

## Quilt-maker Peg Green Donates Cherished Tapestry to UU Congregation at Rock Tavern

In 2000, Dr. Athena Drewes, life partner and best friend of the Rev. Jim Bridges, minister of the UU Congregation at Rock Tavern, purchased from UniUniques a beautiful tapestry quilt of a flaming chalice made by artisan Peg Green, now of Reston VA ([peacepeg.tripod.com](http://peacepeg.tripod.com)). The quilt had hung in the minister's study at the meetinghouse and was consumed in the fire of September 2006.

On September 16, Athena contacted UniUniques to inquire about the original price, for insurance purposes, but she also asked if the artisan were still making such quilts and if she could perhaps purchase another similar one.

Nancy and the office staff of UniUniques were quite helpful, finding a copy of the original invoice in their files. Within a week's time, Nancy had also determined who the artisan was who made the tapestry. She added that the artisan had joined the peace corps and went to Mongolia, but that she thought her term of service had ended. Further research by UniUniques tracked down the artisan's new address, telephone number, and email address. Emails started flying between Athena and Nancy, and finally contact was made with Peg, who had heard of the fire through her local UU congregation. She said that she could make another one, but it would take a while. She wasn't sure when she would be able to complete it, and Athena said that there was no rush. For a while, UniUniques served as the intermediary, forwarding each other's emails back and forth to the other party, until finally someone realized it would be simpler just to let Athena and Peg email each other directly. Peg set as her personal goal to have the new tapestry done by Easter, and she then added that there would be no charge for this second tapestry. She was donating it to the congregation!

On April 8, the Fire Blessings Chalice tapestry was presented by Athena to the congregation on behalf of Peg Green.



*The Rev. Jim Bridges and Dr. Athena Drewes presenting Fire Blessings Chalice tapestry to the UU Congregation at Rock Tavern (NY).*