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DeKalb County Quilters' Guild
PO Box 385
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Thursday, September 22, 2011; 7:00pm; St. Mary's Parish Activity Center in Sycamore

“Trunk Show”

Susan Knapp and
Mary Jane Mattingly

www.quiltbranch.com



September's lecture and workshop feature Susan Knapp and Mary Jane Mattingly of “The Quilt Branch”. You may be familiar with their rulers from *Creative Grids* and the *Six Halves Make a Whole* pattern books.

Having both lived in the middle of the State of Illinois all our lives, it was inevitable that our love of textile art would bring us together. We have many combined years of experience working in the varied areas of textile design. It has been a consuming hobby and a side job for both of us, working well into our busy lives as wives and mothers.

Susan has been a quilter since 1983. It all began because she was a new stay-at-home mom who needed a creative outlet. She is a highly sought after quilt teacher for local quilt shops and organizations, specializing in teaching newcomers. Her ability to stress the illusive 1/4” seam as the very basis of good quilt making has brought a high degree of success to her students' projects. Her knowledge of the world of fabric came to her by honest hard work at the University of Illinois where she received a master's degree in the University Extension Program. She is the mother of two and the wife of a farmer.

Mary Jane has informally trained as a textile art student and seamstress for many years. Working mainly in garment construction and costume design for the local theatre group she co-founded, her love of textile art has been seen by many. It was by chance that in 1995 as her four children had left the nest and her husband was reaching retirement age that she decided to take a quilting class from none other than Susan.

Since then we have been sharing our love of quilting with all of you, our fellow quilters. Through our pattern collection, we strive to bring you the very best detailed instructions, several design ideas within each, and ample yardage measurements to work with varying widths of fabric. We are presently working with fabric designers to bring you pattern designs that will inspire you to create with the new fabrics that come to your quilt shop every day. We also continue to incorporate in our patterns ways to use many new quilting products and techniques on the market today.



The workshop on Friday, September 23rd. You have 2 options for the workshop, the “Mexican Tiles” placemats or a full quilt “Hopscotch”. Both patterns are in the “Six Halves Make a Whole” pattern book. Susan and Mary Jane will be selling their products at the guild meeting on Thursday. The supply lists for each project are at the end of this newsletter.



Workshop
Friday September 23, 2011
9:00am - 1:00pm, American National Bank
“Hopscotch” or “Mexican Tiles”



MEMBERSHIP

A Friendly Reminder: **Please wear your name badges!** Not only will it help you get to know your fellow guild members, it will assist our new Membership ladies to get to know you too. If you don't wear your name badge it will cost you one big quarter. If you do wear your name badge, you will have a chance to *win* the quarters from those that didn't.

Please pickup your membership card when you check in at the September Meeting.

Carol Barkhurst
Annie Berg



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



LIBRARY NEWS

There are no books overdue at this time. Keep on checking out those great quilting books from the library. Bethany Williams has volunteered to help me with the library which will be especially beneficial when I cannot attend the Quilt Guild meeting. Thanks!

Cheryl Lorden



HARVEST OF QUILTS 2012 QUILT SHOW

Harvest of Quilts 2012 will be September 29 – 30, 2012 at the Sycamore Middle School (now approved) with setup on Friday, September 28th.

Things are already beginning to take shape. The raffle quilt is being assembled and quilted, the ribbon toppers have been designed with several samples made, and the committee is forming. Our first meeting will be Tuesday, October 18, 2011 at my house. During this meeting we will setup the permanent meeting schedule that will begin in January 2012. If you see a spot where you would like to join us, please just let me know.

Chair: Kathi Davis, **Boutique:** Bobbie Lundberg, Wilma Shimkus, and Jill Draves, **Treasurer:** Pat Boesche, **Raffle Baskets:** Cheryl Lorden, **Raffle Quilt:** Jo Ann Russell, **Door Prizes:** Lizz Ploppert (on committee but NOT chair), **Publicity:** Lori Dickman, **Silent Auction:** Cheri Stack and Sue Kapperman, **Ribbons:** Kelly Hoyle and Lizz Ploppert, **Demos:** Sherry Mileham and committee, **Vendors:** Barg Grant, **Extra Niceties:** Sandy Hoffman

Chairs Needed: Quilt Take-in, Judging Session, Quilt Release, Show Setup Chair (everyone works), Show Take Down, Hoffman Challenge (scheduling), Bed Turning, and Extra non-quilt display/music, etc.

