

A Year in the Life of a Doll - Fashion for All Seasons – Fundraising Project

Would your club like to participate in this fun project: **to dress and accessorize a Region 16, 14" doll** to be auctioned at convention in 2010? The working title of the project is "A Fashion for All Seasons". The doll will travel to each participating club within our region to collect her wardrobe and accessories. All contributions will be documented in the doll's journal. We have a generous deadline of one full year to finish the project. How great is that?

Members-at-Large and On-Line Members may contribute by sending appropriate **to-scale** accessories to me. It would be fun to include **miniature letters, photos and luggage stickers** from doll "pen-pals" from around the world. All contributions to this project will be documented in her journal to be included with the doll.

Even more fun . . . the other 16 regions of UFDC are also working on a doll of their own, and when all are finished, the dolls will be photographed for a UFDC **Calendar**. So get your imagination working . . . there are so many holidays, celebrations and festivities to add to each season, there is no limit to what we can add to her wardrobe and travel souvenirs. Region 16 is especially fortunate to be able to add an international flavor to the project. (19 countries possible to represent)

Wardrobe themes: **A Year in the life of a doll:** the four seasons, spring, summer, autumn and winter, with the many festivals therein; for example: New Year's Day, Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day, St.Patrick's Day, Easter, Thanks Giving, Halloween, Christmas, Birthday, National Holidays, Groundhog Day!, Flower Festival, etc. etc. A short description of the festivity would be nice to put in her journal.

Doll Specifications: Over-all height: 14"
 Tabitha - Doll Mold design by: Rose Pinkul (see photo)
 Porcelain Head/shoulder plate, arms and legs
 Cotton body with wire armature
 Head circumference: 7.5" (19cm)
 Wig: Mohair, blonde; alternate wigs welcome
 Eyes: Painted, blue
 Foot (sole):2"x1" (5cm x2.5cm)
 Shoulder-shoulder (torso only): 3.5" (9cm)
 Waist 6" (15cm)
 Hips 9" (23cm)
 Underarm to wrist: 3.5" (9cm)
 Calf circumference: 3.75" (9.5cm)
 Forearm circumference: 2.5" (6.5cm)

All contributions to this project must be to scale and fit into the doll's wooden travel trunk which measures 21"x10"x12". The trunk has two drawers to hold wee things, and a rod to support hangers. The journal pages are 8"x8" (20cmx20cm)

Please let me know if your club would like to participate. The poor dear is in her skivvies and anxious to have a wardrobe, her travel itinerary established and be on her way to see the world, and, to be doted on by doll enthusiasts. I encourage participants to photograph their project activities and include the photos in the journal.



Fashion for All Seasons – Region 16 Project Inventory received to date:

Les Amis de Poupée doll club, Montréal, Canada

- ✓ *Tabitha, a Rose Pinkul 14" Doll, crafted, painted and donated by **Diane Gartner** and **Francine Houle**, cotton body and armature crafted and assembled by Pat Poulin*
- ✓ *New 21"x10"x12" (51x25x25cm) wooden travel trunk, donated by Kathleen Wyatt*
- ✓ *Post-bound journal for limitless entries, with 8" square acid-free vinyl page protectors*

Doll Lovers Down Under – Queensland, Australia

Foothills Doll Club – Alberta, Canada

Vintage Doll Club – Southern Ontario, Canada

Doll Club of Edmonton – Alberta, Canada

Dolls On Line Learning and Sharing – World-Wide-Web

Members-at-Large – World-Wide

I will forward a progress report with an inventory list and photos as often as possible to keep everyone up-to-date.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this project, please do not hesitate to contact me:

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