



**NOVELTY**  
**Salt & Pepper**  
**Shakers**  
CLUB

## 2023 CONVENTION INFORMATION



## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### July 20-22, 2023

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
All Week	Shaker shopping	Any room that is open!
All Week	Shopping and sightseeing on your own	Check the Local Attractions Section in this booklet
<b>Monday, Tuesday, 17 &amp; 18</b>		
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Raffle donations	Lincoln
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Registration, volunteer sign up, dinner seating	Mary Todd
<b>Wednesday 19th</b>		
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Raffle donations	Lincoln
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Registration, volunteer sign up, dinner seating	Mary Todd
<b>Thursday, July 20</b>		
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Board of Directors meeting	Ottawa
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Raffle donations	Lincoln
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Auction entries accepted	Salon A
9:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Theme and Display contest set up	Salon B
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Registration, volunteer sign up, dinner seating	Mary Todd
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Costume contests sign up	Lincoln
11:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Junior member's party	Governor Yates and <u>or</u> pool area
11:30 AM-1:30PM	Lunch on your own	
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM	Combined Chapter Presidents with the Board of Directors meeting.	Ottawa
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Registration, volunteer sign up, dinner seating	Mary Todd
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Costume contests sign up	Lincoln
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Raffle donations	Lincoln
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Theme contest set up	Salon B
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM	Display contest set up	Salon B
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM	First Timers' reception	Governor Yates
2:00 PM - 5:30 PM	Final Auction entries accepted	Salon A
5:30-PM - 7:00 PM	Dinner on your own	
7:00 PM	Gather for Lincoln Ghost Walk tour (we have to arrive at the start of the walk and pay by 7:15, it's about a 3-block walk)	Meet in the lobby
BE SURE TO LOOK FOR 15 HIDDEN BANKS TO BE REDEEMED FOR PRIZES ON FRIDAY (ONE PER FAMILY PLEASE)		

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
<b>Friday, July 21</b>		
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Final registration, volunteer sign up, dinner seating	Mary Todd
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Final costume contest signup	
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Move raffle baskets to Salon CD	Lincoln -Salon CD
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Final theme and display contest set up	Salon B
9:30 AM - 12:15 PM	Welcome, Roll Call of States and Countries, President's Greeting, Announcements, Introduction of Volunteers, Raffle Drawings, Presentation by Debbie Barger, 2023 Convention Shaker Unveiling	Salon CD
12:15 PM - 1:45 PM	Lunch on your own	
1:30 PM - 1:45 PM	Costume contestants gather and change	Lincoln and <u>or</u> Mary Todd
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Costume contest Vote for your favorites	Salon CD
2:30 PM - 4:30 PM	View & vote on theme and display contests	Salon B
2:30 PM - 4:30 PM	View auction shakers	Salon A
5:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Dinner, game night, redeem your banks for prizes, raffle drawings, and auction,	Salon CD
BE SURE TO LOOK FOR 15 HIDDEN BANKS TO BE REDEEMED FOR PRIZES ON SATURDAY (ONE PER FAMILY PLEASE)		
<b>Saturday, July 24</b>		
8:15 AM - 9:15 AM	Shaker distribution	Registration booth
8:30 AM - 9:15 AM	Pick up theme contest entries	Salon B
8:30 AM - 9:15 AM	Pick up display contests entries	Salon B
9:30 AM - 11:15 AM	Announcements, Lifetime Achievement Award, Business meeting, raffle drawings	Salon CD
11:15 AM - 12:00 PM	Presentation by Marcia Oswald	Salon CD
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Grab & Go sack lunch	Registration booth
1:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Announcements, raffle drawings, 2024 convention presentation, auction	Salon CD
5:30 PM - 10:00 PM	Dinner, Abe & the Babe 1 hour 1 act play, contest winners, raffle drawings, slideshow of convention, drawing of #1 shaker, passing of the S&Ps, short auction	Salon CD

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The Heartland chapter members hope you will join us for the 38th Annual Novelty Salt & Pepper Shakers Club Convention in Springfield, Illinois, the Land of Lincoln, as we Spring Into Fields Of Shakers. If you have any questions, please contact Ruthie Denney at shakerlady1@gmail.com, (309) 828-3658 (home) or (309) 830-3658 (cell).

## CONVENTION REGISTRATION

### Categories of Convention Registrants

There are two types of convention registrants: Club Members and Guests

- **Club Members** (Primary, Associate, and Junior) are paid club members, i.e., each has his/her name and address listed in the club's "Membership Roster" or "Junior Membership Roster." At convention, club members can enter any contest within their membership classification (regular or junior), vote in all contests, buy #1 convention set raffle tickets and convention sets, bid during the auctions, and buy and sell shakers from members' hotel rooms. Note, junior members can bid during the auctions only with written approval of the adult who will be financially responsible for them.
- **Guests** are non-club members who are registered for the convention on a member's registration form, e.g., non-member spouses and friends. Guests may attend all convention functions and activities. They may buy general raffle tickets but NOT tickets for the #1 convention set. Guests cannot vote, enter contests, buy convention sets, bid during convention auctions, buy/sell/trade shakers on their own, or vote at the business meeting. It is acceptable for a guest to help a member sell shakers in the member's hotel room.

