

The Royal-tea Club

Dear Club Members and Friends,

Do you remember back in January when I told you this was going to be a year of change?

After eight years as your head teapot, I am taking a sabbatical to refresh and recharge my tea club batteries. Don't worry, you aren't getting rid of me yet! I will be back with renewed energy ready to head the club once again effective with the spring newsletter, April 2013. I will be wintering in Florida from late October until early March so this is the perfect time to turn the reins over to others while I am still close by to give assistance, if needed.

I am blessed that Donna Lerew and Shirley Smith have volunteered to temporarily assume my duties.

How This Affects You

immediately effective with this newsletter

RESERVATIONS

All phone calls regarding tea club business, including making reservations, for the months of July 2012 through March 2013 should be directed to Donna Lerew at 717-741-2684.

CLUB EVENT PAYMENTS

All payments (made out to the Royal-tea Club) should be sent to Shirley Smith at 19811 Gore Mill Road, Freeland, MD 21053-9402.

E-MAILS

You may continue to send e-mails for reservations and inquiries to the same email address, theroyalteaclub@aol.com. Donna and Shirley will have access to our club email account.

2013 MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

In order to make things as easy for Donna and Shirley as possible, we have started our 2013 membership renewal early. You will find a Renewal Form with this newsletter. We are requesting everyone complete this form when renewing your dues. We can then verify we have all of your correct contact information. Forms will also be available at each club event and may be paid at that time.

I will truly miss each and every one of you!

See you in April,

Sharon

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TRAVEL NEWS

We have a new trip for you! At a member's request, we planned a trip to the Hudson River Valley area of New York state. This member really wanted to go to Caramoor but we found out they no longer give tours. We didn't let that stop us. We offer you a tour

with some tried and true but lots of new places of interest! For electronic members, the trip flyer is now on our web site. If you have paper membership, it accompanies this newsletter.

FUTURE TRAVEL PLANS

Some of our Virginia members suggested a trip to western Maryland. We will start planning an autumn trip shortly for October 2013.

As **Patty Suchy** is finalizing everything for our southern Victorian England trip this September, she is also starting to plan our next overseas adventure to the northern Lake District of England, planned for spring 2014. If you are not familiar with the Lake District, please check this web site, <http://www.lakedistrict.gov.uk/>. The scenery is absolutely breathtaking! **Patty** always puts together such marvelous trips. They are not cookie cutter trips, but are done just for us. As a result, we get to see some fabulous things not on your average tour.

If you have checked out the new trip flyer mentioned above you will see we will be visiting Springwood, the lifelong home of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. On our Wilkes-Barre/Jim Thorpe trip last year we played a movie 'Warm Springs' which showcased FDR's time in Warm Springs, GA. We have never before been thanked for any movie we have shown, but everyone raved about this one. We highly recommend it. It also prompted many requests for us to plan a trip to Warm Springs. We will plan a Georgia trip probably for the fall of 2014. The new 2013 trip will start our FDR journey. If you were with us to see 'Warm Springs,' don't miss this opportunity to start at the very beginning.

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2012 UPCOMING ROYAL-TEA CLUB EVENTS

Please read the following instructions:

- Telephone number for each establishment is provided should you need directions.
- Reservations may ONLY be made through the Tea Club.
- Prices always include tax and tip.

- The cutoff date for each tea is the last date reservations may be canceled and still get a refund or credit.
- Do not send money without confirming you have a reservation.
- **Make checks payable to The Royal-tea Club!**

Reservations are now being taken for the following events:

SPECIAL EVENT

Saturday, July 28th, 12:00 Noon - The Royal-tea Club Fellowship Luncheon. One of our members, **Marcella Farina**, is a Certified Tea Specialist, and she will be our special speaker. She will discuss history, myths and facts of tea.

Please select either chicken Caesar salad or chicken salad on fancy greens when making your reservation. A vegetarian selection is also available.

Many door prizes! Come enjoy the camaraderie, Silent Auction and Book Sale.

Member Price: \$15.00. (*Price for non-members: \$17.50.*) *Address:* The address, for MapQuest and GPS purposes, is Codorus Church of the Brethren, 1129 Dunkard Valley Road, Dallastown, PA. 17313. *Telephone Number:* 717-741-2684. *Cutoff date:* July 21st. *Number of seats:* 100. *Number of seats available:* 40.

Book and Silent Auction items gratefully accepted.

Saturday, August 25, 1:00 PM - The club has enjoyed every tea event at Sugar Plums and Tea and we expect this one to be just as great! **Member Price:** \$21.50. (*Price for non-members: \$24.00.*) *Address:* 403 Bank Barn Lane, Lancaster, PA. 17602. *Telephone Number:* 717-394-9166. *Cutoff date:* August 15th. *Number of seats:* 36. *Number of seats available:* 0. A waiting list is being taken.

While out and about we discovered a new tea room preparing to open. In our quest to support new tea businesses, we decided to have two September teas this year, one a bit north and one a bit south.

Saturday, September 8th, 2:00 PM - Come celebrate the opening of a brand new tea room, A Tea Affair! **Member Price:** \$28.00. (*Price for non-members: \$30.50.*) *Address:* 8 Sturgis Lane, Lititz, PA. 17543. *Telephone Number:* 717-627-1776. *Cutoff date:* August 30th. *Number of seats:* 34. *Number of seats available:* 34.

Saturday, September 15th, 1:00 PM - This tea room, British Pantry, was visited by member **Mimi Johnson**, who highly recommended it. <http://www.thebritishpantry.us/>
Member Price: \$37.25. (*Price for non-members:* \$39.75.) *Address:* 41153 John Mosby Highway, Lenah Village, Aldie, VA 20105. *Telephone Number:* 703-327-3215. *Cutoff date:* September 5th. *Number of seats:* 22. *Number of seats available:* 22.

Saturday, October 20th, 12:30 PM - This will be our first visit to Mary Ann's Themed Teas, <http://www.taneytowntea.com/>. **Member Price:** \$34.50. (*Price for non-members:* \$37.00.) *Address:* 12 E. Baltimore Street, Taneytown, MD 21787. *Telephone Number:* 410-756-6199. *Cutoff date:* October 10th. *Number of seats:* 45. *Number of seats available:* 45.

Saturday, November 10th, 12:00 Noon - Please join us at Cross and Blue Bird for tea in the historic farmhouse. <http://www.hunterstown1863.com/id29.html> **Member Price:** \$24.00. (*Price for non-members:* \$26.50.) *Address:* 1975 Shrivvers Corner Road, Hunterstown, PA 17325 (use Gettysburg for GPS and MapQuest). *Telephone Number:* 717-339-0903. *Cutoff date:* October 31st. *Number of seats:* 16. *Number of seats available:* 16. A second seating may be arranged if there is enough interest.

SAVE the DATE

This year our Christmas Teas will be on Saturday, December 1st and Tuesday, December 4th. See the next newsletter, Autumn - October 16, 2012, for more information.

2013 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Please provide all of the following information so we may verify we have your correct information. Return it with your dues. Check should be made out to The Royal-tea Club.

Some members opt to pay for multiple years at one time. We encourage you to do this.

Mail to Donna Lerew, 110 Reynolds Mill Road, York PA 17403-9542

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____

CELL PHONE: _____

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