

# Yankee Doodle Doller Holler

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## Next Meeting Sunday, April 22

### Maria Greene's House

10 Assabet Crossing, Acton

1:00 Snacks and Socializing

1:30 Short Business Meeting

2:00 Program ~ "Living Small"

## April Meeting

*"Living Small" -- Maria Greene*

Hello everyone and Happy Spring! I apologize for the lack of communication over the past few months. Some family issues have come up which have pushed YDD down on my priority list as I needed to put family first. We are going to wrap up the year, though, with some fun meetings!

We were not able to visit Beulah Franklin's home as we had hoped because of her home improvements going on, but I love the idea of casual meetings in member's homes. So, I would like to invite you all to my home for a program in my doll room. One of my particular doll collecting interests is making scenes and settings for my dolls, even the larger ones. In my basement doll room I have many, many rooms and scenes set up, indoor and outdoor, including a 9-room, 10 foot by 7 foot dollhouse!



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## May Tea Party and Program

*"Dorothy Coleman, Doll Researcher" -- Virginia Loftus*



May's meeting will be at the Windsor Green Clubhouse, also in Acton. (My apologies to those of you for whom Acton is a drive, but I'm hoping that having April and May's meetings on the weekend during the day will make them easier for people to attend.) The meeting will be Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, starting at 1:00. Windsor Green is located at 68 Windsor Avenue in West Acton. Contact Maria or Virginia for directions.

This is a special meeting that Virginia is advertising in Boston West-area papers to try to draw out potential new members. Please also invite any doll-loving friends or acquaintances you can think of. In honor of the season, it will be a Tea Party, hats optional! We will be asking guests to RSVP so we know how many people to provide refreshments for. If you can help with snacks, drinks, set-up or clean-up, contact Virginia.

As part of the event, Virginia will be giving a short program on doll research pioneer Dorothy Coleman. Dorothy Coleman authored many comprehensive books on dolls, often with the help of her two daughters.

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## April Meeting, cont.

We will start the meeting with socializing and refreshments as usual. Please bring a snack to share if you would like. We will then have a short business meeting which will include a few items such as a helper for the next national convention, some money matters and planning for the next few meetings and next year.

We'll then have a "show and tell" style program where we will talk about setting up a pleasing room or environment for your dolls, where to get furniture and accessories in various scales, options for where to set up your scenes, tips on photographing scenes, and so on.

I'm looking forward to it and hope to see you here! 🧩



## Not to Be Missed

**"No Longer Hidden: Black Cloth Dolls 1870–1930"** An exhibition of black cloth dolls from the collection of Pat Hatch, a Harvard resident, is open now at the Harvard Historical Society, 215 Still River Rd. The exhibit is on view on Saturdays and Sundays, from 2-5 P.M. except Easter Sunday, through May 13. Admission to the display is free, but donations are suggested.

From the Harvard Historical Society website: "This collection of dolls illustrates changes in the social and political fabric of our country as well how dolls were affected by technology and highlights the dolls as objects of history and folk art. The exhibit was curated by Roben Campbell."

For more information: <http://www.blackclothdolls.com>



## May Meeting, cont.

After the meeting, many of us will be heading over to Faith Hirsch's fun shop, Something Old Something New, which is also in Acton. Faith's shop is an eclectic mix of dolls, teddies, furniture, vintage clothing, bric a brac, and such and always a delight to browse!

Looking ahead to June, we will have our traditional pot-luck at Diane Buck's house in Wellesley (thanks for hosting, Diane) where we'll have another discussion, like last year's about the future of YDD. More details will follow. 🧩

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### Trough July 8, 2007

Wenham Museum Doll Exhibit  
Around the World with Miss Columbia: A Cultural Journey  
Through Toys and Tales  
Hours: Tues-Sun, 10am-4pm  
[www.wenhammuseum.org](http://www.wenhammuseum.org)

### April 12-13, 2005

Withington Auctions  
Holiday Inn, Nashua NH  
[www.withingtonsauction.com](http://www.withingtonsauction.com)

### May 6, 2007

Maine-ly Dolls Club Annual Show & Sale  
9:30am-2:00pm  
Bangor Elks Club at Odin Rd., Bangor Maine  
Contact Debi: 989-9850

### July 15-20, 2007

UFDC 58th National Convention – "Music, Music, Music!"  
Detroit Marriott Renaissance Center, Detroit, MI  
Call hotel for reservations NOW: 1-800-266-9432

