

**Greetings Region 12:** I hope all of you had a great Holiday season. Will spring ever get here?

We enjoyed all of the doll clubs, doll auctions, and doll show outings. This past December, your RD attended the Timber Town Christmas Party in Saginaw, MI. We had a wonderful party, great food, and great comradeship with a wonderful group of women. My guest and I thoroughly enjoyed the different talks on the dolls shared and presented during the show and tell.

**New Members At Large:** We want to welcome Ms. Jean Cinquegrana, North Kingstown, R.I. and Ms. Ellen Wirt, Yorktown, VA.

We are currently waiting on our budget approval for our upcoming regional conference. However, in the meantime, U.F.D.C. is in need of your Hidden **Talents**. We need our members to volunteer their talents or skills to help U.F.D.C. There are many areas in the organization where you could be called upon to help, if we only knew you had the skills, talent, and/or interest to do so. We are currently looking for someone with good computer/people skills, and knowledge of the business of advertising to be appointed as DOLL NEWS advertising sales manager. If interested please contact UFDC President, Janet Gula by email at Janet@UFDC.org.

Our Regional Conference Coordinator has confirmed **April 26-28, 2018** for the conference. Please mark these dates on your calendar, **now**. We have a location, the Bavarian Inn, Frankenmuth, MI. The theme is "Once Upon A Time". Presidents, lookout 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. *Expect more information soon!*

Please consider adopting a doll. The **Adopt A doll Program** is a UFDC program in which one can adopt any doll of one's choice, displayed in the UFDC Museum, for one year (towards care and maintenance).

**Regional Director's Current Itinerary**

DATE	EVENTS
<b>March 26, 2016</b>	The Doll-licious Doll Club Meeting, Detroit, MI.
<b>April 16-17, 2016</b>	NADDA Doll Show, Columbus, Ohio
<b>May 15, 2016</b>	The Doll-licious Doll Show and Sale
<b>June 3-5, 2016</b>	Tonner 25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, Columbus, OH
<b>June 5, 2016</b>	Mid-Ohio Doll Show, Columbus, Ohio
<b>June 29, 2016</b>	Queen City Doll Club of Ohio
<b>July 9, 2016</b>	Ohio Valley Doll Collector's Club, Kettering, Ohio
<b>July 25- July 30, 2016</b>	National Convention, Washington, D.C. Hilton

## Announcements

This year we are returning to our capital, Washington, D.C. "**Kindred Spirits**" is the theme for **our 67<sup>th</sup> U.F.D.C. National Convention**: Save the dates **July 27-July 30, 2016**. Heather Maciak, from Canada, is the featured Doll Artist. The hotel **reservation contact number is 816-421-6800**  
 Presidents, please remember to send in your Club Activity report by April 1, 2016.

Everyone needs to remember that Doll News is available digitally. Newsletters from other regions are available on the U.F.D.C. website. To include news in the summer 2016 newsletter, please submit information by May 1, 2016. In addition, we need your regional status forms **ASAP**. 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.

We have unlimited gratitude for individuals and clubs who gave contributions!

**Convention Sponsorship (November 1, 2015 – January 31, 2016)**

Sponsorships are much appreciated and needed. Our thanks to:

Dr. Vanessa E.P. Ghant, Bailey Trucking Inc., Suzanne R. Swanton and Cindy Zimmerman  
Convention Sponsorships Grand (**Total \$10,075.00**)

**Honorarium Contributions Building General Fund (November 1, 2015 – January 31, 2016)**

From the Olentangy Valley Doll Club in honor of Cynthia Musser, Building General Fund

From the Queen City Doll Club of Ohio in honor of Ms. Mary Ann Duffield and Mr. Gary Duffield

**Memorial Contributions (November 1, 2015 January 31, 2016)**

In memory of - Joanne Meerdo (Building fund); Gretchen Langdon & Esther Wakeman (Museum Fund) by Carol Buechel; Sophie Mahan (Unity Fund) by Dayton Doll Study Club; Helen Erfurt, Anna May Case and Faye Wetherhold (Doll News) by Rita M. Johnson; Helen Erfurt (Museum Fund and Building fund) by the Olentangy Valley Doll Club; Marcia Stone Regional Directors Fund) by Odile-Laurence Prosper; Susan White and Lila Rogowski ( Unity Fund) by Valparaiso Doll & Friends.

Thank you for remembering our members in this way.

**Quarterly Regional Contributions (November 1, 2015 – January 31, 2016)**

**Unity Fund** – Elaine Carps; Snow Babies of W. Michigan; Robert Toovey

**Museum Fund** – Virginia Allen / **ReAL Services Fund** – Doll Circle of Indianapolis

**Building Fund** – Cindy Bailey

Thank you for the 17 Gifts from our region (**Grand Total \$7,475.00**)

**EBay donations (November 1, 2015-January 31, 2016)**

Ms. Donna Boggs: 7 Gifts & 1 Donor

**Upcoming Events**

**April 16, 2016: the Rochester Doll Collector's Club** presents "Dolls & Desserts" a Dessert Social.

PAM JUDD, a noted author, will present a program called "Delightful Celebrity Dolls". Event time is 12:00 p.m. - 3 p.m. cost: \$45.00 at The Italian American Cultural Society Hall, 43843 Romeo Plank Road, Clinton Township, MI 48038. For additional information or dealer information, please contact Sharon @ 586-731-3072.

To register, mail check to Mary Jo Roush, 15360 Windmill, Macomb, Michigan 48044

**April 16, 2016 West Michigan Doll and Toy Show and Sale** Holland Civic Center 150 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Holland, Mi  
10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Admission \$4.00, for information contact Jill 231-780-4544

**April 16-17, 2016 (NADDA) National Antique Doll Dealers Association Show and Sale**, Embassy Suites-Airport  
2886 Airport Drive, Columbus, Ohio, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

**May 7, 2016** the Greenwood Indian Doll & Bear Show 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Greenwood United Methodist Church  
525 N. Madison Ave. Greenwood, IN 46142 Ad \$5.00/Children \$1.00 Contact Joann Gates @882-5787

**May 14, 2016:** the 20th Century Indianapolis Doll Club's Doll and Toy show 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Faith Presbyterian Church, 1608 Kirk Row, Kokomo, IN.

Dealer Inquiries welcome, Contact Judy (765) 860-84410

**May 15, 2016: "The DOLLICIOUS" Doll Show and Sale"** UFCW HALL876 Horace Brown Dr., Madison Height, MI  
10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Show Admission \$5.00 Children under 12 free

**July 9, 2016 Ohio Valley Doll Collector's Club 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration!** More info to come.