Kathi Davis
Harvest of Quilts 2012 Chair



RAFFLE BASKETS FOR 2012 QUILT SHOW

For the fall 2012 quilt show, I would like to try to put together 8 raffle baskets. If you have any items that you may have accidentally purchased twice, or if you have some wonderful items that you make and are willing to contribute (Patty P. has already offered some handmade doilies), please bring them to any QG meeting. I have already started a collection. (Sally D. gave me some goodies) Also, if you have any large baskets that you are willing to donate, I will put them to good use.

Thanks, Cheryl Lorden



2011 ART ATTACK ART WALK

The Sycamore Art Attack would like our participation in their Art Walk on Oct. 1, 2011. It would be nice to have some HOTB blocks there for people to sign for a do\$\$ar. We could also have members sell items if they would like. If we could have someone willing to sit and sew some easy HOTB Blocks together, then that would be GREAT! Anyone wanting to participate can contact Monica Gum .



HOME OF THE BRAVE BLOCKS (HOTB)

If you have been holding on to some HOTB blocks kits and you have not completed them, please consider sewing them and bringing them to our September meeting with one signed and the remainder unsigned. Our guild has been asked to have a booth/display area at the Art Attack event on Saturday, October 1 in Sycamore. We plan to have them available, as well as sew some new blocks, and have available for people to sign their name for a donation of \$1.00 each. The proceeds received will help us purchase more fabrics to make a complete top.

This event will be included in our booth at the Sycamore Music Boosters Craft Show during Pumpkin Fest as well. The more blocks we can have on hand, the more tops we can help create. Each year during the last weekend of September, quilts are distributed in Chicago to families of service personnel who have lost their life in our war zones, and each year there are not enough quilts to go around.

Nancy Ondera has done a wonderful job of collecting, pressing, and sending the completed HOTB blocks on to the representatives who then get them to the people who construct the top or do the quilting. If our guild can be of more assistance in getting more completed tops for the quilting process, then many more quilts can be completed and presented to the families each September. When many hands work together, **much** can be accomplished.

Jo Ann Russell
Ways and Means



STOCKING STUFFERS FOR OUR ILLINOIS TROOPS IN THE WAR ZONES

If you are planning to help with this effort to bring some holiday cheer to our Illinois troops serving in the war zones, please see last month's newsletter for the items needed to fill the stockings. This next meeting (September) will be the only time we will collect the items, as they all need to be shipped by mid-October.

Should you not have anything to contribute, money contributions will also be taken to help with the shipping expenses.

Thanking you in advance for helping spread some cheer,

Jo Ann Russell
Ways and Means



BOOTH AT SYCAMORE PUMPKINFEST 2011 (OCTOBER 29 & 30)

PEOPLE ARE LOOKING FOR US AT PUMPKINFEST. We, as a guild, have become well known at Sycamore Pumpkin Fest. People who go to the craft show at Sycamore High School look for us because they know that we have items that are handmade in the USA. This is a great opportunity to sell some of those items that you enjoyed making so much that are stored in a Rubbermaid container. Sign up to bring them to the Music Boosters Craft show at the high school.

We have 2 booths at the show. This is a great opportunity to show what you are capable of making and to make a few extra dollars. If you sell items at Pumpkin Fest – 20% of all sales will be used to help defray the cost of the booths. Please let me know if you have an interest in bring items in to sell by OCTOBER 15th. Set-up will be on Friday, October 28th - Everyone is responsible for their set-up and take down. If you have any questions, or wish to participate, please e-mail or call to let me know.

