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DRURY DESIGN KITCHEN & BATH STUDIO

design guide

Your source for home design trends, news and inspiration

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What a Difference a Year Makes

As consumer confidence returns, 2010 is shaping up to be a successful year for the kitchen and bath industry.

Our clients who put projects on hold last year are moving forward with renovation and building plans. With a variety of exciting kitchen and bath remodeling projects already in process, we welcome the opportunity to talk to you about yours.

Traditional is the New Contemporary

The biggest kitchen design trend we are seeing is: traditional is the new contemporary.

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SUB-ZERO WOLF KITCHEN DESIGN CONTEST WINNER – LOCAL AWARD

An Award-Winning Year for Client-Focused Design Projects

In 2009, five Drury Design projects received NKBA Design Vision awards and two received honorable mentions. In 2008, thirteen Drury Design projects received NKBA Design Vision Contest awards, including first, second and third place in the large kitchen category along with awards in the small kitchen, large bath and small bath categories.

Glen Ellyn Kitchen Design by Tina Muller wins Kitchen Design Contest Award

Drury Design congratulates Tina Muller on winning the 2008-2009 Sub-Zero and Wolf Kitchen Design Contest's local award. Tina joined Drury Design in 2001 and is the recipient of several National Kitchen and Bath Association [NKBA] awards. This project is also a nominee for the NKBA national design awards, to be announced in April.



After a water leak damaged their home while they were on vacation, the homeowners asked Tina to design and execute a plan that included rearranging the space and completing the project as quickly as possible. The kitchen's dining area moved to the sunroom, which made room for a fabulous wine bar. Sub-Zero's 427 wine cooler inspired the beautiful cabinets that display their pewter collection. A walnut hutch houses two Sub-Zero refrigerators while the island houses two refrigerated drawers. A 48" Wolf range was a must, not only for its distinctive look, but for its cooking technology as well.

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NKBA WINNER – 1ST PLACE, LARGE KITCHENS

Designer: Gail Drury, CMKBD
Client Location: Hinsdale, Illinois

This homeowner has a passion for antiques and wanted to incorporate as many as possible in her new kitchen. The antiques included a beautiful display cabinet, which she purchased from The Right Stuff. The doors on this cabinet are the original windows from an old building in France. While this piece sets the tone for the rest of the kitchen, it also gives the family extra storage space. The kitchen was all about mixing the old with the new. The ceiling beams, for example, were made from reclaimed siding from a barn on a nearby farm, and the flooring features vintage distressed white oak boards.



NKBA WINNER – 2ND PLACE, MEDIUM KITCHENS

Designer: Terry Kenney
Client Location: Lisle, Illinois

First-time remodelers, these homeowners embarked on an ambitious project that included completely changing the layout of two baths. The kitchen layout works within the original footprint. The glass counter at the end of the cabinetry wall sets the whole project off and picks up the color in the tile. We decided to keep the design simple and transitional in keeping with the home's ranch style by using contrasting moldings to frame the design.

“It is always a pleasure working with Drury Design. Not only do they create outstanding kitchen designs, but their attention to detail is not compromised – the same philosophy of Sub-Zero and Wolf.”

- Dan Heyn, President of the Sub-Zero Wolf Showroom



NKBA WINNER – 3RD PLACE, MEDIUM KITCHENS

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Characterized by built-in cabinetry in shades of white and off-white, this style mixes in eclectic stained or painted furniture pieces with traditional cabinetry in contrasting colors.

Simplicity is “In”

Less is more with a growing emphasis on quality versus quantity. Smaller spaces are being utilized to their utmost, which makes getting the details correct a priority. Creativity in space planning is key. Our client-focused design process individualizes custom solutions for any size space.

Earth-Friendly Materials Matter

Green elements in the kitchen come from farm-raised woods, such as bamboo and lyptus, along with countertops made from recycled materials, such as blue glass bottles and old stop lights.

