

# Region 4 Newsletter

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Hi everyone!

There is a wintery chill in the air and holiday preparations are in full swing. I know that all of you are probably very busy getting ready for a fun-filled holiday season.

I have had a very busy and enjoyable fall season. I was able to attend a delightful luncheon on October 13, 2012 hosted by the Dakota Memories Doll Club in Brookings, SD. Their theme was "The Joy of Collecting Dolls" and several of their members shared a portion of their collection and told about how they became a doll collector.

On October 27, 2012, I attended the 27<sup>th</sup> annual "Doll Fest" hosted by the Great Plains Doll Club. Betty Kappel presented a wonderful program on Nebraska's First Lady Dolls. I was able to see the collection of First Lady Dolls that is housed in the Nebraska Governor's Mansion before attending the Doll Fest. This is an amazing on-going project for the Great Plains Doll Club. The club has purchased dolls and costumed them to represent each of the first ladies at the governor's inaugural ball. The collection represents all of Nebraska's first ladies back to the very first territorial governor. The mansion is open for tours on Thursday afternoons, so if you are ever in Lincoln, NE try to schedule a visit to the governor's mansion.

Unfortunately, I was not able to attend the Black Hills Doll Club's luncheon held in Rapid City, SD on September 8, 2012 celebrating their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Their theme was "Remembering Our Past in the Black Hills." I heard great things about their party, and I do wish that I could have attended.

Have the best holiday season ever!  
Linda Axtell  
Region 4 Director

## Special Donations To UFDC

### Unity Fund

Bismarck Doll Friends  
Lawrence Doll Collectors Club

**Building General Fund**  
Lawrence Doll Collectors Club

### EBay Auction

aDollable Kansas Doll Club  
Bismarck Doll Friends  
Dakota Doll Club  
Pam Buelow  
Linda Axtell  
Louanne Burgess  
Jan Dyer  
Valerie Fittell  
Edith Forsch  
Betty Groszhans  
Connie Kilene  
Cynthia Landon  
Janet Lukehart  
Rosaaen Olson  
Brenda J. Owens  
Shirley Playter  
Mary G. Vickrey  
Barbara Walden

## Welcome New Members at Large

Teresa Pigaga  
Omaha, NE

Donna B. Thilgen  
Omaha, NE

## **Ebay Auction Update**

The UFDC eBay auction is now moving along and is now a reliable source for income for our beloved organization. New items appear weekly so check often to see what is new. Region 4 is scheduled to donate items again for the auction during July - Sept.

It is not too early to start thinking about something that you could donate to the auction. Items should have a value of at least ten dollars. The forms for donating items are on the UFDC website, [www.ufdc.org](http://www.ufdc.org),

**Region 4 Pin Clearance Sale**  
I have discovered a limited supply of our official Region 4 pin. It is the same pin that was offered several years ago and will be discontinued when the supply is gone. The cost is \$1.00. If you are interested in purchasing one or more please contact me.

## **A Capital Affair**

The 64th annual UFDC Convention  
July 29-Aug. 1, 2013

Washington Hilton in Washington D.C.

Visit [UFDC.org](http://UFDC.org) for details.

**Registration Forms Will be in the Winter Doll News**

## **Pay A Day Challenge**

The Lake County Doll Collectors of Illinois is challenging all UFDC clubs and MAL's to pay one day (\$74.61) of the operating expenses of the UFDC Headquarters. This is a great and easy fundraising project. As the money is received, the donor will be assigned a date and will be published in Doll News.

## **Thanks for your donation . . .**

Please consider UFDC as you plan your charitable donations. UFDC needs your contributions to keep costs to members low, and to stay financially viable. UFDC appreciates donations to any of its funds. Donations are a requirement for all nonprofit organizations. One-third of our income must come from donations and currently donations are not meeting federal guidelines so if you or your club is able, please consider UFDC in your planned giving.

## **Credentials Alert**

It is time to select your club delegates for the convention in Washington, DC. The credential form must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, January 16, 2013.

*What's going on in your club?  
Send your information, notes and upcoming events to  
me! DEADLINE: February 1, 2013*