



UFDC Region 3 Newsletter Summer 2009

"The study of dolls is the study of mankind."
Lord Thomas Abington Macauley 1800 - 1859

From the Director's Chair

Gee Whiz! It is May and only a few weeks until the UFDC Convention is to begin in Atlanta, Georgia. I am excited. I have not been to Atlanta before, so I get to explore some before the convention begins.

I received the Convention Schedule yesterday and it is truly a wish book of events to attend, items to create in workshops and things to learn in the seminars. I hope everyone gets a chance to attend at least one convention. I enjoyed my first one in Denver so much I have not missed one since.

UFDC will celebrate its 60th year. Several clubs in Region 3 have celebrated their 50th year or soon will. Congratulations to all on having doll fun for 50

years.

I just returned from New Mexico where I attend the Cinco De Mayo luncheon sponsored by the Desert Doll Club. IT was FANTASTIC! I had so much fun. The members are super. I enjoy meeting new friends and renewing old friendships. I came home with a marvelous helper, a play doll by Madam Alexander.

Barbara Dozzo of the Enchanted Doll Club came bearing a large box containing Suitcase Sophie (the doll who is gathering a wardrobe (for the whole year- month by month) for the Regional Director's 2010 Fund raiser) and an extraordinary assortment of Easter clothing representing the month of April. Other

clubs and MALs can contact me to see which months need to have sponsor for a wardrobe. OF course anyone can add to the wardrobe and accessories for any month. The **Goal** is to have clothing items and accessories for each month of the year, thus reflecting the theme **Fashion for All Seasons.**

I'll see you at the Region # 3 Annual business meeting of UFDC in Atlanta from 2:15 till 3:15 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14. All delegates should attend and everyone is welcome. I will have a door prize or two. Sophie tells me that there is "NO WAY" she is staying home. She would like to meet you there in Atlanta.



Travels with Suitcase Sophie



Sophie left Oklahoma to visit the Ladies of the Enchanted Doll Club in Albuquerque. Becky met her at the Desert Doll Luncheon May 9 and brought her to Bartlesville, OK with her new wardrobe additions to rest a while before leaving for UFDC's Convention in Atlanta. She will say HELLO to Region #3 members before she goes home with the members of Sun Country Doll Folks.

In October Sophie will visit the members of Dallas Doll Club.

She is such a gadabout. Sophie told me she wants to meet as many of you as she can before going to Chicago in July 2010. YES! Sophie want to meet the MALs also. As her social secretary, please contact Becky to make plans for her to visit.

Region #3 Calendar

2nd Annual Tiny Treasures
Conference & Show
May 28th - 30th, 2009
San Antonio, Texas
www.tinytreasureshow.com

UFDC Convention Atlanta

With Grace & Favor
60th National Convention
July 12 -17th, 2009
Atlanta Marriott Marquis
Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia
1-404-521-0000 or 1-800-
228-9290

1st Houston Doll Show

Sunday
September 20, 2009
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Marriott Hotel, Hobby Air-
port Exit, I-45 South
9100 Gulf Freeway
Houston, Texas
713-943-7979
Carolyn Johnson (409)
945-2796 email carolyn-
dol@aol.com

Modern Doll Collectors Convention @ 2009

October 14 - 17, 2009
Souvenir Doll by: The
Alexander Doll
Company
Hotel Albuquerque
800 Rio Grande
Boulevard NW
Albuquerque, NM 87104

Region 6 Conference It's a Dolly Holiday

September -22-25, 2010
Denver Colorado
Information:
Carmen Farrell
7103 Forest Ridge Circle
Castle Rock, CO 80108

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asked for an e-mail copy of the
newsletter!

E-MAIL

To conserve our financial resources, if
any of you would like to receive the
Region 3 newsletter and the Unity
Newsletter by e-mail; just e-mail me
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MEMBER IN THE SPOTLIGHT

My name is Susan Allen . I'm a member of Tallgrass Doll Club of Oklahoma. I've been a member since we organized, as well as past president and vice president. I was honored to be President when we celebrated our 10th Club birthday. What fun.

I lived in Bartlesville where our club meets, up until 11 years ago when we moved to Grove. I still drive the 90 miles one way each month for club meetings. I've worked for the State of Oklahoma for almost 28 years. I'm a licensed counselor and certified rehab counselor. I'm married to a wonderful creative blacksmith named Curtis. We have one very small, very spoiled, 4-legged child named Tater (a 4 year old ShiTzu).

I played dolls as a child and probably much longer than most, but I had a younger sister as an excuse. My favorites were baby dolls and Barbies. I guess if I had to pick a favorite now it would be Vogue's Ginny and Ton-

ner 's Ann Estelle. But I collect lots of different dolls. I have a few real antiques, but mostly I just buy what says "Take me home". And yes, sometimes it's the dirty doll with the bad hair and bedraggled clothes that just looks like an orphan, so I take it home. I like to sew for my dolls, as well as other projects. I also love to scrapbook. I do that for my dolls too. I also collect bears, and lots of them. I'm still a kid at heart even though I just turned 50. I don't ever intend to grow up even though I may grow old. My motto for staying young at heart is "play, be creative, and surround yourself with positive, happy people that stretch you (help you grow) and support you (encourage your efforts)." Most of those kind of people for me, are my doll club members. They're the best!

Sincere Sympathy to Martha Ballew whose husband, Gene Ballew, passed away on January 20, 2009. martha@ballewfamily.net

Welcome New Members at Large

Ms. Lynda Alexander Dickinson, TX
Ms. Kathryn Barlow Dallas, TX
Ms. Ellen Bond Irving, TX
Ms. Lynda Chase Hillsboro, TX

Ms. Mary Dossey Alvarado, TX
Ms. Debbie L. Rose Edmond, OK



Deadline for the fall Newsletter is August 1. Please send me notes about what your club and it's members are doing in your community.

CLUB NEWS

April 26, 2009

Hello Regional Directors,
I'm pleased to announce that UFDC has received a donation of \$55,555.55 from the estate of Zelda Cushner. This donation helps us reach our budgeted goal to meet this year's expenses.
You will also receive an announcement in the upcoming Unity's News that donations to the Endowment Fund from the time of the Dollology Challenge through March exceeded \$10,000! We still have April to go and the contribution from Reverie Press. Let's try to keep the momentum for donations going!
Sincerely,
Elinor

Editors note:

*Financial health is still a concern in today's environment.
We all must understand that the necessary expenses of the UFDC, salaries, building maintenance, insurance and providing service to the membership is always there.*

MANY THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING WHO HAVE RECENTLY MADE CONTRIBUTIONS TO UFDC.

Quarterly Regional Contributions Region 3 Feb - April 2009

Anonymous -2009 Convention
Trudy A. Butler- 2009 Convention
Doll Collectors of Houston- Building General Fund
In memory of Ms. Rebecca K. Heilman
Mary Ellen Johnston - Endowment
Sandy Kralovetz -Building General Fund
In memory of George and Inez McCrary
Laurie W. McGill -2009 Convention
Tallgrass Doll Club of Oklahoma -Endowment
Becky Wallace -Endowment



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