount Enclosed $_____

Cancellation Policy: We regret that if for any reason you need to cancel your spot in a workshop we are unable to refund the workshop fee. If you can find someone to take your place, then they would pay you the workshop fee.

Attention all Quilters!

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