

## ***UFDC NEWS FROM REGION 12***

***Indiana, Michigan & Ohio  
SUMMER, 2009***



***Hello, my name is Sarah.  
I'm 9 years old and go to  
an elementary school in Ohio.  
I'm currently working on an  
Independent Study Project and  
chose the subject of "Collectible  
Dolls". I put together a series of  
questions to interview doll  
collectors in person and online  
about their organization. Next  
newsletter I'd like to tell you  
what I learned about dolls and  
the people who collect them. My  
school presentation is scheduled  
after Region 12's Summer  
newsletters are being mailed.***

**WELCOME SUMMER  
AND REGION 12  
DOLL COLLECTORS**

***Pat Girbach, Region 12 Director***

### ***REGIONAL DIRECTOR'S ACTIVITIES, PROJECTS AND DOLL CLUB MEETINGS***

It's official! The warm weather has arrived in the north country. "Summer"

our sweet little lady who is Region 12's Helper Doll for the 2010 convention has been visiting Region 12 clubs. Her travels started mid-March stopping by clubs in Michigan, then on to Indiana returning to Michigan before she heads for Ohio. I am anxious to have her stop by so she can catch her breath and I can get her travel log up to date. Club Presidents are you on "Summer's" travel agenda? A quick email to R.D., Pat, at [aawestie@provide.net](mailto:aawestie@provide.net) will put you on her travel list.

The Spring 2009 newsletter outlined the fund raising program behind "Summer" the Special Helper Doll. A manual travels in the box with the helper doll and provides specific details. By June 15, 2010, the Helper Doll, Manual and all club donations of costumes and accessories need to be sent to RD, Pat Girbach. *Here's a motivating thought.* The dolls and their accessories will be photographed at the 2010 convention with the intent of using them to make a 2011 calendar.

Sunday, March 29, was a cold blustery day—but finally no snow—as I headed down to Ohio to the Toledo Glass City Doll Collectors 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Doll Show and Sale. It was a full house of dolls and dealers and, more importantly, doll collectors. It was fun visiting with the many members I had met over this past year. While there, I took the opportunity to talk to a number of show visitors regarding UFDC membership. I was happy to find people who have wanted to talk to someone about UFDC and are considering joining our organization.

I had a delightful time on Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> visiting the Timbertown Dollology Club of Saginaw (MI) 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Doll Competition and Sale. The club mounts a special exhibit each year. The theme this year was on some very interesting black dolls. I was invited to be a visiting judge in a competition room of antique and modern dolls. The Timbertown Dollology Club does an outstanding job of coordinating the entry of dolls through the judging process continuing on to when the owners return to pick up their dolls. A

well stocked salesroom assisted by friendly and helpful dealers was available to the eager collectors. I must inject a personal note I shared with the Timbertown members. As a new collector who had yet to join a club, I discovered this show had a competition room. I didn't know step one about entering dolls in competition or even how to determine which category I should place my doll. A doll description card? What were they talking about? Fortunately, they recognized a neophyte when they saw one and compassionately walked me through the process. To this date, I shall never forget the first time my entry received a ribbon and the thoughtful Timbertown members who introduced me to participating in a competition exhibit. I'm forever grateful.

[Question to all Region 12 UFDC Clubs:](#)

I was asked by several Timbertown Dollology judges—"How many UFDC clubs who have doll shows include a competitive exhibit?" Since I don't know, I'm asking you to tell me.

Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, I was in Evansville, IN visiting the Dollaholics Doll Club of SW Indiana for their 22<sup>nd</sup> Birthday Anniversary, and the installation of their new slate of officers. The club members enjoyed revisiting the memories over the time of their existence. My first visit to Evansville area was enriched by seeing a wonderful doll collection and the charming historic town of New Harmony. The members of Dollaholics Doll Club and my hosts, Kathy and Mike Embry and their seven month old Westie named Pearl, made us feel very much at home.

[UFDC DONATIONS](#)

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

[Building General Fund](#)

Sandusky River Valley Doll Club  
*In memory of Clara Runion*

[Convention Fund](#)

Buckeye State Doll Club  
Dames & Dolls of North Indiana  
Fond Memories Doll Club  
Diana H. Hansen  
Lake Erie Doll Club

Jane M. Leader  
Western Hills Doll Club of Ohio

[Endowment Fund](#)

Doll Circle of Indianapolis  
*In memory of Jane Rizzuto & Helen Smith*

Fond Memories Doll Club  
*In memory of Elinor Livingston*

Queen City Doll Club of Ohio  
*In honor of Elinor Champion*

[John Axe Scholarship Fund.](#)

