

## UFDC NEWS FROM REGION 12

### WINTER 2011

Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio



### Cindy Nichols Bailey, Region 12 Director

Winter has started and most members are into their holiday mode. I can imagine on a cold winter day seating in a bay window and enjoying a good book, or sewing too, while the snow flies for us northern members!! It also makes me think about should I start a winter cleaning of doll stuff ... items that can be donated to the UFDC eBay charity site. See below for new information on our Charity eBay doings in their first fundraising project.

## Upcoming Club Events ...

Saturday, April 14, 2012

The **Snowbabies of West Michigan** and **Muskegon Sand Dollars Doll Clubs Holland, Michigan** are sponsoring the **Michigan Doll Show & Sale**. Location; Holland Civic Center, 150 W. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Holland, Michigan. Hours: 10-3 PM. Admission: \$4.00. Door prizes, appraisals. For information contact: Barb Kuznicki at 616-633-1720. vballbarb@aol.com

Sunday, April 15, 2012

**Toledo Doll & Bear Show** (second show October 21, 2012). Located at the Stranshan Great Hall, 4645 Heatherdowns Blvd., Toledo, Ohio. (Directly off I-75 and the Ohio 80-90 Turnpike. Only ten minutes south of the Michigan border at -75 and 23.) Hours: 10-4 PM. Admission: \$4.00. Author and bear expert Ken Yenke and his wife Brenda will be appraising bears and antique toys at the April 15, 2012 show. UFDC Region 12 Director, Cindy Bailey, will be there to promote membership in UFDC.

Saturday, April 21, 2012

The **Olentangy Valley Doll Club** will be hosting their 24<sup>th</sup> annual luncheon. The program "Meet Anne Votaw," author of *Sasha Dolls The History*. Her program, *Sasha Dolls*, will provide an in-depth look at visionary Swiss artist, Sasha Morgenthaler. Location: Crowne Plaza, 6500 Doubletree Ave., Columbus, Ohio. Hours: 12-4 PM. Cost: \$40. Limited to 60 registrants. RSVP deadline, Monday, April 16, 2012. For information contact: Darelle Carpenter at 614-431-0452

Saturday, May 19, 2012

Keep this date open for the "High Tea Meet and Greet" event hosted by UFDC newest Region 12 doll club the **Doll-licious Doll Club of Michigan**. Vanessa Ghant, president, and the members of Doll-licious are still in the playing stages of their event so no real details at the moment; but, keep the date on your calendar to attend!!

Saturday, September 15, 2012

**Tippecanoe Cinderella Doll Club** of Lafayette, Indiana, will host "Accessoire De Poupe." Their quest speaker will be Patricia Gosh, past-president of UFDC and now proprietress of The Doll Shoppe of New Harmony, Indiana. Ms. Gosh will be speaking on accessories for dolls. A lovely souvenir made especially for this event, helpers, sales tables (available to luncheon guests are \$25 each), and other surprises will await you! Location: Quality Inn, 2500 Lafayette Road (US 231 South), Crawfordville, Indiana (765-362-8700). Hours: 9:30- 3:00 PM. Cost: \$55. Limited to 100 registrants. Contacts: Marjorie Wyant 317-432-1397 or Liz Holmes 765-477-0324.

## At Your Service Fundraiser ...

The first-ever "At Your Service" fundraiser held at the 2011 UFDC Convention in Anaheim, California, was a glowing success. The "cost" of admission to this ice cream social event was a new toy or cash donation.

Attendees enjoyed an opportunity to meet UFDC officers and Regional Directors, as well as visiting with other convention registrants in an informal atmosphere while enjoying a cold treat.

At the end of convention week, six large cartons of collected toys and a check were presented to the Anaheim area charity "Share Our Selves." This charity is a self-help community service organization, which offers numerous programs to assist families in their neighborhood.

Through their generosity the members of UFDC were able to leave a legacy of goodwill in this year's convention city - Well Done!

