

The Frayed Edge
Rainshadow Quilting Arts Guild
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June 20 Sewcial: Our next Sewcial is coming up soon! Doors open at 8:30 and close whenever we have had as much fun as is possible in one day together. Lunch plans will be made, I'm sure of it, and probably on Wednesday afternoon before the Sewcial. If you have a great idea for a lunch theme, mention it to Krispi. This could be a good time to finish up (start?) something to enter in the fair.

Coming Attractions:

June 20 Sewcial

July 18 Sewcial

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

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

October 3 Annual meeting

October 4: Katie Pedersen workshop

November 6-8 RQAG Quilt Camp

San Juan County Fair – Krispi Staude and Christy Hinkle have volunteered to be superintendents of Textile Arts again this year. I feel so grateful to these two women for taking this on year after year! We know our treasures are safe in your hands. I always find it amazing to see so many great San Juan County quilts and sewing projects in one place at the same time.

We will have two special awards this year in memory of Sharon Maya, one in the 4H division and one in the Quilting section. If you would like to donate to this, there is still time. Krispi will know how this is set up.

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>

(Editor's Note: To use signuppennious, 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

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!

Any ? Email Tori at toribh@minethatdata.com

Quilt Camp 2015: Let the registrations begin! <http://www.rqag.org/programs.html> will take you to the page on our website, where you can download the registration form. I will also include it at the very end of this newsletter for those of us who find internet connectivity problematic. Register by July 15 with a \$25 registration fee, the rest is due at the annual meeting, October 3. First come, first served, we will limit enrollment to 35 people.

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. Many of us wouldn't consider missing it (except maybe if a trip to Bali came up). 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 appointment scheduled with Over The Rainbow, an online quilt shop that opens its door to us 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. Last year things got squirrely with some of the paperwork apparently being beamed up by aliens or whatever, so we are trying to keep that sort of thing to a minimum this year by having the registrations going to Nancy or the post office box.

*Scholarships for this and all events and dues are available. Please see your guild president or any executive board member that you feel comfortable with to apply. Scholarships are kept confidential. Don't let a lack of funds deny us your presence!

October 4 - Katie Pedersen class: Many of us enjoyed Katie's Modern Quilting class when she came a year ago; and we will be seeing several quilts that came from her class at the fair. She has many more modern quilting techniques she could share with us- check out her site and talk to Krispi about which of her quilts piques your interest the most.

<https://SewKatieDid.wordpress.com/>

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!

2015-16 - 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 **Service 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.

Pins And Needles

****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.

****Quilts Sizes for charity quilts:**

-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 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

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) _____

_____ We will be assigning three quilting campers per room.

I expect to arrive _____ (day)

_____ (approx. time)