

Greetings Region 12: The Regional 12 Director and many members from the region had a blast at the Kansas City Convention. We spent much time interviewing members, especially the members from our region. Every interview ended with the same closure statement which was “I must return to Kansas City to revisit the museums”. In addition, many members are waiting for the release of the National Toy & Miniature Museum book and the uploading of the National Toy and Miniature Museum on the web. Some of the events that Your RD attended were:

- *The Robert Tonner Wilde Imagination luncheon*
- *The Leeann: a Dream of Friendship and Unity Dinner – Affordable Designs-Canada*
- *Playtime Dreams Dinner – Maggie Iacono*
- *Regional Conference Seminar*

Each year our convention is better and better. At the Annual Business Meeting, we installed several positions; President, Janet Gula, First Vice President, Loretta Nardone, Second Vice President, Barbara Stone, and Secretary Treasurer Maryll Goldsmith. The doll competition was awesome-inspiring. Your RD returned home with four ribbons. All of the

dollies cheered all the way home. Special thanks to the members who traveled with their dolls. The sales room this year was a knock out. It was bright, decorative, and very colorful. A special thanks to the members who attended our first regional meeting. Fifty plus members attended. One of the most important subjects was hosting a Regional Conference. Our Regional Conference Coordinator has confirmed a regional conference time slot for spring 2018. Thus far, we have three clubs that have agreed to be our host clubs. We have a potential location, the Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth, MI. The theme is “Once Upon A Time”. Presidents, look out for an 800 line and a pin access code published on our website. As more information is developed, our region Presidents can expect updated details. Please consider adopting a doll at the museum. (The **Adopt A doll Program** is a program in which one can adopt any doll of your choice, to support for a year). Do not forget to advertise in Doll News. Kathy Turner is our advertising manager. Contact her at kturnersan@gmail.com

Regional Director’s Past Itinerary

DATE	EVENTS
June 13, 2015	The Great Lakes Doll Club meeting, Warren, MI
June 14, 2015	The Fort/Findlay Doll & Bear Financiers doll Club meeting and Bluette Birthday celebration - Findlay, Ohio
June 28, 2015	The Doll-licious Doll Club of Michigan Doll meeting, Southfield, MI
July 11, 2015	The Great Lakes Doll Club Picnic, Dearborn, MI
July 14-20, 2015	The 66th U.F.D.C. National Convention at the Marriott Kansas City Hotel in downtown Kansas
August 8, 2015	The Great Lakes Doll Club meeting, Warren, MI

Regional Director’s Current Itinerary

DATE	EVENTS
August 29, 2015	The Doll-licious Doll club of Michigan Doll meeting, Southfield, MI
August 30, 2015	Ken Make-over Class, Flint, MI
September 2, 2015	The Flint Doll Collectors’ 30 th Annual Auction, Flint MI
September 19, 2015	The Doll Circle of Indianapolis, IN Luncheon, Indianapolis, IN
October 17, 2015	The Fort/Findlay Doll & Bear Financiers Doll Club Meeting, Findlay, OH
November 1, 2015	The Doll-licious Doll Show & Sale, Madison Heights, MI
November 14, 2015	The West Michigan Doll & Toy Show & Sale, Holland, MI

Announcements

Next year we are returning to our capital, Washington, D.C. “Kindred Spirits” is the theme for **our 67th U.F.D.C. National Convention: Save the dates July 27-July 30, 2016.** Heather Maciak, from Canada, is the featured Doll Artist.

Attention Presidents: Do not forget that Doll News is available digitally. Newsletters from other regions are available on the UFDC website. To include news in the winter 2015 newsletter, please submit information by November 14, 2015. In addition, we need your regional status forms. Your Treasurer will receive the 2015-2016 Membership Cards in the mail in September. **Email Addresses Needed:** Please notify UFDC directly so that your email address will be on file at our Headquarters. **Sponsor** a day of utilities and internet expenses. It only costs \$74.61 per day. Use **EBAY:** If you find dollies in your collection who need to move, send them off to Headquarters. The donation forms are on the UFDC website. Simply follow the "Donate to UFDC" link. A member in our region has Steiff's items for sale.

Thanks to the following individuals and clubs for their contributions!

Quarterly Regional Contributions (May 1, 2015 - July 31, 2015)

Cindy A. Bailey & Buckeye State Doll Club - 2015 Convention
Cindy A. Bailey, Vanessa Ghant, Patricia J. Girbach - Museum Fund
Susan E. Baldwin - Building General Fund
Judy Vorhees - Museum Fund
Doll-licious Doll Club of Michigan - Convention Fund

Honorarium Contributions - Building General Fund (May 1, 2015 – July 31, 2015)

Honorarium gifts in honor of Ms. Janet P. Gula, Ms. Loretta Nardone, Dr. Barbara Stone, Ms. Linda Edward, and Dr. Vanessa Ghant - by Patricia J. Girbach

Memorial Contributions - Real Services (May 1, - July 31, 2015)

In memory of Ms. Imogene Buell by the Ohio Valley Doll Collectors
In memory of Mary Krombholz by Kay Cassidy, Karen B. Kurtz and Deborah Wilson

UFDC Unity Fund -

In memory of Ms. Debra Dobias by the Fort Wayne Doll Club
In memory of Margaret Z. Mitchell by Jane Davidson
In memory of Pat Freeman by the Lake Erie Doll Club

Museum Fund –

On behalf of Marian Maas by Jill Sanders
(23 Gifts totaled \$11,264.61 in donations from our Region – Thank you to all!)

Upcoming Events

Flint Doll Collectors 30th Annual September 2, 2015 9:30 a.m. Auction begins at 10:00 a.m. DOM Polski Hall 3415 North Linden Road Flint, MI (810)-733-1650

Doll Circle of Indianapolis 2015 Luncheon **September 19, 2015** at the Ritz Charles Catering Hall, 12156 N. Meridian Street, Indianapolis, IN. (Guest speaker: Alan Scott Pate on Antique Japanese Dolls). Doll artist Carl Armstrong will make the event's souvenir doll, limited to 120 attendees. For information contact Linda Cantwell 317-585-0534 or email

Triple Crown Doll Club, 22nd Annual Show and Sale September 20, 2015, Raddisson Hotel on the Cincinnati Riverfront, 668 West Fifth St., Covington, KY, Dealer contact: Becky Debruler (859)866-0020

Michigan Largest Doll Show "The DOLLICIOUS" Doll Show and Sale November 1, 2015 UFCW HALL876 Horace Brown Dr., Madison Height, MI 10 a.m.- 4 p.m.

West Michigan Doll and Toy Show and Sale November 14, 2015. Sponsored by Snow Babies of West Michigan and Muskegon Sand Dollars Doll Clubs, Holland Civic Center 150 W. 8th Street, Holland, Mi

So Much Fun, So Little Time



Dr. Ghant & "Friends"



W. Oviedo & C. Smith (Fort Findlay Doll Fanciers of OH Doll Club)