## New Members-at-large

A warm welcome to our new MAL's. They are Cynthia Adkins, Hilliard, Ohio; Patricia A. Andrew, Evansville, IN; Susan E. Baldwin, Celina OH; Therese M. Beatie, Berea, Ohio; Dorus Kydwugm Saginaw, Michigan; Nancy A. Lutz-Moran, Newport, Michigan; Marcy Mahle, Centerville, OH; and, Karen Miller, West Olive, MI. Again, welcome!

## EBAY!!

Yes, UFDC is now set up for the on-line Charity eBay auctions to help raise funds for UFDC!! This is our first fundraising project and hopefully many more!! The success of this project will depend on in-kind donations from individuals and clubs. Please urge all members of your doll club and doll club too to donate monthly, quarterly, or yearly (the more the merrier!!) to help raise funds for UFDC. Remember to set up UFDC up in your "Saved Seller" list to check often on what UFDC is doing on eBay to support UFDC!! You might just find that "on my dolly list" item(s) you've been searching for!!

Go on-line at UFDC.org for the form necessary to send items to UFDC. Once at the UFDC website, click on "Home" then scroll down and click on "UFDC - eBay" to print out the necessary form for submitting in-kind donations.

Remember, these are donations that are fully tax-deductible on their yearly federal tax form as a charitable donation individually or the doll club, which is required by IRS codes to donate funds to a charitable organization yearly to keep up UFDC's 501(c)(3) corporation status as a charitable organization. A receipt for the IRS information will be mailed to you from UFDC upon the completion of the eBay auction.

The regions will be divided into four fairly equal groups with one group assigned to each quarter of the coming year. Please be prepared to urge all the clubs in your region to donate during your quarter. Region 12 will be in the fourth quarter. Also, please encourage individuals to donate at any time. Of course, all members and any interested others need to be prepared to buy from the UFDC. The form for making donations to the UFDC on-line auctions is up on the website for any and all to use. If you wish to support UFDC by donating items that can be taken as a tax write-off or bidding on items you wish to purchase for your own collection, please go to [www.ufdc.org](http://www.ufdc.org) for a form.

Thanks to donations from clubs and MAL's in Regions 2S, 3, 11, 15, 16, and others, the UFDC on eBay is up and running. The probationary status of all new eBay accounts, limiting the listings to ten items per month, has now been lifted. You can expect to see new items listed weekly. Some of you who have been waiting to see your items listed can now expect to see them coming up.

Clubs and MAL's from Regions 6, 9 10, 13 are being asked to donate during the months of January, February, and March. This is a fun way to support the UFDC and possibly make a good buy.

## Notes From ...

**A note from Janet Gula, Convention Coordinator/Second Vice President** ([bruhaha@rogers.com](mailto:bruhaha@rogers.com))

It has come to our attention that a mailing was received advertising a discount for UFDC members who attend the R. J. Wright convention and asking our Regional Directors to send this out to club presidents. Please do NOT do this. We have our own convention and need to support it. The R. John Wright convention is being held less than a month before our own and

is a competitor. The letter that you received was not authorized by anyone connected with UFDC. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

**A Note from Janet Gula (Con't.)**

I am also writing to ask for your help. Right now I have three wonderful meal events that are still looking for a host club. These events are as follows:

1. Joan Greene (co-designer of Gene) will present a doll from her Beautiful Vault line. The doll will be a 16-inch vinyl jointed fashion doll (same size as Gene) and the event will be a dinner event for 125 people. The theme is "The Duke and Duchess of Wales go to the Mardi Gras, circa 1950." Joan is doing the program and will provide the centerpieces.
2. Heidi Plusczok luncheon for 125 people. The theme is "Sugar and Spice and Everything Nice." Heidi has a program presenter for this event.
3. The third event is an Alice Leverett event and the theme is "Cordon Blue." This will also be a luncheon event for 100 people. The souvenir will be an outfit for the 2010 Chicago souvenir doll, Marie Terese.

If you might know of a club in your region that would be willing to host any of these events I would be very appreciative. A notice is going to be placed in Unity's News as well.

The 2012 UFDC convention plans have started and anyone interested in holding a workshop or seminar should contact UFDC. You can go on-line at [www.ufdc.org](http://www.ufdc.org) for forms.

