

Manitoba Doll Club Newsletter

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The Manitoba Doll Club newsletter is published 7x a year, September-November and January-April.

**Please note our website:
www.manitobadollclub.com**

Don't forget to wear your name tag to each meeting to be eligible for a door prize.

Traders' Table

Carol Fraize asks you to bring any doll making/dressing stuff you no longer need to trade - fabric, lace, doll hair, notions, etc. **Please note:** you don't need to BRING something in order to TAKE something!

PARKING CORRECTION:

ON SUNDAY, parking in the hotel lot is available at a flat rate of \$2 for the day. The ticket machine does not take toonies, so please bring two loonies!

On-street parking is free on Sunday.

March Meeting

1:30 p.m.

***Sunday, March 25, 2007
at the Charter House Hotel***

1:30 - 2:00: business meeting &
Door Prize Draw

2:00 - 2:15: **Show and Tell:**
Mardi Gras or St. Patrick's themed dolls

2:15 - 2:45 ***Vieve Montcombreaux***
will talk about ***Reborn Babies***

2:45 - 3:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

Upcoming activities:

April: Dolly Detective: Bring your mystery doll and see if we can identify it from our library resources and members' expertise.

May: Visit to the White Horse Emporium in St. Francois Xavier

We have moved the Coffee Break to the end of the meeting so that members who can't stay for the whole meeting don't have to miss the scheduled activity. We hope you will plan to stay on for coffee and snacks.

Time to Renew!

Membership in the Manitoba Doll Club expires in March. If you have not renewed, please see Ardythe at the next meeting, or mail your renewal to 61 Home Street, Winnipeg R3G 1W67. Please make cheques payable to the Manitoba Doll Club.

Membership dues are \$20 a year.

Please also confirm your correct address, phone number, email address and birth month.

Executive 2006-2007

President: Sylvia Grantham
(1-204-482-4932)

Vice-President (Membership)
Ardythe Basham (772-9982)

Vice-President (Activities)
Carol Fraize (1-204-243-2299)

Secretary:
Diane Malzensky (334-4916)

Treasurer: Olga Komoski (334-0885)

Committee Heads:

Newsletter:
Ardythe Basham (772-9982)

Librarian:
Dianne Malzensky (334-4916)

Pattern Library:
Sheelagh Komus (832-3469)

Sunshine Girl:
Dorothy Treacy (235-1200)

Webmaster:
Joy Hillhouse (772-8127)
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Photographer:
Cheryl Hamilton (889-6556)

Fall Doll Show Co-ordinator
Katheleen Smith 783-5224

MEMBERSHIP LIST

An updated membership list is now available and will be mailed out to those who are unable to attend meetings.

DOLL CLUB NEWS

MARCH IS OUR ELECTION MONTH.
All positions on the Executive are open for nomination!

Please consider standing for election. It would be really good to have Deputies for at least some positions on the Executive, to share responsibilities and to fill in for absences. The bonus? You get to work with some great doll lovers!

IT IS IMPORTANT TO ATTEND THE MONTHLY MEETINGS.

Attendance at our monthly meetings has been declining. We had 19 members at our January meeting and 17 members at our February meeting - those numbers include the Executive members (President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer and Secretary - 5 at January meeting/4 at February meeting). There are currently 60 members in our Club. Decisions concerning the entire Club are being made by members attending meetings, which is a small fraction of the total members. It would be nice to see some new faces (or old faces) at the monthly meetings. Come out and support your Club. Offer your expertise, your help, your ideas, cast your vote on issues raised at the meetings.

WHAT YOU MISSED AT OUR FEBRUARY 25, 2007, MEETING:

1. It was decided that our May 27, 2007, meeting will be a luncheon at the Whitehorse Emporium in St. Francois Xavier.
2. Discussion re nominations for election of a new Board of Directors:
 - President
 - Vice President (Membership)
 - Vice-President (Activities)
 - Treasurer
 - Secretary
3. Genevieve Montcombroux's very interesting Show & Tell story about a couple of Russian dolls that were smuggled out of Russia and how she came to be the owner of them.
4. Evelyn Gillies' informative talk about vintage fabrics and tips on what to check when purchasing, how to clean, care for and store vintage fabric.
5. Yummy cakes and snacks.

DOLL SHOW REPORT

Our next show will be on
October 14, 2007, at the Victoria Inn
Theme of the show: **Dolly Dearest**

Doll Show Convener: *Katheleen Smith*
Publicity Head:
Genevieve Montcombroux

The Doll Show Committee will be meeting approximately a week before the April regular monthly meeting. Members who have volunteered to help with the Doll Show should attend the upcoming Doll Show Committee meeting. All members interested in helping with arrangements for the Doll Show are welcome to attend the meeting. There is a lot of work to be done to organize, advertise, and put on a successful show. The proceeds of our Doll Show is what keeps our club running.

On our list of things to do:

Genevieve is getting our posters ready for distribution.
Applications to be sent out to vendors.
Collecting donations for door prizes.
Gathering items for Club Display Table.

