



The News-Patch

May 2017

May 25, 2017– 6 :30 PM Annual Salad Supper

Salad Supper is a tradition for DCQG. All members look forward to this evening of food and fellowship. Whether you are a long standing member or a newbie please join us to celebrate the start of DCQG’s 38th year and the beginning of summer.

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For those of you who are joining us for the first time the hall doors will open at 6pm with food service at 6:30.

As this is a very casual event we ask you to bring your own place setting and drink along with a dish and serving utensils to pass.

If you last name begins with:

A-I Appetizer Dish

J-Q Salad Dish

R-Z Dessert Dish

If there is something you really want to bring and it doesn’t fit the breakdown, bring that instead. We are just trying to avoid getting 62 chocolate cakes.

We will introduce the new board, have sew & tell, nibble on some tasty treats and enjoy the fellowship of the best quilters in Illinois.

Mike Groark

Special Events

Our mission statement
“To promote the fellowship and art of quilting.”

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Board Elections

Board elections were held at the April general meeting. Up for election were positions for treasurer, ways & means, special events, and programs. We are happy to report the following people were nominated and elected to the following offices

Treasurer-Jennifer Olbrich

Special Events-Mike Groark

Ways & Means-Sheryl Keiler

Unfortunately, Programs VP has gone unfilled so if there is anyone who would like to volunteer for that position please contact Kelly Hoyle.

We also received word the our current secretary, Shirley Cronin will need to step down. Kay Freidrick, our current librarian has agreed to serve the remaining term.

Please congratulate these people for stepping up and leading DCQG for another great year.

Hello from Ways and Means

Hi! I'm Sheryl Keiler and I have accepted the position of the Ways & Means Chairperson for the next 2 years.

I'm looking forward to sharing some new ideas to grow our guild to be one of the best and strongest guilds in northern Illinois. In order to do this, I NEED your help. I have some great ideas for raising funds for the guild and I will be sharing these ideas at the next guild meeting. Some of

these ideas will be ongoing while others will be "come and go" ideas. I'll explain later.

We NEED to bring in more revenue in order to keep the guild solvent—simply put—dues can't do it all. Fundraising events will be more frequent while trying to recruit more members at the same time. As of now we have no one to chair the quilt show, so we must think of other ways to fund the guild. Beginning next meet-

ing, I would like to start a UFO fundraiser within the guild. What it will look like is this:

Members will be asked to go through your sewing room and bring in a complete UFO project (doesn't have to be finished, just have all the necessary pieces included), or an old pattern, kit, etc. that you once thought was the BEST but, for some reason, you never finished. We ALL have those!

We will raffle off a couple of UFO's each month. Tickets will be \$1 or 6 for \$5. Pretty good deal!

I know this year, the guild will hold a "trunk sale" so perhaps you would consider giving a small percentage of your earnings to the guild.

Of course, we will be participating in the Pumpkin Festival in the fall. I know of other craft

shows and events where can set up a booth so I will be asking for volunteers to help cover the table. Another area we need to explore is to recruit members from other towns. We seem to focus on the Sycamore/DeKalb area and yet there are other towns we need to get the word out to. If nothing else, I would like to display flyers at community centers in other towns letting fellow quilter know we are here.

These are just a couple of ideas I have in mind and I will keep you all informed. I would ask though, that someone please step up and help out with the 2018 quilt show. This is a great venue to spread the word about DCGQ and I feel quite sure that if just one person steps up, more will follow to help out. Let's do tis together!

Sheryl Keiler

Ways and Means

Membership Renewal

It's time again to renew your membership with DCQG. Our fiscal year ends May 31, 2017. If you have not renewed by that time you will miss out on all the fun stuff—speakers, workshops, newsletters, library, sew & tell and a good time with your quilting buddies.

New membership rosters will sent in July to all those in good standing as of June 1.

Dues are \$30.00 for email and \$40.00 for snail mail. Membership applications can be found at the end of this newsletter, our website dcqg.org or at the membership table .

Judy Hodge, Dorothy Franke, Pat Barger

Membership Committee

Workshop News

With the increase costs of speaker led workshops, the board thought it would be a good idea to highlight the many talents of our own membership and we will conduct member led workshops for the coming year.

Any member can lead a workshop and it can highlight any technique you are interested in. You DO NOT have to be an expert just have the willingness to share the information you have acquired with your fellow members.

Workshops can be held any day of the week, but in the past we have found that Saturdays seem to draw the most people. They can full day or half day and can cover any technique, pattern or quilting subject you like.

For those leading a workshop you will be paid a fee for your time and those who participate in any workshop we are looking to keep the fee as low as possible. Right now we think \$20 -\$25 per student should do the trick.

That is a steal! You can not find a lower cost for any workshop.

We also would like to keep the max number of students to 10 per class so teachers will not be overwhelmed.

If you would like to teach your fellow members a few new tricks and techniques and hone your teaching skills, you may sign up at the May meeting.

Or if you have any questions contact Kelly Hoyle.

Program Highlights

We have a great year planned for you.

This calendar will be updated with all new or changing information.

June-Trunk Sale and Ice Cream Social.