After Dark Doll Study Club of Ohio

Cleveland Doll Club  
*In memory of Alice Waight*

Pat Girbach

Treasures of the Past Coll. Guild

[Regional Director Fund](#)

Muskegon Sand Dollars Doll Club

[UFDC Unity Fund](#)

Battle Creek Area Doll Club  
*In memory of Jean E. Canaday*

Eloise Cashman  
*In memory of Betty N. Cooper*

Flint Doll Collectors of Michigan  
Indianapolis 20<sup>th</sup> Century Doll Club

Rita M. Johnson  
*In memory of Betty N. Cooper*

**[NEW MALS](#)**

**Welcome!** Hope to see you at a convention. The Region 12 members wish you many dolls and new friendships

Jeanine Gehringer. . . . .Plymouth, MI  
Barbara L. Kime. . . . .Dayton, OH  
Terry Kovel. . . . .Shaker Heights, OH  
Donna Macy. . . . .Garden City, MI  
Carol E. Ratliff. . . . .Greenfield, IN  
Denise Renner. . . . .Cincinnati, OH

Note: UFDC makes it very easy to move to another type membership either club member or MAL. At your request, I'd be happy to assist you.

**[SHIRLEY KARABA'S THANK YOU TO REGION 12 MEMBERS](#)**

"Thank You" to Region 12 members. After waiting anxiously for the release of the Brownie Chinaman, he has arrived at last. He is even cuter than the drawing and photographs. Of course, most of all he represents all the wonderful members of Region 12 and their generosity. My time as Regional Director is and always will be a highlight of my life. Thanks to all of you.

## **UPCOMING REGIONAL EVENTS**

**Muskegon Sand Dollars Doll Sale** on Saturday, May 30, 2009. Time: 10-3:00 pm. Location: Maranatha Conference Center, 4759 Lake Harbor Rd., Muskegon, MI 49441. Admission: \$3/Free under 12. Verbal Appraisals \$3. Rental space available for \$30, second table \$25. Proceeds are used for Christmas toy donations to Salvation Army. Contact Info: Nancy Medema 231.755.4993/[named2@comcast.net](mailto:named2@comcast.net).

**Motor City Doll Club Luncheon** is scheduled for Saturday, June 13, 2009 at 11:00 am. The theme is "Imagine....". Location at Pi Banquet Hall, 28847 Franklin Rd., Southfield, MI 48034. Cost is \$115. Souvenir Doll by Sue Sizemore, drawings and silent auction. Questions contact: Nel at [NEL3224@aol.com](mailto:NEL3224@aol.com).

**Queen City Doll Club** presents "**A Victorian Afternoon**" on Saturday, Aug. 1, 2009. Time 2-4 pm. Location at Faith Lutheran Church, 8265 Winton Road, Cincinnati, OH 45231 (corner of Winton & Galbraith Road). Cost \$15. A Fashion Presentation by Linda Bonnel. Refreshments will be served. Victorian items on display and lovely Victorian raffle items. Reservation Deadline: July 15, 2009. Contact: Sally McAninch Phone: 513.851.5341/513.851.7885 Email: [marfor@fuse.net](mailto:marfor@fuse.net)

Plan to attend the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual **Triple Crown Doll Show and Sale** on Sunday, September 20, 2009, 10-4 pm. Location: Receptions South, Inc., 1379 Donaldson Rd./RT. 236, Greater Cincinnati Area, Erlanger, KY 41018. Tickets: \$4 person/\$1 children under 12. For sale: antique to contemporary dolls, teddy bears, artist dolls, doll clothing and accessories. Contact: Cheryl Harper/ 513.467.1575/Email: [harper1@fuse.net](mailto:harper1@fuse.net).

**The Cleveland Doll Club's** "Annalee in Wonderland" **Luncheon** is scheduled for Saturday, October 3, 2009. Time: 10:30-3:30 pm. Lunch at Noon. Location: Hilton Cleveland East/Beachwood, 3663 Park East Dr., Beachwood, OH. Mr. Bob Watson, Sr., Executive V.P. of the Annalee Doll Co. in N.H. will be the speaker. Cost: Est. under \$100. "Alice" Annalee Souvenir Doll. Two

costume contests, vendors, helpers & displays. Info: Pat Dutchman/440.834.8066/[pdutchman@roadrunner.com](mailto:pdutchman@roadrunner.com). Vendors Info: Deanna Pinizotto /440.255.1663/[sugarbear2u@oh.rr.com](mailto:sugarbear2u@oh.rr.com).