Bobbie Lundberg



2011 HOLIDAY PARTY (YES, IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!!!)

SPECIAL EVENTS HOLIDAY PARTY

Thursday, December 1, 2011, at Johnny's Charhouse
Cocktails/social 6:00 Dinner 6:30

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

Our holiday party this year will be held at Johnny's Charhouse. December 1, 2011. Please mark your calendars and start putting some money aside so we can all come and have a great evening together. Johnny's is located on Sycamore Rd. 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. We ask that everyone bring 2 ornaments to the party. One will go on our tree for the ornament exchange and the other one will go into a basket to be taken to the nursing home to share with the elderly. We love having homemade ornaments to share. If you can possibly find the time to do something special it would be wonderful. If you would like to participate in the gift exchange please bring a wrapped gift to exchange with others that bring a gift. 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.

Thanks from Special Events,
Barb Geiseman
Julie Goedeke



CALL FOR DONATIONS

This summer our quilt guild used the First Baptist Church in DeKalb for three sew-in events. We used the facilities for the Home of the Brave workshop and the Quilt show raffle quilt workshops. To return the favor, the DCQG Board decided to help with a couple of the First Baptist Church's generosity initiatives.

Please collect and bring your empty prescription pill bottles to the next meeting. For your privacy and the convenience of the church, please remove the personal information labels from the bottles. I also need a volunteer to help coordinate the delivery of these items to the First Baptist Church. Please contact me directly via email

Thank you!



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE SEPTEMBER 2011

Kyra Rider

September started with near 100 degree weather, one week later, it feels like fall. I love it! This has been a great month for me and my passion for quilting. On 9/1/11, Diane Cuck was the guest lecturer at our monthly meeting. She was hysterical! She poked a lot of fun at me and I'm okay with laughing at myself. One of our guild members told me she passed up tickets to a comedy club to attend the meeting and felt like she got the best of both worlds!

I joined Diane and about 10 other guild members the next day for the workshop. In just over 3 hours we all completed the top of a beautiful wall hanging that looks like stained glass. Most of us did the Iris wall hanging, but the sunflower kit was so beautiful that I bought that (and a couple other kits) before the end of the day. So, hopefully you will be seeing some of Diane's designs from me as part of show and tell. –No more lap quilts. Hahaha 😊

This past Thursday I took off yet another day of work (hooray for vacation days!) to attend the Quilt Expo up in Madison, WI. I went with my mom (of course) and two friends that have never been. We had a blast. My friend from high school, who is currently stationed in El Paso, TX spent several hundred dollars within minutes of getting in. Seriously, it was at the Nancy's Notions booth! We lost track of her pretty quickly since we were too slow and she had to see everything. My friend from college stuck with us and we were able to make it to all the vendors and we actually took time to look at some quilts 😊

Half the fun was in the trip there and back. I know I've talked about the friendships that can come from our hobbies, but I'm going to do it again. I've known both these girls for more than 20 years. Both of them know my mom, but they had never met each other. So, we had a lot of fun chatter on the ride to and from Madison. I hope that someday we will all get a chance to quilt together. I love the energy that comes from communal quilting. There is someone to offer advice, compliments, inspiration, supplies, food, and laughter. I wish I could rent a house on the beach for a month in the summer and invite all my friends to join me for a fantastic retreat. But until I become independently wealthy, I will make the most of each little quilting get-away I can. (Bring on the vacation days!)

Hope you are all enjoying the cooler weather. Until next time, have fun quilting!

Kyra Rider





UPCOMING DCQG MEETINGS & WORKSHOPS

A workshop to make the laptop computer purse will be held on Saturday, September 17th. The handout attached as a separate file with the newsletter if you want to look it over. If you wish to join us, contact Kathi Davis immediately. In order to finish the bag some work needs to be done ahead of time.

October is our last lecture and workshop for the year will feature Penny Sempert of "Pineapple Press Patterns". Penny will be taking "What is Old is New Again" as the theme of her truck show and workshop. Learn how to embellish your quilts with lace, hankies, trims, etc. Penny has designed the quilt shown here for our guild. She has taken care to include items that will be good for a beginner, art quilter, and experienced quilters.



