

UFDC REGION 5 NEWS LETTER

Summer 2011



At the Annual Meeting

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Just back from a great convention and the first thing I want to do is thank all those who work so hard to make these Conventions a success. From the office staff to those individuals and clubs who donate money and helpers. These conventions are a business meeting for our corporation, but they are also so much more. I learn so much and make such great friends. As you can see in the Unity News that next year's convention will be in New Orleans. If you have never been to a convention, start saving now and go to this one. It looks like it will be another great one.



Our convention hotel and some of the Region 5 attendees. Thanks Scott Popham for the great pix.

A new event at convention was a fundraiser for a local charity. We brought dolls and some gave money. See below.

The first ever, At Your Service fundraiser held at the UFDC Convention in Anaheim CA was a glowing success. The "cost" of admission to this ice cream social event was a new toy or cash donation.

Attendees enjoyed an opportunity to meet UFDC officers and Regional Directors, as well as visiting with other convention registrants in an informal atmosphere while enjoying a cold treat.

At the end of convention week, 6 large cartons of collected toys and a check were presented to the Anaheim area charity Share Our Selves. This charity is a self-help community service organization which offers numerous programs which assist families in their neighborhood.

Through their generosity the members of UFDC were able to leave a legacy of good will in this year's convention city - Well Done!



Members of UFDC's "Banana Crew" stand by to deliver boxes of toys as Share Our Selves representative Jessie Urena receives a check for cash donations made by UFDC members to this worthy cause.

Welcome to new MAL Ms. Diane Hartley of Muscatine, IA 52761-9582

Thank you to the clubs and members of Region 5 who have donated to UFDC.

Nancy J. Gustafson 5/20/2011 UFDC Unity Fund \$25.00 5/27/2011 Ms. Marilyn Ketterling
Colleen Holden 6/10/2011 Building General Fund \$25.00 6/10/2011
Howard Holden 6/10/2011 Building General Fund \$25.00 6/10/2011 #
Margaret L. Koch 5/20/2011 UFDC Unity Fund \$25.00 5/20/2011 Ms. Marilyn Ketterling
Minnesota GO-FER Dollies 7/15/2011 Building General Fund \$100.00 7/15/2011
Minnesota Valley Dolls 5/20/2011 UFDC Unity Fund \$50.00 5/27/2011 Ms. Marilyn Ketterling
Evelyn M. Rutledge 6/23/2011 Building General Fund \$25.00 6/23/2011
Maurine Steurer 5/25/2011 Building General Fund \$50.00 5/25/2011
Sheryl Sunderman 5/9/2011 ReAL Services General Fu \$25.00 5/9/2011 Ms. Ann M. Seymour

UFDC has launched a **new web site** and if you have not visited it yet, please do so. Just move your mouse arrow over the tabs and you will see all the pages you can go to under each of those titles.

As part of our updates of information, UFDC is trying to send more information by email. I ask all club presidents to send me their email addresses to ufdcrcdsnewton@aol.com. I have a list, and like to use it to send out my newsletters, but many come back. I am also asking if you can send me as many emails of your members as possible, so our files can be updated. If you have a member who is still on dialup, please note that.

Look for UFDC to soon be on EBAY under the charitable auctions. This new project has come out of the new fundraising committee headed by our former Region 5 director Barbara Corson. More to follow. But the more emails of members we can have the more we can send out direct information on these projects. This will enable you to hear things directly from UFDC. The new form for donating items for the online auctions has been developed and I have included it with this newsletter. Shortly it will be available on the website.

Upcoming events:

Lady Slipper Doll Club show on **August 28th, 2011** at the Best Western Hotel in Mankato, Minn.

Minnesota Jamboree on **October 1, 2011** at the Crown Plaza Hotel in Minneapolis, MN

Look for the UFDC information table at the **Maquoketa doll show on September 11, 2011** at the Jackson County Fairgrounds in Maquoketa, Iowa

Omaha, NE. Doll Show & Sale on **September 25, 2011** Fireman's Union Hall
Look for the UFDC information table at the **Des Moines Doll Show** on **November 12, 2011** at the Iowa State Fairgrounds in Des Moines, Iowa.
Look for the UFDC information table at the **28th Annual Wonderland Doll, Toy & Bear Show & Sale** on **November 13, 2011** at the Mississippi Valley Fairgrounds in Davenport, Iowa

If your club is sponsoring a show or has an event coming up please let me know so we can publicize it in this newsletter. I also want information on any exhibits you are doing, and pictures are great too.

REGIONAL STATUS FORM! Club Presidents: please fill out and mail back to me by Oct 15th.