**NOTE: "WAITING LIST ONLY" AS OF 03/17/09. . . The Doll Circle of Indianapolis Club** announces a **Luncheon** with special speaker, Samy Odin, owner of the Museum' De La Poupee Paris on Saturday, October 17, 2009. The Ritz Charles Catering Hall, Carmel, IN will be the site of the event. Time: 9:30-3:30 pm. Cost: \$45. Sales tables \$25/each. Contact: Linda Cantwell, Registrar & Luncheon Chair at 317.585.0534 or [lindacdolls@yahoo.com](mailto:lindacdolls@yahoo.com).

**SPECIAL EXHIBIT – BARBIE'S 50<sup>TH</sup>** Traveling through North Carolina? Stop and see this fun exhibit at **The Doll & Miniature Museum of High Point**, 101 West Green Drive, High Point, North Carolina 27260. The museum is hosting a rotating exhibit "Barbie—50 and Fabulous" Celebrating 50 years of Mattel's Famous Fashion Doll. Exhibit available June 15 – October 1, 2009. UFDC's own **Bradley Justice** is not only the exhibit's curator but was awarded the 2008 UFDC Excellence through Exhibit of Dolls for his retrospective on Barbie. Contact: [dollandminiature@northstate.net](mailto:dollandminiature@northstate.net)/ Site: [www.dollandminiaturemuseum.org](http://www.dollandminiaturemuseum.org).

**REGION 6 CONFERENCE IN DENVER** -- September 22-25, 2010. Registration and more information on UFDC website under Region 6. Check it out!

## **CLUBS BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **CLUB PRESIDENTS** **REVIEW IMPORTANT REQUESTS** **FROM THE UFDC OFFICE**

Please review information and share with your club members:

1) **Activity Report (due 04/01/09)**. Region 12 Great Job!!! 32 clubs (60%) out of 50 clubs sent in their reports. Did you forget to do your report? Here's a chance to cross another job off your list by mailing in your report as soon as possible.

2) **Club's Roster Renewal (due 06/30/09) and UFDC awards.**

3) **Convention Club Delegates:** Please ensure your delegates are informed of their responsibilities. Club Presidents, provide them with a copy of any delegate information recently mailed to you. Delegates should attend the Annual Business Meeting and remind them to take their UFDC membership card.

4) **All Annual Convention Attendees:** Convention attendees are encouraged to go to their Regional 12 Meeting and the Open Forum.

**CLUB PRESIDENTS EMAIL ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBERS "REPEAT REQUEST"**

Thank you to the Club Presidents who provided me with their email and/or phone numbers. When necessary, you have made my ability to reach you so much easier. Did you forget to contact me? No problem. I'm still available at aawestie@provide.net.

**REGION 12 PIN PROJECT REPORT**

It appears we have a consensus and it is "not interested at this time". Out of 50 clubs; eight clubs responded. Only two of the responding clubs voted favorably. I'm going to presume the non-responding clubs also felt they had no interest. Therefore, this issue is being tabled until the membership requests to reopen the subject.

**UFDC IS COOKING! DOES THAT TITLE SOUND FAMILIAR?**

Are you scheduled to provide refreshments at doll club? I have an idea – a book called: "UFDC is Cooking!". There is a nice selection of appetizers, salads and desserts. Mail me your \$17. check and become the owner of this special collection of recipes. At the end of the newsletter is my business card with my mailing address.

**DO YOU HAVE A CLUB WEB SITE?**

I have space on the Region 12 cover page, on the UFDC web site. An email to me will get your club's web site address posted.

**FALL 2009 NEWSLETTER'S DEADLINE**

The fall newsletter's deadline is August 15<sup>th</sup>. Know a member without a computer? Surprise them with set of the Unity and Region 12 newsletters. See: [www.ufdc.org](http://www.ufdc.org).

**REGION 12 IT'S CONVENTION TIME . . . ARE YOU READY?**

Time to fine tune your UFDC plans for our annual convention in Atlanta, GA. Hopefully, travel arrangements are underway and you have hand picked a selection of themed events, seminars and workshops to send off to UFDC by **Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**. The Banquet Seating form is **also due on June 1<sup>st</sup>**. Don't forget your competition dolls. You know how you enjoy viewing those competitive exhibits. It's even more fun when you participate. Send in your antique and modern competitive forms by **Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>**. Delegates your Club President will have some reminders for you. One of them will take your UFDC membership card. Yes, you will need it to get into the annual business meeting. NOW relax, enjoy, visits with old friends and make new ones, talk dolls like there's no tomorrow, plan to do or learn something new, buy a treasure, eat chocolate (well, that's mine; pick your favorite) and go home exhausted but excited about having had this special time. Share the news and memories with your club members.

**See you in Atlanta . . .**

*Patricia (Pat) Girbach*

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**JULY 12-17, 2009, ATLANTA, GA**  
**60<sup>th</sup> UFDC NATIONAL CONVENTION**  
**"With Grace and Favor"**