

POSH BABY PRODUCTS:

Celebrities like Gwyneth Paltrow, Britney Spears and Donald Trump are strolling around town with Clairebella in tow. These high-end hip accessories for baby are the brainchild of Alpharetta resident Kathy Denness. Sewn right here in Georgia, this plush line offers burp sets, bibs, blankets and the signature sell of Moses baskets.

Named after Denness' daughter, Clairebella grew out of a love for adorable accents and nostalgic fabrics. Naturally drawn to art, Denness began designing infant items after the birth of her two children, Claire and Michael, now age 11 and 14 respectively. While living in Sydney, Australia for a couple years in the late '90s, this self-starter painted children's furniture and wall art. Back in the States, she launched the company in 2003, working with soft flannel, chenille, satin and organza ribbon. Denness also loves styling new patterns around trendy toiles, pretty pastels and classic characters like cowboys and paper dolls.

Prices range from \$11 for a bib to \$190 for a Moses basket, including the bumper, mattress, sheet and matching blanket. New products on the shelf include hooded towels and diaper clutches, which unfold into a changing pad. In January, Denness plans to introduce crib bedding, with future hopes of a clothing line.

Clairebella is sold at area boutiques (Forget Me Not Gifts, Jack & Jill Children's Boutique and The Sugar Plum Tree, all in Alpharetta) or visit www.clairebella.com for a list of online retailers. And you can feel good about your purchase seeing as Denness donates a portion of profits to The Orphan Society of America. For details, call 770-751-0921.



Wyeth Painting Donated to the High

Andrew Wyeth is called the "painter of the people." Some of his favorite subjects include his hometown of Chadds Ford, Pa. and his summer home in Cushing, Maine.

In June, Wyeth and his wife Betsy donated his watercolor "Study for 'The Quaker'" (1976) to the High Museum of Art. Wyeth is best remembered locally for his November 2005 exhibition at the High called "Andrew Wyeth: Memory & Magic."

"The Quaker" shows two antique coats hanging above a fireplace in an empty room. A large window to the left catches the eye and focuses it on a classic Wyeth landscape. The painting is part of the permanent American Art collection. For details on the museum, visit www.high.org.



And The Winner Is...

Brian Bale from Woodstock won a free stay at the Sawgrass Marriott Resort & Spa in Florida. Here's to squeezing in that last summer vacation filled with lazy days on the beach, at the spa, and on the links.

