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DeKalb County Quilters' Guild PO Box 385 Sycamore, IL 60178

Thursday, March 27, 2014; 7:00pm; St. Mary's Parish Activity Center in Sycamore

### **"BEFORE THE SHOW ~** WHAT HAPPENS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS?"

Lynne Erbach

#### 7:00pm March 27, 2014 Saint Mary's Parish Activity Center 322 Waterman Street Sycamore, Illinois 60178

During an informative lecture learn about the judging process and the criteria judges' use when evaluating quilts during competition. You will learn about the journey a quilt takes when entered in a judged show. Types of shows, entry forms and "judging myths" will also be discussed. Lynne encourages questions throughout the lecture.

Lynne Erbach, a National Quilting Association Certified Quilt Judge, has been involved in quilt making for more than 20 years and judging for 12 years at local, regional and national shows. Lynne wrote the informative "Judge's Perspective" articles for the *Quilting Quarterly*, The Journal of the National Quilting Association from 2005-2010. As a teacher Lynne encourages quilt makers to learn new techniques, while always appreciating the past. And she encourages quilt makers to enter shows to share their quilts with others, and to have a positive learning experience. Lynne continues her education by attending workshops and lectures, and in 2006 completed a degree in fine arts.

### Workshop: Saturday March 29<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 12noon: "Quilt as Desired"

Quilting is more than a technique required to hold the quilt's three layers together. Explore quilting designs to complement the pieced and appliqué designs in your quilt tops. Discussion will include types of quilting designs, design sources, quilting threads and more. Trunk Show. **Supplies: Finished quilt, quilt top, and note taking materials.** 

We have learned a lot and enjoyed being co-Program Chairs for the last two and a half years. We hope you have found the programs and workshops we scheduled informative and fun. As we hand the needle to lone Martin, as your next Program Chair, we wish her the best of luck and hope she has as much fun as we did.

Ann Sands Monica Gum



**THE GUILD NEEDS YOU..** It's election time and we have 4 board positions that need to be filled. Without talented people like you, to fill these important roles, our guild cannot continue. Please consider running for one of the following positions-President, 2<sup>nd</sup> V.P. of Programs, Secretary or Ways & Means. A ballot can be found at the end of this newsletter for you to complete and bring to the March meeting. If you are unable to join us at this month's meeting, email your ballot, or if you have any questions regarding the positions contact me, Kelly Hoyle.

Kelly Hoyle



Next show meeting is 7:00pm Monday March 17<sup>th</sup> at Kathi Davis's house We can use all your assistance any time. Just let us know when you are available!

Chair: Kathi Davis; Treasurer: Pat Boesche; Raffle Quilt: Sally Davis; Vendor: Barb Grant; Demos: Sherry Mileham; Publicity: Carolyn Canon; Silent Auction: Sue Kapperman, Cheryl Stack, Rita Mitchell; Ribbons (designing and making): Lizz Ploppert; Raffle Baskets: Cheryl Lorden; Boutique: Anne Berg; Judging Day: Ann Sands and Monica Gum; Food, Special Items, and Extra Stuff: Sandy Hoffman and Sharon Smith

If you wish to assist with <u>ANY</u> of the tasks, please just email me!!! Remember you don't have to do this alone, grab a friend and share in the fun!

#### Here's what we need from YOU:

- Silent Auction Pieces: Quilted items that are no larger than (30" X 30"). Can be wall hangings, table runners, household items, etc. Bring them in anytime and give to Cheri Stack, Sue Kapperman, or Rita Mitchell
- **DCQG Boutique Items**: By now most of us are going thru those stacks of books and magazines that have been collecting dust and are looking for that perfect quilt for the quilt show. We all want to earn one of those wonderful ribbons don't we? Well, as you are looking thru the books and magazines, set aside those that you don't think that you will ever look at again. I will be collecting them for the boutique. Also search that stash you have and when you run across that fabric you just had to have and now wonder why set that aside also. All of your unwanted fabric, magazine and books can be sold at the boutique. All proceeds from the sale of these

items will go into the Guild treasury to help pay for the programs for the next 2 years. Also while you are creating that terrific quilt and the minis, remember to toss scraps into small bags for the boutique. I'll let you know when I will start to collect all your donations. If you would like to make items to sell in the boutique, I will have a supply of tags at the meetings. We use a 2 part tag – every item you make must have a tag. Remember that 10% of sales from handmade items go to the guild. It is a great way to earn a little extra cash to help support your quilting habit. Annie Berg

