

The Royal-tea Club, October Newsletter, 2017



We may be asking ourselves, “How can it be October?” That is what the calendar shows, and there are cooler mornings to prove it. I hope that you are enjoying the seasonal change witnessed in falling leaves. And I am here trying to compile a newsletter. I appreciate your understanding as I work on this new venture. *Nancy Jones (NMJ)*



Chateau Frontenac, Quebec, Canada

The site of a recent tea shared by members of the Royal-Tea Club who traveled by bus to Ottawa and Quebec. On the menu were tiny tea sandwiches, scones (tasted like biscuits) and scrumptious desserts. This trip was enjoyed by twenty-four passengers, who enjoyed the sights, the food and the experience. *(NMJ)*

Earlier in the year the Royal-tea Club went to Dollies Tea Room in Clear Spring, Maryland. Much love and hard work went into restoring the building (once owned by the current owner’s grandmother). Despite traveling the distance to Western Maryland, we enjoyed a delightful tea. Amy shared this recipe for the tea club to enjoy. Save it to enjoy next summer! *(NMJ)*

WATERMELON SALAD (Shared by Amy from Dollies Tearoom)

4 cups cubed watermelon

1 cup yellow tomatoes, seeded and chopped

1/3 cup Feta cheese, cubed

1/3 cup red onion, chopped

1 Tablespoon basil, chopped

1 teaspoon salt

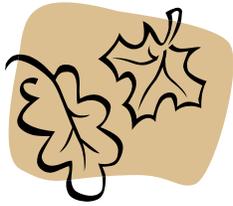
1 Tablespoon olive oil Mix ingredients and serve on a chilled plate.

Quote found in Dollies Tea Room Newsletter:

Fall has always been my favorite season.

The time when everything bursts with its last beauty, as if nature had been saving up all year for the grand finale.

Lauren DeStefano (QuotesBlog.net)



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR *THE ROYAL-TEA CLUB*

November 4, 11:00 am

Reynolds Tavern and 1747 Pub

7 Church Circle

Annapolis, MD 21401

410-295-9555

Cost \$30.50 -- Maximum 38

November 18, 11:00 am

The Front Porch Tea Room

We have been to this tea room many times – this will be the last time with the current owner Bonnie Helm.

Market St.

Hallam, PA

717-755-7510

Cost \$30.25 --Maximum 40



December 2, 1:00 pm

Cameron Estate Inn & Restaurant

1855 Mansion Lane

Mount Joy, PA 17552

717-492-0111

Cost \$32 Maximum 50

Cameron Estates is a new venue for the club. One of the Great Estates of PA in rural Lancaster County, but truly located....a world away!

Travel back in time and fill your senses with the natural beauty and tranquility of one of the great estates of PA. Fall under the spell of the grand 1805 Federal mansion, listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

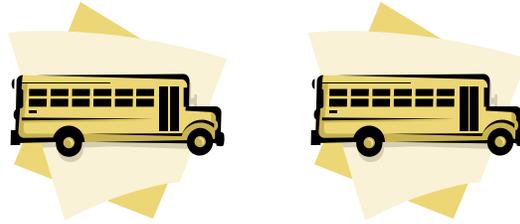
For those of you traveling a distance, stay in one of the 18 beautiful guest rooms furnished with exquisite European antiques. Convenient to quaint villages, old world farms, back roads, antiques, vineyards, golf, shopping and other attractions. The Inn is midway between Harrisburg, Lancaster, Hershey and York.

UPDATE December 8, 2017

Engineer's Club (Garrett-Jacobs Mansion)

This tea is now filled. If you want to attend, contact Donna Lerew to place your name on the waiting list. Any questions, call Donna.

REMINDER: Do not send payment until your reservation is confirmed. An event is considered closed ten days before the event. Cancellations may be made up to ten days before the event. Contact Donna for reservations, donnalerew@gmail.com or phone (717) 741-2684.



A Royal-tea Club BUS TRIP

We have had multiple requests to repeat our trip to St. Michael's.

We will have a one day bus trip on Sat. May 12, 2018

7:30 am- pick up at Frank Theater parking lot, York, PA

8:00 am- pick up at Hereford Park and Ride, exit 27 off I-83, MD

TBD - pick up I-97, exit 10 Benfield Blvd. and Veteran's Highway

Arrival 10:15 am, in St. Michael's

On your own to shop, dine, stroll the streets, watch the boats on the water.

Depart 2:30 pm for the Robert Morris Inn for 3 pm afternoon tea including soup, scones, savories and sweets.

Depart 5pm for home.

Cost \$84.00 includes bus ride, tea, driver's gratuity. Guest fee \$89.00.

Contact Donna Lerew at donnalerew@gmail.com or call 717-741-2684 for reservations.

Payment due Feb. 12, 2018. No refunds after April 1 unless your seat is filled.

Make check payable to The Royal Tea Club and mail to:

Donna Lerew

110 Reynolds Mill Rd.

York, PA 17403

Across the Atlantic

On August 30th, our long awaited trip to Wales and Ireland was released. After a flurry of activity, 34 people had signed up. At this time, there is one single room/seat remaining. We have requested an additional two doubles, or four seats.

If you are interested in this trip, please contact Sharon Hart at 717-332-5851. You may view the itinerary at www.theroyal-teaclub.org/pages/teatrips.htm or Sharon can send you one electronically or by snail mail.

AN INVITATION TO THE ROYAL-TEA CLUB

Saturday, October 28 1:00 PM

Red Men's Hall, 332 W. King St., East Berlin, PA

The East Berlin Historical Preservation Society will host this Autumn High Tea at Society headquarters, Red Men's Hall, 332 West King St. East Berlin, PA.

An intriguing narrative entitled, "Tea, Trade, Treachery, and Taxes" will be offered by a Society member and will be highlighted with tea ware from his personal collection.

Live keyboard music will provide additional entertainment.

Price \$28.

For reservations contact Sharon O'Connell 717-870-1634.

Cutoff date October 18. Number of seats: 24

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

2017 is becoming a banner year for membership in the Club. To date, we have 47 new members and 277 renewals, for a combined total of 324 members! This is an all-time high membership number since the inception of the Club in 2005.

It appears that the exceptional tea venues we have enjoyed in PA, DE, VA and MD, and all of the exciting and memorable trips we have made and are planning for the future, are constantly attracting women and men who love the adventure, fellowship with friends, and making new friends. Who says retirement is boring!!! Let's keep telling our friends and relatives about our great Club!

Betsy Green Membership

Hints for contacting the Royal-tea Club committee members:

If you are leaving a phone message on an answering machine, please say your name clearly and speak your phone number slowly. You know your phone number but we are listening carefully and the phone lines are sometimes noisy with static.

If you are sending an email, please sign your message with your first and last name. We have over 300 members and have not memorized all the email addresses. An email from "Sweetie Pie" is difficult to find among 300 members! *Donna Lerew*

REMINDER - 2018 DUES ARE DUE BY JANUARY 15, 2018 (SOONER IS BETTER!).

DUES RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL COST AN ADDITIONAL \$5.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTERS WILL BE \$10 AND MAIL COPIES WILL BE \$15.

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO INCLUDE A COMPLETED RENEWAL FORM WITH YOUR PAYMENT. *Send form and payment to Betsy Green, 1233 Old Fridinger Mill Road,*

Westminster, MD 21157-3365