



DRURY DESIGN KITCHEN & BATH STUDIO

# design guide

Gail Drury, CMKBD  
President and Studio Director



### Designs On Partnerships

From start to finish, it takes a team of qualified staff members to complete each individual kitchen design project.

More complex projects sometimes involve design partners from collaborative firms. In 2007, we teamed up with two design partners, Glen Ellyn Homes and Reddington Designs Incorporated, to complete a complex kitchen remodel project in an older home in Glen Ellyn.

We're pleased to announce our efforts resulted in a 2007 ICON Gold Award, presented by the Northern Illinois Home Builders Association (NIHBA). Donna Renzi, NIHBA executive vice president, says, "The ICON award honors builders and remodelers who excel in the new construction and remodeling industry." Have a builder or an architect you're working with? Contact us to integrate our client-focused design approach into your project.



COMMERCIAL REGENERATION | TRANQUIL RETREAT

**"This was a very big job. Janice came out and worked up a plan, and the Drury Design team completed the project on time to the very day promised."** -Patti Stolfe

**Homeowners:** Patti and Jim Stolfe of Addison  
**Designer:** Janice Teague, CKD, CBD  
**Project:** Kitchen and bath renovation  
**Solutions:** Built by the couple in 1984, this home's original kitchen was a commercial workhorse. With an open broiler, butcher block counter and enough oven capacity to power a small pizzeria, the kitchen looked like it would be more at home at a restaurant, not inside a family home that hosts up to 30 most weekends. The hold-up for change? Patti's concern that design and efficiency could not co-exist. Patti says: "Janice came up with a design that literally 'bridged' my need for an efficient and unique kitchen." The result? A kitchen ready to nurture the next generation.





WARM CONTEMPORARIES: TRADITIONAL AND URBAN

“Tina guided us until we came up with a solution that fit our design goals. We like our kitchen better than ANY we have seen in any magazine in any style!”

-Nancy Bortz and Nick Findlay

**Homeowners:** Nancy Bortz and Nick Findlay of Lisle  
**Designer:** Tina Muller  
**Project:** Kitchen renovation  
**Solutions:** Two years ago, Nancy and Nick moved into a kitchen that didn't function. Both accomplished chefs, they met with Tina to come up with a plan to update the design and equip their kitchen with professional cooking equipment. Balancing the design between urban modern and a more familiar traditional style started out sounding like design discord, but ended up as a perfect blend of innovation and function – both in the design and the appliances.



## Family Shelter Service Expands Into New Facility

Providing help and hope for victims of domestic violence in DuPage County, Family Shelter Service recently opened a new 15,000-square-foot community counseling

center and shelter with room for 18 families in Downers Grove. The community-based counseling center will offer a broad range of supportive programs, including individual,

family and group counseling. Gail designed two kitchens for the new facility. For more information or to contribute funding, visit [www.familyshelterservice.org](http://www.familyshelterservice.org).



## The Grabill Cabinet Company Names Drury Design 2007 National Sales Leader

For the ninth year in a row, The Grabill Cabinet Company recognized Drury Design as its national sales volume leader. With a myriad of door styles and limitless options in frames and finishes, Grabill's craftsmen bring the studio's client-focused designs to life.

Now, Grabill offers a limited lifetime warranty. "We've always stood behind our products, but we've never really had it in writing. The limited lifetime warranty makes it official," says Kathy Lee Svendsen, sales consultant for The Grabill Cabinet Company. Grabill's newest line premieres a one-inch thick, slightly recessed door. With a finely detailed frame, the new style evokes a fine furniture feel.



### Meet Jean Koepke

ASSISTANT DESIGNER

Jean assists Tina Muller, an award-winning Drury Design Kitchen & Bath Studio designer. An Illinois State University interior design grad, Jean began her design career as an intern at a custom cabinetry company

in Bloomington, Illinois. During her internship, Jean discovered that custom cabinetry offers unlimited interior design options. "Before my internship, I never realized how well cabinetry integrates through-

out the home," says Jean. "Being involved in the kitchen design process here at Drury Design – from drawing to making material selections – helps me understand how to communicate with our design clients."



### Gail Drury Earns Top NKBA Credential, CMKBD

The National Kitchen and Bath Association, NKBA, recently awarded Gail Drury its top industry designation: Certified Master Kitchen and Bath Designer (CMKBD).

