



United Federation of Doll Clubs, Inc.
Region 10 - Illinois and Wisconsin

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Hi There!

I'm your new Regional Director, Donnell Wisniewski. ☺ My home is due east of St. Louis, in southern Illinois. My job is to help you – to listen, advise and act as liaison between you and UFDC. I hope that you'll use me as a resource, but most of all, I hope that you will find me to be a good friend. At 19, I joined the Air Force to “see the world” but I've never been to Wisconsin and I've seldom been to any part of northern Illinois. I am hoping that you'll invite me to visit your club and help me to discover all the beauties of both states.

My background is in the arts – primarily needle arts and music. My doll collection began when my sisters bought me a reproduction Bleurette in 2004 and I discovered the wonderful patterns available. Since my daughter and two granddaughters live with me, I have a very eclectic collection of primarily modern dolls. I have been widowed since 1993 and retired since 2011. That means that my strings are few and my availability is open. I love to drive and explore new areas, but mostly – I just love meeting new people.

Many Thanks to Julia Furman

Not only did she serve our region admirably as our Regional Director from 2011 to 2014, but Julia has also been one of our region's generous contributors to UFDC. She contributed 3 dolls to our UFDC Ebay auction from May to July and also contributed funds to the Regional Directors Fund.

I want to thank Julia for setting a great example and for her continued service as the Club Parliamentarian for UFDC. She will be our resource for any questions concerning procedure.

Scholarship Opportunity

The Doll Scholars of Southeast Wisconsin (DSSW) have established a \$200 scholarship in honor of William (Bill) Zito, founder of their club. Bill has been a member of UFDC since 1973 and has been a judge of Antique Dolls from that point to now. He has done research, written articles, taught judging, received awards and chaired many UFDC functions, all in the name of learning and sharing.

This scholarship will be awarded to a Reg. 10 member for antique, composition, modern and collectible doll **research** based on the same rules as the UFDC scholarships. It will be for **NEW** information or that information which **ADDS** to previous studies. The amount of the scholarship will be \$200.

Applications will be accepted between Sept. 1st and Dec. 1st each year and the scholarship awarded the following February. If you are interested in more information concerning this scholarship, please contact one of the following:

DSSW.scholar@gmail.com

Pres. of DSSW: Joan Schultz, 4919 S. 40th Street,
Greenfield, WI 53221-2501, 414-281-7707

Unity's News

Don't forget to get ALL the news on UFDC by reading Unity's Newsletter!

Ongoing opportunities to donate include “Pay-a-Day”, Adopt-a-Doll, UFDC ReAL services, the Library, the Regional Directors' Fund and many more.

Kansas City – July 16 to 19, 2015!



Won't it be fantastic? We are expanding our museum at the headquarters and will be proudly giving tours. The tentative list of event artists includes: Mme. Alexander, BARBIE, Diana Effner, Ruby

Red Galleria, Nancy Hall, Maggie Iacono, Robert Tonner, Vogue and more to come. Our own Susan Fosnot will be the convention souvenir Doll Artist. So be sure to start planning and join me for the excitement of our next convention!

The forms for the Helper donations, Doll Dialogues, Seminar and Workshop Applications are online at ufdc.org/convention

Donations to UFDC

Our Region's clubs have contributed generously to UFDC and include:

Chicago Doll Collectors – Unity Fund
Congregational Church of Batavia – *in honor of Julia Furman*
Fireside Doll Workshop of IL – Library
Lake County Doll Collectors of IL; *in honor of Mr and Mrs. Don and Arlene C. Jensen* – Building General Fund
Region 10 Doll Clubs – *in honor of Julia Furman*
In addition, many of our members have contributed individually:
Joyce M. Christensen – Competitive Exhibit table sponsor 2014
Susan Fosnot – Convention 2014
Karla Moreland – UFDC Unity Fund
Cathy Noone – Museum Fund
Maurine Steurer – Museum Fund

We also thank all of the members and clubs who contributed items to our Helper Room at convention and who served as volunteers. Without your contributions of time and talent, our convention would not have been the wonderful interlude that we all enjoyed!

Deadline for Winter Newsletter – 15 Nov.

Reminder Club Presidents

Regional status reports are due. Please return to me promptly (no later than October 15). The reports help me when I get inquiries about doll club membership in your areas. Forms can be found on the UFDC website.

Upcoming Club Events

Oct. 2 – Premier Doll Study Club of Southern Illinois 3rd Anniversary - party at “the Train” in Mascoutah, IL. Bring a doll to show off in the train window (12” and under, please) and enjoy a wonderful tea party catered by Vice-President Rose Harrelson. Thursday, 11 am – 2 pm,

RSVP by 22 Sept. to Rose, ph: 618-447-9098.

Doll News

Are you planning an event? Do you want it to get maximum publicity within the doll community? Then please consider advertising in our own Doll News magazine. You won't have to hope that someone sees or buys a national magazine, this one is ours to use and it goes to every member! The clubs that are geographically close to you, but in another region will see what's coming to an area near them and the Members-At-Large will have a chance to experience an active club. All members are given a break in advertising rates. Don't forget to use our digital version for advertising as well – even more access and a free link to your website! *For questions or more information on how you can be a part of the new digital Doll News, contact:* Kathy Turner, email kturnersan@gmail.com or Brenda Welker, email bwelker@bellsouth.net

Have you or your club done a project inspired by Doll News? I am issuing a challenge to any and all members and clubs in our Region to create some project inspired by an issue of Doll News. It can be a paper doll, from a pattern they've printed or a project of interest that was stimulated by an article. A challenge does not involve any monetary fees or prizes and does not require participation. It is simply for fun and interest. Please send me a photo of your project/activity and I will try to include at least one in each quarterly newsletter.