

# The Frayed Edge

Rainshadow Quilting Arts Guild

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## Coming Attractions:

August 12-15 San Juan County Fair. Quilts due Tuesday, August 11

(Sept 26, Craft Expo sponsored by the San Juan County Textile Guild, see below)

September 12 Sewcial, Final date to turn in Pike Market Preschool Quilts

October 3 Annual meeting

October 4: Katie Pedersen workshop, see below

November 6-8 RQAG Quilt Camp

**August 12 thru 15, San Juan County Fair** – Its almost here! Perhaps one or two of you have a few last minute stitches to sew to get things ready. (Right. With two quilts to bind and guests coming, I'm not seeing many early restful nights in my near future.)

Remember to look for our special awards in memory of Sharon Maya. There will be 6 awards in memory of Sharon Maya for youth quilting and 4H, three apiece in the two departments. There will be a first place gift certificate for \$50, a second for \$35, and a third for \$15. The gift certificates are to Bonnie's Craft Store.

Krispi will be having a class in potholders on Thursday afternoon outside the Textile Barn. Come and bring your friends and family who dont think they can sew, should be good fun!

In case you have not signed up to help with the quilt booth, there is still time. Krispi has a physical sheet for those who prefer to use paper, and there is an electronic way to sign up as well. And when you are at the Quilting Department, you can find the physical sheet and see what slots are still open.

From Krispi: The Textile Department will have an on-line sign up sheet for helping at the fair this year. The advantage of that is that when you sign up, you

can go back and check it, change your day or time AND they send you a reminder notice via email 1 day before your duty! It's called Sign Up Genius and our section is: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0a4dafaa2fa4f94-fair>

*To use signupgenius, you have to 'create a sign up' the first time you use it. Then you can use this system for any group/event which chooses to use this system for scheduling. Its super easy and It Works! NB*

Thanks in advance for signing up to help. It's always such a pretty display and many people have told me it's their favorite part of the fair each year.  
Krispi

Editors Note: It is my understanding that our Washington State county fairs get money from the state to help support them. The money they get is dependent on the number of entries. So of course we want high quality entries, but don't feel shy about breaking out that jam you just made, your favorite picture from your last vacation, or some of those lovely dahlias in your garden. Check the premium book <http://www.sjcfair.org/p/fair-event/214> to see what is needed for each type of entry.

### **Another Fair Reminder-2015 Fair Challenge Theme**

The 2015 Fair Theme is "Strawberry Fields For-Heifer!" Create something from the Textile and/or Fiber Arts World to match the theme. Your take on it could be strawberries, the Beatles, cows or all of the above, whatever the theme means to you - just have fun with it!

Even little projects, well crafted, add to the fun of a challenge like this- Hey, potholders count!

**September 12: Pike Place Market Quilts are due by this Sewcial.** If you haven't finished yours, time to get cracking! They will be transported to Pike Place by me the following Thursday.

**October 3, Annual Meeting.** Your opportunity to review the previous year, elect new officers, and visit with your guild members. Keep it on your calendar.

**October 4 - Katie Pedersen class:** Katie will be offering both Double Trouble and Roan's Triangles quilts instruction at her Workshop. These are lovely and fun quilts, check them out! The class registration form and the supply list are on the web with the pictures of completed quilts: <http://www.rqag.org/programs.html> Katie adds humor and encouragement to her solid teaching skills. If you come to her class, you can be sure you will learn things and have a good time!

Note: We need everyone who would like to go to sign up for this class ASAP. If we do not have enough people to cover class costs for this great teacher we will need to open it up to our sister organizations.

**November 6-9 Quilt Camp 2015: We have 25 registrations so far, and based on previous years' registration patterns, expect to fill up the 35**

**spots.** <http://www.rqag.org/programs.html> will take you to the page on our website, where you can download the registration form. I will again include it at the very end of this newsletter for those of us who find internet connectivity problematic. Register with a \$25 registration fee, the rest is due at the annual meeting, October 3. First come, first served.

