

## THE SUQ

Denise Browning

Despite all of the talk of an economic recession, the *Suq* had another outstanding year. Even during the arctic temperatures last December we could hardly keep up with the holiday shoppers. Our gross sales were only \$82 short of a record \$300,000. Both our sales and profits were up over 3%.

▼ All of this success is due to our wonderful volunteers. I seriously believe we have the best volunteers anywhere. Their knowledge and dedication is remarkable; we are truly fortunate. They show patience in dealing with the sometimes difficult customer (including 100 children descending on the store all at once), while working the cash register, the inventory, and the charge machine simultaneously. The docents are our best asset. ▼ I want to say a special thanks to those who helped us during inventory, counting all of those numerous postcards and slides. Also a special thanks to Mrs. Swift who keeps us so organized, Georgie Maynard who keeps our books restocked and to Florence Ovadia who makes all of those beautiful displays. ▼ This year we have also had two volunteers stringing beads in the basement, making beautiful necklaces. Thanks to Marie Baxter and Norma van der Meulen. ▼ Our *Suq* merchandise was also enhanced by Charlotte Collier's purchases in Egypt, and Bob and Linda Braidwood's shipments from Turkey.



**Volunteers in the Sup**

Ria Ahlstrom

Lisa Barbee

Miriam Borelli

Muriel Brauer

Susan Chan

Lois Cohen

Charlotte Collier

Barbara Frey

Rama Gautam

Peggy Grant

Kate Grodzins

Janet Helman

Jane Hildebrand

Jo Jackson

Carol High Johnson

Inger Kirsten

Peggy Kovacs

Georgie Maynard

Adrienne Mong

Agnethe Rattenborg

Rochelle Rossin

Mary Schulman

Eleanor Swift

Mardi Trosman

Norma van der Meulen

Barbara Watson