



JUNE 2010

# Heartstring Quilters

## From the Editor

As we step into June, and apparently, headlong into summer heat, I'm sure we are looking forward to summer plans and relaxation. It seems only a very short time since we started our season in the fall. I would like to thank this group for providing a great time every month, fall, winter, spring, summer. I'm sure that we will all take inspiration from this year's programs on the creative process to continue our various projects over the summer.

I recently had a friend over for a sewing date. We had been floating this idea for quite a while, and finally coordinated it, and I am so glad we did. Just like women throughout the ages, we sat and sewed and talked about sewing as well as our personal lives. We both remarked at how meeting up sparked us to get quite a bit done while having fun at the same time! She completed several small quilted zippered bags for teacher gifts, and I started on a new original quilt with fish on it. We plan to meet again next week. Here's wishing all of us a summer of continuing to make wonderful fabric creations.

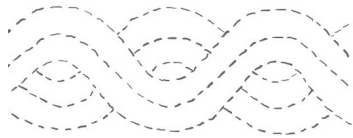
All the best,

Elizabeth



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### Upcoming Meetings:

**June 10th - potluck**

## JUNE MEETING

We will meet at the home of Suzan Hirsch for our annual Summer Potluck Party.

## **Heartstring Quilters**

The newsletter of Heartstring Quilters is published monthly. Monthly meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at 7:15 PM when there is a speaker, and 7:30 PM if there is no speaker.

Membership dues are \$35/year  
Guest fee is \$3, or \$5 when there is a speaker.

### **Officers & Committees**

Presidents:

Suzan Hirsch and  
Robin Levenberg

Co-Secretaries:

Judy Fliegelman and  
Marcy George

Treasurer: Susan Soiferman

Assistant Treasurer: Martha Klein

Hospitality: Lida Pos Klesius

Programs: Cindy Friedman and  
Deborah Schwartzman

Newsletter:

Elizabeth Van Schaick

Membership: Karoline Wallace

Raffle: Terri Ciampitti

Website: Karoline Wallace

Sunshine: Soryl Angel

### **Newsletter Submissions**

Send items for newsletter, announcements and information from other guilds, etc. by the 18th of each month to Elizabeth Van Schaick at:  
**skoik@comcast.net**

Please make sure submissions have been proofread and are free of unnecessary formatting.

## **SUMMER POTLUCK PARTY JUNE 10th at the home of**

**Suzan Hirsch  
1423 Wynnemoor Way  
Fort Washington, PA**

**Directions:**

From 309 North or 309 South or the PA Turnpike:

Get off at Fort Washington. Go to the 2nd light--Commerce Drive--turn right. Go through the industrial park and it becomes residential--turn right on Wynnemoor Way--1423--down on the left side of the street.

For further information go to [mapquest.com](http://mapquest.com) or call Suzan Hirsch, 215-646-7361

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FABRICS, EXTRA TOOLS AND  
BOOKS, and OTHER USABLE  
ODDS AND ENDS TO TRADE!**

## Exhibit at the Art Museum's Perlman Gallery on Kantha Quilts

Kantha: The Embroidered Quilts of Bengal  
from the Jill and Sheldon Bonovitz and the Stella Kramrisch Collections  
December 12, 2009 - July 25, 2010

Stitching kanthas was an art practiced by women across Bengal, a region today comprising the nation of Bangladesh and the state of West Bengal, India. Lovingly created from the remnants of worn garments, kanthas are embroidered with motifs and tales drawn from a rich local repertoire and used especially in the celebration of births, weddings, and other family occasions.

This exhibition presents some forty superb examples created during the nineteenth century and first half of the twentieth century, when this vibrant domestic art flourished and encompasses works by women of diverse backgrounds—rural and urban, Hindu and Muslim. While all share a collective Bengali culture, the amazing variety of motifs, patterns, color combinations, and designs of the kanthas in this exhibition demonstrates the imagination and creativity of their makers.

## May Meeting Minutes

HEARTSTRINGS QUILT GUILD MINUTES  
MAY 13, 2010

Robin and Suzan opened the meeting at the Wayne Art Center with the introduction of four guests and one returning former member. Welcome Sandy, Carol, Mary and Rosemary. We hope you come back to Heartstrings. Elysse Schatz also returned to the group.

Karoline Wallace reported that membership is steady and we have only 2 openings but by September we may have two more.

Our June 10th meeting will be our closing Pot Luck Supper BBQ at the home of Suzan Hirsch. For this event please bring a side dish or a dessert. Details and directions

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Meeting Minutes, continued from page 3.

will appear in the newsletter.

