

DRURY DESIGN KITCHEN & BATH STUDIO

# design guide

Your source for home design trends, news and inspiration

# Gail Drury, CMKBD President and Studio Director



#### **Remodeling Springs Back**

What a winter! With snow, ice and temperatures colder than Siberia, we're all ready to welcome spring! Hinsdale Living recently interviewed Jim and me about the 2014 spring remodeling season. Here's an excerpt from the article.

"With spring on the horizon, home improvements are on the rise. But according to Gail and Jim Drury, owners of Drury Design in Glen Ellyn, clients are being more thoughtful than ever about the types of projects they pursue.

'The focus is much more on lifestyle and how a family lives in their home,' explains Gail, who founded the eponymous design and construction business in the late 1980s. 'Clients may call on us for a kitchen renovation, but the conversation quickly evolves into enhancing their great room or creating a nearby mudroom,' she explains."

Have a project you're considering? Stop by the studio or call us to schedule a complimentary in-home consultation at 630.469.4980.



# Midwest Chapter of NKBA Recognizes Drury Design Client Projects

Three Drury Design kitchen design projects received NKBA (National Kitchen and Bath Association) 2013 Chicago Design Vision awards: two in the large kitchen category and one in the medium kitchen category.

Design Vision competition is open to designers throughout the Midwest. NKBA Chicago Midwest judges scored contest entries in five key areas: safety and ergonomics, elements and principles of design, design planning, and creativity and presentation. According to NKBA Chicago Midwest, industry experts selected to judge include certified NKBA designers, architects, ASID members, NKBA student chapters and a guest judge from *Chicago Home & Garden*.

# NKBA CHICAGO MIDWEST AWARD-WINNING KITCHEN DESIGNERS

FIRST PLACE
LARGE KITCHEN

Janice Teague CKD, CBD Drury Design THIRD PLACE
LARGE KITCHEN

Janice Teague CKD, CBD Drury Design First Place Medium Kitchen

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▲ Location: Glen Ellyn, Illinois

Designer: Janice Teague, CKD, CBD

Project: Kitchen Remodel

Solutions: This English Tudor's original kitchen and dining room were too small for functional cooking and gracious entertaining. Designer Janice Teague, CKD, CBD, encountered several design challenges, including incorporating a permanent structural beam running between the kitchen and dining room, placing major appliances on relatively short perimeter walls and adding an island with efficient storage and seating for four without infringing on the dining area.

Location:Burr Ridge, IllinoisDesigner:Gail Drury, CMKBDProject:Kitchen Remodel

Solutions: A 1970s-style kitchen, complete with laminate cabinets and counters, was out of place in this traditional Burr Ridge suburban home. Gail Drury, CMKBD, designed this kitchen for empty-nester homeowners who both love to cook and entertain. The project presented multiple design challenges, including enlarging a cramped kitchen to flow into a bright sunroom, making the space multi-cook friendly and designing a more timeless, traditional kitchen to complement the home's architecture and style.



# 2014 Ads Series: Your Vision Brought to Life

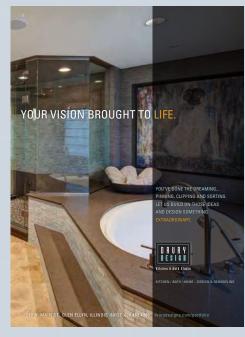
Soon you'll see Drury Design's kitchen and bath remodeling ads running in West Suburban Living, Glancer, Hinsdale Living and Chicago Home & Garden.

"Your vision brought to life."

That's our headline. And it's a succinct way of describing our client-focused design™ process. More and more, our clients share ideas and images they find on Pinterest, Houzz and in magazines. Together, we plan and design. Then Drury Design manages the entire building and remodeling project.

For this series of ads, we selected four stunning remodeling projects, including a kitchen in Hinsdale and one in Glenview.







# Alicia Saso Rejoins the Drury Design Team



Alicia began her design career as an assistant working directly with Gail Drury, a Certified Master Kitchen and

Bath Designer and President of Drury Design. Over the course of her previous five years at Drury Design, Alicia advanced to become a designer.

In September, one of Alicia's designs was featured in *West Suburban Living's* kitchen design issue. Prior to rejoining the Drury Design team, Alicia focused on designing custom home interiors.

# Amanda Listak Joins Drury Design

After graduating with Honors from Indiana University, Amanda started her career working for a flooring



showroom. Her specialties included CAD drafting, tile design, flooring and counter specifications. She recommended and created solutions for home renovations based on material selection, application and budget.

# Drury Design Honored with Two "Best of Houzz" Awards

The 2014 Houzz annual survey and analysis of 16 million monthly users revealed the top-rated U.S. building, remodeling and design professionals. Drury Design was awarded two "Best of Houzz" badges by Houzz.com, the leading online platform for home remodeling and design, in two categories: Customer Satisfaction and Design. According to Houzz, less than 4% of Houzz pros receive a best of Houzz award (let alone both awards).





#### MEDIA



#### Interiors Chicago Interviews Gail Drury

"Some of the most experienced and talented individuals in the home design and development industries discuss how they got to the top of their game." In November, *Interiors Chicago* featured Gail in the "Ask the Experts" feature of its kitchen and bath design issue.

#### West Suburban Living Features Drury Design Bath Remodel

From *West Suburban Living* magazine's Jan / Feb 2014 Edition, this informative article, "Beautiful Baths," features four Chicago area

bathroom remodels and showcases a recent Homer Glen, IL award-winning master bath design and remodel by Brigitte Fabi, CMKDB of Drury Design, in a two-page spread on pages 70 and 71.







#### Redesigned Drury Design Online Launches

Almost a year in the making, we're excited to unveil our new website. Designed to deliver the ultimate remodeling inspiration experience, the new site is smartphone- and tablet-friendly. When you

visit www.DruryDesigns.com, you'll see projects presented as full-screen features. And you'll have the option to check out design details and even watch videos. Because we're committed to sharing the latest trends, along with before and after stories, you'll notice more frequent blog posts. For the latest in kitchen design news, subscribe to our newsletter by visiting www.drurydesigns.com/contact-us/subscribe-to-our-free-email-newsletter/.

Read about our recent news and design features at www.drurydesigns.com/blog

#### COMMUNITY

#### DINNER AND DESIGN EVENT

THURSDAY, APRIL 24 AT 6:30

Discover the latest in cooking technology and enjoy dinner on us. Prepared exclusively for our guests and clients, dinner is served at Westye Group's Wolf and Sub-Zero Glendale Heights showroom. To make a reservation for you and your guest, contact the studio.



SAVE THE DATE

#### 2014 GLEN ELLYN KITCHEN WALK



In 2013, the Glen Ellyn Kitchen Walk raised \$8,000 to benefit Bridge Communities. This fall, the event takes place on Friday, October 10. Organized by Baird & Warner's Glen Ellyn office, the Kitchen Walk takes you on a tour of the hottest kitchens in town. Drury Design, in partnership with Sub-Zero and Wolf, will host an after-walk gourmet reception. To get on the invitation list, email jim@drurydesigns.com. All event proceeds benefit Bridge Communities. For more information about this charity, visit http://bridgecommunities.org.

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