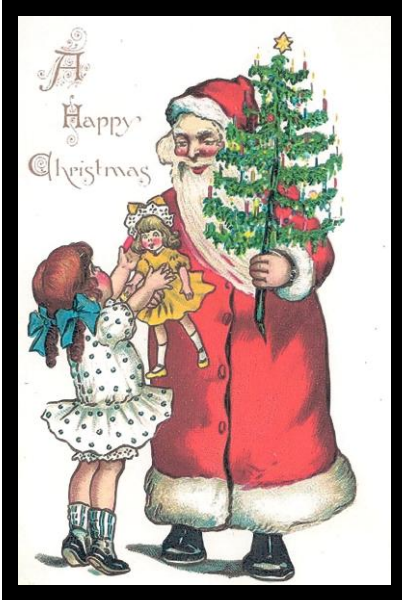


***UFDC NEWS FROM  
REGION 12***

*Indiana, Michigan & Ohio  
WINTER, 2009*



***HAPPINESS IS A DOLL***

*Many years ago, Kris Kringle with his long white beard would dress in an ankle length red robe trimmed with white fur and his sturdy black boots. He would set out for his visits laden with gifts and carrying a tiny tree. His entrance to a home was through a window left open. After he left the presents, he rings a bell allowing the household to know of his departure.*

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The photo of Kris Kringle and little girl is an original Tuck post card from Germany dated 1915.

**WELCOME WINTER, HOLIDAYS  
AND REGION 12  
DOLL COLLECTORS**

*Pat Girbach, Region 12 Director*

**REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S  
ACTIVITIES, ROJECTS AND DOLL  
CLUB MEETINGS**

***UPDATES ON "SUMMER"***

"Summer" the Special RD Helper Doll continues her visits to Region 12 clubs. It's not too late to look into taking part in the RD's fundraiser raffle by contributing a donation. Club Presidents there are several way your club can be involved. I'd be more than happy to discuss the Special Helper Program with you. Club Presidents give me a call; LET'S TALK! Contact info: Email: awestie@provide.net or phone: 734.662.6676. I can quickly include you on "Summer's" travel agenda. The program will end on June 15, 2010. Summer's travels will cease, and at this point, she will need to be returned to me to get ready for her big trip to the Chicago 2010 convention. All the outfits and accessories made by the club members will accompany "Summer" where she and her wardrobe will be in a raffle at the 2010 Chicago Convention. Plan to be there. "Summer" and her accessories will be going home with one lucky winner. Yes, it could be you!

***30<sup>TH</sup> CLUB ANNIVERSARY***

I visited the **Dayton Doll Study Club (OH)** on Saturday, August 22 to join the club in celebrating their 30<sup>th</sup> club anniversary. The delightfully decorated restaurant served up some yummie food. Their program agenda included a silent auction, fun drawings and a very nice memory book. The display and dining tables included representations of pairs of many Raggedy Ann and Andys -- the club's designated doll. A program on my personal doll collection concluded the event's activities. Thank you to the members of the Dayton Doll Study Club for inviting me and gifting me with their special club pin; table souvenirs and a new doll. . It has been my privilege to share this special event with you. I enjoyed the opportunity to meet all of you.

***CLUB OFFICERS INSTALLATION***

I didn't have far to travel to do perform my next RD assignment on Saturday,

September 12th. My home club, **Ann Arbor Doll Collectors (MI)** invited me do the new club officers installation. I recommend, as each club makes the changeover to new officers, a time for the club to come together to focus on the moment as your officers accept their new responsibilities.

### ***SCHOENHUT CLUB CONVENTION***

This club has a short convention, but the convention chair manages to keep us busy with field trips, seminars, selling from the rooms, silent auctions, speakers and meal events and still do the business of the convention. Absolutely love those seafood restaurants. I brought home my own little wooden hammer to crack open those blue crabs. Late September through early October was a perfect time to visit this "sailing city" Annapolis, MD.

### ***SAMY ODIN, LUNCHEON SPEAKER***

The **Doll Circle of Indianapolis Luncheon** on Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. lived up to its reputation of a good speaker, large crowd of doll collectors and a huge group of raffle items with tables of doll dealers. Samy Odin had a program on dolls from his museum in France. He related many charming stories on how he came to find and eventually own these fine French dolls. Linda Cantwell and her club members know how to produce an entertaining event.

### ***DOLL SHOW VISIT, MADISON HEIGHTS, MI***

I was the guest of the **Dollicious Doll Show**. Owners, Sharon & Michael, supporters of UFDC, invited me to talk to show visitors and bring the UFDC literature on Sunday, November 1st. What a fun job, I met and visited with a lot of new people and saw many doll collector friends. Surprise! I managed to come home with a few new purchases. Region 12 members, if you see me at a doll show, please come up and say hello.

