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Life Happens And Quilts Result! March 26th, 7pm



View a trunk show of wonderful quilts from humble beginnings to award winning beauties, Nancy will share the inspirations, spiritual journey and creative path spanning 18 years of her quilting journey. This is your chance to get up close and personal with contemporary art quilts from small to large that radiate with curves and color. Bring a friend and prepare to be inspired!

Kaleidoscope Mini-Quilt March 21, 2015 0900-1200 Ann Sands and Monica Gumm

Materials:

(37) 5" charm squares
(18) 5" background squares (I used low-volume fabrics)
22" square for backing
22" square batting
Binding – 90" length



Finishing School March 21, 2015 12:15— 4:15pm

Finishing School is something new. Finishing school is for anyone that has gone to a paid workshop since June of 2014 and would like to finish up. So if you never sewed the Color Wash project that we brought home just pinned on a foundation piece bring it on by with your machine. If you started a Doodle Quilt and want to continue with your Doodle's come on to Finishing School. If you were practicing Free Motion with Frieda and want to practice some more or if you have an item (like the Doodle Quilt or the Color Wash Mini) to use your skills come to Finishing School. I know at November's workshop Gifts To Make we went home with many items finished but if you want to make some more come to Finishing School. I got the idea when a few of us talked of finishing our Rock Star Bags. Just two of us got together and finished a bag and started another. If you want to make another Rock Star Bag come to Finishing School. If you want to practice your Hand Quilting come to Finishing school. If you have signed up for the Mini Quilt plan to stay in the afternoon. Bring a lunch or a snack and enjoy finishing your projects.

Calendar

- March 26—Guild Meeting
- March 28—Kaleidoscope Mini Quilt Workshop
- March 28—Finishing Class
- April 6—Board Meeting
- April 10—News Articles Due

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KELLY'S CROSSINGS



My son-in-law, who is a computer genius, hence the name, The Flash, is also a wonderful woodworker. He geeks about wood the way I do about fabric. He caresses it, talks to it, goes out of his way to find a supplier of it, he evens stashes it. I'm pretty sure he drives around with it in the trunk of his car so Brains doesn't know he has added to his collection. Anyway, he made me the most beautiful glass and wood storage chest for Christmas.

After rearranging my living room furniture, to make room for the chest, I set about gathering all my quilts from around the house to place in it. I found little quilts, big quilts, unfinished quilts, vintage quilts and some quilts that probably should have remained hidden from view. I found them everywhere-my sewing room, under my bed, in the office, the closet, down in the basement. I just found a little one in a bag next to the computer as I am writing this. I filled it quickly, and after carefully folding and stacking each jewel in the chest, I sat back and was able to admire the fruits of my labor.

Every morning I can view colors and patterns that start my day with a smile and thoughts of more projects that can fill my chest.

Of course none of that would be possible if The Flash hadn't created one place for me to keep everything. As women and mothers we do so much that sometimes we forget just how much we have accomplished. We forget to take credit for what we have done and I forget to give credit where it is do. Sometimes, it just takes us finding one place where we can collect our thoughts.

Please help me give you credit for what you have done for the guild this past year. Have you made a generosity quilt, have you taken pictures at the guild meeting of show and tell, did you work at the quilt show, did you help with the library, did you help at the membership table, are you on any committee or board member, store guild equipment at your home, drive another guild member to a meeting, decorate the museum Christmas tree, teach a workshop, help with the newsletter, work on the raffle quilt, sell raffle tickets? Anything that you did that contributed to this guild in any way, I want you to write it down. **Do not read the rest of this newsletter until you have collected your thoughts and jotted them down.** After you have filled the box, tear it out of the newsletter and bring it to the next meeting, where you can deposit it in a basket at the membership table, or if you can't attend the meeting send me an email.

I want to acknowledge you for everything you have done to make this a thriving, growing, exciting guild, but I can only do that if you toot your own horn.

Quilt on My Friends,

Kelly Hoyle

Hey Kelly, I'm tooting my own horn. Here's what I've helped with this past year.

