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**WE NEED NEW ART!!!**

Specifications:

8.5" x 11"

Must use a black sharpie –  
ONE color & no shading or  
gradients

Must have a kite theme ☺

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No age restrictions!

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gradients (These do not come  
out well when screen printed)

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Please have all submissions in by January 10. Online voting will be posted by 1/15/2012 with the winner announced in our February Newsletter.

The artwork with the most votes will be placed on next year's shirts

**WINNER WILL RECEIVE:**

**TWO t-shirts and one 7' delta kite**



## **EVENTS IN REVIEW**

**Oct 15 2011  
Family Fall  
Festival  
Pumpkin Fest  
Overland Park  
KS 1-4PM**

Photos by  
Stephanie  
Beaver

[www.bluevalleyrec.org](http://www.bluevalleyrec.org)

From Blue Valley...THANK YOU for doing such an awesome job again this year! I heard so many compliments about the



kites/kite activities so thanks for always doing such a great job with our event! It just wouldn't be the same without the KCKC! Have a great year and we look forward to seeing you again

next year! ☺

Once again we were at Blue Valley Family Fall Festival with about 500 kids and their parents!





**Oct 22 2011 Fall Flyers Kite Show** Washington, MO Donna Houchins, with the Gateway Kite Club organized a fly close to St. Louis with the Jaycees help. Below, a custom cell made by Roy White flies.



Photos  
by  
Donna  
Houchins

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of fun!





To the side: A banner made by Linda Sanders of Oz Feathers

[www.ozfeathers.com.au](http://www.ozfeathers.com.au)

and displayed by John Gillespie, CA. Below, kids made sleds and flew.



## AKA NEWS

**AKA Convention will be in Enid, OK in 2012.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Dead Bird Buggy Bash

I haven't ever attended this non-event fun fly, but have heard good reports of it. This year Peter Lynn will be attending. Camping is available also, and many join forces for community meals. Email [jeff@kiteboarding.com](mailto:jeff@kiteboarding.com) for more info.

**Time** Sunday, November 20 at 7:30pm - November 27 at 10:30pm

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**Location** Galveston Texas East Beach

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**More Info**

The 17th annual Kite, Kite Buggy, fun event. It's the largest non event in the USA. Show up and have fun. Enjoy the consistent wind friends and sand in a great warm area! This year Peter Lynn the inventor of the kite buggy and largest kite in the world will be coming all the way from New Zealand!! Come one come all.. For more information contact - [jeff@kiteboarding.com](mailto:jeff@kiteboarding.com)

**Mention Dead Bird Buggy Bash and get rooms from \$75 to \$95 a night free wifi and breakfast!**

**Best Western Plus Seawall Inn & Suites by the Beach, Galveston Texas**

[www.bestwesterntexas.com](http://www.bestwesterntexas.com)

102 Seawall Boulevard, Galveston. The Best Western Plus Seawall Inn & Suites by the Beach welcomes guests. Free Internet.

<http://bestwesterntexas.com/hotels/best-western-plus-seawall-inn-and-suites-by-the-beach>

## January 13-15<sup>th</sup> 2012 Upper Midwest Area Kitemaker Event Des Moines, IA

[www.u-make.org](http://www.u-make.org) Reserve the date and learn from Martin Blais!  
[www.martinblaiskites.com](http://www.martinblaiskites.com) Martin has made such signature pieces as the air guitar, Butterfly Canopy, and many other unique items.

Open registration starts November 7<sup>th</sup>!

### Dolphin Windssock—Martin Blais, Instructor

The 6 foot Dolphin Windssock will be presented all day on Saturday.

**Dolphin Windssock** This Standard Blue and White windssock will teach curved seams and touch upon internal structuring for inflated shapes. Martin will be also discussing what it takes to bring a design from idea to the kite field successfully.



**Class Skill Level:** Students need to have basic sewing knowledge for this class, a working sewing machine and basic sewing supplies.

The colors are White Bottom with the Blue for the standard dolphin kit.

For the custom kits, White Bottom with one of the following:

- Ocean Blue (light blue)
- Green (dark green)
- **Purple**
- Red
- Sunset (gold)
- Orange
- Grey

Each class kit includes:

- Precut Dark Blue
- Precut White
- Bridle
- Instructions

***We ask that dolphin kits to be pre-paid during registration***

**COST**  
**Standard Blue&White**  
**6 foot--\$40**  
**12 foot--\$80**

***Custom 6 foot--\$50***  
***Custom 12 foot--\$90***

We ask that you pre-pay for all dolphin kits at time of registration—Registration is \$70, rooms are \$84 a night—Thanks!

**2012 KITE EVENTS** If you would like to plan a kite weekend for 2012, please keep these dates in mind. Remember dates/events may change closer to event time. Please check with event organizer for more information. Kite events are held world-wide. Be sure to experience an out-of-town event. All (local, or worldwide) are great fun, and educational.

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| Jan 12-15     | Oregon Kitemakers Retreat Rockaway Beach OR      | <a href="http://www.kitemakersretreat.com">www.kitemakersretreat.com</a>                         |
| Jan 12-15     | Upper Midwest Area Kitemaker Event Des Moines IA | <a href="http://www.u-make.org">www.u-make.org</a>   |
| Feb 18        | Color The Wind Clear Lake IA                     | <a href="http://www.colorthewind.org">www.colorthewind.org</a>                                   |
| March 10-11   | Kite Party 9 Huntington Beach CA                 | <a href="http://www.kiteparty.t35.com">www.kiteparty.t35.com</a>                                 |
| March 16-18   | Fort Worden Kitemakers Conference Fort Worden WA | <a href="http://www.kitemakers.org">www.kitemakers.org</a>                                       |
| Mar 23-25     | Kites Over Pere Marquette                        | <a href="mailto:charon39@sbcglobal.net">charon39@sbcglobal.net</a>                               |
| Mar 24        | MCC-Longview Beginner Kite Class                 | <a href="http://www.kckiteclub.org">www.kckiteclub.org</a>                                       |
| Apr 21        | MCC-Longview Flights of Fancy Lee's Summit MO    | <a href="http://www.mccflightsoffancy.org">www.mccflightsoffancy.org</a>                         |
| May 5         | Spring Hill Kite Fest Spring Hill KS             | <a href="http://www.kckiteclub.org">www.kckiteclub.org</a>                                       |
| May 13-14     | Kites Over Grinnell Grinnell IA                  | <a href="http://www.kitesovergrinnell.googlepages.com">www.kitesovergrinnell.googlepages.com</a> |
| Aug 10-12     | Great Midwest Balloon Fest                       | <a href="http://www.greatmidwestballoonfest.org">www.greatmidwestballoonfest.org</a>             |
| Aug 20-26     | Washington State International Kite Festival     | <a href="http://www.kitefestival.com">http://www.kitefestival.com</a>                            |
| Sept 30-Oct 7 | AKA Convention Enid, OK                          | <a href="http://www.aka.kite.org">www.aka.kite.org</a>   |
| Oct 14        | Columbia Missouri Joint Fly Columbia MO          | <a href="http://www.kckiteclub.org">www.kckiteclub.org</a>                                       |

Mar 24, 2012  
MCC-Longview  
Beginner Kite Class

Apr 21, 2012  
MCC-Longview Flights  
of Fancy

May 5, 2012  
Spring Hill Kite Fest  
Spring Hill KS

Aug 10-12, 2012  
Great Midwest  
Balloon Fest



Photo by Dave Keller Dave-Keller Photography

Imagination is the highest kite one can fly.

Join the FUN!

Kansas City Kite Club

[www.kckiteclub.org](http://www.kckiteclub.org)