- Quilts and wall hangings for judging and displaying: application with photo will be due end of August.
- Items for the Raffle Baskets: Raffle baskets for the quilt show: I am accepting donations of items for our raffle baskets. Thanks to those who have already given me contributions. I will continue to accept donations through the beginning of September when I want to assemble the baskets. Cheryl Lorden
- **Raffle Quilt Tickets**: We ask that each member sell at least 50 raffle quilt tickets with our quilt this year, this will be VERY EASY! They will be available at a DCQG meeting soon. Contact Sally Davis if you need tickets earlier
- **Publicity, publicity, and publicity**: We will have a poster and bookmarks on the website <u>www.dcqg.org</u> that you may print off and distribute to friends, neighbors, quilt shows, quilt shops, and anywhere else you can think of. Need assistance, contact Carolyn Canon
- Volunteering to work during the show: We will need help at take-in quilts, judging, setup, take-down, white glove, demonstrators, boutique workers, door prizes, etc. There will be a volunteer signup sheet later but if you know what you want to do, email Kathi Davis

**Chairs Needed:** Quilt Take-in, Quilt Release, Show Setup Chair (everyone works), Show Take Down (everyone works).

Kathi Davis Harvest of Quilts 2014 Chair



For those of you going to the retreat at Stonghold next month, there was a question on which weekend it was scheduled. **It is the weekend of April 3-6.** I also have some information about what to take with you, and what to expect that I just received last week. I'll have copies with me at the next meeting, but if you won't be there, let me know and I'll get it to you e-mail or snail mail.

Don't forget that our May meeting is the Salad Supper. For those of you who are new to the guild, or have never attended this meeting, I highly recommend it! This is the meeting that everyone brings a dish to put on the buffet table. While it is called "Salad Supper," people have gotten very creative on food to bring, so don't feel that you have to create a salad to bring. Bring your own table setting and drink. People bring everything from disposable settings, to really dressing up their space at the table with nice settings. It's a great social event, and we will have show and tell, also! Any questions, e-mail me or call! Hope to see you there!

Carolyn Canon Katrina Kobernus



I was glad to be in your company at the February meeting--it's been a few months, between one thing and another. Thanks so much to all of you who checked out all but one of the G.P. kits I brought that night; it was a real treat to take home a slew of completed baby quilts in their stead! Thanks go to Annie Berg, too, who has been kind enough to collect the donations at the past few meetings and then do a hand-off to me so I can record them, thank you individually, and then divvy the quilts up to give to the NICU and DCFS.

Are you as thrilled as I am that our total donations number 60 baby quilts as of February?! At the risk of making them blush, I just have to give a big shout-out to both Bobbie Lundburg and Krista Urban, who gave single-month donations of seven each in January and February, respectively. Simply amazing, Girls!

Quite a number of you have been devoting your time, materials, and wonderful skills this program year, and several of you like to work in series, too, I notice--sometimes as many as four in a month. A round of applause for you all: Georgiann Baird, Carol Barkhurst, Annie Berg, Shirley Cronin, Dawn Ericksen, Geri Faivre, Rachel Hunley, Jennifer Ohlbrecht, Kyra Rider, JoAnn Russell, Wilma Shimkus, Sharon Smith, and Kathy Wells. Also, there is at least one, or maybe more, good do-bee who's shy about signing a donation. I thank you, too, and know the blessings you put out into the world will come back to you multiplied!

I think this is going to be another record year for donations. Let's all make that happen--what do you say, Fabric Friends?!

Nancy Ondera



Kyra Rider

Hi!

Well we have reached some of the major spring milestones. We sprung ahead, a bunch of the ice is melting, and my spring break just ended. Just like winter break, it always goes too fast and I don't accomplish half of what I want to get done. Those minor alterations to my work clothes are still undone. I did get the baby quilt delivered to the baby born last June. He is just starting to crawl so he looks really cute crawling around on his quilt and "talking" to the animals on it.