Now acknowledge all my hard work and make me a Superstar! Signed



Upcoming Programs and Workshops

March 21, 2015 Saturday Workshop 9am-1200pm **Date changed from March 28**
Kaleidoscope MINI QUILT Ann Sands and Monica Gum

March 21, 2015 Saturday Finishing Class 12:15pm to 4:15pm

March 26, 2015—Guild Meeting “Life Happens and Quilts Result!” Nancy Baker

March 28, 2015-Saturday Generosity Fun Day 0900am to 0400pm

April 2, 2015-Bee- Fabric Marbling with Margie
Sign up at March Meeting with Margie \$10 for supplies

April 23, 2015 7:00PM-Generosity Projects Bring machine or cutting mat and cutter
Make & Take Silk Scarf using Silk transfer \$3.00 per scarf

May 28, 2015-Salad Supper 6:30PM start

Air Challenge contest

President's Challenge

This year starts with me issuing a challenge to you. Put on your creative thinking caps and make a quilt that reflects the theme-“AIR”. The rules are pretty simple and I hope will stretch your quilting imagination. Good luck to everyone.

THE RULES

THEME-“AIR”

It may be a traditional, modern or art quilt....anything goes and that fits the size requirements.

Size requirements- no smaller than 12” x 12” and no larger than 30” x 30”.

The theme “AIR” can be reflected in the pattern (Mariners’ compass to nine patch stars... it’s all good), AND/OR fabrics used (Spaceships, flowers, flying bugs, birds, nothing but blue fabric? Christmas wall hangings with the night sky and the guiding star? A baby quilt with some star fabric?) It’s all okay.

The smallest quilt you can enter is 12” x 12” but it’s doesn’t have to be square. Let your imagination and creativity run free!

The challenge starts as soon as you read this notice and ends at the May salad supper at which time we will display and vote on , “Most Creative”, “Best Interpretation of the Theme”, “Best Use of Color”,and “My Favorite for no Particular Reason”.

ANNOUNCING MEMBERS' MARKETPLACE

Do you own a small business? Do you teach or lecture? Do you have an Etsy shop? Do you have a website? Do you want to reach more clients and do it for low, low cost? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this is the place for you!

For just \$10.00 Members' Marketplace will run a copy of your business card right here in your favorite newsletter.

Advertising starts August and runs through May 2015. That's 9 great issues for \$10.00! That's less than \$1.15 per month.

You must be a member of DCQG and be the owner of the business to qualify for this outstanding value.

Businesses do not have to be fiber related but DCQG does reserve the right to refuse or remove any business that we deem unfit for this newsletter and the people who read it. Because this is such an exceptional value, no prorated will be applied after August.

HURRY-ACT FAST-SPACES ARE LIMITED!

CONTACT SALLY DAVIS (news@dcqg.org) TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE TODAY!

1st Annual Generosity Fun Day

March 28 9am – 4pm DeKalb Christian Church

Nancy Ondera and Ione Martin have been planning for April Generosity meeting where we will be cutting batting and fabric for lap robes and sewing and kitting wheel chair pockets and quilts. We will be working on pillowcases where you can pick what you would like to do either matching fabrics or cutting the pieces or pinning the burrito or sewing or turning and ironing and sewing some more.

We decided we need a day of doing the same things mentioned before we even have our meeting to organize all the fabric. Nancy has lots of flannel that we thought we could cut and sew two pieces together and bind. They would be good soft receiving blankets. We can back the lap robes with flannel and use for the backs in the quilt kits. The flannel didn't work so well for the pillowcases. Any other ideas for the flannel?

Nancy Baker has many kits for Wheel Chair pockets. Nancy Ondera has much more Home Décor fabric we thought could be made into tote bags and donated to bags4kids or an organization like them that donate bags to Foster Kids organizations so they have bags to transport their personal items from one home to another. The tote bags would also work well to donate to Safe Passage and Pay It Forward House. Many times the pillowcases are used as tote bags. Does anyone have strapping that we could use for handles? Otherwise we can make straps.

