

United Federation of Doll Clubs, Inc. – Winter 2014 Newsletter
Region 5 - Iowa, Minnesota, and Missouri
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WINTER & LATE FALL GREETINGS: I am sending you warm November wishes today as we wait the approach of winter. I hope your Thanksgiving was enjoyable. Your holiday shopping and cooking goes well and you have time to enjoy the spirit and wonders of the season with families, friends (old & new) and all your terrific doll friends. Season's Greetings, Cheryl

WELCOME REGION 5's newest MEMBERS AT LARGE and Museum Member:

Sharon K Binek of St. Paul, Minnesota
Art Rogers of Maryland Heights, Missouri

FREEBORN COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM,
1031 Bridge Avenue, Albert Lea, MN 56007. It is located on the Freeborn County fairgrounds (west of I- 35 & South of I- 90). The doll collection of the former "Story Lady" Doll Museum in Albert Lea, has its own special room. There are some very special dolls already on display and in their collections. Check out their website: www.fchm.us It is open year round. Starting in 2014, Wednesday through Saturday; 10 AM to 4PM.

December 1, 2013 is their Holiday Event.



Partial view of the doll room, Please visit there.

SUGGESTIONS TO ENCOURAGE CLUB MEMBERSHIP

GROWTH: Promote your clubs at events, and doll shows. Do a display some place & post email contact info. Use my email: ufdcrd5@ufdc.org Come help me with UFDC displays at doll shows. Have a UFDC display of your own at a show and meet the those interested in UFDC doll club membership and you get their contact information. I now have lists of prospective members from those shows where I had displays. Many are not aware they can join doll clubs and share the fun. They give me their names and emails so I can forward them on to clubs in their areas.

Donations this past quarter totaling \$533.00 were made to Endowment by Gateway Doll Study Club in memory of Milo Willoughby, **to Building General Fund** by Nancy Harmon, **UFDC Unity Fund** by Beverly Hrubetz, Imogene De Smet, Sheryl Sunderman, and by Nancy Splitstoser in memory Marge Hansen.

Convention competitive exhibit table sponsors : Nancy Agnew, Colleen Holden, Barb Patrick Roxanne Turner . **EBAY Donations:** Debra Garver and Monica Miller and Cheryl Cloutier.

Club presidents, please bring copies of the newsletters to your meetings and share information with your members. Remember to send me your Regional Status Reports, as soon as possible, if you haven't already. Find the form at this web address:

<http://ufdc.org/wpcontent/uploads/2013/01/REGIONAL-STATUS-FORM.pdf>

Please send me information about your shows, luncheons, displays and events. I can include them in my calendar. My Newsletter Deadlines are: Spring by Feb. 15,2014, Summer by May 15, 2014 and Fall by August 15, 2014.

My Out and About: **August 25**, I was greeting members & shoppers at the Lady Slipper Annual Doll Show & Sale in Mankato MN. **September 15**, I was at the Dolls in Autumn Doll show in Moundsview, MN; **September 28**, I worked at another successful MN Doll Jamboree in Plymouth. Thank you to all who contribute, attend, & work on Jamboree; Great souvenir/Fantastic Exhibit, **October 19**: a visit to the Minnesota Doll Friends Club at the comfortable home of Hostess **Margie Richards**. Member, **Monica Jarpey**, taught us to make leather doll sandals. As you can see, the treats were delicious, the members were very friendly and I left with a new pair of sandals for my Kish doll "Song"



November 9 & 10: I was at the the Des Moines & Davenport doll shows with a UFDC display. I met so many of you wonderful members from the areas and lots of collectors looking for clubs to share their passions.

New RD training was Oct. 2-5, at UFDC central office and museum. Time flew by so quickly, thanks to working with our dedicated officers and staff for 2 days. The facility was very conducive to our learning. Our library & gift shop are awesome. Everyone was so helpful and friendly. On the tour of the facility we saw some the wonderful recent acquisitions to be added to the museum. The Saturday we left, Barbara Stone & I had a guided tour of the **Toy & Miniature Museum of Kansas City**. Our guide, Katherine M,

a newer curator, proved to be knowledgeable & gracious. We loved every minute. I plan to return on **December 7 for the special holiday opening of their largest doll house** and visit more of the area. You may find me there that day. Remember, they will close January 5, 2014 for one year, to renovate and re- open in 2015. Plan a visit there soon!



President Linda Edward and my Sasha, at RD training, enjoying the UFDC museum. I wish each of you could visit our museum to enjoy and learn.

REGION 5 CALENDAR of 2014 EVENTS
Now through January 5, Davenport, Iowa
German American Heritage Center, "Celebrate Oma's Kitchen and German Baking in this season's exhibit of a wonderful display of baking accessories, the history of favorite cookies and more." This exhibit includes children's baking toy sets and dolls from Rosie Morrill's collection. Thank you, Rosie for sharing your passion.

February 16, 2014 Dolls in Winter Show, 10am-3:30PM. Moundsview, MN, email: carol@cpromotionsplus.com Carol Benson, PO Box 544, Rushford, MN 55971 phone: 612-669-1613

Save the Date: October 4, 2014 Minnesota Doll Jamboree; More details later/ check the website: www.mndolljamboree.com

