



Region 14 Newsletter Fall 2017

Connecticut – New York – Rhode Island

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Regional Director's Activities

This year's UFDC national convention, once again, was spectacular. The Rosen Centre Hotel was spacious along with the enormous outdoor pool, and the best part was that all of our events were on two floors with a grand wrap-around staircase. There was so much to see and do. The seven Special Exhibits were amazing and included Miss Ethel Newcome, a poured wax lady with an extensive wardrobe. You can see her at her permanent home in the UFDC Museum. Once again, I was extremely busy with seminars, programs, and meetings, but it didn't stop me from enjoying the Sales Room, Programs, and the National Doll and Toy Collectors Club meal event. My hat's off to past-President Janet Gula, President Loretta Nardone, the Executive Board, and volunteers for making this year's national convention so fantastic.

Next year's convention will be in Phoenix, Arizona and we are adding in an extra day. Please, if you've never been to the national convention, consider going to it July 16-17. I take one vacation a year and "convention week" is where I choose to go. Where else can you go where there are a thousand doll people in one spot and everyone speaks your language... Doll Language. Convention registration forms are online NOW and will also be in winter DOLL NEWS.

The Southwestern York-Penn Doll Club celebrated their 30th anniversary with UFDC and held a luncheon on August 12th that was fantastic. The food was awesome and the Helpers were plentiful. All attendees received an adorable event doll created by Elizabeth Cooper. 13 dolls remain and are for sale for \$75 plus postage. Call Wendy Kenyon 585-307-3929 for details.



Southwestern York-Penn Doll Club: Back Row: Liz Cooper, Darlene Bentley, Betsy Orlando, Pay Kulba, Karen Ostrum, Donna Woodruff, Sandie Lockwood. Front Row: Wende Kenyon, Carol Riggs, Molly DiCapua, Melanie Nichols, and me.

The RD Challenge. Everyone wanted to know why we didn't compete in Orlando. Simply, it was not our turn. But now the game is on and we'll be ready for Phoenix. The rules... well there are no rules. We just need to create the best-looking display and make people want it. The competition will be set up in the Helper room where people can vote when they buy unique RD Challenge tickets. The region earning the MOST tickets wins bragging rights, and all proceeds of this event go to boost the Regional Directors Fund. I will be emailing details of this project to members of region 14 very soon so you'll know which doll(s) we'll be using in the challenge. That will help you with finding or making clothing and accessories for the display. A bonus is that UFDC will ship the display and all of its contents to the winner if they are flying to convention. I very much appreciate everyone's support.



13 remaining Elizabeth Cooper Dolls for the 30th Southwestern York-Penn doll club

We regret to inform that the Madeleine de Baine Symposium scheduled for October 26-28, 2017 has been postponed. Madeleine is looking forward to greeting you in Kansas City in spring 2018. Details and dates will be published as soon as possible.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Roberta Walsh a new MAL from Newport, NY
Tammy Gendron of the Broome County Doll Club

Club Presidents: Regional Status Forms are due October 20

Donations From Region 14: I wish to thank the following for their donations to UFDC:

UFDC Unity Fund

Linda & Al Edward

In memory of Jean M. Grout; Roberta Cunningham

Southwest York-Penn Doll Club

In memory of Doris Kelly; Joan H. Kershner; Mr. Henry Lindquist

Finger Lakes Doll Club

ReAL Services General Fund

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In memory of Jean M. Grout

Shaker Doll Club

In memory of Jean M. Grout

2017 Convention

Jenny Lind Doll Club

Linda Suskind Green

Carolyn Antonucci

Patricia Burns

Regional Directors Fund

Ray & Betsey Baker

In memory of Jean M. Grout

Elaine Holda

In memory of Jean M. Grout

Margaret M Vitale

In memory of Jean M. Grout

Endowment

Beecher Doll Club

In memory of Arleine Stoddard

Museum Fund

Doll Study Club of L.I.

Staten Island Doll Club

Shaker Doll Club

In memory of Roberta Cunningham

Total: \$1553.56

Doll Events within Our Region:

September 10: National Doll & Toy Collectors Club 80th Anniversary Luncheon Gala & Doll Show

The club that started it all. UFDC's oldest club and founded by Mary E. Lewis will be celebrating their 80th anniversary. An all day event at the Best Western Hotel, 503 Washington Ave, Kingston NY from 10am to 4pm. Robert Tonner is to give an exclusive souveneer doll and program. Cost is \$195 for full registration, \$40 for meal only. Registration form (pdf) is available on the club's website: nationaldollclub.org log onto <http://nationaldollclub.org> to print Registration Form. Sign up NOW.

Saturday, October 7: Shaker Doll Club Show & Sale

Located at the St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church, 440 Whitehall Road, Albany, NY from 10am – 3:30pm. Adults \$5.50, Children 12 and under are free. Contact Nancy Kiyonage at (518) 384-0189.

Sunday, October 15: Niagara Frontier Doll Club 30th Annual Show & Sale

Located at the UB Center for Tomorrow, Flint Road, Buffalo, NY from 10am – 3:30pm. Adults \$5, Children 12 and under are free. Contact: Joan Malone (716) 875-2641

Sunday, October 29: Jenny Lind Doll Club 30th Annual Show & Sale

Located at the Southbury Plaza Hotel, 1284 Strongtown Road, Southbury, CT from 10am – 4pm. Adults \$7.00, Children 12 to 18 \$1.00, Children under 12 FREE. For a \$2.00 off coupon on adult admission, email Jennylinddollshow@gmail.com. There will be a special educational exhibit of Izannah Walker dolls. If you will be attending the show and own an Izannah Walker doll that you would like to add to the exhibit, please contact the following to make arrangements: Pam Conboy (203) 266-4769, Paula Walton (860) 355-5709.

As summer is coming to an end, it's time to start shopping for the holidays. Be sure to use Amazon Smile which donates a portion of your purchases to UFDC. And while you're shopping online, stop by the UFDC gift shop for terrific merchandise for all your doll friends. Why not make a donation to UFDC in your friend's honor?



Blondikin's Corner

Blondikin posing at Universal Studios theme park in Orlando, Florida.

To include news in the winter 2018 newsletter, please submit information to me no later than November 11, 2017.

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