A quote from Nancy Ondera:

“This GP fabric is not meant to sit around--it's supposed to be out working in the world, doing good for folks, from our preemies on up! :)”

This fabric does need to get out into the world and out of Nancy Ondera's basement. This is a fun day a great way to meet other guild members and do what we love to do sew especially with no cost to us since Nancy has all this fabric.

Silk Scarf Make and Take April 23rd

Anyone that wants to dye a silk scarf at our April meeting is welcome to.

There will be a signup sheet at the February and March meeting. The scarves are three dollars apiece.

We need to order them to have them for April. You will also need one yard of muslin for each scarf. You will take the scarf home wet.

2015 SPRING QUILTING RETREAT

Where: Stronghold Camp & Retreat Center,
Oregon, IL; 1922 Illinois 2, Oregon, IL 61061
Heritage Lodge (That's the nice,
new one!).

When: Thursday, April 16–Sunday, April 19,
2015.

Why: Because it's fun, you'll get a bunch of
quilting done, and it doesn't cost a ton!

What's Included: 2 or 3 nights'
accommodations and meals (Supper: night of
arrival; Breakfast: day of departure; Breakfast,
Lunch, Dinner all days in between)(some
rooms are handicapped accessible)

1) The facility we will be in is really nice, and new. There are two different conference rooms that we can use for sewing/ quilting/etc., and therefore we will have two different sewing rooms going. (Between you and me, each person should have about 30-40 square feet of space. The hallways will be utilized for cutting and ironing tables.)

2) We have enough people signed up that the retreat will definitely operate; there is no worry about meeting our minimum commitments. However, we still have a few rooms left. (Again, between you and me, I think the retreat will be phenominal if we can get about 5 more people. Critical mass of people interacting, that sort of thing. Even if we operate with what we have so far (21 people), its going to be a great weekend.)

3) We have confirmed a special reception for retreat participants at Stitches in Time quilt shop in Oregon for Friday evening, 4-5:15 pm. They are going to wine and dine us, or at least wine and snack us, with homemade Sangria, hors d'oeuvres, and shopping specials. Extra bang for the buck!

4) Plus, there will be some unadvertised extras. Even more bang for the buck.

	3 Night Program	2 Night Program
For DCQG members-		
<u>Per person</u> cost, based on		
2 people sharing a room:	\$199.00	\$129.00
Don't want to share a room?		
The <u>extra</u> cost for a single room is:	\$120.00	\$85.00

The cost for non-DCQG members is \$20.00 extra. (And that will make you a member, with all the perquisites, honors and emoluments attendant thereunto!)

Meals: All meals are served cafeteria style, and are really pretty good. If you desire you may request special meals, for which there is an additional charge of \$1.50 **per meal**. (Details are on the application form) You do not have to request an Alternate Meal Choice for all meals. For instance, you may want an alternate meal only for lunch and dinner.

DEKALB COUNTY QUILTERS GUILD 2015 SPRING QUILTING RETREAT

Payments: Full payment to confirm your reservation.

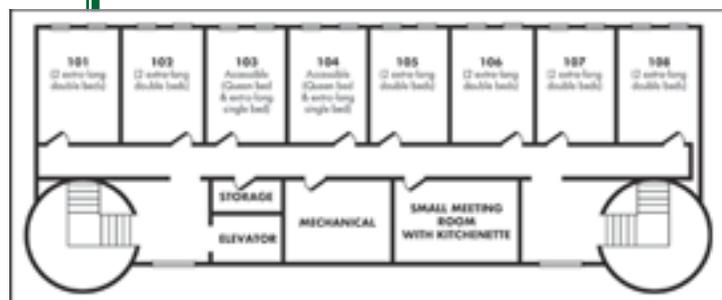
Cancellation policy: \$35.00 cancellation fee if you cancel at any time. If you cancel after February 15, 2015, no refund unless your space can be resold. Membership dues are nonrefundable, but, hey, you get to be a member of the best quilting guild in the State of Illinois!