### ***JOINT MTG. OF INDIANA CLUBS***

I was invited to attend the **Valparaiso Dolls & Friends Doll Club** who was hosted a joint meeting on Sunday,

November 15<sup>th</sup>. **Dames & Dolls of North Indiana and Merribelles Doll Club** were the other two sister clubs who attended the meeting. We met at the Women's Center in Valparaiso. The guests were treated to a buffet of desserts and assorted other goodies. A program by RD Pat Girbach centered around UFDC history and the "Summer" Fundraiser Project. The host club members brought in their doll and toy donations for their Christmas project. Show and tell was an interesting feature of the meeting. All three clubs had members who expressed interest in coming to annual convention in Chicago. A new member was brought into the Valparaiso Club at this meeting. She was excited about her future with a UFDC club. It was my pleasure sharing our dolls and meeting everyone and I found the three clubs very involved in many activities.

### ***REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S 2009 FUTURE VISITS***

"Summer"our Special RD Doll and I will be visiting the Toledo Glass City Doll Collectors on Saturday, November 21st.

### ***UFDC DONATIONS***

Region 12, thank you, for remembering UFDC. Your generosity is appreciated.

#### Doll News General Fund

Jill Sanders (MI)

#### Regional Director's Fund

Dayton Doll Study Club (OH)

#### UFDC Unity Fund

Greater Lansing Doll Collectors Club (MI)

*In Memory of Jean E. Canaday*

Snow Babies of W. Michigan

### ***NEW MALS***

**Welcome!** Hope to see you in Chicago July 2010. I join with the Region 12 members in wishing you many dolls and friendships.

Mary Chipman. . . . . Oberlin, OH

Joan Farrell. . . . . Indianapolis, IN

Lynette Gross . . . . .Carmel, IN

Debra Hoover. . . . . Bucyrus, OH

Marlene Pauli. . . . . Fraser, MI

Claudia E. Schimmelmann. . . Mt. Pleasant, MI

Dan Scott . . . . . Indianapolis, IN

**MALS (NewMembership Transfers)**

**Thank you!** Your continued UFDC membership is appreciated.

- Mary Bechtel. . . . .Goshen, IN
- Marion Bochatyn-Clink . . . . .St. Clair, MI
- Evelyn Bunce. . . . .Griffith, IN
- Pat Hilbert . . . . .Bryan, OH
- Evelyn Lindstrom. . . . .Elkhart, IN
- Jennie Stout. . . . .St. Clair, MI
- Jeannine E. Tupps. . . . .Bucyrus, OH
- Doris R. Whyde. . . . .Sandusky, OH

**NOTE:** HAVE YOU HEARD? UFDC makes it very easy to move to another type of membership, either club member or MAL. At your request, I'd be happy to assist you.

**UPCOMING REGIONAL EVENTS**

**Northern Ohio Doll Club (OH)** has scheduled a **Luncheon** on **Saturday, April 24, 2010**. Pamela Judd will present a program on "Dolly at Play". Great souvenir doll, gifts, sales tables, helpers and other activities. Cost: \$65. Contact: Sandra Strater/Email: [SFS3737@aol.com](mailto:SFS3737@aol.com)/ Phone: 440.255.7863.

**Timbertown Dollology Club of Saginaw** will be holding their 39<sup>th</sup> **Annual Doll Show and Competition** on **Sunday, May 2, 2010**. Time: 10 – 4 p.m. Location is Carrolton Middle School, 3211 Carla Drive, Saginaw, MI. Admission \$4. Lunch available for purchase. Contact: Jennifer. Email: [jenjschu@aol.com](mailto:jenjschu@aol.com) or Phone: 989.835.1301. See web site: [www.timbertowndollclub.com](http://www.timbertowndollclub.com)

**Snow Babies of West Michigan Doll Club (MI)** 30<sup>th</sup> **Annual Doll Sale** is scheduled for **Saturday, May 8, 2010**. Time is 10 – 3 p.m. at the Mayflower Congregational Church, 2345 Robinson Rd., SE, Grand Rapids, MI. Contact Barb Kuznicki @ Email: [vballbarb@aol.com](mailto:vballbarb@aol.com) or Phone: 616.633.1720.

**CLUBS BUSINESS ITEMS**

**CLUB PRESIDENTS**

Please review information in Unity's Newsletter Winter 2009, and share with your club members:

**IRS No. 990N (Blue Letter Form)**

Due date of this form is **Friday, December 18, 2009**. Mail to Sheryl Sunderman, UFDC Central Office.

