

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.

Brown Bag Doll Project begins in November with the distribution of body patterns. Modify the pattern if you want to make your Lady Doll fatter, thinner, or smaller.

Details TBA at the meeting, or call Carol Fraize at her NEW phone number, 1-204-243-2299.

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!

LEWISCRAFT DISCOUNT!

Carol has registered the Doll Club at Lewiscraft! Identify yourself as a Manitoba Doll Club member to receive a 10% discount on craft supplies.

There's a reason for those membership cards!

November Meeting

1:30 p.m.

**Sunday, November 27, 2005
at the Charter House Hotel**

- 1:30 - 2:00: Business meeting & Door Prize Draw
- 2:00 - 2:15: Show and Tell: Red and Green Dolls (Christmas or otherwise!)
- 2:15 - 2:30: COFFEE BREAK
- 2:30 - 3:00: Activity: Skills Bank

Please bring any items you can donate for the **Silent Auction** at our **Christmas Luncheon**. Small items are welcome! Proceeds from the Silent Auction will be donated to the Christmas Cheer Board.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
NOON - Sunday, December 11
at the Charter House Hotel

**COST: \$10 for members;
\$22 for non-members (full price)**

Please register at the November meeting, or call **Olga Komoski** at 334-0885. **You must register by December 4 and must pre-pay!**

SANTA EXCHANGE

Optional, but if you wish to participate, please bring a Santa - purchased or homemade - suggested value \$5)

SILENT AUCTION to benefit the Christmas Cheer Board

Entertainment TBA

Executive 2005-2006

President: *Joan Domanski* (586-8012)

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)

Email: weechi@shaw.ca

Doll Show Co-ordinator for 2006:

Joan Domanski

Photographer:

Cheryl Hamilton (889-6556)

CLUB NEWS

CLUB LIBRARIES

Items borrowed from either library are due for return at the next scheduled meeting after the date of borrowing.

Members who have outstanding items will not be able to borrow further library items until the outstanding items are returned.

For specific requests, please phone or email **Sheelagh Komus** (Pattern Library) or **Dianne Malzensky** (Books and Magazines).

Dianne: spikey@mts.net

Sheelagh: sheelakomus@hotmail.com

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

November:

Ardythe Basham

Donna Chartrand

Gretta Friesen

Joy Hillhouse

Sheelagh Komus

Janine Polley

Connie Raccio

Sharon Wilde



December:

Joan Domanski

Janet Fetterly

Nina Notaro

OTHER CLUBS

The Cloth Broads of Calgary have an exciting year planned, from Goddess Pin Dolls in September (wonder how those turned out??) to a Horrid Handful of Heads, a pin doll on the theme of "time", African Shelf Sitters, a challenge doll, and more. Their newsletter includes the pattern for the Goddess Pin Doll.

DSGNS REVIEW October 2005

features an article on celebrity dolls, a report from the Mayflower Doll Show, and Victorian doll ornaments. Find directions at www.victorianornaments.com/MakeOrnaments.html

Getting to Know You:

New Member

GENEVIEVE MONTCOMBROUX writes:

Along with husband Michael, home is a wild and woolly Interlake property we share with twenty-seven (at the last count!) Inuit Sled Dogs. In a former life I was a dancer and ballet teacher. I turned to doll making when I restored a cloth doll my grandmother made for me as a Christmas present. The doll had a German papier mache head and a sawdust-filled cloth body. The much-loved doll was the only doll I ever had. I toyed with the idea of making porcelain dolls but what with the need for a kiln it wasn't practical. So I made cloth and knitted dolls and animals for my children. I worked as a translator and wrote novels, some of which have been published. Some years ago I handed my dance school over to one of my talented former students and went back to dolls in a serious way. I still write and in winter I sled my dogs. Between all this I love to make needle-sculpted cloth dolls and knitted teddy bears (and a few cloth bears). My husband, an artist and sculptor, caught the doll bug and is teaching himself to make genre and character dolls.



Write YOUR story and send it in!

MANITOBA DOLL CLUB

presents

ON PARADE – 2006

Doll Show and Sale
Sunday, April 30, 2006
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

*Antique and Collectible Dolls & Toys,
Reproductions, Miniatures, Paper Dolls,
Teddy Bears, Supplies & Doll Related Items*

Victoria Inn
1808 Wellington at Berry
Winnipeg, Manitoba

Admission:

Adults: \$3

Seniors: \$2 (65+) Children: \$2 (4-12)

For information: Call Joan @ 586-8012

We Support Children's Charities

DOLL SHOW NEWS

Irene Henderson and Connie Royal have retired from the Doll Show business and will not be organizing the October 2006 show. The MDC voted to do the show for 2006. Katheleen Smith, Sharon Wilde, Cheryl Hamilton, Lucy Cook, and Glenda Burk have formed a doll show committee to plan and organize it. Running TWO doll shows a year will be a challenge for us – but an exciting one.

If you have ideas or can help, please contact one of the committee

ADVERTISEMENTS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27 ANTIQUÉ SHOW & SALE 10 – 4

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AFTER 6:00 P.M.

The Little Traveller - Bead Doll Pins

These 1" tall beaded dolls are made in Africa to benefit an HIV/AIDS clinic. Each one is different! They cost \$5 each and would be unique gifts. Visit www.hilllaid.org.za to find out more. Please call Ardythe at 772-9982. AVAILABLE AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING!

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

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 weechi@shaw.ca or 772-8127.

Calgary Doll Club Spring Sale

Saturday, May 6, 2006 - 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

North Glenmore Park Comm. Assoc.
2231 Longridge Drive SW, Calgary, Alberta

Admission: Adults \$3.00, Children under 12 free.

The Spring Sale will feature Antique, Reproduction and Cloth Dolls, Bears, Collectible Toys, supplies and other Doll and Toy related items.

Free Parking Hourly Door Prizes

For more information call Marina at (403) 243-6479
or email Carolyn at cbtank@shaw.ca

What do you do with a “stinky” doll?

First: Put the doll outside (in a protected area) to air. A screened porch is perfect. Not in direct sunlight, please!

Second: Freeze her! Wrap in clean cotton cloth and place in a plastic bag to protect the doll and/or clothing. (**Don't do this with composition dolls!**) Be sure to handle your frozen doll VERY CAREFULLY until she thaws.

Third: Put in a sealed container with cat litter, baking soda, or a Deodoroc (from Home Depot, McDiarmid's or other building supply place). Be sure the doll does not contact the litter, etc.

If the doll can be undressed, put the clothes in a clean pillowcase and try tumbling in the dryer (no heat) with a dryer sheet.

As a last resort only: try washing the clothes, hair or doll itself – ONLY if you are sure it will not be damaged by water. Use distilled water if possible, and the mildest possible soap. Rinse well and dry flat. Some clothes – organdy, flocking, velvet – cannot be washed at all without major damage.