If you have questions: Contact Carolyn Canon or Mike Groark at QuiltRetreat2015@dcqg.org or call them at 815-787-7836.

“Sounds great! How do I book?” you may ask. Complete the attached form and send in your deposit.

A Little Information about the Heritage Lodge:

- * Heritage is a very comfortable building.
- * Heritage Lodge sleeps up to 32 people (actually more—most rooms can technically sleep up to 5)
- * “Hotel-style” rooms
- * 16 rooms total
- * 12 rooms have two double beds
- * 4 rooms that are handicap accessible have one double bed and one single bed.
- * 2 Meeting Rooms
- * Upper: Large Meeting Room with Gas Fireplace and Kitchenette 26’x 23’
- * Lower: Small Meeting Room and Kitchenette 17’ x 21’
- * Elevator
- * Air Conditioned
- * Each room has its own bathroom
- * NEW Wi-Fi available.
- * Linens are provided.



Note From The Librarian

The bake sale was a success with the library receiving \$47.25 from the sale of the cookies, fudge and donations. Thank you to all that participated.

The library was the recipient of several new books. These books came in as donations from two members. Cheryl Lorden donated The Encyclopedia of Needlecrafts. This book covers a variety of crafts including quilting. It contains many unique projects designed to inspire.

Krista Urban also donated books, four of them. They cover a range of topics. Wild Blooms and Color Creatures by Wendy Williams outlines 15 different colorful wool applique projects with a contemporary feel. A Paper-Pieced Garden by Maaik Bakker and Françoise Maarse combines paper piecing and applique to create some really gorgeous quilts. The other two books are by Kathy Doughty of Material Obsession. Kathy Doughty lives in Australia bringing a distinctive flair to her quilting. Adding Layers and Making Quilts are in full color. The quilts displayed in some unusual settings. A full set of instructions is given for each the quilts.

All of these books are terrific additions to our library. Thank you Krista and Cheryl! Look for these books on the recent additions table at the March meeting.

Kay Fredrick

Librarian

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Ways and Means

Spreading the Word About Us!

Kishwaukee Valley Art League's Northern Illinois Art Show

June 6 & 7 at the DeKalb County Courthouse

To promote membership in DCQG, to promote the Generosity Projects and to raise funds for the Guild, we will have a booth at the Art Show.

The booth will promote the Generosity Projects our guild supports. It will also share the speakers, workshops and events that happen through our guild. Promoting the guild's programs hopefully will bring in new members!

The feature of the Quilt Guild Booth are the Baby Blankets, donated by members, to be raffled and given away that weekend!

So far members: Angie Wennemar, Sharon Smith, Krista Urban, JoAnn Russell, Carolyn Canon, Sue Kapperman, Peg Simonds, Jennifer Olbrich and Colette Foley have volunteered to donate baby quilts.

Other members: Judy Hodge, Jennifer Olbrich, Dawn Erichsen, Jean Bradford and Kay Fredrick, volunteered to donate the jelly roll type pillow cases. These will be sold at the booth.

Members participating at the booth the days of the show can sign-up at the March Meeting.

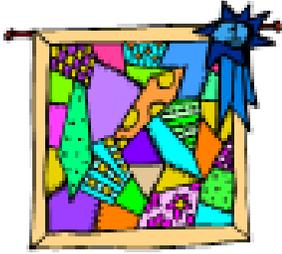
Contact Ways and Means Chairs: Julie Grendahl and Kathi Davis for more information.

Supporting DeKalb County Quilters' Guild

Easy Way to Support the Guild Tip #2

Offer to bring a guest to our meeting or workshop. This suggestion came from 2 members this week!

Do you know someone who is interested in quilts? Maybe they don't like to drive at night. Maybe they are new in the area and don't know too many people. Maybe they are a guest at our meeting and want to attend the workshop. Show some wonderful DeKalb County Hospitality and offer to drive them to our meeting. That way, when they walk into the meeting, they already know someone!



2016 Raffle Quilts

Yes, “QuiltS”, meaning 4 smaller quilts to raffle!
4 quilts of different genres to appeal to more people!
4 quilts to give a better chance to win a quilt!

