

The Royal-tea Club

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CLUB CONTACTS

For Reservations for RTC events and US bus trips: Contact **Donna Lerew** at 717-741-2684 or email her at donnalerew@gmail.com.

For Tea Club Payments, except ads and trips: Send checks made out to 'The Royal-tea Club' to **Carol Lee Bettendorf**, 115 Highland Avenue, Abbottstown, PA 17301-9562. Should you need to contact her, call 717-259-5577.

For New Membership Applications or Renewal of Dues: Contact **Betsy Green**, 410-259-1853 or email her at anbgreenacres@gmail.com. Mail should be sent to The Royal-tea Club, c/o **Betsy Green**, 1233 Old Fridinger Mill Road, Westminster, MD 21157-3365. Please also send the new application or renewal form with your payment.

For the Newsletter, Ads, or International Trips:
Contact **Sharon Hart** at 717-332-5851.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Usually in this space I put something light-hearted or some gentle reminders regarding the club.

Today I am going to ask all of you to revisit the trip itinerary for the trip to Canada. It truly is a fantastic trip at a very reasonable price. Unfortunately, many of our usual travelers will be away at this time in September. A very special highlight of the trip is afternoon tea at the historic Château Frontenac Hotel.

We need three more people to sign up for this trip to be a go. Those who have already signed up are really looking forward to it and a whole lot of work has been done to put it together.

Please reconsider and, if you can't go, please pass the word around to others. Club membership is not a requirement.

On another note, do you know there is a PA Tea Festival?

For more information, see An Early Elegance's ad on the last page.

Teafullly yours,

Sharon

2017 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 by contacting Donna Lerew, 717-741-2684, or by email.
- ❖ 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. (Refunds are only sent after the last tea event of the year.)
- ❖ Do not send money without confirming you have a reservation.
- ❖ Make checks payable to: The Royal-tea Club!
- ❖ Send payment to **Carol Lee Bettendorf**, 115 Highland Avenue, Abbottstown, PA 17301-9562 within 10 days of reservation.

Reservations are now being taken for the following events:

Saturday, August 5th 12 Noon and 3:00 PM seatings Hollabaugh Fruit Farm and Market

Are you crafty? Even if you are not, please join us for tea at Hollabaugh Market where you will enjoy a tea event which includes fresh fruits and vegetables from their farm. You will also make a very easy craft project, which you may take home with you. And just imagine all the lovely items in their market and gift shop at the height of the summer season!

Member Price: \$30.00

Non-members price: \$32.50

Address: 545 Carlisle Road, Biglersville, PA 19307

Telephone: 717-677-8412

Cutoff date: July 26th

Number of seats: 24 at each seating. There are 9 seats available at 3:00 PM.

Tuesday, August 19th, 1:00 PM The Emig Mansion

The price of this event also includes a tour of this 1850 mansion and a talk about the soldiers from Virginia who took over the mansion during the civil war.

Member Price: \$37.00

Non-members price: \$39.50

Address: 3342 North George Street, Emigsville, PA 17318

Telephone: 410-808-4462

Cutoff date: September 9th

Number of seats: 35. A waiting list is being taken.

Saturday, September 9th, 1:30pm The Tea Cart

Once again, we visit this lovely tea room. We love to hear Julie, one of the partners, speak. She is from Edinburg and has such a beautiful accent.

Member Price: \$34.25

Non-members price: \$36.75

Address: 16 West Main Street, Berryville VA 22611

Telephone: 540-955-0832

Cutoff date: August 30th

Number of seats: 35. There are 11 seats available.

Saturday, September 16th, 1:00 PM
The Tea Trolley

Step back into history and enjoy an afternoon tea surrounded by Victorian elegance.

Member Price: \$27.75
Non-members price: \$30.25
Address: 104 Main Street, Delta, PA 17314
Telephone: 717-303-5182
Cutoff date: September 6th
Number of seats: 42

Saturday, October 14th, 12 Noon
Tea on the Tiber

This tearoom was damaged in the flood last year. They were closed for 6 months and completely renovated the first floor. Come see the new decor.

Member Price: \$28.50
Non-members price: \$31.00
Address: 8080 Main Street, Ellicott City, MD 21043
Telephone: 410-480-8000
Cutoff date: October 4th
Number of seats: 50

SPECIAL EVENT!!!!

