

Region 4 Newsletter

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Hi everyone!

It is finally spring on the upper Great Plains and I am really enjoying it. It was slow in coming, but the trees and flowers are finally showing their spring colors.

I had a wonderful time at the Kansas State Doll Day on April 20 in El Dorado, KS. It was a day full of doll dialogues, a delicious lunch, special programs, and a delightful little porcelain souvenir doll created by Rebecca Spaight.

The Nebraska History Museum in Lincoln, NE has been gifted with a wonderful collection of Terri Lee dolls and related materials. A special exhibit of these dolls is available only until September 1, 2013. If you happen to be in the Lincoln, NE area, please take advantage of the opportunity to see this special exhibit.

My convention packet has arrived and is absolutely jam packed full of special events and programs. For the first time in several years, the convention, *A Capital Affair* has sold out! I hope that you were one of the lucky ones and will be attending our annual convention in Washington DC.

I have only a year left of my term as Regional Director. Time flies when you are having fun! The nomination process for my successor will begin soon after the UFDC annual convention in July. We need someone who is also a voting delegate to serve on the nominating committee. Please let me know if you are willing to serve on this committee. I would like to know before the convention in July. I am available by phone or email to discuss the responsibilities. Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve our great organization.

Linda Axtell
Region 4 Director

Thank You For Your Generosity

Unity Fund

Bismarck Doll Friends
in Memeory of
Ms. Jean Berry

Sandra L. Rose

Collections Fund

Bismarck Doll Friends
Leavenworth Doll Club

Regional Directors Fund

Black Hills Doll Club

ReAL Services General Fund

Neal Foster

Club Delegates

It is a UFDC requirement for a club delegate, or alternate if called upon, to attend the annual business meeting and their regional meeting and then give a report to their club about what transpired. When UFDC files tax information we must validate that all clubs are in compliance with this and other rules. Regional Directors will be given a list of the club delegates from their region and attendance will be taken at both the business meeting and the regional meetinas.

Our Turn to Donate

The UFDC eBay auction continues to be a reliable source of income for our beloved organization. New items appear weekly so check often to see what is new. Perhaps bidding on a doll or two that tug at your heart.

Please start thinking about something that you could donate to the auction. Items donated should have a value of at least ten dollars

Almost every doll collector has a doll, doll-related item, or other item of value that could be donated to the UFDC for auction.

Clubs, club members, and members-at-large in Regions 1, 4, 8, & 12 are scheduled to donate during the months of July through September.

Donation forms are on the UFDC website, www.ufdc.org.

Convention Attendees

I would like to encourage those attending the convention to consider entering a doll into competition.

The Competitive Room is one of the most educational venues of the Convention. It provides us all with the opportunity to see dolls that we have only read about or seen in pictures.

The deadline this year is June 20. Please try to enter something into the Antique and Modern Categories. Just the process of entering dolls allows members to experience the "behind the scenes" workings of UFDC.

We need everyone's help to make the Competitive Room in Washington D. C. as wonderful as the competitive rooms from previous years.

Scheduled Events

Bismarck Doll Friends Luncheon

"Once Upon A Time"

Nancy Ann Storybook Dolls

Saturday, June 1, 2013

11:30 am

Best Western Seven Seas Hotel

Mandan, ND, I-94, Exit 152

Contact: Ila Marvel imarvel@msn.com

Phone: 701-258-7869

Bismarck Doll Friends Doll Show

Sunday, June 2, 2013

10 am - 3 pm

Best Western Seven Sea Hotel,

Mandan, ND I-94, Exit 152

Contact: Ila Marvel imarvel@msn.com

Phone: 701-258-7869

Thanks for your donation . . .

UFDC is the only charity dedicated to educating, preserving, and conserving dolls. Our hobby's existence and the value of our collections depend on keeping UFDC a vital and functioning organization for our members. Donations are a requirement for all nonprofit organizations and UFDC appreciates donations to any of its funds. One-third of our income must come from donations so that we can maintain our nonprofit status.

New on Facebook

UFDC is now on Facebook. I encourage everyone to visit it and "like" it. You can also set up doll groups on Facebook with the friends you choose and share pictures and information. This can be an excellent resource for UFDC.