

UNITY'S NEWSLETTER

From your President, Executive Committee, Regional Directors, and Corporate Office

FALL 2018

UFDC information for
Member Clubs, Online Clubs
& Members-at-Large



Star Struck

We're celebrating our 70th Annual Convention in Nashville, Tennessee July 23-27, 2019! Register today and join your friends for a week of doll fun at the Gaylord Opryland Resort & Convention Center, 2800 Opryland Drive. Our theme is *Star Struck* and the souvenir doll artist is R. John Wright. UFDC has introduced a new tiered registration model and layaway is available through the office. Options are:

Deluxe: \$500 includes the RJW Doll, Souvenir Journal edited by Florence Theriault, Friday Cocktail Party with doll presentation. Banquet in honor of retiring Banana Crew Manager Ray Baker, Tote bag, Exhibits & Programs. Optional tours, seminars, workshops & events will be available for extra fees.

Full: \$350 includes everything that Deluxe offers *except* the RJW doll and Friday Cocktail Party with doll presentation. Included is the banquet in honor of retiring Banana Crew Manager Ray Baker.

Limited: \$200 includes Tote bag, Exhibits, and Programs.

Various forms pertaining to convention may be found on the UFDC website at ufdc.org. Please note the varying deadlines for submission.

If your club wants to sponsor a meal event, the application may be found there also. Tentative meal event artists include: Erika Catellani, Elizabeth Cooper, Dianna Effner, Maggie Iacono, Helen Kish, Darlene Lane, Pat Moulton, Judy Porter, Robert Tonner, Ruby Red Galleria, Gail Wilson, and a Lunch & Learn.

Please consider volunteering at convention. We are looking for monitors for the Special and Competitive exhibits, as well as the Helper room and we need Clerks.

If you have questions about any aspect of convention we have created a new central email account. You may volunteer or send inquiries to 2019Convention@ufdc.org.

★★★★REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW!★★★★

Congratulations to UFDC's Awards of Excellence Recipients

Meritorious Service

Alice Toovey

Golden Isles Doll Collectors
Jacksonville Doll & Toy Societe
Belles & Beaux D. & T. Guild of Florida

Philanthropic Endeavors Through Dolls

Michael Canadas & David Robinson

Carmel Doll & Toy Study Group

Educational Endeavors Through Dolls

Mary E. Swift

Central Arkansas Doll Club

Ralph W. Griffith Award

Alan Scott Pate

Above & Beyond Award Recipients

Louanne Burgess

Doll-licious Doll Club of Michigan, Reba Hood, Conference Chair

Neal Foster

Susan Hedrick

Fritzi and Rick Martinez

Suzanne McGinn

Kathy Minges

Loretta Nardone

Bob Peterson



Welcome New Regional Directors

Region 2 North - Cathy Noone

Region 2 South - Michele Wise

Region 7 - Fred Patton

Region 9 - Marsha Hunter

Region 14 - Jean Kestel



PASSPORT TO ADVENTURE

The Executive Committee would like to thank all of the volunteers who made Our 69th Annual Convention a success. Our volunteers work tirelessly and we very much appreciate your support. Thank you also to those who made monetary donations to conven-

tion. While our Phoenix convention may be in the history books, the fun doesn't end there. You may order the delightful souvenir doll, Lia, by Ruby Red Galleria from the UFDC online store. Her price is \$375. Also available is the cute companion doll and several of the extra outfits. Supplies are limited and they're sure not to last long. The convention journal, edited by Jean Kestel, is also available for \$29.95.

Club Presidents – Are Your Bylaws Updated?

Club Presidents, by now you have received two letters, one with a copy of the UFDC Bylaws in which no action was required and a second with the Club Bylaws blank which **IS** required to be completed by **every** UFDC club and returned to the Central Office ASAP to insure the two documents are not in conflict (*deadline was June 1st*). You can obtain another copy of the 'blank' if necessary from your Regional Director. Revised **club bylaws were due June 1**, and the office has only received about one third of them. **ALL** club bylaws have an update to be made, so if you haven't turned yours in, please do so immediately. This is essential to maintain our non-profit status and be in compliance.

2018-2019 MEMBERSHIP CARDS & 2019 CREDENTIALS FORMS

Club Presidents – have rosters and dues been mailed to the office? The 2018–2019 membership cards will be mailed from UFDC Headquarters in late September but if you haven't mailed in your rosters and dues, the cards for your club will be delayed. Upon arrival club presidents should give them to the club treasurers for distribution. If your club president has not received cards by October 1st, they should contact Jenny at membership@ufdc.org. Member-at-Large cards will be mailed to the individuals. Look for CREDENTIALS FORMS for registering delegates and alternates for the 2019 Annual Business Meeting in the presidents' package in September.

CLUB PRESIDENTS: Please present this information at your next meeting or make copies for members. Unity's News and all regional newsletters are available at www.ufdc.org.

ReAL Services Corner

ReAL Services stands for **Research and Archival Library Services** and is the "real" heart of UFDC's mission to preserve dolls, promote the hobby of doll collecting and to provide educational materials pertaining to dolls.

Join the UFDC Speakers' Bureau

What's your favorite doll topic? If you are an experienced speaker about a particular doll subject, then we need your help! We are compiling a list of speakers and organizing it by region. When an event is in need of a speaker, we can connect the most appropriate speaker with them. The official form is online. Send us yours today!

2019 UFDC Audio Visual Program Contest

Sadly, there were no DVDs submitted in 2018 so let's work to change that in the new doll year. Members and clubs interested in creating programs for the annual contest are encouraged to review contest guidelines. The deadline for program submissions is April 1, 2019.

2019 Scholarship Opportunities

UFDC offers scholarships to promote original research leading to better knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of dolls and is one way we carry out the educational component of our mission. Applications are due April 1, 2019.

For additional information about ReAL Services, visit the Education tab on our website or email Barbara Stone, Director of ReAL Services at Barbara@ufdc.org.

In Our Memories Submissions



Please use the In Our Memories form to acknowledge the passing of a club member and to have their name included in DOLL NEWS magazine. This form may be downloaded at www.ufdc.org under the Membership tab. Please indicate if the member was a past-president or charter member. Email the form to "In Our Memories Coordinator" Connie Reynolds at Connie@ufdc.org, or mail to 6514 W. Warren Circle, Wichita, Kansas 67212. Deadline for the winter issue is September 13.