

United Federation of Doll Clubs
Fall 2016 Newsletter
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I feel, when I come back from **UFDC's** convention, as though I should get a tee shirt that says I survived this convention and all I got was this lousy tee! Seriously, we had a fabulous time-wish it had gone on for **TWO** weeks! And only another **356 days** until the next one. Which, with all I have to do until then is not so long as all that. And yes, I know, it will be less by the time you get this, but work with me, people, please. ☺ As the convention was in our region, we had a lot of members who worked their hind ends off to make this extra-special, not the least of whom is **Dr. Barbara Stone**, our second vice-president and chief cook and bottle washer and general factotum. Our judges did a fine job, including **Julie Blewis, Ann Coleman, Caroline Goodfellow, Mary Elizabeth Groupe', Florie Hirsch, Donna Landis, Jennifer Kohn Murtha, Susan Sirkis and Kathy Turner**. I was fortunate to have as one of my clerks the uber-competent **Gae Ward**, but all the

clerks were great. We can't do without them!

Public Day ran smoothly, because of the presence of **Rita McCloskey, Happy Herbert, Vicky Forbes, Shirley Piotrowski** from Region 8, **Sandy Moore, Sheri Kaplan, Lee Beaumont, Becky Rice** from Region 6 and **me**. Thank you all! Also, let's not forget to thank the **Lusion Twins, Norma and Lilah**, who paraded around all week in their stroller, working double time for **UFDC**. And still no **Rolls-Royce!**

Last but not least, **Margaret Kincaid**, ably, very ably, assisted by **Sandy Hohne**, mounted a fabulous special exhibit on **Tasha Tudor**, while amazing **Vicki Christopherson** wowed everyone with her amazing **Advertizing Dolls**. I know we all found something to love in both this region's **Special Exhibits**.

Events in Order

Sometimes, I don't like being Regional Director, because I have to be the bearer of bad news. Such is the case now. There will be no **Now and Then Doll Club Show** this year, because **Judy Kamerer**, the show's chair, passed away suddenly and will be sorely missed by many. But while the club is mourning her loss, they have chosen a date for next year and here it is: **Now and Then Doll Club Show**, October 14th, 2017, details to be announced. No one can ever forget Judy's many contributions to this show, to her club and to **UFDC**. Ever.

Christmas Doll and Bear Sale is on November 5th, 2016. Richmond VA Raceway. Colonial Building, 600 East Laburnum Avenue, Richmond VA. 9:30-3:30. Info, call **Ruth (434-295-1435)** or **Judy (434-295-2628)**. I'll be there...it's one show you don't want to miss!

Gaithersburg Doll Show takes place December 3-4, 2016. If you want a sales table in the **Learning Room**, be aware that *each* table now costs 100.00 per Mr. **Hubert Bellman** and there is a 15% donation from your sales to **UFDC**. Please let me know if you're interested. This show needs our support, so help to keep it going by participating in whatever way you can!.

The Black Eyed Susan Doll Club is hosting another wonderful luncheon on April 8, 2017. **The Wife, The Witch and The Gentleman**. Claggett Hall at Oldfields Episcopal Church, 15837 Prince Frederick Road, Hughesville MD 20637. 125.00, contact **Pat Magruder** at (301-843-0541); p.l.magruder@verizon.net. Checks to **Linda Neeley**, 41596 Cemetery Road, Leonardtown MD 20650. I had a great time at their **Hitty** luncheon last year, so am signing up for this one, pronto!

Lady Baltimore Doll Study Club proudly presents **Once Upon A Dolloween Luncheon**, October 28th, 2017. 11-3 Radisson Hotel North Baltimore, 2004 Greenspring Dr. Timonium MD 20193 **Registrar Rita McCloskey** 5613 Hydes Road Hydes MD 21082. 150.00 per person. Questions? **Sheri Kaplan** (410-602-0071). You KNOW how wonderful our Halloween luncheons are. Don't be left out in the cold...and the dark...all alone. **Save the Date! Region 11 Conference in MD! Maryland-A Merry Land!** Hosted by **Dollology Club of Washington DC**. Registration open to **Region 11 members** 1/2/2017. Everyone else in **UFDC** 4/1/2017 Info: **Sandy Moore** (703-532-6570) 602 Langston Lane, Falls Church, VA 22046 **Donations**

We are, as always, an amazingly generous region. Not being perfect, even

though I'd like to think that I am, I left out the always munificent **Ann Coleman** who has given in as many ways as she can and should be noted. This "semester" we have more donors to laud, so here goes!

Marianne W. Arnold gave to our 2016 Convention, as did **Dollology Club of Washington DC, Maryland Society of Doll Collectors, Norfolk Doll Club, Kathy Watkins** and **Goldie Wilson**. **Maryland Society of Doll Collectors** donated to Junior Collector's Fund in honor of **Barbara Stone** and **lovely me**. The Regional Director's Fund was helped by **Blue Ridge Doll Club (in my honor) Charm City Dolling Club**, in memory of **Zerita Carter, Gladys McDowell Doll Club, Norfolk Doll Club, also in my honor** and **West Virginia Mountaineer Doll Club** in memory of **Faye S. Wetherhold** and **Betty M. Berger**. **Clarissa Massey Doll Club** in memory of **Lucille Wilson** and **Doll Masters** and **Theriahult's** gave very generously to **UFDC Unity Fund**. The Building General Fund was supported by **Now and Then Doll Club**, in memory of **Judy Kameron**. Museum Fund was the beneficiary of **Susan Sirkis's** largesse (just love that word) while **Zenaida Anselmo** gave to the Competitive Exhibits. **Barbara Dugan** supported a Special Exhibit Case and **Margaret G. Kincaid** sponsored an exhibit. Well done, everyone! Our grand total comes to a fine robust **8,826.27**. Lastly, **UFDC** is sending me and all other RDs to Kansas City in October for a **Membership Symposium**. Please contact me if you have any ideas for "growing" **UFDC** membership. All thoughts welcome!
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Just plain **Jen**