Contact Katheleen (phone: 783-5224) if you have any questions, comments or suggestions or would like to volunteer.

Some members have asked why there is no Spring show. Until 2005, the Manitoba Doll Club hosted the Spring doll show, and Irene Henderson and Connie Royal hosted the Fall show. Irene and Connie have retired from the doll show business, and the Doll Club felt that two shows a year was more than our members were able to support. There is a considerable financial commitment to running a doll show, as well as a large volunteer labour commitment. The Fall show seemed to be the better date and this is the show the Manitoba Doll Club has chosen to continue.

Birthday girls for March are:

*Tekla
Hryhorka,
Brandy Koh,
Sharon
Krupinski,
Christine Loff,
Alice Thomson
and
Dorothy Treacy*



NEWSLETTER REPORT

At the February meeting we discussed my proposal to cut back to 5 issues a year, as follows:

September-October
November-December
January-February
March-April
May-June

This will be voted on at the March meeting.

With more member input, I would like to put out 5 longer issues (8 pages) with better content, to better serve our members.

Ardythe Basham 772-9982

PATTERN LIBRARY

Sheelagh brings an assortment of patterns to each meeting. If you are interested in a particular pattern or type of pattern, please call with your requests.

If you have doll patterns or doll clothes patterns gathering dust, please consider passing them on to the Pattern Library so others can enjoy them.

SHOW and TELL:

If you have made something from one of our patterns, please bring it in and show off your handiwork!

ON OUR LIBRARY SHELF

Call Dianne if you would like to borrow these or other books from our library.

If you have any books out, please bring them back so others may enjoy them. If you are not able to attend a meeting, call Dianne and make arrangements to get them back to her. Some books have been out since last October!

DOLLS FROM KEWPIE TO BARBIE AND BEYOND

by Judith Edison

published by Brompton Books Corp.,
Greenwich, CT (1994)

This beautiful hardcover book containing numerous color and black and white photographs was donated to our library by our member Joy Clemons.

The book tells the story of dolls such as Raggedy Ann and Andy, Kewpie, Barbie and her imitators around the world, GI Joe and Action Man, and the Cabbage Patch kids. The introduction outlines the history of dolls from ancient times to the present day. The first two chapters highlight dolls before World War II. The remaining four chapters look at the history of dolls since 1945, an era that saw the rapid introduction of new dolls, most notably in the 1960's, the use of increasingly durable materials, the creation of many previously unknown accessories, and the introduction of greater varieties of clothing for all occasions.

SHIRLEY TEMPLE DOLLS AND COLLECTIBLES

by Patricia R. Smith

published by Collector Books, Paducah,
Kentucky (1992)

This book tells the Shirley Temple story, and contains Shirley Temple doll marks, numerous pictures of Shirley Temple dolls and collectible items such as jewelry, clothing items, purses, hairbows, bowls, cups, glasses, pitchers, toys, stationery, magazine covers, posters, cards, paper dolls, books, records, stamps, etc., together with a price guide.

MODERN DOLL RARITIES

by Carla Marie Cross

published by Antique Trader Books, a
division of Landmark Specialty Publications,
Dubuque, Iowa (1997)

This book contains valuable information for restoring your rarities. The book includes chapters on Barbie, Francie, Skipper, Chatty Cathy, Little Kiddles, Terri Lee, Ginnete, Jill, Cabbage Patch, Tammy, Sasha, Alexanderkin, Mattel, Troll, Dawn, Effanbee, Jem, Horsman, Doll Buggy rarities, Paper Doll rarities, and an all encompassing chapter on other rarities including Penny Brite, Suzy Cute, Ginny, Tinny Tears, Betsy McCall, Martha Thompson, Little Marcy, Mrs. Revlon, Crissy, Eloise, Tressy, Linda Williams, Lustre Crème doll, celluloid crawling dolls, original boxes and store displays.

BEARS & DOLLS IN ADVERTISING Guide to Collectible Characters and Critters

by Robert Reed

published by Antique Trader Books,
Dubuque, Iowa (1998)

This book discusses the arrival of advertising dolls and includes chapters on various advertising bears, Barbie dolls, book dolls such as Raggedy Ann and Curious George, Fast Food dolls of the 1970s, 1980s, and 1990s, and dolls and bears advertising a variety of confectionary items. Other advertising dolls included in this book are Chiquita banana, Chuck E. Cheese, Crayola, Del Monte's Garden Gang, Eskimo Pie Boy, the Gerber baby, Little Sprout, Pillsbury's Doughboy, Quaker Oats Captain, and Tony the Tiger. There is a small section about sports advertising dolls. The book also contains a section that includes the description and value of various advertising dolls and bears.

NEW AND NOTABLE DOLLS:

Dianne Malzensky sent these stories.

Flower Fairy Ornaments

A new series offered by the Bradford Exchange, these will be issued in four sets of three ornaments each, priced at \$44.97 per set (plus S & H, taxes, etc).

