

Yankee Doodle Doller Holler

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Next Meeting Sunday, March 5, Wenham Museum

11:30 Luncheon
1:00 Program ~ Make-up Dolls
2:00 Museum Exhibits and Doll Book Library Visit

→ RSVP by February 18 ←

March Meeting

"Road Trip!!"

We have an exciting meeting planned for March! Instead of getting together on our usual first Tuesday night, we are going to spend a Sunday afternoon at the Wenham Museum in Wenham, MA. We will have lunch at the Wenham Tea House at 11:30, where we will receive a special discount of ½ off every other meal. Then we will head over to the function room at 1:00 for a program by **Judy Izen** on Make-up Dolls. At 2:00, we'll have time to browse the exhibit halls and **Betty Nett**, Doll Curator at the museum, will give us a tour of Library of Doll Books. I'm sure we can squeeze in a stop at the Museum Shop before the museum closes at 4:00. Special thanks to Betty for arranging this visit!

For more information about the Wenham Museum, please visit www.wenhammuseum.org.

Please RSVP ASAP but no later than Saturday, February 18 to Maria at (978) 897-1828 or maria@justmagicdolls.com. Lunch is optional – you can always meet us at the function room.

Driving Directions:

From points south: Take Route 128 north to exit 20-A (Route 1A - Hamilton). Follow Route 1A north for 2.3 miles. The Museum is on the right before the Wenham Town Hall.

From points north: Take Route 95 South to Route 128 North. Then follow the directions as above.

Public Transportation:

B&M Commuter Rail to Hamilton-Wenham; 15-minute scenic walk south from the depot on Route 1A. 🚶

February Program

"Russian Cloth Dolls" -- Betty Nett



Betty Nett presented a delightful program on Russian Cloth dolls at our February meeting. She shared many dolls from her marvelous collection of adult and child dolls in colorful peasant costumes. Asked what got her interested in these unusual and hard-to-research dolls, Betty said "I love them because they have such design integrity and artistry". And they certainly do! Made primarily for tourists in the 1930's and 1940's, these dolls have hand-painted stockinette faces (over a molded material) and stockinette bodies with cotton clothing. "Charming" is the best word I can think of to describe these little gems. 🚶

More on Comfort Dolls

Flo Hanover's Comfort Doll project is has gone to the next step – some of the dolls and teddies have finally been sent to some little girls and boys in need of a little comfort! At the February meeting, Flo read two e-mails from Margreta Albright who runs the Comfort Dolls from Our Community organization (www.comfordolls.org). In them, Greta thanked the club for our donation and explained that the dolls would be “for children who lost their homes in Cross Plains, Texas due to the wildfires there on December 27”.

Flo and **Virginia Loftus** got together while Virginia was recuperating shortly after her recent hip replacement surgery and stuffed four teddy bears which also were shipped off in time to be sent to the children of Cross Plains. **Laura Ciovacco** has several more dolls cut out that Flo is planning to sew up and stuff with whatever members are available, so this is an on-going project!

At the March meeting in Wenham, Flo is going to bring along a few of her latest batch of Comfort Dolls so that we can take a club picture to send into “Doll News” along with some information about this worthwhile endeavor. Thanks again, Flo, for contributing your talents to bring the comfort of dolls (and teddies) to children who need something soft and warm to hold on to. 🧸



Money, Money, Money

It's time to give a bit of thought to club finances. At the April business meeting, before the program, I'd like to have a brief discussion of where we stand now, financially, and what our on-going expenses are.

If we would like to continue in our luxurious meeting accommodations at Eliot Church, we are going to have to start taking in more money than we are sending out. So, bring your creative or boring but tried-and-true ideas with you in April.



SPECIAL EVENTS

Sunday, March 19, 2005, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Drummer Boys Doll, Teddy and Toy Show
Holiday Inn, Dedham, MA (Rt 1A exit off 128)
Admission \$5.00, or \$4.50 with coupon at
www.bornsteinshows.com.

Sunday, April 9, 2005, 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Drummer Boys Doll, Teddy and Toy Show
Holiday Inn, Boxborough, MA (Rt 28 exit off 495)

June 15-17, 2005

Region 15 Convention – “Green Mountain Medley”
Sheraton Burlington Hotel & Conference Center
Burlington Vermont
Fee: UFDC member \$210 Non-member \$220
Limited to 180 – Call now, only a few spaces left!
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July 9-11, 2006

UFDC 2006 National Convention – “Tell Me a Story”
Adam's Mark Hotel, Dallas Texas
Call hotel for reservations NOW: 1-800-444-2326

