

# The Frayed Edge

Rainshadow Quilting Arts Guild

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**Quilt Camp:** Barb Snider, Gail Goldade, Krispi Staude, Mary D'Ambrosia and Nancy Best

**Service:** Sheila Doyle and Carol Hooper

**Sunshine:** Mary D'Ambrosia

## \*\*\*2017 Sewcial and Class Schedule-

**Sewcials- First Saturday of the month, at the Mullis Center except as noted. We have some special events coming up at Sewcials, check it out!**

March 4 – Salad potluck and a raffle. Dont forget to sign up for a chore, and bring good stuff for the raffle!

Hexie Box Finish - If you started making a hexie basket with Barb Snider last Sewcial, bring in your sewn together hexies and a fat quarter of fabric for the insides, and Barb will help us finish them. They are looking pretty charming!

April 1

April 29 memorial for Wiloma, details TBA

May 6 – this Sewcial may be at Skagit College community room, or maybe not; stay tuned

Mystery Baby Quilt: Carol Hooper and Sue Beauchamp will be offering an optional mystery quilt project at the May Sewcial. Its a cute, fast baby sized quilt, the top may be finished during the Sewcial (depending on how much

visiting goes on, yes I'm talking about myself here...) Carol can answer questions about fabric selection if needed. Many members will be able to pull enough from their stashes to complete this little project. A materials list will be attached to this email.

June 3 – Look forward to a morning of food, fun and games at this sewcial. Debbie and her daughter Darcy are cooking up something special for us! We have the Mullis Center for the day as usual, so there will be plenty of time for sewing, and those who choose not to participate can still come and share the room. More on this later.

July 1

August 5

September 2

October 7 Annual Meeting and trunk show

October 8 Class with Patricia Belyea- Wow! More on that later.

November 4

November 9 – 13 Quilt Camp

December 2 - at Skagit College community room

Sewcials- We need more people to sign up to help with Sewcials. Particularly, we need people to open at 8:30 and close whenever—two people, or one if they want to do both opening and closing. This will be added to the list of jobs. People who sign up for a job will be entered into a raffle!

Barb Snider, [Barbsnider@comcast.net](mailto:Barbsnider@comcast.net), chair and yes only member of our program committee, is looking for suggestions for classes. When you see her next, or when you think of it and have your email open, please send her suggestions for what YOU would like to learn. If its something small and easy, we can incorporate it into a sewcial. If its a class topic or a teacher you would like to have come, dont edit yourself. Sure Kaffe Fassett is unlikely to come to the islands, but we dont know that if we dont ask. Instructors schedule out years in advance, so we need suggestions now for 2018 or even 2019.

**\*\*\*Quilt Camp 2017- November 9 thru 13**

Better start buying fabric for camp now, I'm sure you will need it.

Krispi had a lot of requests for her Continuous Bias Binding and her Magic Pillowcase instructions. They are on the website now, <http://www.rqag.org/documents-handouts-and-forms.html>

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## **Pins And Needles**

### **\*\*Long Arm Quilter reviews:**

Want to have your quilt professionally quilted and dont know where to go? Here are a few recommendations from people in the guild. These are not the Guild's recommendations, these are individual's recommendations, and we/they hope you find them useful. If you would like to add a recommendation or give a review, please let me know. If you think having these reviews in this newsletter is inappropriate, you can let me know that too.

#### **Bobby Hyland:**

4841 Buena Park Rd  
Waterford, WI 53185

[bobby.hyland@gmail.com](mailto:bobby.hyland@gmail.com)

Bobby does a fabulous job, will do custom or over-all quilting, or a combination of both. Meander \$1.75 sq ft (0.0122 per inch), over-all \$2.50 sq ft (0.0174 per inch), custom \$4.00 sq ft (0.0278 sq inch), batting and thread included.

Recommended by Nancy Best and Barb Snider

#### **K&E Machine Quilting:**

405)452-3910

7882E 122<sup>nd</sup> St, Wetumka, OK 74883

[Kim.kay@att.net](mailto:Kim.kay@att.net)

Kim has been doing quilts for members of our guild for years. She currently has a very prompt turn around time. She does all-over quilting, has lots of patterns, and does a great job, for a very good price: \$0.015 per square inch, which includes batting.

Po recommended her.

#### **Tracey Fisher**

851 E Douglas Ave  
Bellingham, WA 98229  
360 483-8988

[traceyfisher@comcast.net](mailto:traceyfisher@comcast.net)

Carol Hooper says her neighbor had a quilt done by Tracey, and it is beautiful.

### **\*\*Can't 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:** There is 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.

**-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 and to babies in the baby room at Pike Place.

**\*\*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

Other charities that our individual guild members support include:

**\*\*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.

**\*\*Quilts of Valor** for servicemen and women. See Beth Phillips and Ebie Currey for more info on this organization

**\*\*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 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.*