

# Vintage Tablecloth Lovers Club

*Making the world a cozier place...one table at a time*



## Tablecloth Pressed

**Fall 2018**

Happy Holidays Everyone!

Fall has arrived on the VTLC Website

*New fall themed pictures are up. These will inspire you to get out your favorite fall tablecloths. Be sure to check the pages under the tabs for great photos as well.*

So many good things are happening in the Vintage Tablecloth Lovers Club these days. We want to be sure you get a heads-up for future activities. We will send separate short bulletins about each of them as time goes on.

## ***A New Tradition***

### ***25 Days of Christmas on the VTLC Forum***

Christmas is right around the corner!! Last year our 25 Days of Christmas activity was a huge success, so we are going to do it all again. For our new members this is how it works:

-  Sign up to post a picture or two on the Forums on a specific day between December 1<sup>st</sup> and December 25<sup>th</sup>. It can be a table setting, a picture of a favorite Christmas cloth, a picture of your tree or pretty much anything Christmas related.
-  On the day you have been assigned, go to our website and post your photo or photos on the Forum. Each person starts a new thread for their photos. It is that simple.
-  At the end of the holiday season we will put together another YouTube video of all of the pictures that were posted. You can view last year's video on our YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1WHYvpBI5w31EqWVlraEYg>

It was great fun last year and we are hoping for full participation from members, new and returning, this year. Anne will be compiling the list of names and dates again this year. To participate you can send a quick email to Anne at [jamaesaka@gmail.com](mailto:jamaesaka@gmail.com) If you have a preferred date, be sure to let her know. Let's make this a great 25 Days of Christmas!

### ***Secret Santa***

A long running tradition that we love! Basically, we draw names and send tablecloth gifts to the recipient. Check the overview of the "Secret Santa" gift exchange under the "Club Activities" tab for details.  
<http://vintagetableclothloversclub.com/membership/secret-santa.htm>

To get started email your name and mailing address to Jimmie at [GimmeJimmi@aol.com](mailto:GimmeJimmi@aol.com) any time. The last day to send in your name is Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> at midnight. Jimmie will draw names and let you know "who has who" on Thursday, November 29. He will email that name and mailing address to you. We usually have our "live chat, open our gifts"

the third week in December. We will send a final time and date later. This allows three weeks for the “shopping and shipping” process. Wondering what to choose? Generally, the practice is a gift you would love to open. It does not have to be MWT, nor super expensive. If it works out that you cannot attend the live chat fear not, your gift will still be appreciated. We encourage folks to share what they received on the forum, sort of our version of an “instant replay”.

**As we always say... "There is no bad tablecloth, so whatever you decide to send will be loved and appreciated."**

### ***Archive of Identified Tablecloths***

We are happy to announce that we have published an archive of identified tablecloths on the member pages of our website at <http://vintagetableclothloversclub.com>

The archive was donated to the club by Karen Humphries, owner of the on-line shop "The Vintage Table". You can find the archive on the member pages under the "All Things Tablecloth" tab. Choose "Resources". We are so very grateful to Karen for sharing this archive. The information here will be preserved on the site for education and research, which is the overriding goal of the club. There are just under 1680 tablecloths identified in the archive. This plus over 1700 in the VTLC database is truly something to celebrate. Hopefully you will have time over the weekend to browse. Be sure to join the thread on the forum, (Business Discussion Category) to learn more about the archive. A special shout out to all our dues paying members. This is another way your dues are being used and we cannot do this kind of thing without you! Enjoy!

## ***Database Update***

We now have over 1700 tablecloths identified in our VTLC Database. Submitting cloths that have either sewn-in tags or paper labels is easy to do. It is so very important that we record and preserve this information. A message to our member sellers in particular, please “submit before you ship”! ☺ Thank you so much.

