

UNITY'S NEWSLETTER

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



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

Club Presidents: Please present this information at your next meeting or make copies for club members. This newsletter is also available on the UFDC website, www.ufdc.org.

The 64th UFDC Annual National Convention July 29th to August 1st, 2013 The Washington Hilton



Registration forms can be found in the **Winter** issue of **DOLL NEWS** as well as the UFDC web site (www.ufdc.org). Full registration is **\$375**, if you book your room reservation through the Washington Hilton as a UFDC attendee. **If you are not planning to stay at the convention hotel**, then the fee is **\$475**. This extra fee is to cover the costs of convention function room usage as this is factored into the hotel registration.

Full Registration includes the opportunity to sign-up for special themed meal events, seminars and workshops; admission to the salesroom; doll study in competitive exhibits; participation in Dynamic Doll Dialogues; educational programs; a ticket to the Thursday night banquet and a limited edition souvenir doll produced by the *Tonner Doll Company* and designed by *Robert Tonner*.

Limited Registration fee is **\$200**, if you are staying at the hotel and **\$300**, if you are not staying at the hotel. These are only available if all full registrations are not sold out. Limited registration includes the same convention opportunities listed above for full registration **EXCEPT** it does not include the Thursday night banquet or the souvenir doll.

Banquet tickets are not transferable and **will not** be available for sale at the convention.

Please be advised that a small number of limited registrations will be available only after all full registrations are sold. We expect a high demand for registrations and suggest that you sign up as soon as possible.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION DEADLINES:

February 1 - March 1, 2013: Only those with PRIORITY REGISTRATION. (Delegates, Chairpersons, etc.)

MARCH 15: General Registrations (Other UFDC Members)

April 1, 2013: Family members and non-members (including applicants under the age of 18 and over 8 years of age)

Information about full convention activities will be sent with registration confirmation after April 15th, 2013. **Adult members have priority.**

If you have not already booked your room, you are advised to do so immediately. The rate is \$189.00 per night for a single or double room. Please make sure you tell them you are with UFDC to get the reduced rate and fill our room block. We encourage you to support our UFDC Convention by staying in the host hotel.

**The Washington Hilton
1919 Connecticut Ave NW
Washington, DC 20009
Phone: 1-202-483-3000**

ANNUAL CLUB ACTIVITY REPORTS

Annual Club Activity Report forms are being sent with the February mailing to all UFDC Club Presidents. These forms are to be returned to the UFDC Office by **April 1st**. The club activity report is essential to insure that UFDC is in compliance with IRS regulations. Any questions can be directed to Loretta Nardone, Secretary-Treasurer at: loretta@ufdc.org.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Club Renewal Rosters will be mailed in the middle of March to all UFDC Club Treasurers. Please notify Jenny Yocklin, Membership Services, if you have not received this important club mailing by April 1st at: ufdcjenny@ufdc.org. cc: Loretta@ufdc.org

2013 UFDC AV Contest

Individuals and clubs are encouraged to develop entertaining or educational programs for consideration in the annual contest. Before submitting a program, you must request a copy of the revised UFDC AV Contest Guidelines from Kate Reed, UFDC Audio Visual Education, 201 Wood St., Warren, PA 16365. Email dreed107@verizon.net. Phone (814)723-4520. The deadline for submission of entries is **March 15th, 2013**.

UFDC SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

In keeping with our educational mission UFDC offers several scholarship opportunities. Applications may be requested from the Corporate Headquarters or may be downloaded from the UFDC website. Deadline for filing is **April, 1st, 2013**. **Mail to:** UFDC Scholarship Committee, 10900 North Pomona Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64153.

AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Nomination forms were included in the UFDC Club President's mailing in February. Please review the criteria for the Awards of Excellence carefully. Nominations must be submitted by **May 1st, 2013**.
Mail to: UFDC Inc., 10900 N. Pomona Ave., Kansas City, MO 64153

CLUB DELEGATE INFORMATION

Club Delegates are your club's voice at convention. A Delegate's responsibility includes attending the Regional Meeting and Annual meeting. They should prepare a report for your club's September meeting. All delegates are required to sign in at the Business meeting.

REGIONAL DIRECTORS VISITS

Club Presidents are encouraged to invite their RD's to visit or attend club events. UFDC appreciates any donations to the Regional Director's Fund to help cover the costs of the visit. Donations should be made out to **UFDC Regional Directors Fund** and not to the individual RD. UFDC does not cover the costs of event registrations.

UFDC APPRENTICE JUDGE PROGRAM

If you have ever thought about becoming a part of the world of UFDC Competitive Exhibit Judging now is the time to request an application!

The UFDC Apprentice Judge Program is a two-year program, involving classroom training presented at the National Convention, as well as individual research assignments.

For more information or applications please contact the instructors listed below or visit the UFDC website.

Apprentice Judge Program, Antique

Ann Coleman, 4315 Van Ness Street, NW Washington D.C. 20016-5625 email: colemanconn@msn.com
Tel: 202-966-2655

Apprentice Judge Program, Modern

Neal Foster, 9024 Greenway Ln, Lenexa, KS 66215-2956
email: nfdp@swbell.net Tel: 913-492-3857

UFDC IS ON FACEBOOK

Please be sure to visit UFDC on Facebook and LIKE us. This is a great place for clubs to tell about their interests and find new members.

The Executive Committee wishes to thank all members who continue to support UFDC through their donations and expressions of encouragement.