For those who have not been to an RQAG quilt camp, it is a much loved and anticipated 4 -day-3-night-sewing-binge-with-your-quilting-girlfriends. Last year we switched our site to Camp Brotherhood, near Mt Vernon- and 6 quilt shops. The rooms are motel quality, the sewing room is spacious and well lit, and it is easily accessed by those of us who have mobility challenges. Once again this year we have an opportunity to visit Over The Rainbow, an online quilt shop that opens its doors one day a month to rummage thru its HUGE inventory. We have mini classes by members- Mary Granger will be offering one, teaching a clam shell applique class. Fun, food and shopping with friends!

Of Note-

**\*Camp is for members.** Registrations will not be accepted from non members.

**\*Registration forms go to me, Nancy Best, or by mail to the guild,** address on the form.

**\*Scholarships for this and all events and dues are available.** Dont be shy, the money is there specifically to enable us to enjoy all of our members at our events. Don't let a lack of funds deny us your presence! Please see your guild president or any executive board member that you feel comfortable with to apply. Scholarships are kept confidential.

**\*\*Camp Challenge (Optional, but fun):** make a bag, any kind of bag, any size or use. Challenge items are optional, but why not take this opportunity to make up that bag you have been thinking you wanted to get around to.

## **Pins And Needles**

### **Sept 26-Craft Expo Sponsored by San Juan County Textile Guild**

'Join us for an exciting day of crafting and textile art exploration. Learn a new craft, re-visit one that you enjoyed doing in the past, or explore new possibilities with many wonderful crafts to choose from. We will be demonstrating knitting, crocheting, quilting, weaving, spinning, and basketry. Small handwork such as embroidery, needlework and other crafts will also be featured. Watch our projects take shape as we work on them. Stay for a while or stay all day. Make sure to enter our drawing to win beautiful door prizes! **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM MULLIS CENTER, 589 NASH STREET, FRIDAY HARBOR, WA**

**September 18 and 19 Evergreen Quilters Guild** will be presenting their biennial Quilt Show "Starry, Starry Night, Friday through Saturday at Birchwood Presbyterian Church, 400 Meadowbrook Ct. Bellingham, WA.

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

## **\*\* On-Going Lots o' Blocks Project Support Group**

For those of you who have always wanted to do a Dear Jane, Farmer's Wife, Sylvia's Bridal or Civil War Sampler or other big non-repeating block quilt, this encouraging and supportive group is for you. The meetings have been lively and enthusiastic. The group meets the second Wednesday of the month. Tori is moderating this group, any questions go to her at: [toribh@minethatdata.com](mailto:toribh@minethatdata.com)

### **\*\*Cant find the Wednesday Quilters?**

Sometimes the Wednesday afternoon group, Wild Rose Quilters, is displaced when another event receives priority at the Mullis Center. The blood drives are a common example. The Wild Rose group is usually able to relocate to either the Mullis Center Library, or the 'craft room' So, if you arrive to find the Center occupied by others, be sure to go around to the side door and look for your quilting friends.

**\*\*Want to sign up for a class?** Class sign-up is easy! Mail your \$45 check to RQAG, POB 45, Friday Harbor. Identify the class you are requesting.

NOTE: you are not signed up for a class until you have sent in a check. Please do not sign your name in the Program Book until your check has been mailed to the RQAG PO Box. It really confuses things if you sign the book without paying. The treasurer appreciates your cooperation in this.

### **\*\*Charity quilts:**

Mary Granger has a Service Quilt chart. You can sign up to make quilts for Pike Market Preschool, Pike Market Baby Room, Quilts of Valor, and/or healing quilts. The chart allows us to have a visual of how many quilts are being made, and what areas need attention.

**Mary asks that you keep the quilts at home, but fill in the chart so she knows what is out there.**

**-Healing quilts-** should be 'lap size', large enough to cuddle under but not bed size. Healing quilts are given in special circumstances to individuals in our quilting community (friends, spouses, people known to one or more of our guild members) who have suffered a major traumatic life changing event. We need quilts for both genders.

