

United Federation of Doll Clubs, Inc.

Fall 2011 Newsletter

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Dear Doll Friends,

As many of you know, I just became your new Region 11 Director at Convention in July. I am honored and way beyond excited! I am looking forward to representing us for the next three years. I enjoy traveling and would love to visit your club during my term as RD. Just call or email or drop me a note to make arrangements. I can give a program or just enjoy your company. For those who don't know me, I'm a retired engineer and life-long doll collector. My husband Jim and I live in Annapolis, MD. We have two grown children and three grandsons. My retirement 14 years ago has provided me the time to become involved in doll activities beyond collecting.

You'll be reading all about Convention in the next edition of DOLL NEWS, so I'll just give you the Region 11 highlights here. At our regional meeting on Tuesday afternoon our outgoing RD Mary Ruddell was presented a gift of two R. John Wright dolls from Region 11 clubs. Thanks to Mary for her service, and immediate past RD Barbara Kincaid for organizing the gift, and of course all the Region 11 clubs for their donations. Mary has agreed to continue her work on the speaker's bureau project! Any member willing to participate please let Mary know at mruddell@germanlife.com.



Mary Ruddell

Region 11 members recognized during Convention were Julie Blewis (DOLL NEWS Advertising Manager), Rita Johnson (retiring Parliamentarian), Mary Ruddell (outgoing RD), Mike Sirkis (hotel negotiating), Susan Sirkis for her behind the scenes contributions and Bettyanne Twigg (UFDC website).

Also from Region 11, Maryland Doll Club hosted the luncheon "A Mother's Love" which featured ephemera provided by Ann Coleman from the Coleman Collection. Region 11 was also well represented in the competition rooms with our members bringing home many ribbons of every color--especially blue!

Plan now to attend the 2012 Convention *Jambalaya Jubilee*, July 24-27, 2012 in New Orleans! Convention will be just four days next year and a new feature will be that younger collectors--aged 8 years and above--will have the opportunity to attend. Meanwhile, we have lots of doll events to look forward to! Happy rest of the summer to everyone. Big Hugs, Barbara



Julie Blewis

**Welcome To Our Newest
Member at Large
Ms Marcel Faulkner
Virginia Beach, VA**

Donate a Doll for the UFDC On-line Auction!

UFDC's Fundraising Committee is exploring creative ways to do fundraising. One effort is an on-line auction. You can donate an item (doll, doll-related, or other item) to the auction. You will receive an acknowledgement letter which you can use for tax purposes. The donation form is attached to this newsletter. When the on-line auction is up and running you'll also have the opportunity to bid! If you do not want to mail your item and can get it to me before October 17 I will take it to UFDC Headquarters for you. Watch the ufdc.org website for details coming soon.

Mark Your Calendar!

Let everyone know what your club is doing! Is your club planning something special this year? Or, if you had an event, let us know how it turned out. The next deadline for the newsletter is November 15th. Drop me a note and I will put your club's news in the next newsletter.

September 10, 2011 - Southern MD Doll Club's Show and Sale. Thomas Stone High School, 3785 Leonardtown Road (Business Route 5), Waldorf, Maryland 20602. 10:00 till 3:00. Cost: \$4.00 for adults, \$1.00 for children under 12. Sales Tables, Exhibits, Doll Identification and Appraisals, Raffle, and Door Prizes. For Information, call 301-475-3466 or email smdc@buonviri.net.

October 8, 2011 - The Now & Then Doll Club's Annual Doll Show & Sale. Fredericksburg Elks Lodge #875, 11309 Tidewater Trail, Fredericksburg, VA (on Rt. 2 & 17, just south of Fairgrounds); Admission \$5.50.

October 27-28, 2011 - Williamsburg Doll Club Doll Conservation Seminar. Featured are (inclusive of cost): tour of the CW Costume Design Center, Behind-the-Scenes tour of CW Conservation Lab (including rare and seldom seen early dolls), dinner with the Williamsburg Doll Club, lunch at the DeWitt Wallace Museum and kit of basic supplies for in-home care. Presenters are Ann Coleman and Bettyanne Twigg. Cost is \$150. Contact: Carol Bohlman, Registrar, at 757-220-1993 (evenings) or bohlmanj@earthlink.net for details.

October 29, 2011 - Lady Baltimore Doll Study Club's Halloween luncheon and Costume Party "Bewitched by Dolls"; Crowne Plaza Hotel; Timonium, MD; Cost \$95; contact Sheri 410-602-0071 or Julie 410-662-7525 **WAIT LIST ONLY**

November 5, 2011 - The Maryland Society of Doll Collectors' luncheon—"Winter Wonderland"; Crowne Plaza Hotel; Timonium, MD; Cost \$115; contact Carolyn (Bert) Ames, 410-672-2798.

December 3, 2011 - Maryland Doll Club's Rose Percy 150th Birthday Celebration, Wyndham Gardens, Gaithersburg, MD. Cost \$145; contact Barbara Stone, 410-266-5715, BSConsults@aol.com. **WAIT LIST ONLY**

February 25, 2012 - Capital Doll Club's Annual Doll Show and Sale. The Showplace Annex, 3002 Mechanicsville Pike, Richmond, VA. 10 till 4. For information contact Jackie Price 804-275-0091.

April 21, 2012 - Chesapeake Doll Club's "1812 Star-Spangled Luncheon," Annapolis Sheraton Hotel, Annapolis, MD. Souvenir Leeann doll by Denis Bastien, Cost \$135. Contact Barbara Stone, 410-266-5715, BSConsults@aol.com.

Contributions - May 1, 2011 - July 31, 2011

In Honor of Ms Anita Rae

To Endowment Fund - Clarissa Massey Doll Club

In memory of Ms Rose Mary Tennant

To ReAL Services General Fund - West Virginia Mountaineer Doll Club

In memory of Ms Ann Seymour

To ReAL Services General Fund - Ida F. Berg, John E. Berg, Black Eyed Susan Doll Club of MD, Elinor Champion, Charm City Dolling Club, Chesapeake Doll Club of MD, Elizabeth A. Coleman, Evelyn Moomau Delmarva Doll Club, Free State Doll Study Club, Kanawha Valley Doll and Miniature Club, Lady Baltimore Doll Study Club, Maryland Doll Club, Maryland Society of Doll Collectors, Miss Carroll's Doll Study Club, Now and Then Doll Club, Precious Memories Doll Club of VA, Sugarland Searchers Doll Club of Maryland, West Virginia Mountaineer Doll Club, and Williamsburg Doll Club

To UFDC Unity Fund - Jane Coleman Doll Study Club and Lady Baltimore Doll Study Club

To Building General Fund - Rita M. Johnston

To Endowment Fund - Barbara E. Kincaid

To Jane Coleman Scholarship Fund - Barbara Stone

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. Ph.814-723-4520. Email dreed107@verizon.net. The deadline for program submissions is March 15, 2012.

REGIONAL STATUS FORM! Club Presidents: please fill out and mail back to me by Oct 15th.