Sally Davis

The programs are all scheduled and the contracts are signed for 2012. We hope you enjoy the mix of programs we were able to obtain and will find something to enhance your enjoyment of quilting. There is a complete listing/description of the 2012 programs in a separate file with this newsletter. Please let Ann Sands or Monica Gum know if you have any questions about the 2012 programs.

Ann Sands,
Monica Gum,

Several of us have noticed that our Jo-Ann VIP card expired at the end of August. If you had one, it probably did also and you will need to renew it. If you did not have one, get one → you get 10% off on your purchases at Jo-Ann's. Just go to the website www.joann.com/vip

Be a Jo-Ann VIP SAVE 10% on Every Purchase!
Craft show exhibitors, sewing & crafting guilds, associations & professional organizations qualify. Sign up today at Joann.com/VIP



*** 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

Saturday, September 17, 2011—Workshop
9:00am – 4:00pm
“Laptop Computer Purse”
By Kathi Davis
DeKalb Christian Church

September 22, 2011 Guild Meeting—7:00pm
“Trunk Show”
By Susan Knapp & Mary Jane Mattingly
Quilt Branch
www.quiltbranch.com

Friday September 23, 2011—Workshop
9:00am – 1:00pm
“Hopscotch” or “Mexican Tiles”
By Susan Knapp/Mary Jane Mattingly
Quilt Branch
American National Bank

October 27, 2011 Guild Meeting—7:00pm
Pineapple Press Patterns
By Penny Sempert
www.pineapplepresspatterns.com

Friday October 28, 2011—Workshop
9:00am – 1:00pm
“What’s Old is New Again”
Penny Sempert
Pineapple Press Patterns
American National Bank

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 Meeting—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

Sue Kapperman

Hi everyone!

Wow! Another month has flown by and I can't believe that it's September already! We attended the Madison show on Thursday and had a great time. We spotted many DCQG members during the day. All had smiles on their faces, so they must have been having fun. Here are a few events coming up for you to consider attending.

July, August and September, 2011 - - I was curious about the Northern Illinois Quilt Fest I saw in the upcoming events page. So, I went to www.northerillinoisquiltfest.com and found each county is hosting their own festivals and displays during this period. Check it out. The events are in Woodstock, Beleviere, Crystal Lake, Rockford, Freeport and Galena. This site takes you to each location with information on where and when their events take place.

Sept. 16 & 17 - - A Festival of Quilts
Northwest Suburban Quilters Guild
Prairie Stone Sports & Wellness Center
5050 Sedge Blvd
Hoffman estates, IL 60192
www.nsqq.net

Sept. 17 & 18 - - Mt. Pleasant Quilt Show
Mt. Pleasant, Iowa
Faith Christian Outreach Church
1302 East Washington St.
Mt. Pleasant, Iowa 52641
Contact Jane Messer 319-931-0175

Sept. 17 & 18 - - Harvest of Quilts IX Show
The Vanderburgh 4-H Center Auditorium
201 E. Boonville - New Harmony Road
Evansville, IN 47725
www.raintreequiltersguild.org
Contact Betty J. Cummings 812-985-3882

Sept. 28 - Oct 1 - - American Quilter's Society / Des Moines
Iowa Events Center
Des Moines, Iowa
www.americanquilter.com/

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

Febr. 2012 - - 14 day Hawaii Cruise
www.worldofquiltstravel.com
sound fun? ? ? ? ? ☺

See you all next time.
Sue



DeKalb County Quilt Guild Workshop Registration Form 2011

Registration forms should be completed and given to Sally Davis
Payment must accompany form.
Checks should be made payable to **DCQG**

Name _____

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

Payment Check _____ Cash _____

_____ **September 23, 2011 (Friday) 9am – 1pm “Hopscotch” or
“Mexican Tiles”**

Susan Knapp/Mary Jane Mattingly, Quilt Branch

Fee: \$40.00 Members

\$50.00 Non-members



_____ **October 28, 2011 (Friday) 9am – 1pm, “What’s Old is New Again”**

Penny Sempert, Pineapple Press Patterns

Fee: \$40.00 Members

\$50.00 Non-members



Any questions contact
Sally Davis