

News on the Views

New Questing Activity in the Works

The Dunn Foundation is partnering with **Vital Communities** (VT) **Valley Quest** program to produce a community quest exploring community appearance and identity issues. This exciting project is based upon the visual environment, community-character/design, and the novel educational approach of Questing, or letter-boxing as the program is known in Europe. Using clues students search for elements of the built and natural environment that tell a story about their community. At the end of an outdoor discovery trail is a hidden treasure box and a place to record their journey. Working with **Steven Glazer** of Valley Quest (Vital Communities, VT),

and **Lois Nixon** of our educators' network, we have pilot-tested a new student-written quest exploring the physical character of Virginia Beach, VA - the good, bad, and the just plain ugly!

Under a mini-grant from the Dunn Foundation, Steve Glazer of Valley Quest is assisting with the development of this new visual environment/community-character quest. We expect the quest to be designed as a student, youth and family activity based upon the Virginia Beach project and be available through Valley Quest and the Dunn Foundation in 2008.

Visit www.vitalcommunities.org for more on questing.

Green Teacher Publishes Issue on Community Appearance Education

Green Teacher magazine has published an issue (Green Teacher 82, Fall 2007) highlighting youth education in community design issues. The magazine issue was introduced in Virginia Beach, VA (November 12-17, 2007) at the annual NAAEE conference. Conference participants received a free copy in their packets!

This issue celebrates 7 examples

of different approaches in community-character education from across the United States. Many of these programs have received support from The Dunn Foundation and are complimentary to our *ViewFinders Too* curriculum materials.

Order your copy directly from www.greenteacher.com

Spring 2008
Newsletter

Learn about the
DUNN Foundation's
ViewFinders Too program

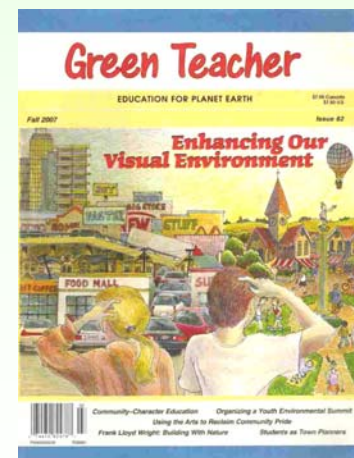
Visit our website at
www.dunnfoundation.org

Dunn Foundation

320 Thames St,
Suite 274
Newport, RI 02840

Tel: 401-367-0026
Fax: 401-367-0020

Email: viewfinders@dunnfoundation.org





New Dunn Website Goes Online!

We have launched a new website! Still at www.dunnfoundation.org, the new site contains segments from our popular film **Community of Choices** narrated by **Ed McMahon**, and **Activity 3** from **ViewFinders Too**, our middle school curriculum unit. Activity 3 was written for the film and contains stimulating material for classroom discussions. You can download the activity from our new website!

Look for our web **News** and **Resources** sections for connections to complimentary programs across the country. The new website will become the primary communication outreach for the Foundation in the months ahead as we streamline our operation to be more sustainable.



*"Is this all there is?? Can't our communities be more livable, more beautiful?" Ed McMahon in **Community of Choices***

We are on the Web!
www.dunnfoundation.org

Using *ViewFinders Too*, or similar materials?? Send us your stories! We want to hear from you! Email us: viewfinders@dunnfoundation.org