## ***Vintage Tablecloth Lovers Club “For Members by Members”***

As always, members sincerely appreciate their member colleagues who donate time and expertise to the on-going activities of the club. There are some open positions where *you* could volunteer. This will decrease the load on current volunteers and bring back some currently inactive features. Listed below are the “lonely” spots that could use a volunteer. Detailed information about openings and responsibilities are at:  
<http://vintagetableclothloversclub.com/membership/members.htm>

Open positions include: Facebook Coordinator, Welcome Committee Coordinator, Sunshine Coordinator, Tea Towel Reporter, Pinterest and Instagram Coordinators, and the Offices of Vice-President and Treasurer. None of these take a lot of time, but having volunteers here would lighten the load for current volunteers and add to the activities and efficiency of the club. Please email the officers for more information at  
[info@vintagetableclothloversclub.com](mailto:info@vintagetableclothloversclub.com)

Many hands make light work is so very true! We are hoping all open positions will be filled starting in January of 2019. Wouldn't that be a great way to start a new year? We are not expecting anyone to add a new responsibility during this busy season, but we would sure like to

hear from you if you want to start in 2019!

### ***Forum Tips***

We have more members joining the forum discussion all the time. Do you have questions about what to post and maybe where to post? Very briefly, we generally like to organize topics in broad categories. It keeps the lists of topics shorter and makes things a bit easier to find particularly when searching for an older post.

Broad descriptions of categories are:

- Vintage Tablecloth Discussion Category:
  - Be a collector here: Share your love of tablecloths, questions, mysteries, tips etc.
- Tablecloth Lovers Club Business Forum:
  - Be a club member here: Share ideas for future activities, ask questions, volunteer!
- Seller's Hub:
  - Be a shopper: Add a post asking if anyone has a certain cloth you have been hunting that they might be willing to sell.
  - Be a member wanting to sell just a few tablecloths (not a shop owner): Be sure to check here for specifics to use these first two options.  
<http://vintagetableclothloversclub.com/membership/sellers-hub.htm>
  - Be a member seller here: This is the place for member sellers to ask about individual items, trends in selling, help in their shop, etc.
- Friendship:

- Be a friend here: Welcome new members, celebrate birthdays, send a Holiday Greeting, share a favorite recipe or family tradition, check on the welfare of folks, wish us all a “Happy National Hot Dog Day!”, it’s all good. The idea is to get to know each other better and make new friends.

### ***VTLC Social Status***

Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest and Instagram

Each week on **Facebook** the VTLC features “Terrific Linen Treasures” (TLT). Choose this link to read the details regarding this opportunity for member sellers.

<http://vintagetableclothloversclub.com/membership/facebook-linen.htm>

Sellers, if you are not already including a VTLC postcard or business card with sales of tablecloths or towels, please do so. These are available from Anne at [jamaesaka@gmail.com](mailto:jamaesaka@gmail.com)

Help us promote the VTLC ☺ and Thank you!

Questions? Ask Lazara, our TLT coordinator at [VTLCFacebook@gmail.com](mailto:VTLCFacebook@gmail.com)

Shopping? And aren’t we all during this busy season? Please support our member sellers in their on-line shops. Many of them sell other vintage items in addition to tablecloths. All shops are listed on the home page of the web site. Stay tuned for new and exciting opportunities via Facebook.

**Be sure to watch for...**

**Table setting Contest Winter 2019** – It is being planned, stay tuned. Of course, it will be some kind of winter theme so you can start dreaming up wonderful settings. More information to follow.

We get **Monthly Tablecloth Reports** to keep us up on selling trends and provide wonderful eye candy for collectors. Tim does a great job putting these together and they are very entertaining. Check the member pages under the “All Things Tablecloth” tab.

As members of the VTLC Board, we’d like to wish each and every one of you a wonderful Holiday Season. May you enjoy perfect vintage table settings and be surrounded by those you love.

Jimmie, Teresa and Anne

### Stay in Touch

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

Forgot your password? ☺ Contact our Membership Director, Anne at [jamaesaka@gmail.com](mailto:jamaesaka@gmail.com)

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Happy Thanksgiving Everyone!



California Hand Prints – “Turkey Time”