

# UFDC Region 2-South Newsletter, Summer 2017

Southern California \* Arizona \* Hawaii

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I can't believe that I am reaching the end of my second year as your Regional Director. This has been such a whirlwind of activity. However, I am not done yet! You have not seen the last of me. Still one more year to go. Lots more clubs to visit and events to attend. And I am looking forward to all of it. I know I will miss it when it is over, but it is cool that I will end my term as your RD at the Nationals next year in Phoenix, our own Region.



**LOVE is where the  
Dolly family begins.**

As I do my visits and travels, many people say to me "How do you keep up with all of this?" Well it can be hectic but I could not do it without the love and support of my own family and, of course, my DOLLY family. People open up their homes to me, treat me to lunch and dinner, help me prepare programs and greet me with open arms wherever I go. I have many friends who volunteer as ride buddies as I travel throughout the region. So I am not alone. And when I get really stressed, I go into my doll room and redress all my dolls. They are my comfort and friends.

When I got sick a few weeks ago, I REALLY found out how it was to be part of a BIG FAMILY. Now, to be an RD, you HAVE to have control issues. I certainly do. Things need to get done in a timely manner. Suddenly I was sick and could not get things done. As it happened, I was just about to attend a doll meeting. Next thing I know, our club president is whisking me off to the hospital. She is calling other club members to take over the meeting and she stays with me for hours until my husband can get to me.

Being sick, the doctor said I couldn't drive. I'm thinking "Dollfest was coming up in a few days!" So much to do. I CAN'T be sick." I made a phone call to get some help and next thing I knew, people came out of everywhere to step up and take EVERYTHING off my hands. They even drove me to the event so I could at least attend. I think I had about 50 moms that day telling me to sit down and enjoy. I still supervised the competition but I was not allowed to move. I had some club visits coming up that I had to cancel. I felt so bad about that. I have never cancelled a visit. Rather than being upset with me, I received a Get Well card in the mail. In fact, I received many cards and people were asking about me at doll shows. I was so overwhelmed and touched by all of this concern.

The point of this story is that we ARE a family. Like all families we have our fights, good times, opinions about our dolls, different political views, etc. We celebrate the good times and grieve during the bad. And when someone is in trouble, we do our best to support them. We attend meetings where we do workshops, attend lectures and meet up, share and talk about our favorite subject, dolls. We are a family in our common love of those wonderful dollies. And when rough times happen, we can count on our dolly family to be there.

So on to business... This quarter's club treks have included visits to the *Santa Barbara Doll Show* with a UFDC table, the *Santa Barbara Doll Club*, *Santa Maria Doll Club*, *Cuesta Doll & Study Club*, *American Classics Doll Club*, and the *Long Beach Doll Club* Luncheon.

I also attended *Pot Pourri* in San Diego and *Doll Fest* in Orange County. Both of these events were filled with Dolly Dialogs, workshops, sales tables, luncheons and Doll Competitions. It has been a busy few months to say the least. Thank you to all who generously opened up their homes and hearts to me as I visited. Now on to more club visits, a visit to Tucson and on to convention! Please contact me so I can visit with YOUR club. I would love to meet with you and possibly do a dolly program for your club.

## For our Club Presidents:

A mighty big **THANK YOU** to all of my clubs for getting those annual activity reports in. I really appreciate you taking the time to get this done.

## For those of you attending convention:

Make sure to attend the convention regional meeting for Region 2 South on Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3:30PM (second session). Love to see you all!