**Junior Collectors' Tea**

We need a club or clubs to sponsor this wonderful event at Convention, New Orleans. UFDC will cover the cost of food served to the youngsters, but the club would provide favors and centerpieces and some form of entertainment-could be local or just something the club members provided. The theme of the tea is "Baby Cakes" and Madame Alexander will provide a baby nursery from which each child will select the newborn of her her/his dreams. Attendance is from 25-50 children. If your club would be willing to sponsor this event, contact the Junior Collectors' Chairpersons:

Jeri Robinson JR1896@verizon.net or Cheryl Greene vze2m68b@verizon.net

**2012 UFDC Audio Visual Contest ...**

Members and clubs interested in creating programs for the annual contest are encouraged to request contest guidelines by contacting Kate Reed, 201 Wood St., Warren, PA 16365. Phone: 814/723-4520. Email: [dreed107@verizon.net](mailto:dreed107@verizon.net). The deadline for program submissions is March 15, 2012.

**Donations ...**

Thank you Region 12 members for the following donations and sponsorship:

<u>2011 Convention Sponsorship:</u>	<u>Fund Description</u>		
Fond Memories Doll Club	2011 Convention	In Memory of:	Ms. Dorothy Beeching
Cindy Zimmerman	2011 Convention	In Memory of:	Ms. Betty Conroy and Ms. Viola Ambrose

<u>2011 Quarterly Contributions:</u>	<u>Fund Description</u>		
Cindy A. Bailey	UFDC Unity Fund	In Memory of:	Ms. Andree Lee
Anita Crist	Regional Directors Fund	of:	Adelberger
Ohio Valley Doll Collectors	Doll News General Fund	In Memory of:	Ms. Andree Lee Adelberger

## Convention Seminars ...

Many UFDC members contribute to the convention by holding seminars. One of our Region 12 members, Vanessa Ghand, president and founder of a new UFDC club "The Doll-licious Doll Club of Michigan" presented a seminar featuring Robert Tonner, Tonner Doll Company, dolls. Congrats Vanessa!!

## Did You Know ...

That when you do not book a reservation at the hotel the UFDC Doll Convention is being held, and that you are attending, it costs UFDC. They sign a contractual agreement with the hotel to book so many rooms and at a certain dollar amount for the annual doll convention. When the rooms are not all booked the balance remaining is paid by UFDC. At the 2011 UFDC Annual Doll Convention held in Anaheim, California, it cost \$50,000.00 to the treasury of the UFDC for non-booked rooms. And, as a charitable organization, this hits the budget really hard.

A doll show that was in the area so nicely placed in their advertisements, at the bottom part of their advertisements, to come stay at their hotel because it was cheaper. Now, was that fair to UFDC? We all love this doll show, which goes on before and during part of the UFDC Doll Convention and many UFDC members, including myself, attend and find wonderful dolls, toys, and accessories.

So, when you are booking hotel rooms for your next UFDC Doll Convention, consider the end results to UFDC. Please remember, we are a charitable organization and can only make money from donations!

To lower your costs at the doll convention, try a roommate to share costs, and make sure all those sharing a room are listed on the hotel's reservation. Or, those who live within a quick drive to the event, how about a monetary donation to UFDC to go toward convention rooms that is fully tax-deductible on their yearly federal tax form as a charitable donation! There are also other areas to help reduce costs of the convention to UFDC by either individuals or doll clubs that can donate, just contact UFDC for a list. See we can all help UFDC, in either a small way or a big way!!

## WANTED!!! Email addresses

Attention: Presidents and Members-at-Large -- To help reduce the mailing costs (paper, ink, printing, envelopes, labels, postage) to UFDC of the Unity News and Region 12 Newsletter to our members, please contact me by email so I can email you your copy of the newsletters. **PRETTY PLEASE!!!!!!!!!!** Cindy Bailey at baileytruck2@indy.rr.com.

**Note:** Deadline for submitting items to me for the SPRING 2012 Newsletter is February 15, 2012.



**Attention Club Presidents:**  
**Please give a copy of this**  
**newsletter to all club members and**  
**in a timely manner due to the**  
**time-sensitive information.**  
**Thank you!**

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