July-Linda Bodine "Combining the Arts: Writing, Drawing and Quilting" quilt-stories.com

August-Suzy Williams "Trunk Show" of suzyquilts.com

Pride of the Prairie raffle quilt display

September-Cheryl Sleboda "Working Weekly-Staying Inspired"

October-"Accidental Landscapes" Workshop

November-no meeting

December-Christmas Party

January-Robin Gausebeck "New Quilts from Old Favorites"

February-Jane Sassaman "Under the Influence"

March-Kathy Flowers :Old Glory! The Inspiration of Patriotic Quilt Designs"

April-Karen Grover and Board elections

May-Salad Supper

June-Lori Dickman

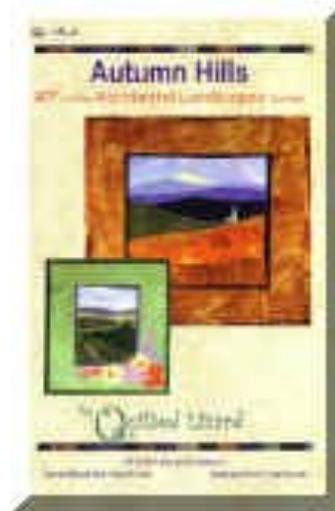
Accidental Landscapes Order Form

Choice your pattern for the October workshop meeting.

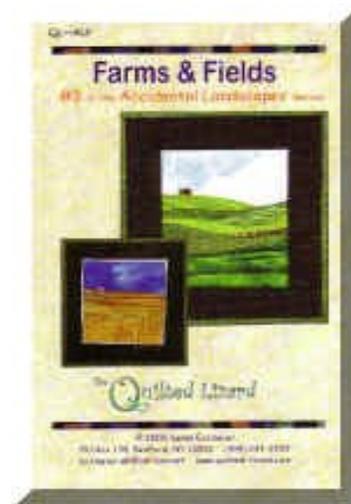
You may purchase one or both patterns. Each pattern will be \$7.00 plus \$1.50 for postage. Patterns will be handed out at the September 28th meeting.

Return your order and payment to **Kelly Hoyle** no later than Thursday August 24, 2017

_____ Autumn Hills
\$8.50



_____ Farm & Fields
\$8.50



Name (please print) _____

Amount _____

Cash _____

Check# _____



DeKalb County Quilters' Guild P.O. Box 385 Sycamore IL. 60178

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY. Your name should appear as you wish to have it listed in guild publications.

Name		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip
Cell Phone	Home Phone	Year Joined Guild

E-Mail Address (Notification will be sent via e-mail when the latest newsletter has been posted)

DUES INFORMATION

Membership dues for 2017-2018 are \$30.00

Snail Mail users dues for 2017-2018 are \$40.00

In accordance with Guild Bylaws, the membership year runs from June 1 through May 31.

DUES ARE TO BE PAID ON OR BEFORE JUNE 1ST

Please indicate age group	Circle one	Renewal/ Rejoins*
17&under 40-49	New member	Renewing- member during the previous year
18-29 50-64	Student	Rejoining- previously a member, but not during the previous year
30-39 65+	Renewal/Rejoin*	

Make checks payable to **DCQG. DO NOT SEND CASH THROUGH THE U.S. MAIL.**

Return completed form and payment to the membership table at a general meeting or mail to the above address.

For Office Use Only

Today's Date

Cash Credit Card/PayPal Check#

Membership packet given/mailed /emailed

Member since

ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE DCQG

We are an active group with many opportunities to serve the guild based upon your interests. Below are listed some of the many areas where you can volunteer and with your help, the guild can continue to thrive throughout the year. Circle your choices and a board member or committee chair will contact you with information.

BOARD POSITIONS-DCQG board members serve 2 year terms. They keep the guild running smoothly both legally and socially. I would like to serve DCQG in the following position:	President VP 1 Programs VP 2 Programs	Treasurer Ways and Means VP Special Events	Secretary Director at Large
STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS-Committee chairs serve 1 year terms and are responsible for organizing volunteers and reporting progress to the board. I would like to serve DCQG as the chair/co-chair of the following committee(s):	Generosity Quilt Show	Newsletter Librarian Nominations	Website/Social Media Membership Public Relations
COMMITTEES AND ACTIVITIES-DCQG cannot run smoothly without your help in the following areas. If you would like to volunteer for these positions they are 1 year commitments. I would like to serve DCGQ in the following area(s)	Quilt show Retreat Library Holiday party Membership table Salad supper Audit Website/Social Media Public relations (mass mailings, press releases etc.) Newsletter Board Nominations/Elections	Workshop Assistant Teaching a Workshop Guest Speaker Assistant (helping with set up/take down, holding quilts during lecture etc.)	I can help the guild in these other ways:

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY, CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOXES, SIGN, DATE, AND RETURN THIS ENTIRE FORM WITH YOUR MEMBERSHIP PAYMENT.

I agree to have my image and all creative material photographed and used on any/all DCQG advertising and social media.

I DO NOT agree to have my image and all creative material photographed and used on any/all of DCQG advertising social media.

I release and waive any claim I may or may not have against DCQG, its' officers, volunteers, committee members or agents arising out of or related to my participation in any activities of DCQG.

Signature _____

Date _____