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Beth Treacy

AN INVITATION TO "A SEAT AT THE TABLE" DRAWS PEOPLE TOGETHER—WITH FARM-FRESH FOOD

Imagine walking into the middle of a cornfield and happening on a splendid banquet. The long table is groaning with the bounty of the farm, prepared by extraordinary chefs. The decor is a magical tribute to the season—as is the menu. Sound like

something out of a fairy tale? It's actually one of the most wonderful real-life experiences you'll have in this Twitter-mad age. And that's the point for this Chicago-based marketing executive. To honor the farmers near her Wisconsin retreat—and to bring them

business—Beth Treacy has started producing events under the banner "A Seat at the Table." By gathering groups for communal dining, she builds people's awareness of local resources (aseatattableonline.com). ▶



GUILT-FREE PLEASURE

Yummy natural ingredients like cocoa butter and almond oil go into "Charity Pot," Lush Cosmetics's vegan hand and body lotion. All proceeds benefit various environmental, human rights, and animal welfare groups the company supports (\$21; lushusa.com).



Mei Xu

MAKING DREAMS COME TRUE

A career with the World Bank gave Mei Xu a glimpse of the power of giving. In 2007, she launched Blissliving Home, which caters to people who, like her, are inspired by varied cultures—and want to express it through "something you can use daily." Mei's projects include the Bliss Kids Art Festival. Twelve-year-old Aria Curameng's winning design, right, has

evolved into bedding available in the spring of 2010 that will benefit the Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C. (blisslivinghome.com).



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