

Stephenson County

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Kindred
Yellow Creek
Quilt Designs
Spirits



This is Jill's fourth line with Robert Kaufman Fabrics. It's called Stephenson County. It contains a variety of colors to create beautiful scrappy projects or color groupings for planned projects. The patterns can be purchased from Jill at Yellow Creek Quilt Designs.



Jill is a fabric and pattern designer. She and her husband Dave currently own and operate the store Yellow Creek Quilt Designs (YCMD), located in Pearl City, IL. Creating and sewing have been a part of Jill's life since she was very small. Her mom taught her to sew clothing and they took their first quilting class together in the late 1980s. Jill is a mom to three grown children and grandma to seven precious little ones. Jill and Dave live in Northwestern Illinois. Jill taught physical education for several years prior to opening a quilt/gift shop with her sister Vicki. From that humble opening in 1992 many ideas have flourished and grown. The pattern company, YCMD, home of Kindred Spirits Pattern Series launched and has grown to be a well-respected and trusted pattern company in the quilting industry. Jill lectures and teaches around the country. She has also been a featured designer in several books by Martingale and has many patterns published in Primitive Quilts and Projects. She looks forward to the release of a new book with Martingale in the Summer of 2022. When she has any spare time it's spent with family, friends, running or biking.



Stephenson County, established in 1837 by William Waddams and named for Colonel Benjamin Stephenson an official of the Illinois Territory, is where I was born, grew up and where my quilt shop, Yellow Creek Quilt Designs, is located. The city of Freeport is the county seat and spending time in the many parks located there has provided a great deal of inspiration for this fabric line and the coordinating patterns.

Oakdale Table Runner

13" X 41"

By Jill Shaulis

Quilted by Dan Kolbe



Oakdale Nature Preserve in Freeport IL, is home to various wildlife including deer, turkeys and many bird species and offers walking trails through forests, over streams and restored prairies where these and many other animal tracks are abundant.

Barn Swallows

58 1/2" X 58 1/2" By Jill Shaulis

16" X 36 1/2"

Quilted by Dan Kolbe

Barn Swallows pattern design is a nod to the numerous barns and farm families dotted throughout the area. Barn swallows feed on insects caught in flight and therefore have been tolerated by humans when it shares their buildings such as barns and bridges for nesting. Some of the top crops produced in Stephenson County include corn, soybeans, hay, wheat, livestock and poultry.



Debate Square

68" X 84"

By Jill Shaulis

Quilted by Dan Kolbe

This simple but elegant quilt design was inspired by Lincoln-Douglas Debate Square, an interesting park located in the city of Freeport, IL. Steeped in history the site is a beautiful display and tribute to the second of the famous debates between Abraham Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas. Here you can find the life-size statues "Lincoln and Douglas in Debate" by artist Lily Tolpo that were dedicated in 1992.



Sunrise at Krape Park

73" X 73" By Jill Shaulis

Quilted by Alexia Rosfelder



This pattern name is a confluence of two individuals; the directionally challenged and the mathematical genius. Let me try to explain. Krape Park was literally my "go to" spot to get my bearings anytime I was driving out of Freeport. Sunrise photographer, retired math teacher and good friend Kim was the "go to" mathematical intellect making this design idea possible.

In 1912 Dr. Krape suggested they buy his land for the park and it has long been noted that the name, "Krape Park" is spelled the same both backwards and forwards. I also need to mention that "Yellow Creek" (sound familiar?) runs through the park. We might as well conclude that this is one of my favorite places.

Little By Little

Designed & Quilted
by Karen Walker.



I had the pleasure of meeting Jill at the Kansas City Regional Quilt festival June of 2021. Her fabric designs drew me right into her booth! I was honored when asked if I would consider creating a quilt to showcase her new Stephenson County line. But I couldn't come up with just one! This collection of 3 small quilts come together in one pattern and is based on antique and vintage doll quilts. 'Little By Little' is simply perfect using Jill's Stephenson County fabrics!

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Baby Buggy
22" X 29"



Twinkle Little Stars
16" X 20"

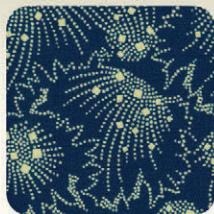


Cora's Quilt
23" X 23"





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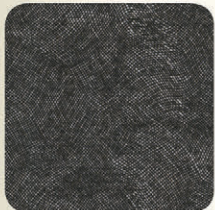
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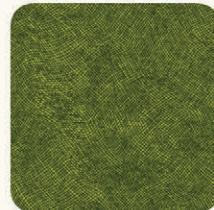
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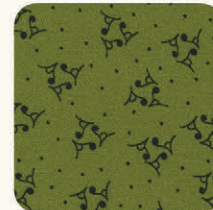
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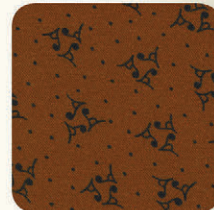
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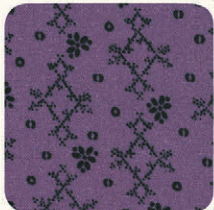
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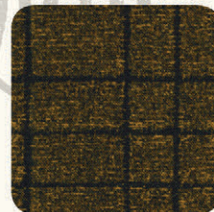
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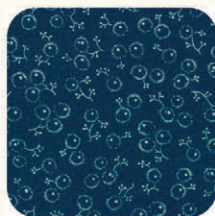
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