### **-Pike Place Day Care Service Quilts:**

These will be given to 4 year olds and a few babies, so should be approximately 42" x 54". Measurements are not absolute but lets be sure they are usable.

### **-Resource Center Service Quilts, and the Baby Room at Pike Place**

Baby quilts approximately 36" square can be turned in and will be donated for distribution to new San Juan Island infants.

### **\*\*Batting Available**

The Guild has batting available for members to use on service quilts. Ask one of the board members if you need help locating this resource

**\*\*Peace Island Hospital Cancer Center Quilts**

These quilts should measure about 48"x60" or smaller. Chemo patients will receive one to use during treatments and will take the quilt home once treatment is finished.

**\*\*Discount** Members of 501c3 groups, (like RQAG) get a 10% discount at Mr Sew Dandy, a machine repair guru for older sewing machines, in Anacortes

**\*\*Help the Guild's Budget**

Connect to [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) to place a qualifying order and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the sale profits back to the guild.

**\*\*Tell me what you know!** If you wish to place information in the newsletter, please let me know. Contact Nancy Best [nancyb1133@gmail.com](mailto:nancyb1133@gmail.com) or 378-5929. I would love to include stories about quilt shows or shops you have visited, or just anything related to quilting. You can write an article or give me the facts and I will put something together. The newsletter is sent out monthly, generally shortly after the board meeting.

***Mission Statement***

*The purpose of the Rainshadow Quilting Arts Guild is to foster an appreciation and understanding of quilts as a traditional needle-craft medium or expressive art form; share talents and knowledge to promote excellence in needlecraft; educate and encourage our members and the public in traditional quilts and quilt art thorough workshops guest teachers and speakers and quilt shows. The Guild shall provide opportunities to exhibit examples of traditional quilts and quilt art; donate to charitable organizations; and provide information to all members with regard to Guild programs, retreats, shows and meetings.*

**Quilt Camp Registration Form**  
**Rainshadow Quilting Arts Guild**  
**PO Box 45, Friday Harbor, WA 98250-0045**  
**Camp Brotherhood**  
**November 6-9, 2015**

- Please turn in your \$25 non-refundable deposit by July 15 to reserve your space and show us that you are seriously considering quilt camp. Your space will not be reserved without payment of your deposit. You may give your registration and check to Nancy Best or mail to PO Box 45.
- If you or anyone you know would like to receive a scholarship for camp, please contact either the Guild Treasurer or the President. Your request will be kept in the strictest confidence.
- Final payment is due by the October annual meeting 2015.
- If we have more members wishing to attend than slots available, the committee will maintain a waiting list. A member who must cancel is responsible for notifying the committee and will receive the names of those who might be available. Substitutions are the responsibility of the canceling party, drawing first from the waiting list if names are available

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**Quilt Camp Registration Form**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phones: \_\_\_\_\_  
hm# \_\_\_\_\_; cell# \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact person \_\_\_\_\_ phone  
# \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any health issues that you think we should know for emergencies?

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have dietary needs or allergies that we should know about for food service?

\_\_\_\_\_

I am choosing:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Option #1 (3 nights arrive on 11/6, 8 meals) \$226 for a triple room
- \_\_\_\_\_ Option #2 (2 nights arrive on 11/7, 5 meals) \$150 for a triple room
- \_\_\_\_\_ Option #3 Day pass \$20 plus the cost of meals (meals to be paid directly to camp)

\_\_\_\_\_ I do not have a specific roommate request & would be happy to be assigned to a room with two other quilters.

\_\_\_\_\_ I wish to share a room with the following individuals

1) \_\_\_\_\_ 2)

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We will be assigning three quilting campers per room.

I expect to arrive \_\_\_\_\_(day)

\_\_\_\_\_ (approx. time)