We have some job openings for those who have been under-employed at Heartstrings.

\*\*Lida Pos Klesius, our organized and able Hospitality Chair, is making some major life changes and will be moving to Long Beach Island this summer. We need a new person to coordinate refreshments for our meetings.

\*\*Susan Soiferman will be spending winters in Florida and so we are in need of a back-up treasurer to work with Martha Klein to keep the books and collect monies.

\*\*While Cindy and Debbie have agreed to stay on as Program co chairs, they would like to have apprentices work with them so the program future of the guild is assured.

If you are interested in helping the guild at any of these jobs, please contact our Presidents For Life, Suzan or Robin.

Soryl Angel, as chair of the Sunshine Committee, asked to be kept in the know of life cycle events as they occur so members can be honored, consoled or recognized. Soryl can't send a card if she has no knowledge of the special birthday, honor, death, birth or other event.

Patty Hewson attended the Living Beyond Breast Cancer event in early May and reported that we sold \$500 worth of Pins. Attendees were delighted with our efforts. Patty was pleased to see how our efforts were used. Much of the money we donated was used to provide travel grants so survivors could attend conferences such as the one held May 2-3.

As our webmaster, Karoline W. said she is thinking of redoing our web-site and adding a blog. The blog would allow any member to put thoughts, ideas, tips, or any comment out there for the guild members to read.

Debbie Schwartzman thanked all those who distributed post cards publicizing Art Quilt Elements. She also asked for volunteers to help with the takedown of quilts at the end of the show.

Robin and Suzan told us about the very exciting trip to New York where they were part of the Oprah Tenth Anniversary of "O" magazine extravaganza. But they never once volunteered to share any of the loot they received with us!

The program for the evening was a personal tour of the ART QUILT ELEMENTS exhibit. Our thanks to Margo Clyma, Debbie Schwartzman and Cindy Friedman for an enlightening and creatively stimulating evening.

Respectfully submitted  
JUDY FLIEGELMAN

## Heartstrings Schedule

We meet the second Thurs. of the month, with the exception of Sept., as it is the Jewish Holidays. So here are the dates:

Sept 16

Oct. 14

Nov. 11

Dec. Party -- -no meeting at Lankenau

Jan. 13

Feb. 10

March 10

April 14

May 12

Jun. Party -no meeting at Lankenau

### Message from Lida

As some of you know, I will be moving to the New Jersey shore later this summer and although I intend to continue attending Hearstrings meetings it would be a good idea if I passed the baton of Hospitality person to another member. To those of you who are new members, this little position is a great way to get to know people, and compared to the roles other folks take on for this guild, hardly time consuming.

Essentially the Hospitality person coordinates the serving of refreshments at the monthly meetings. If you are interested in taking it over from me, drop me a note and I will give you more details.

Regards,

Lida

## Around the Guilds

### **Love Apple Quilters**

<http://www.loveapplequilters.com>

### **Undercover Quilters**

<http://www.undercoverquilters.com>

### **Valley Forge Homestead Quilters**

<http://www.valleyforgequilters.org>

### **Main Line Quilters**

<http://www.mainlinequilters.org>

### **Summer Beach Reading Recommendations**

Laura Childs Scrapbooking mysteries:

**Keepsake Crimes**  
**Photo Finished**  
**Bound for Murder**

Set in New Orleans these books combine local color with a quirky main character who finds her self thrust into the middle of foul play.

Barbara Hodgson's illustrated books:

**The Tattooed Map**  
**The Lives of Shadows**  
**Trading in Memories: Travels Through a Scavenger's Favorite Places.**

Hodgson's novels are integrated with vintage scraps of paper, labels and documents that give depth to the story. The author is an admitted scavenger and hoarder of paper, ephemera and interesting objects. She pulls on her collection selectively and imagines tales of travel, searching and self discovery. Her novels are set in both antique textures and magical realism. Her memoir explains her offbeat experiences in various cities, combing her favorite spots or fleamarkets for evocative items to go with her book ideas.

## **Refreshments**

**May:**  
**Meeting at Wayne Art Center**  
**No refreshments**

**June Potluck:**  
**Sign up to come!**

If your name appears in the newsletter for next month's refreshments and you will not be able to provide them, please contact another member to take your place. The refreshments responsibility is rotated in alphabetical order. If you do need to switch with another member, please notify the hospitality chairperson, Lida Pos Klesius at [aklesius1@comcast.net](mailto:aklesius1@comcast.net)