

Tablecloth Pressed

June 2017

Cheers Everybody,

To paraphrase Lesley Gore, "It's Your Party" and to kick-off the celebration of the Vintage Tablecloth Lovers Club's 15th Birthday / Anniversary (or Quinceanera for those who habla Espanol) we are proud to present the very first edition of our newsletter appropriately called "Tablecloth Pressed". This will put in you the mood for a summer long party and Fiesta.

We have lots of fun activities planned throughout the summer and the first surprise is courtesy of Eileen and her talented daughter Abigail - our very first YouTube video featuring highlights of Table Setting Contests over the years -maybe you'll catch a glimpse of one of your entries! Go to the VTLC member home page and click on the new YouTube radial button (under the Facebook etc. icons). Or just follow this link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1WHYvpBI5w31EqWVIraEYg>
Trust me, you'll even love the reruns of this Oscar worthy video.

Coming up will be a Birthday Table Setting Contest in July as well as voting for the Top 15 Iconic Tablecloths of all time on the Forum. A Tablecloth and Tea Towel Report of the Top 15 Tablecloth and Tea Towel Sales of all-time is in the works as well.

Oh, and did you notice that we have begun a Membership Drive to get at least 15 new members during the month of June. Every new member will be entered in a drawing for a Grand Prize. All the details are in the membership report below.

We'd like to thank all the members who stepped up when asked and

helped create these activities for all of you. If you have an idea that you'd like to contribute, please give us a shout out and let us know...as with any party, the more the merrier.

I, for one, am already looking forward to next Summer's Sweet Sixteen celebration!

Enjoy,

Jimmie

Business and Membership

15th Anniversary Membership Drive:

We are really excited to run a Membership Drive for our 15th Anniversary! The goal is to add 15 new members. We will be advertising this on our website, on Facebook and via all of our current members.

Each new member will receive a *small gift* in addition to the member packet Anne, our Membership Director, usually sends. Plus, all new member names will go into a drawing and the winner gets a ***Grand Prize***! The Grand Prize is a complete table setting: Tablecloth, Napkins and Napkin Rings, Service for two of the Taylor, Smith, Taylor dishes, MCM Vase, Head Vase / Wall Pocket and Ostrich Figurine shown on the VTLC Public Home Page.

We have already had several people join the club since the new site has gone live and we are hoping that we can continue the trend. Please help spread the word and encourage folks to join. The member who gets the most folks to join will receive a *gift* of appreciation.

The fine print:

- The drive runs from June 9th through June 30th.
- “New members” includes returning members who have been inactive for at least one year.
- Prospective Members can join from the website and can pay via PayPal or the PayPal credit card option.
- All prizes have been donated by officers.
- If you are responsible for a new person joining, please email Anne at jamaesaka@gmail.com

Member's Birthday Reminder: We love to recognize each member's birthday. Please go to the Control Panel tab in the Forums and update or fill in your birthday information there. Month and day only if you want. You can also add a fun “Avatar” or picture that is then displayed by your name.

Membership Report: Since January, when the new site went live, 25 members have renewed their membership and we have 14 new members. That is a total of 90 members. Welcome to our new members!

Lise Petroski- New Smyrna Beach, FL
Patty Omerza - Ely, MN
Karen Solomon - Vista , CA
Kathy Creegan - Midlothian, VA
Johnna Taylor - Mattoon, IL
Pat Setzer- Charlotte, NC
Annette Fontenot- Ville Platte, LA

Debra Page- Miller, SD
Wendy Bolender- Olympia, WA
Debbie Cunagin- Fisherville, KY
Ginny Messina - Pittsfield, MA
Kay Dickinson - Cary, NC
Carla Davidoff- New Platz,NY
Kathie Renner -Deland, FL

Tips, Tricks and Tidbits for the Forum and Database

Forum: Have you been there? Members who chat there have reported they like this forum style and ease of use. Lots of fun features and in-depth conversation as well as some fun threads. Check out the business category for some tips on using the forum.

If it is your first time, we recommend printing the forum use directions. These are on the page when you choose “Forum” under the “All Things Tablecloth” tab. Look for a printer friendly format in the upper right corner. This way you can read the directions while you are looking at the next forum screen.

Database:

Member Tom challenged us to reach a goal of 1500 tablecloths entered into the database for our 15th anniversary! We reached that goal in late May. A big thank you goes to members who got busy cleaning and photographing. If you haven’t been to the database in a while there are two especially nice features. One is a really easy way to add tablecloths to the database. You can just choose that tab and review the process. And the other is an option that lists the latest 20 cloths to be added. Again just choose that tab. Easy peasey.

VTLC Social Status

Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest

Each Thursday on **Facebook** the VTLC features “Thursday’s Linen Treasures”. Member sellers can choose two “linen” items for sale to be scheduled for posting. Please submit your two items to Tom Roberts, our Facebook coordinator, at fiestaqueen1983@aol.com by 5 PM EST on Wednesday.

Tom chooses a theme for each week to increase the fun (and thus visibility) factor. Reminders for each week's themes are posted on the club business forum every Monday.

June Themes

June 1st - Summer Vacation (State souvenir cloths, beach theme, travel or continental cloths)
June 8th - Here Comes the Bride (Wedding themes, Wedding Gifts, June Bride, etc.)
June 15th - Country Life (Farm themes, Veggies, PA Dutch cloths etc.)
June 22nd - Floral
June 29th - Fourth of July

July Themes

July 6th - Summer is in full Bloom (Summer florals, hydrangeas, geraniums, roses, etc. highly encouraged but any floral will work)
July 13th - What's Cooking (Food and kitchen pattern linens)
July 20th - Christmas in July
July 27th - "What a Novel Idea" (novelty prints, the bolder the better!)

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Visit us on-line at <http://vintagetableclothloversclub.com>

Forgot your password? ☺ Contact our Membership Director, Anne at jamaesaka@gmail.com

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