



United Federation of Doll Clubs, Inc.

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REGION 8 NEWSLETTER - Kentucky, North Carolina & Tennessee

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Please ensure ALL club members receive this info; a copy is available at www.ufdc.org

Note: DEADLINE IS **February 15, 2015** for the SPRING NEWSLETTER!!!



Happy Holidays from your Regional Director:

It has been a **busy quarter** for me and lots of you! There have been many **wonderful doll events** to attend in Region 8. I have enjoyed my visits with each of your clubs and realize each day how much I enjoy this passion of ours. It was my pleasure to meet you at these functions and spend time sharing our common passion of doll collecting and UFDC.

The quarter started with attendance at the **Triple Crown Doll Show in Covington, KY** on 9/14/14. A really nice welcome reception was held the evening before the show. I enjoyed "putting on the club apron and working the doll show" with club members and setting up the UFDC information table. What a great turnout and lots of great dolls and accessories! On 10/25/14, I attended the **Mid-Tenn Doll Club's 30th Anniversary luncheon in Murfreesboro, TN**. They had a festive fall feast with many great displays, an informative and entertaining speaker, helpers, and door prizes (I added to the displays by setting up some French Fashion antique reproduction dolls with wardrobe and accessories). A friendly reception, coupled with remarkable service from spouses dressed in white shirts and red bow ties, and great fellowship made this an event you didn't want to miss! On 11/08/14, the **Rowan Doll Society of NC** held a "Ginny and Bleuette Fashion Extravaganza" luncheon **in Salisbury, NC** with approximately 90 attendees representing 6 states and 13 clubs. We had a great day shopping a sales room, buying helper tickets, bidding in a live auction, viewing club/ speaker/ museum exhibits, listening to 3 speakers, winning door prizes, enjoying a wonderful fall lunch, and visiting the Spencer Doll & Toy Museum. This luncheon successfully raised nearly \$6,000 for the museum. On 11/14/14, I attended the **Piedmont Doll Club in Greensboro, NC** and enjoyed a wonderful dinner with club members before their meeting. On 11/17/14, I had the pleasure of visiting the **Chattanooga Doll Club in TN**. I presented a program on Bleuette, set up a display of antique reproduction Bleuettes with wardrobe and accessories, and enjoyed lunch afterwards with club members. Thank you for such a warm, friendly welcome and sharing your special wooden dolls with me!

I have enjoyed attending the many events and sharing my programs and UFDC information with you. Please keep inviting me to attend and I will make as many events as my schedule will allow. Many thanks to **Becky DeBruler, Barbara Smith, Pat Grams, and Jane Heavener** for their assistance in arranging these visits. I wish for each of you a **"Happy and Healthy Holiday Season"**. I look forward to spending time with you in upcoming scheduled visits and events (meetings, shows, classes, luncheons, and convention)!! I encourage each of you to enjoy the wonderful events that our UFDC clubs are having – what a great way to spend a day with friends playing dolls!!!!

Quarterly CONTRIBUTIONS and SPONSORSHIPS:



Quarterly contributions from Region 8 totaled **\$655**! **THANKS** to all who support UFDC – it is very much appreciated! **Dixie Dollers** – Collections Fund, **East Tennessee Doll Collectors** – Collections Fund, **Billye Harris** – Museum Fund, **Rita Johnston** – Collections Fund, **Piedmont Doll Club** – Unity Fund in memory of Ann McCurdy, **Hollis Hebbel** – Convention Sponsor, and **Barbara Russell** - Convention sponsor. One Ebay donation was also received from **B.J. Taylor**.



March 27 - 29, 2015 - New Harmony, IN (Region 12):

Gateway Doll Study Club of St. Louis will be hosting the charitable event "The Way You Wear Your Hat" featuring Michael Canadas and David Robinson of the Carmel Doll Shop on Saturday March 28th in conjunction with "A Doll Lovers Weekend" in historic New Harmony, Indiana. The weekend which is the third such event features shopping in New Harmony's historic district, shopping in two local doll shops (including the Doll Shop of New Harmony - owned by past UFDC President, Patricia Gosh), doll related workshops and concluding Sunday with a doll show at the New Harmony Conference Center. New Harmony Tri-State Doll Show and Sale March 27th - March 29th, 2015. Information, www.newharmonytristatedollshow.com or by calling Rhoda Wade, 618-387-1255.

March 28, 2015 - Fletcher, NC:

"A Dolly's Holiday" Luncheon presented by Land O'Sky Doll Club; Theme will be "Celluloids go to the Circus" and Speaker will be Susan Popp; Contact Suzi Smith @ email (dollwizz@charter.net), telephone (828-667-3690), or address (109 Homestead Rd, Candler NC 28715).

Reminders / Notes:

Club Presidents – The **credentials forms** for registering your club's delegates and alternates to the UFDC 2015 Convention in Kansas City are **due JANUARY 14, 2015.**

If you are interested in presenting a **dynamic doll dialogue, seminar, or workshop** at the UFDC 2015 National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri next July, the forms are **due NOW.**

Please mark your calendar for the 66th UFDC National Convention July 16 – 19, 2015 at the Marriott Kansas City Downtown. The theme this year is "A Dream Come True" so join us for an exciting experience at our UFDC headquarters and see our newly renovated museum. Get with friends and start your planning now to attend and make your dreams come true.

2015 UFDC **Audio Visual Program Contest** deadline for program submissions is **MARCH 15, 2015.**

Scholarship opportunities for 2015 are available in the areas of antique, composition, and modern/collectible dolls. Applications can be found on the UFDC website and are **due APRIL 1, 2015.**

Please send me or the UFDC office any **email or postal service address changes.**

Need a presentation or meeting idea? Order a **DVD from ReAL Services** at UFDC.org.

Don't forget **UFDC** in your **donation** discussions: consider Pay A Day Challenge, Ebay Project, Adopt a Doll, Unity Fund, Building Fund, Regional Director's Expense Fund, Endowment Fund, or Museum Fund. We appreciate you & all the support!

Shopping for **holiday gifts**? Please check out the **UFDC website** for many gift ideas under \$20. Many items have been reduced and offer free shipping.

What's going on in your club?? Please don't forget to include me in your mailings so I can pass the word on to other Region 8 clubs and MALs about your events, displays, and special programs. You may contact me at ufdcrd8@ufdc.org or 704-784-4297.