Gail founded Drury Design in 1987 as a home-based business.

Today, Drury Design is a premier custom kitchen design studio with a portfolio of over 1,000 projects. Drury Design Kitchen & Bath Studio's success is built on Gail's belief that kitchen design is a client-driven process. Each client-designer relationship is supported by

a team, giving the designer the freedom to focus on each client's individual custom kitchen design.



### DRURY DESIGNERS ADVANCE EXPERTISE

In addition to Gail's CMKBD, these three Drury Design team members also recently earned NKBA professional certifications: Gladys Schanstra, CKD (Certified Kitchen Designer); Janice Teague, CBD (Certified Bath Designer) and also CKD;

and Megan Rebman, AKBD (Associate Kitchen and Bath Designer).

In order to qualify for the certification, applicants must meet specific criteria, including: a minimum number of years

of kitchen design experience, design industry professional and client references, and successful completion of written and performance examinations. "Our goal is to give our clients the very best: in design, materials and installation expertise. That's

why we encourage our team to achieve the highest industry standards and celebrate their success," said Jim Drury, vice president. Drury Design's team will attend NKBA's national convention, K/BIS, in Chicago in April.

## DRURY DESIGN IN PRINT



New home magazine, *Luxe Chicago*, devoted two pages of its first edition to the Hall project, also featured in the fall 2007 Design Guide.



*West Suburban Living* featured two Drury Design projects in the fall of 2007, including a recent kitchen remodel for Mary Jo and Patrick Savino of Naperville.

*Chicago Home Improvement* covered the Bognar project, which appeared in the fall 2007 Design Guide.

Over the years, Drury Design Kitchen & Bath Studio's projects have appeared in a number of publications. In recent months, *Kitchen and Bath Design News* interviewed Gail and featured three of her projects in a story called "Signature Design Ideas" by John Filippelli, senior editor.

## DRURY DESIGN ON THE WEB

At [www.hgtv.com](http://www.hgtv.com), look for Gail in the designer portfolio showcase. Also, [www.kitchens.com](http://www.kitchens.com) selected and posted several before and after project portfolios.

Looking for Design Guide archives? Check [www.drurydesigns.com](http://www.drurydesigns.com) for every issue dating back to spring 2005.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### ANN HAMPTON CALLAWAY CONCERT, MARCH 22

Drury Design Kitchen & Bath Studio is pleased to be a 2008 corporate sponsor for The McAnich Arts Center, also known as The MAC, at the College of DuPage. Drury Design's sponsorship includes presenting this performance. For tickets, call 630.942.4000.



### GLEN ELLYN INFANT WELFARE HOUSEWALK, MAY 9

Take a day to take in a quartet of fabulous Glen Ellyn homes. Featuring two kitchens by Drury Design, this year marks number 24 for the annual walk. Founded in 1926, Glen Ellyn Infant Welfare is a society of women who have made a commitment to the well-being of Glen Ellyn's children. To purchase tickets, stop by the studio or call 630.469.4980.



### HINSDALE COOKS! KITCHEN WALK, MAY 9

Tour stylish Hinsdale kitchens, including a project by Drury Design. The walk is from 10 am until 3 pm and begins at Immanuel Hall, 302 S. Grant Street, Hinsdale. Proceeds benefit the preservation of Immanuel Hall, Hinsdale's first historic landmark. Call the studio, 630.469.4980, for more information.



### GLEN ELLYN KITCHEN WALK, OCTOBER 3

Presented by Baird & Warner of Glen Ellyn, Sponsored by Drury Design Kitchen & Bath Studio.



Mark your calendars for another amazing event! Discover the latest in Glen Ellyn kitchens. Then, stop by the studio for our traditional After Walk Gourmet Reception. In 2007, this event raised \$8,600 for Bridge Communities, a DuPage County-wide charity that helps homeless families find a brighter future. For more information about Bridge Communities, visit [www.bridgecommunities.org](http://www.bridgecommunities.org). To watch the Channel 9 News at Noon story on YouTube, visit <http://tinyurl.com/22sb4o>.

**VISIT OUR STUDIO** Monday-Friday 9am-5pm and Saturday 10am-5pm. To schedule a complimentary initial design consultation and budget analysis, contact us at 630.469.4980.

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