

# UFDC Region 3 Newsletter

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#### *A message from your Director....Greetings!*

I am Kathy Monier, your newly appointed UFDC Director for Region 3. I live in Colleyville, Texas with my husband Mike and two indoor kitties, Jacks and Buddy. Our lovely home sits on nearly three heavily wooded acres in the city, although it feels like the country with all the critters running about. In my doll collection you will find vintage Toni's, Sweet Sue's, Barbies and Alexanders, but my heart belongs to the antiques, in the artistry of Jumeau, Kestner and Simon & Halbig to name a few. I have enjoyed sewing for my family and myself since I was a young teen, but now instead of sewing people clothes, I costume my antique dolls. I am a self-taught artist as well, devoting my talent to graphite and colored pencil portraits....doll portraits and paper dolls, that is! Not too long ago, I fell in love with the art of making doll shoes. Today, I not only market them, but I also conduct workshops and write articles for doll magazines about making doll shoes.

Now a retired HR professional, I look forward to contributing my time, talent and effort toward being an excellent UFDC Director for Region 3. I anticipate meeting each of you during my term!

#### *The 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual UFDC Convention*

was held in Anaheim, CA at the Anaheim Hilton. It was a magical week, filled with the excitement of being near Disneyland and all those beautiful dolls!

For me it was exceptionally exciting as I was elected Regional Director during Thursday's Annual Meeting. My life as a director became busy from the start, with special meetings and classes. Friday's board meeting was very impressive indeed. I highly recommend to those who are considering an office in your club or in UFDC that you take the *Parliamentary Procedures* class, as it will greatly help you understand how business meetings operate. We have a very dedicated and sincere board of directors, made up of people who give of themselves consistently and tirelessly. I am privileged to be among them! Our new UFDC Parliamentarian, Elinor Champion, is very well-versed in parliamentary procedures (she teaches the class) and provides valuable guidance to our officers.

And now to some convention doll fun! We opened with a very special new event, *At Your Service*. The price of admission to this informal ice cream social was a new toy for charity donation. It was a yummy success and I for one hope it continues to be part of convention! Opening ceremony attendees were treated to an adorable and masterfully orchestrated program, dedicated to Mary Frances, by the Dallas Doll Club team of Laurie McGill and Lynne Dowler, which had us all gleefully singing along!

If you have never been to UFDC Convention....  
**YOU ARE MISSING OUT ON SO MUCH DOLL FUN!!!**

I attended the *Mother's Love* luncheon (actually, I was the guest speaker), sponsored by the Maryland Doll Club. The souvenir doll was a tiny bisque treasure lovingly crafted by Nada Christensen of Katy, TX. As a special treat, Nada sang for us! The song she chose was *Sunrise, Sunset* from *Fiddler on the Roof*.

Friday night's banquet, *Fete de Noel*, gave us another talented artist's work from Darlene Lane, an incredibly adorable tiny bisque miss named Aimee!!! Darlene was gracious to stay and sign our dolly's feet, even though it was her birthday! Since Aimee came barefooted,, I shall soon be making some very, very tiny shoes!!! It was such an exciting and fun-filled convention... I hope you were able to attend and join the festivities. We'll see you there next year!



*Here I am (left) with Darlene Lane( right) after she signed my Aimee's little foot! Aimee on the far right..*

**You MUST come to next year's convention!**

*A Jambalaya Jubilee* will be held in the historic city of New Orleans, July 24th-27th, 2012. Check your Winter Issue of Doll News for more information!

**SPECIAL THANKS!!!**  
**QUARTERLY REGION 3 CONTRIBUTIONS**

Bluebonnet Doll Collectors Club of Texas	2011 Convention	<i>In Memory of Bobby Don Westmoreland</i>
Dallas Doll Club	UFDC Unity Fund	
Cornelia Ford	2011 Convention	
San Antonio Doll Collectors	2011 Convention	
Becky Wallace	Building General Fund	



Incoming Region Director Kathy Monier (left) and  
Outgoing Region Director Becky Wallace (right)

**ATTENTION CLUB PRESIDENTS!!!**

**Please complete your Regional Status  
Form and send back to me ASAP!**

This form is useful in promoting membership  
growth for both UFDC and your club!

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*Also...* please ensure that your members have the  
correct permanent and/or temporary addresses on file  
with UFDC to avoid additional mailing costs, delays  
and delivery interruption of Doll News magazine.

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW MALS!!!!**

Cindi Hicks, Tempe, TX  
Vicki Nelson, Odessa, TX  
Flora Ybarra, Pasadena, TX

**WHAT'S COMING UP IN OUR REGION??**

**First Houston Doll Club  
Doll Show and Sale**

Sunday, September 25, 2011  
Houston, TX  
carolyndol@aol.com

**Doll Day Christmas Party & Luncheon  
Bluebonnet Bebes of Houston**

December 4, 2011  
Houston, TX  
For more information call:  
Linda Sieck 713.283.5900

**Sun Country Doll Folks  
Doll Show & Sale**

Saturday, March 10, 2012  
El Paso, TX  
For more information contact:  
Janna Daniels 915.637.3438

**Bluebonnet Bebes of Houston  
Doll Show & Sale**

March 25, 2012  
Houston, TX  
For more information call:  
Linda Sieck 713.283.5900



*Congratulations!*

*Blue  
Ribbon  
Winner!  
Ann Leis,  
Bluebonnet  
Bebes of  
Houston,  
TX*



*What's going on in your club??* Be sure to send me your information, notes and upcoming events!

**DEADLINE..... for the Winter Newsletter is NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>.**