For information write to The Bradford Exchange, 2080 Piper Lane, London, ON N5V 3N6

The first three, Sapphire Elegance, Fuchsia Fantasy, and Celadon Dream, are shown here:



CED DOLLS

CED Dolls are 19 1/2 inch tall fashion dolls. CED is the dolls' shared monogram. The CED logo represents all of the dolls equally: Claire Daniels, Cara Duncan, Constance Dash, and Colin Dehan and all of the dolls have middle names starting with the letter "E". There is no specific story line connected to the dolls. CED collectible dolls are produced in limited quantities, some as little as 50 pieces worldwide. The dolls have 14 articulating points on their bodies.

There are three categories of CED Dolls:

1. Full Fashion Dolls that come dressed in a costume and accessories exclusive to that doll.
2. CED Basic Dolls that come in a basic costume consisting of a blouse and slacks or skirt.
3. Creative Edition Dolls that have simple makeup, no eyelashes, wigs that can be interchanged with other dolls. The Creative Edition Dolls come dressed in a terry cloth robe, sexy lingerie and white mules.

The very best fabrics, tiny hooks, eyes, zippers, genuine leather for shoes and boots, gold plated jewelry, genuine cultured pearls and Swarovski crystal are used in the finishing details for CED Dolls. Their accessories include a chair and ottoman, side tables, dressing screen, and a dress maker's mannequin.

CED Dolls are produced by a company called JDJ International which is owned and operated by Doug James in New York. Doug James has a background in costume design millinery, and wardrobe for Broadway theatre, television and films. He also worked on restoring antique French fashion doll clothing at the Museum of the City of New York and had four one-of-a-kind dolls that he made exhibited at the Museum. Doug James also designed for the Gene doll for the Ashton-Drake Company, Cissy for Madam Alexander Company, and for Willow and Daisy for Knickerbocker Company.

The website for CED Dolls is ceddolls.com.

I will be ordering a CED Portfolio for our library. The cost is \$6.50 US. However, the price goes down to \$3.00 US each if 4 or more portfolios are ordered. If anyone is interested in ordering a CED Portfolio, please let me know ASAP. I will need a money order payable in US dollars prior to placing our order. I will be placing the order some time after our March 25 meeting. Contact Dianne at 344-4916 or spikey@mts.net.

ADVERTISEMENTS in the newsletter are free to members. There is a small charge to non-members. Call or email Ardythe at 772-9982 or rbasham@shaw.ca

WANTED TO BUY:

Alice Thomson is looking for the Ideal Bye Bye Baby, 25" early 60s baby doll, and shoes for vintage 17-20" teen dolls such as Dee an Cee and Cindy Bride.

Call 275-5796 if you can help.

Readers outside of Manitoba can email the editor at rbasham@shaw.ca. I will pass any messages to Alice.

WEBSITE ADVERTISING

If you are a member of the Manitoba Doll Club and have a doll-related or doll-compatible business, you can advertise it on the club website. You do not need to have a website or email address to do so.

Please contact Joy Hillhouse at joy@weechi.net or 772-8127.

CALGARY DOLL CLUB
DOLL, TEDDY & TOY SALE
Antique and Modern Dolls; Toys; Artist Dolls and Teddy Bears;
Patterns; supplies; Fashions; Accesories; and much more!
Sunday, May 6, 2007
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
NEW VENUE
RED & WHITE CLUB
1833 Crowchild Trail N.W.
Calgary, Alberta
Located at the North end of McMahon Stadium
*see map on back
Admission: Adults \$4.00
Children under 12 free
Hourly Door Prizes Free Parking
Information and/ or Table Rental: (403) 263-1860 e-mail: cbtank@shaw.ca
Cash Sales NO STROLLERS PLEASE

And the Beat Goes On! Nostalgia Radio Unlimited March 3 - 24 on 104.7 FM CJNU

Special Event Nostalgia and Old Time Radio Station, hosted by the Manitoba Antique Association
www.manitobantiqueassociation.com

CJNU website:
<http://nostalgiawinnipeg.com>
Phone 942-CJNU (2568)

LITTLE TRAVELLERS

These little beaded doll pins are now available at several Manitoba businesses:

In Winnipeg:

Assiniboia Animal Hospital, 3050 Portage
Brave New World - 141 Sherbrook St.

Beyond Words Bookstore - U. of Winnipeg
City Haul - 823 Corydon Ave.

Eatit.ca - 603 Wall St.

Global Connections - Johnson Terminal at
the Forks

Hamilton Healing Therapeutic Massage -
721 Osborne St.

Lucy's Hidden Closet - 5-1767 Portage Ave

Lulu Lemon - Polo Park Shopping Centre

McNally-Robinson's Booksellers - Grant Park
Mall & Portage Place

Radiance Gifts & Treasures - 7-785 Corydon

Urban Bakery - 398 Portage Ave.

Village Antique Mall - 197 Osborne St.

And in Dugald:

Cook's Creek General Store

Or visit the website at littletravellers.net

These little dolls are made in South Africa, through an income-generating project of the Hillcrest AIDS Centre, and have been brought to Canada by SIMUNYE, a group of students (from the University of Manitoba & around the country) and concerned global citizens. SIMUNYE comes from a Zulu term meaning "we are united".