I am thrilled with the attendance at our winter guild meetings and the number of new members we have gotten recently. The cold weather sometimes keeps members at home – but you braved it and hopefully had a good time. I hope you are all thinking about ways you can be more involved with the DeKalb County Quilters' Guild. We need people to run for board positions and we have several

committees that will need chairs and volunteers. Kelly Hoyle will be looking for board nominees at the next meeting. If you have any questions about the requirements, time commitments, or anything else, give me a call or contact anyone else on the board. We need you!

We also need you to help get the word out about the quilt show. Spring is often a time for shop hops – bring a flyer and some bookmarks and ask the shop to display the information. Sally Davis will have raffle tickets for our opportunity quilt at the next meeting. Please take a packet to sell. Hit up your friends, relatives, coworker, and get payback for all the cookies, popcorn, pork shop dinners, etc you have bought to support other causes in the past.

You help shape the guild and we cannot do it without your support. Thank you for all you do. You make my role in the DCQG easy. I enjoy your company and the meetings are fun because of your participation.

Thanks again! Kyra





\*\*\* 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

#### 2014 DCQG Programs

March 27, 2014 Guild Meeting – 7:00pm Lynn Erbach – "Before the Show – What happens Behind Closed Doors?"

Saturday, March 29, 2014—Workshop – 9am - noon "Quilt as Desired" Lynn Erbach DeKalb Christian Church 1107 South First St, DeKalb, IL 60115 April 24, 2014 Guild Meeting—7:00pm Generosity Project

May 22, 2014 Guild Meeting—6:30pm Salad Supper

The rest of the year is currently being planned. Watch for information as it becomes available.



# UPCOMING QUILT SHOWS AND EVENTS

(for those of you who are looking for quilt shows outside of Illinois, I have found that going to Quilters Companion Quilt shows on line very helpful. There is a map to help locate the quilt show as well)

Bloomington,IL: March 28 & 29, IWU Shirk Activity Center, 302 E. Emerson St. <u>www.haaqg.tripod.com</u>

- Bensonville, IL: March 29 & 30, Fischer Farm Museum, 16W680 Old Grand Avenue www.bensonvilleparkdistrict.org/pdcms/fischer-farm
- Schaumburg IL: March 27 29, Schaumburg Convention Center, 1551 N. Thoreau Dr. www.sewingexpo.com
- Valparaiso, IN: March 29 30, Porter County Expo Center, 215 E. Division Road, www.stringalonggg.org
- Taxico, IL: March 29, Quilt & Craft Show, Donoho Prairie Christian Church, 7405 Exchange Rd. (618)822-6437
- SunPrairie, WI: March 30-April 1, St. Alberts Parish Cntr, 2420 St. Albert Dr. www.Sunprairiequiltshow.com
- Urbana, IL: April 4 & 5, Cunningham Children's Spiritual Home, 1301 N. Cunningham Ave. www.cunninghamhome.org
- Paducah, KY: April 23-26, Paducah Expo Center, <u>www.americanquilter.com</u>
- Arthur, IL: April 24 26, 2014, Otto Center, 120 East Progress St, www.illimoissamishcountry.com

Mukwanogo, WI: April 26-27, Parkview Middle School, 930 N. Rochester, www.mukwonogocrazyguilters.com

# MEMBERS' CORNER

Remember you may send information you wish members to know to Kathi Davis anytime during a month for inclusion in the next newsletter.

#### From Bobbie Lundberg: <u>SHIPSHEWANA INFORMATION</u>

For those of you in the guild who have asked about a trip to **<u>SHIPSHEWANA, IN</u>** you will be happy to know that someone is planning a trip – they just need quilters to be interested in going.

Sew Generously in St. Charles is planning a trip for June 27 – but they need to know that they can have enough quilters who would like to make the trip.

If you would seriously like to go to **SHIPSHEWANA** on a 1 day bus trip, please give sew Generously a call and let them know – their phone number is 630-444-1504 – or better yet make the quick trip to St Charles, check out their shop and let them know. They are at 3341 W Main – the strip center at Rt 64 & Peck Rd



## DCQG Workshop Sign-Up 2014

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. <u>Please make checks payable to DCQG.</u>

Workshops are held at DeKalb Christian Church, 1107 South First St, DeKalb, IL 60115

March 29 , 2014 (Saturday): Lynne Erback, "Quilt as Desired" 9:00am – 12:00pm

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.

DeKalb County Quilters' Guild Nomination Ballot 2014
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