

# Penland Friends

MAY 15, 1998 – MARCH 15, 1999

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

### THIRD-SESSION AUCTION

Session Three this summer is devoted to public art (see page 5). Because a large number of the classes are process oriented, we may have a very small number of pieces in that session's auction. If you would like to contribute a piece to help us maintain our scholarship program, please send it or drop it off by Wednesday, July 7. Our scholarship students will be very grateful for your donation.

### SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks go to the twenty-two staff members and twenty volunteers who got together on Saturday, March 6 and welcomed over 300(!) visitors to the Penland Community Open House. We had activities and demonstrations in clay, glass, iron, metals, paper, photography, textiles, and wood. People came from as far away as Atlanta for the event, which was a tremendous and gratifying group effort.

Thanks also go to **Troy Hines** who handled every book in the library and reorganized the entire space. Hundreds of volumes were culled and all of the art and craft books are now properly sorted.

### GALLERY

The Penland Gallery opened its doors once again on April 6. The gallery has been expanded into the old letterpress studio, which will be the new exhibition room. The old exhibition space has been turned into a new sales area. In addition to the usual (wonderful) presentation of work by past and current instructors, students, and Penland Residents, the gallery is planning five special exhibitions for 1999.

#### April 13–May 23

*Rick Beck, Catharine Ellis Muerdter, Norm Schulman*

Reception: April 16

#### June 1–July 11

*Non-Function: Objects for Contemplation*

Reception: June 4

#### July 20–September 5

*Cultural Influences in Craft*

Reception: July 30

#### September 14–October 24

*From Alida to Zach: 28 Years of Penland's Core Program*

Reception: October 1

#### November 2–December 5

*Made in Penland (Coordinators, Core, Residents, Staff)*

Reception: November 5

### NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The Penland Board of Trustees welcomes three new members. **Bill Leavell** is a District Court Judge who lives here in Mitchell County. **B.E. Noel** runs a fine art gallery in Charlotte, NC which represents African-American and Latin-American artists. **Hellena Huntley Tidwell** is the Senior Vice President of Resource Management at the Arts and Sciences Council, also in Charlotte.

### PROGRAM REVISION

There is a change to the Penland summer catalog. **Piper Shepard**, who will teach textiles during Session Five (July 25–August 10) will be co-teaching with textiles engineer **Joy Boutrup**. Joy will be teaching both with Piper and with **Janet Taylor** during that session; the classes will share lectures and demonstrations. **Both classes are advanced level and require prior experience.**

Spring has come early to Penland this year. The trout lilies and toothwort already cover the forest floor and the campus gardens are flourishing under Priscilla's special attention.

I wish I could send a bit of the Appalachian spring to every person whose name appears below as a small thank-you for the support that you demonstrate for the school. So close your eyes, picture one of Priscilla's daffodils in your hand and know that we truly appreciate the contributions of all of our Friends. —*Erika Sanger, Director of Development.*

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