**Club Delegates/Credential Forms**

Mail to Rachel Rails at UFDC Central Office by **Thursday, January 14, 2010**. This deadline is absolute.

**Advance Planning for Chicago Convention**

**Dates:** July 18 - 23, 2010 (Sunday – Friday)

**Theme:** "My Favorite Things"

**Doll Artist:** Alice Leverett Henderson.

**Hotel:** Hyatt Regency Chicago

151 East Wacker Drive

Chicago, IL 60601

Reservation number is: **888-421-1442**.

**Hotel Registration:** opens **January 5, 2010**.

Keep checking the web site: [www.ufdc.org](http://www.ufdc.org) and "Doll News". The convention information will be posted in both UFDC sources.

"Doll News"- Is this your first UFDC convention? Get a flavor of this event by revisiting the Fall 2009 issue. There is a gallery of photos taken and articles written on the 2009 Atlanta, GA convention.

**Competitive Doll Entries:** Join in the fun and plan to enter special dolls from your collection. It will be an experience you won't forget.

**Travel Arrangements:** Think about making your travel plans. Early preparation is a good way to reduce that last minute stress. Don't forget to pack your travel doll and journal.

**"Summer" RD Helper Fundraiser Doll**

**Donations:** Circle your calendar and plan to Have your club's contribution to Pat Girbach, RD, by **Tuesday, June 15, 2010**.

**Regional Files Status Report**

**Attn:** **Club presidents** have you mailed in your Status Report? Many of you have and I sincerely appreciate your efforts. I have received about 50% of the forms. If you have not had an opportunity to work on the report, why not do it now. I look forward to reading the reports. This information is very helpful to me and allows me to be more responsive to the needs of Region 12's clubs.

**Revised Form: Presidents/MAL Lists**

The UFDC Central Office sent out a revised form for ordering the president's list. It will be included with the Winter

newsletter's mailing. This form is part of your Club President's Manual (Section VI, page 3).

### Available UFDC DVD's for Club Use

Looking for some fresh ideas for a program? Why not borrow a DVD from the RD Pat's UFDC files.

Here's what is currently available:

- 1) UFDC History (8 Minutes)
- 2) Photographing Dolls (24 Minutes)
- 3) 2010 Chicago Convention Preview  
"My Favorite Things" (6 Minutes)  
61<sup>ST</sup> Annual Convention

### *Special Thought . . .*

Remember UFDC as you make your year-end contributions. All the doll collectors benefit by your thoughtfulness.

### Miscellaneous Items:

-Send in your promotion items for your club events. They'll be posted to the web site's calendar and printed in the newsletter.

- A suggestion, before you commit to a date, why not check with me to ensure you are not in conflict with other Region 12 club events scheduled for the same day or weekend

### *TAKE A LOOK . . .*

#### ***DO YOU NEED A 2010 CALENDAR? UFDC HAS JUST THE ONE FOR YOU***

A doll collectors dream of a calendar with a new doll every time you turn the page to another month. This is a 16-month calendar (September 2009 – December 2010). You can start using it right away. It will fit perfectly in your home office or doll room.. The size is 11 inches wide and 17 inches long. The Regional Directors at the 2008 convention contributed doll photos of their favorite dolls for the 2010 calendar. Look for your Regional Director's doll. We are having a \$5. special on the calendars. Send me your check for \$7.25 (includes postage) and your calendar will be mailed promptly to your residence. Save the postage and buy the calendar directly from me when I visit your club.

*P. S.* "UFDC is Cooking" recipe book is available at new lower price of \$10. Perfect item for gift giving.

### ***SPRING 2010 NEWSLETTER'S DEADLINE***

The spring newsletter's deadline is February 15<sup>th</sup>. Keep sharing your Miss Unity and Region 12 Newsletter. Print off extra copies to give to club members without a computer. Our web site is always open. See www.ufdc.org. Check out the calendar and all the regions quarterly newsletters.

### ***HOLIDAY GREETINGS . . .***

We are on the brink of one of the most wonderful seasons of the year. It is a time when we enjoy the best of all things. You may not appreciate the cold weather, but who can resist watching the first sparkling snowfall of the season or getting caught up in the hustle and bustle of the season. Isn't it a joy to watch children making snowmen and laying in the snow waving their arms as they make snow angels. Winter and the holidays return us to memories and joy of our own childhoods when we too enjoyed many of the same activities.

Hopefully, that special wrapped box with your name on the tag is exactly the surprise you hoped for. Cherish the time you and your family and friends are together. Be thankful for all the goodness you have experienced over this past year. My best wishes for you and your family to have the

## **Best of Holidays and a Good and Happy New Year.**

***Patricia (Pat) Girbach***

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