Friday, December 8th, 1:00 PM
The Engineers Club
at the Garrett-Jacobs Mansion

The Engineers Club is a private social club for All Business Professionals located in Mount Vernon at the historic Garrett-Jacobs Mansion - a Gilded Age mansion of the late 19th Century, featuring Tiffany stained glass windows, hand carved wood, moldings gilded in gold-leaf, imported marble and more.

Member Price: \$22.00
Non-members price: \$24.50
Address: 11 West Mount Vernon Place, Baltimore, MD 21201
Telephone: 410-539-6914
Cutoff date: November 29th
Number of seats: 65

Note: Street parking is not always available. There is a Laz parking lot 1/2 block from the mansion. To reserve a spot, after you register for tea, go online and pre-pay to reserve a parking space for the afternoon. The cost is \$13.68.

Arrangements for parking must be made with the Laz company, not through the club.

Another option for those from Pennsylvania and the northern Baltimore area is to take the light rail from Hunt Valley. The stop is 2-3 blocks from the mansion.

There will be additional November and December tea events in the fall newsletter.

TRAVEL NEWS

All trip flyers are located on the club's web site. Go to <http://www.theroyal-teaclub.org/pages/teatrips.htm> for complete trip information and itineraries.

Corners and Canals of Ottawa and Quebec City

September 21st – 27th, 2017

Are you aware 2017 is a very special year in Canada? This year is the sesquicentennial anniversary of the Canadian Confederation. It is being promoted by the Canadian government as Canada 150. Let's help them celebrate!



Please – we need three more people to sign up or we will have to cancel this trip. It is a fabulous trip at a great price!

This trip flyer is on the club's website. Visit there for more details. If you have problems obtaining the flyer, please contact Donna Lerew and she will send you a copy.

Beautiful Bryn Athyn, PA

Friday, October 20, 2017

Travel to the Cairnwood Estate, built in 1885 during America's Gilded Age, the estate is the only existing Beaux-Arts style home in Pennsylvania. Located just outside Philadelphia, you will learn all about the family who built this lovely complex of buildings. If you receive your newsletter on paper, the flyer is included. If you receive the electronic version, please go to our web site, <http://www.theroyal-teaclub.org/pages/teatrips.htm>

There are 14 seats available for this trip.

FUTURE TRIP INFO

We are in the planning stages for two international trips for 2018.

The first will be a combined **Ireland/Wales trip**. It most likely will be late May or early June. CIE, the same company we traveled with to Scotland last year, is creating this trip just for us. It is now in the final planning stages and will be released as soon as we have the information. Look for it in your inbox or mail box soon!

And at the request of one of our members, we will journey to **Germany and Austria** in November to visit the Christmas markets. This member really wanted to go with us because they said it was always more fun to go with friends. We are still waiting for the company to release its' 2018 information.

If you are interested in either of the above trips, or have any questions, please contact Sharon Hart at 717-332-5851 or e-mail her at shalee2@aol.com.

TEA ROOM REVIEW

NOTE: All members are invited and encouraged to write a tea room review at any time.

Please inform the club's hostess when you are there.

Tea at Granite Rose Tea Parlor

by Nancy Jones

On a beautiful, sunny Saturday ten of us traveled in two cars, led by Donna Lerew. We were graciously greeted by our hostess Kathy. We were forty-five minutes early; she was concerned that we not be too hungry and ready to eat. The scones were still baking. We assured her that we would be happy to look around and patiently wait. (NOTE: arriving early is NOT suggested. Tea room hosts appreciate on time arrivals, not early ones. This day Donna needed to arrive early to organize the name tags.)

The home built in 1800 is beautifully decorated. There are many lovely collections of artwork, china dishes, figurines and antique furniture. And it feels like a home. Our menu included strawberry soup, served cold, with crystallized ginger scones with black raspberry jam, Devonshire cream, and lemon curd. The savory sandwiches included asparagus and ham roll ups, salmon with lemon zest and mascarpone cheese, and deviled egg on whole wheat. Dessert was a lemon tart, a mini Bundt cake with coconut and key lime glaze (my favorite!) and slice of Granny Smith apple dipped in chocolate.

Our table was served by a young man who is a grandson of the owner. He was attentive and had a charming manner. Each person received a 12-ounce teapot with their choice of tea (black, decaffeinated, or rooibos selection) and one refill.

I liked this unique way of serving tea. Delicious food, friends to chat with in a comfortable, beautiful setting, all accompanied with pots of tea. Idyllic!

A Country Tea

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