Good Design is More Important Than Ever

As many things often come back full circle, remarkable design solutions always stay in style. It appears that the current trend in home interiors is taking us back to the beginning of the evolution of custom kitchens with fine-tuned functionality in rooms that make your house what it truly is – your home.

Designer: Tina Muller
Client Location: Wheaton, Illinois

With plumbing permanently embedded into a concrete foundation, this kitchen’s layout presented a significant design challenge. Solutions included designing the work area around the sink, gaining space by extending out into the family room and improving workflow by relocating the garage door. Though it seemed impossible, the homeowners now have the large and efficient entertaining center they dreamed about. An art wall displays the piece the couple had made for the space in Napa Valley.

Grabill Sales Dealer Leader – 11th year!

For the eleventh consecutive year, Drury Design Kitchen and Bath Studio received The Grabill Cabinet Company’s top Dealer Sales Award. Exceeding customer expectations, innovative designs, and quality craftsmanship contribute to a successful partnership that goes back to 1997 and expands every day.

“As the industry continues to evolve, so do solutions for each client’s lifestyle.

Drury Design’s client-focused design approach connects multi-faceted design elements into one cohesive and harmonious space. Congratulations to Drury Design Studio on another year of remarkable success.” - Kathy Lee Svenson, Grabill Cabinet Company



Drury Design Communities

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DRURY DESIGN IN PRINT AND ONLINE

Kitchen Trends

The March 2010 issue highlighted two Drury Design client kitchens, on the cover and in these two features: "Leading Statement" on pages 106 -111 and "In Praise of a Bygone Era" on pages 60-61.



NKBA Profiles Magazine

Two Drury Design projects appeared in the 2010 Winter issue: a kitchen designed by Tina Muller, a finalist in the 2010 "Art of the Industry" 2010 national NKBA design competition, and a recent master bath in the "2010 Kitchen and Bath Style Report."

Chicago Home Improvement

An Elmhurst client's kitchen project graced the March 2010 cover.



Daily Herald

"Local firms dominate awards for kitchen, bathroom designs," a Homes Plus section cover feature, appeared on December 12, 2009 and included an interview with Gail Drury, CMKBD, along with design images.



West Suburban Living
A Glen Ellyn kitchen design project starred in the September/October 2009 "Elegant Kitchens" edition.

Read our latest news releases at <http://drurydesignsnewsroom.com>.

COMMUNITY EVENTS CALENDAR

DINNERS AND DESIGN EVENT THURSDAY, APRIL 29

6:00 - 9:00 PM

Join us for a complimentary cooking demonstration at the Sub-Zero Wolf Showroom in Glendale Heights. Menus highlight the features of Wolf cooktops, ranges and ovens. Reserve your place at our event via email, jim@drurydesigns.com, or call us at 630.469.4980.



JAZZFEST GLEN ELLYN 2010 JULY 10 AT 3:00 PM

Becoming a must-attend mid-summer event for Chicago jazz lovers, JazzFest Glen Ellyn celebrates its third anniversary in 2010. A founding JazzFest Glen Ellyn member, Jim Drury is on the planning team, which includes Karnes Prickett Design, WDCB radio, The MAC, Hursthouse Landscape Architects and Contractors and Glen Ellyn Chamber of Commerce. Check out this year's artistic lineup at <http://jazzfestglenellyn.org>.



GLEN ELLYN KITCHEN WALK OCTOBER 1, TOUR AT NOON, RECEPTION AT 5:00 PM

*Presented by Baird & Warner of Glen Ellyn,
sponsored by Drury Design*

After taking a year off, the Glen Ellyn Kitchen Walk returns as a fall season highlight on Chicago's interior design events calendar. Grab a ticket and tour fabulous Glen Ellyn kitchens. Then meet up at a community gourmet reception in our studio. All proceeds benefit Bridge Communities and their mission to transition homeless families to a brighter future. More information at <http://kitchenwalk.org>.



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