Basics

1. Work by yourself or with a team.
2. Submit proposal for quilt by March 26th meeting. Board will pick 4 quilts at April Board Meeting.
- 3. Quilts need to be High Quality and Eye Catching!**
4. Quilt must be finished in time to show at December’s Holiday Party!

Details

1. Size of Quilt can be a Lap size of 40”x56” or Wall hanging of 30”x30”
2. We are looking for a variety of genres; traditional, contemporary, art, etc.
3. Expenses up to \$400 per quilt paid by the guild.
Expenses include fabric, batting, thread, professional quilting.
Expenses paid when quilt is completed on time and receipts are submitted.

Please complete Proposal Form in this newsletter and return before March 26, 2015
to Kathi Davis or Julie Grendahl, Ways and Means

Mail to DeKalb County Quilters’ Guild, PO Box 385, Sycamore, IL 60178
or email to waysnmeans@dcqg.org
or give to Kathi or Julie at the March 26th meeting!



2016 Raffle Quilt Proposal Form

Name of Lead Person _____ Phone # _____

Email address of Lead Person: _____

Names of Team Members _____

Size of Quilt: ___ Lap size of 40"x56" OR ___ Wall Hanging size of 30"x30"

Genre (traditional, contemporary, art, etc.) _____

Attach a photo, preferably in color, of quilt pattern or examples of quilt.

What is the proposed color scheme (if different than in photo) or attach sample fabric.



DCQG Workshop Sign-Up 2014

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

Please fill out this form and give it to Lone Martin along with your payment at the guild meeting. Any questions, please contact Lone at VPProgs@dcqg.org.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone # _____ E-mail address _____

Indicate your workshop selection by checking 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.

_____ **Saturday March 21, 2015 Mini Quilt**

Ann Sands and Monica Gum

Saturday 9: am-12:00pm DeKalb Christian Church, 1107 South First Street, DeKalb, IL

\$40.00 Fee includes specialty ruler (with sign up by February 26th)

_____ **Finishing School Saturday 12:15pm-4:15pm**

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.

Are you a DCQG Member? YES NO

Total Amount Enclosed

\$ _____



DCQG 2015 Quilt Retreat Reservation Form

Please make your check payable to DCQG for the full amount and send it to: **DCQG Spring Quilt Retreat, % Carolyn Canon, 137 E. Lincoln Hwy., DeKalb, IL 60115.**

Name: _____

Address: _____

Are You a Member?: Yes No Email: _____

Telephone: _____

Please check one choice: I want the 3 Night Package I want the 2 Night Package

Do you require a handicapped accessible room? Yes No

Who will you room with, or do you want the room all to yourself at the single price?

If you don't have a roommate, do you want us to find one for you? Yes No

Do you want an Alternate Meal Choice? If so, please check below, and tell us what meals should be done this way in the "Other Food Allergies/Notes" section:

Vegetarian Vegan No Pork No Beef Lactose Intolerant (No dairy) Gluten Free

Food Allergies--Please check any food allergies you may have:

Milk Eggs Peanuts Tree Nuts Fish Shellfish Soy Wheat

Please be aware that these foods are used in the kitchen at Stronghold. If your allergy is so severe that this may be a problem, note it here:

Other Food Allergies/Notes: _____

DCQG is making the arrangements for this quilt retreat only as a service to its members. It assumes no liability for any acts of negligence by any vendor or other participants, and participants in the retreat agree that in exchange for this service, they will hold DCQG and the individuals who have arranged the retreat harmless for any injuries or damages sustained before, during, or after the retreat. Further, you acknowledge and agree that there are general risks associated with traveling, which are beyond DCQG's control and, as such, DCQG is not liable for any loss, cost or damage you may incur as a result thereof. Furthermore, I hereby give permission to DCQG to use photographs of me and my projects that may be taken during the retreat, in its future promotions and advertising.

I accept the terms of this retreat as specified in this flyer.

X _____

Signature