## UFDC news

### Donations made to UFDC From members and clubs of our Region



**Library General Fund –**  
Glenda Kitto

**ReAL Services General Fund –**  
Glenda Kitto

**Building General Fund –**  
Tucson Doll Guild

**Museum Adopt A Doll Campaign –**  
San Fernando Valley Dollars Tucson Doll Guild  
Sunbonnet Doll Club of Arizona

**Museum Collections Fund for Future Acquisitions –**  
Valley of The Sun Doll Club Long Beach Doll Club  
Sunbonnet Doll Club of Arizona Sweetwater Doll Club

**UFDC Unity Fund –**  
Valley of The Sun Doll Club  
- *In Memory of Ms. Audrey Paolinelli*

**Regional Directors Fund –**  
Cuesta Doll & Study Club - *In Honor of Ms. Robin Hochtteil*  
Jewel City Doll Club - *In Honor of Ms. Eugene Ramanna*  
Santa Maria Doll Club

**Museum Fund –**  
Long Beach Doll Club  
- *In Honor of Ms. Alva Christensen  
and Ms. Maryann Nolasco*

**Convention Gift –**  
Sunbonnet Doll Club of Arizona

**Convention Special Exhibit Sponsor –**  
Darlene Lane Gwen J. Pogue  
Denise J. Buese

**Convention Competitive Exhibit Sponsor –**  
Darlene Lane Martha J. Nelson  
Denise J. Buese Sharon Kolibaba  
Georgia Shields Tracy Grunig  
Glenda Kitto Karen Rockwell  
Judy Henry

**\*\* Donations from our region totaled \$1,720.00 \*\***

*Please consider donating to one of our wonderful funds in someone's honor or memory.*

**Ebay Fundraiser –** One of the most successful fundraising initiatives UFDC has is selling doll-related items via Ebay. **UFDC is sending out an S.O.S. to members that we are in need of more items to list.** Inventory is quite low so if you're doing spring cleaning at your house and un-cover some buried treasures that are in need of a new home, why not send them to UFDC? We'll turn your treasures into cash to help support our organization. You can find the donation form on our website under "Donate to UFDC". **Please remember to send a form or list with the description of the items.**

## ?WHAT'S COMING UP IN OUR REGION?

**June 3** Crescent Bay Doll Fanciers "Dolly Adventure"  
Visit to Museums in Ventura and Santa Barbara  
Culver City, CA Info: (323) 481-2415

**June 4** Santa Ana Treasure Hunt  
– Dolls, Bears, Jewelry, Antiques and Toys\*  
Santa Ana, CA Info: (831) 438-5349

*\* A UFDC Club Table will be present. Come by and visit.*

### UFDC National Convention

Une Journée de la Poupée  
- A Day in The Life of a Doll  
68<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention  
August 2 – 5, 2017  
(Pre-Convention Events August 1, 2017)  
The Rosen Centre, Orlando, Florida

We are still looking for volunteers for the competition and various other activities during convention. Make this **your** convention and help out. **WE NEED YOU!!**

There are still openings for several of the meal events, workshops and seminars. Get your requests in as soon as possible.

**Competition Form Entries Due June 20<sup>th</sup>.**

### 16<sup>th</sup> Annual World Doll Day

June 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:30AM  
East Social Center, 7 S Abrego Drive, Green Valley, Arizona

*This is a benefit event for the St. Andrew's Children's Clinic – Not a doll show or sale. Admission is a **NEW** Play Doll (Vinyl Preferred) for a child age 2-8 yrs old. **We cannot accept old, used or collectable dolls.***

Pot luck lunch will be provided by the Tucson Doll Guild .  
Program presented by the Region 2S Director Robin Hochtteil.  
Come for raffles, good food and friendship.

*A special raffle featuring a Darlene Lane 7 ½ inch Bru in a Holiday Vignette will be held. Tickets are \$10.00 each and limited to 250 tickets sold, with a maximum purchase of 5 tickets per person, you need NOT be present to win. Proceeds go to purchase dolls and toys for the children coming to the clinic.*

RSVP is appreciated for our food count, to Marti Nelson  
(520)393-0502 please leave name and phone number for confirmation or email Darlene at dddolls@q.com.

### Club Activities – What's going on in your club?

Come by and chat any time you see me or one of my UFDC tables. Always glad to hear about what is going on in your dolly worlds. **Please let me know about your upcoming events for the next newsletter by August 10th.**

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