

**What is there to do at the  
2009 Quilt Gathering?**



**Ami Simms**  
"Living with Quilts—  
A Survival Guide"

- ◆ Bed Turning
- ◆ Merchant Mall
- ◆ Boutique
- ◆ Raffle Baskets
- ◆ Quilts on Display
- ◆ Demonstrations
- ◆ Raffle Quilt & Drawing

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Individual or Group)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(City State Zip)

Phone #: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

# of Tickets \$35/person: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# Chicken Entrée # Vegetarian Entrée

Names of others to be seated with (tables  
seat 10, attach a list if needed). \_\_\_\_\_

Reservations are due **March 1st, 2009**

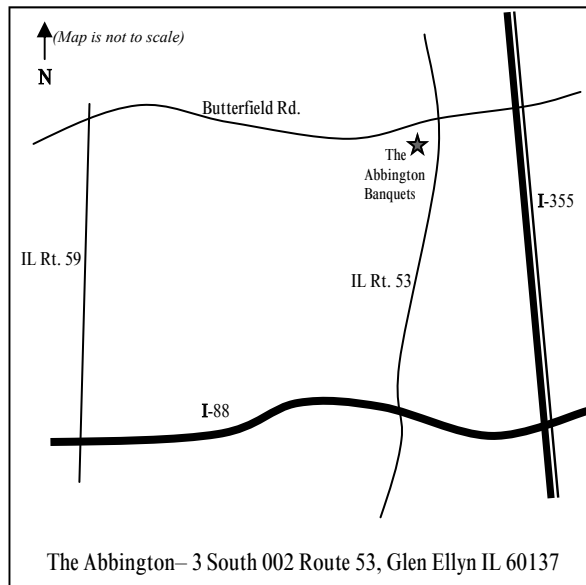
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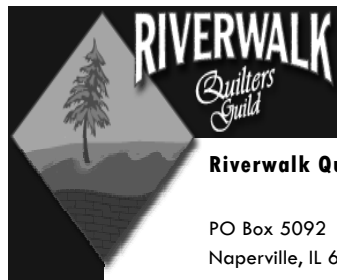
For more information or seating requests  
call 630-983-1721 or email delkir@aol.com



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Riverwalk Quilters  
Guild Presents

**Quilt  
Gathering  
2009**

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Saturday-March 14 2009

8:30 am to 3:00 pm

**The "Abbington Banquets"**

SW corner of Route 53 &

Butterfield Rd.

Glen Ellyn, IL 60137

Guest Speaker **Ami Simms**

Well known and award winning author and quilter Ami Simms will be the guest speaker. Simms has written several books, including "How Not to Make a Prize-Winning Quilt", "How to Improve Your Quilting Stitch" and "Invisible Appliqué". She received the 2005 Professional Quilter "Teacher of the Year" Award. She is the founder and executive director of "Alzheimer's Art Quilt Initiative," a not-for-profit organization.

The luncheon lecture, "Living with Quilts: A Survival Guide", will cover creative coping strategies for quilters, but not necessarily for their families.

Ms. Simms will also tell us about "The Alzheimer Art Initiative."

**Workshops— With Ami Simms**

Friday, March 13, 2009

**"Twisted Sister"**

Light and dark fabrics are stitched or "sistered" together, sliced, and recombined to make twisting pinwheel-type blocks that fit together with or without sashing strips. Other options include floating the pinwheels, folding 3-dimensional block centers, and experimenting with leftover chunks, bits, and pieces to create more quilts. You'll have a lot of choices.

**Class size limited to 25**

Skill Level: Beginning thru Intermediate

Full Day: \$50

*(Complete class and location information provided upon registration and payment.)*

**Registration for Workshops:** Jean Lacher 630-357-2869 or email [jeanlacher@yahoo.com](mailto:jeanlacher@yahoo.com)

**Gathering Activities**

8:30 to 11:30

Boutique – Unique and One of a Kind Items to Purchase  
Bed Turning—A showing and history of – Quilts layered on the Bed  
Demonstrations—Accomplished Quilters and Vendors Demonstrating Notions and Techniques  
Merchant Mall—Shopping for that 'Have to Have' fabric or notion  
Raffle Baskets—Beautiful Baskets of Goodies to win!!  
Raffle Quilt Drawing—Riverwalk Quilters Guilds Beautiful Raffle Quilt 'Bloom Where You Are Planted'  
Quilts on Display

11:30 to 2:30

Luncheon and Guest Speaker **Ami Simms**

Saturday, March 14, 2009

**"How to Improve Your Quilting Stitch"**

If the only advice on how to get your stitches smaller has been, "Just make 'em smaller!" then this workshop is for you. There are certain variables that you can control in order to get smaller, more even stitches. I'll tell you what they are and we'll practice together. Class time will include evaluating approximately 40 different batts for "needle-ability," loft, and bearding; plus learning exactly how to position your fingers to make a small and even running stitch.

**Class size limited to 17**

Skill level: Beginner thru Intermediate

Half Day: \$25 Following Gathering

*(Complete class and location information provided upon registration and payment)*

*Riverwalk Quilters Guilds 2009 Raffle Quilt*

**"Bloom Where You Are Planted"**

An original quilt designed by Linda Yokelson and Oriene Springstroh. The design was inspired by a quilt entitled "Calico Garden" designed and created by Florence Peto in 1950, which is part of the quilt collection at the Shelbourne Museum in Shelbourne, Vermont. The quilt is 85" x 85" and was pieced and appliquéd by members of the Riverwalk Quilters Guild and machine quilted by Julie Karlak.

For more information on our guest speaker, **Ami Simms** visit [www.amisimms.com](http://www.amisimms.com)

**About the Gathering**

The Quilt Gathering is sponsored by the Riverwalk Quilters Guild every two years as a special tribute to quilters, past and present, and to the quilting tradition. Quilters and quilting enthusiasts meet for a day to view beautiful quilts made by Guild members; to search for the latest quilting tools to purchase from vendors; to shop in the 'Boutique'; and listen to an inspirational speaker while enjoying a lunch with friends, new and old! A 'Bed Turning' will be featured again this year; there will be demonstrations of tools and techniques to inspire! Everyone can take a chance on winning a beautifully decorated "Theme Basket". To cap off a wonderful quilting event-, a drawing for our raffle quilt, "Bloom Where You are Planted," will be held.

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