

Yankee Doodle Doller Holler

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Next Meeting Tuesday, June 5

Diane Buck's House

51 Cornell Road, Wellesley, MA
(directions are included with this newsletter)

6:00 Dinner and Socializing

Last names beginning with these letters, please bring:

A-G Salads or Other Sides

H-M Desserts

N-Z Drinks

Silent Auction! Bring your doll-related items to sell. It's fun and 10% goes back to the club.

June Meeting "End of the Year Party"

Once again we will be gathering at Diane Buck's lovely home in Wellesley to enjoy a cook-out (with returning chef extraordinaire Sheldon Buck) and socializing. Please see the notice above about which items we should each bring to complement the dinner.

We will have a short business meeting to vote on next year's officers, next year's meeting location and the applications of two new members (see the note on the following page).

We'll end with our traditional silent auction so bring your dolls and doll-related items and come ready to take home a treasure! 🐿



April Meeting Recap

"Living Small and YDD Brainstorming" -- Maria Greene

At the April meeting we started off with some exceptionally wonderful snacks with a beautiful presentation by Audrey Butler, our Hospitality Chairperson.

We then had a productive business meeting. We voted on some expenses related to the upcoming May meeting, approved the convention helper (an adorable Ginny doll provided by Faith Hirsch at cost) and voted on end-of-term gifts for outgoing UFDC officials. After discussing possible locations for next year's meetings, those present filled out a questionnaire (which was mailed to those who couldn't attend) that will be used to gather input.

Next we had a round-robin discussion about the issues from the "Going Forward" letter that was mailed to everyone in the beginning of April. We generated a large number of ideas about programs, ways to attract new members and projects that we could do to try to get more life back into the club. These were recorded by Flo Hanover, our new recording secretary.

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April Meeting Recap, cont.

These ideas will be used by the officers and committees over the summer and next year to reach our goal of at least ten new members next year and many new and exciting projects and programs for the coming years' schedules.

After admiring the gorgeous porcelain dolls (antique reproductions) that were made and costumed by Laura Ciovacco, we concluded the meeting with a "tour" of the Doll Mansion and other doll displays in Maria's doll room. 🧸

May Meeting Recap

May's Tea Party and program on Dorothy Coleman was well attended and well received! Virginia Loftus did a tremendous amount of work planning a delicious and attractive tea party at the Windsor Green clubhouse in Acton. Special decorations included an adorable tea party scene set up by guest Jean Stewart featuring some of her handmade porcelain dolls in costumes she made herself. Other decorations included an adorable drawing of an antique doll, enhanced by Virginia and made into nametags and programs for the event.

The door prize basket was put together by Flo Hanover and Virginia, and was won by Alyssa Yavner, the eleven-year-old daughter of member Debra Yavner, who we were happy to see at the meeting. Faith Hirsch also brought her (grown-up) daughter, Audrey.

We watched part of the UFDC video on Dorothy Coleman. ("The interesting part", according to Virginia.) We looked at some examples of Mrs. Coleman's books, which she authored with her daughters. And finally, Virginia shared some of her experiences with the Coleman family near the end of Dorothy's life. 🧸

New Members

In June we will be voting on the applications of two prospective members: Claudia Jarratt and Sussi Goff. Claudia lives in Harvard and collects a variety of dolls though her recent love has been for Robert Tonner's Ann Estelle family and Marley Wentworth. Sussi lives in Acton with her mother and also has a variety of dolls. Sussi dyes and wefts mohair for use by doll artists in making wigs. Both these fun and friendly ladies attended the April meeting (as well as earlier meetings) where they shared many exciting ideas. 🧸

Dues are Due!

It's time to renew your Yankee Doodle Dollars membership. Treasurer Judy Smith needs your dues check for \$40.00, made out to *Yankee Doodle Dollers*, no later than the June 5 meeting.

If you would like you can also mail your check to:

Judy Smith
11 Poplar St.
Belmont, MA 02478



These cuties are Ellie and Liz, by member Flo Hanover. They were nominated for the DOLLS Awards of Excellence, along with another of her one-of-a-kind dolls, Kayla Ballerina. Best of luck Flo to win another (or two more) of these prestigious awards!

SPECIAL EVENTS

June 14 – 17, 2007

25th Sasha Doll Festival

Eastland Hotel, Portland, Maine

www.sashafestival.com

Registration is limited to 120 but still open!

Contact UFDC member Joanne Libby for more information:
jolie@metrocast.net

Through 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

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