### \*Daily Visitors – Club and Non-Club Members and PR-Generated Visitors

- **Club Member Daily Visitors** wanting to buy shakers for one day only prior to the actual start of the convention, may pay a \$25.00 daily fee. This fee is available the Sunday prior to convention through Wednesday before convention. This daily fee allows them to buy shakers in members' rooms. The Club does not guarantee the availability of seller rooms being open at any given time.
- **Non-Club Member Daily Visitors** wanting to buy shakers for one day only prior to the actual start of the convention may pay a \$30.00 daily fee. This fee is available the Sunday prior to the convention through Wednesday before the convention. The Club does not guarantee the availability of seller rooms being open at any given time. This fee allows them to buy shakers in members' rooms. Non-member Daily Visitors can join the club at the \$20 membership level which will allow them to purchase shakers and participate in the convention activities as a club member. This does not include meals.
- **Local PR-generated Visitors excluding media**, wanting to stop by the convention and check out our club, may pay a \$15.00 daily fee. **This fee is only available on the Friday and Saturday of the convention.** This daily fee does **NOT** allow them to buy shakers in members' rooms. Non-member visitors can apply the visitor's fee directly to club membership dues and pay a convention registration fee which will allow them to buy shakers and participate in the activities as a club member.

Daily Visitors (both Club and Non-Club members) will be issued a dated "Visitor" badge.

\*Please note that daily visitors are **NOT** allowed to SELL shakers.

## HOTEL INFORMATION

President Abraham Lincoln A Doubletree by Hilton Springfield, Illinois  
Address: 701 East Adams Street, Springfield, Illinois  
Telephone: (217) 544-8800

When calling for reservations, mention Group code "Novelty Salt and Pepper Shakers Club." You can call the hotel directly using the number listed above. For reservations via the internet, book your group rate for the Novelty Salt and Pepper Shakers Club by using this online reservation link:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/noveltyandsaltandpeppershakersclub/>

Our room rate is \$115.00 for a single or double room, \$115.00 for a triple room, and \$115.00 for a quad room. All rates are per night, plus applicable taxes. The hotel room rate is valid from July 15 – July 23, 2023 so plan on coming ahead of time or staying late to visit local attractions. **Please make your hotel reservation by July 1, 2023, to receive the block rate until the block is filled.**

**Hotel Amenities:**

- 24-hour fitness center
- Free Wi-Fi
- Non-smoking rooms
- Digital Key available with app., must opt-in
- On-site restaurant
- Indoor pool
- Business center

**Parking Services**

- Self-parking, one complimentary pass per room

**Pool Facilities**

- Indoor pool

**Property Features**

- Smoke free property

**Restaurants & Bars**

- The Globe Tavern
- Lindsay's Restaurant

**Transportation Services**

- Complimentary shuttle to and from nearby AMTRAK and the Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport.

**Rooms Features**

- LCD televisions. Cable programming (iPhone dock in some rooms)
- Complimentary wireless Internet access
- Private bathrooms with shower/tub combinations feature complimentary toiletries and hair dryers.
- Conveniences include safes and desks, as well as phones with free local calls.

**Pet Policy for President Abraham Lincoln A Doubletree by Hilton**

- No pets allowed - service animals only.

**Package receiving:** Shipped packages accepted for guests of this event up to five (5) days in advance of the convention.

## **MEALS**

Your registration fee includes the dinner buffets on Friday and Saturday nights. A grab & go sack lunch on Saturday with your choice of a sandwich, (Apple walnut chicken salad, Italian sub, or vegetarian) with assorted chips, whole fruit, DoubleTree cookie, and a beverage station with bottled iced tea, lemonade, and water is also included in your registration fee.

If you have food allergies or dietary restrictions, please note them on the registration form.

### **Friday and Saturday Night Seating**

Seating will be advanced, assigned seating. Tables will be numbered, and at registration you can select a table number based on seating charts. Seating will be at round tables with 8 people to a table. While your table number will be consistent for both nights, the location of the table will change. Changing table locations gives everyone a better chance to have a "prime" table spot for one of the two nights.

**Example 1:** You have table #5. On Friday night your table might be center, front, on the left side of the room, but on Saturday night it might be right, rear, near an exit.

To be fair to everyone, and to keep a complicated process as simple as possible, seating will be selected on a first come, first served basis. If you wish to sit with specific people, you can reserve spots for up to 8 people including yourself. Please provide the name of those for whom you're reserving places. Also, please ensure that these folks know that you will be reserving for them.

**Example 1:** You arrive on Tuesday morning, but your good friend won't get there until Thursday evening. With your friend's approval, you can reserve table spots for yourself and your friend.

**Example 2:** Your chapter wants to sit together. You will be the first to arrive at convention. With the approval of your fellow chapter members, you can reserve up to 8 spots including your own, i.e., a whole table, if it's available. If more than 8-chapter members want to sit together, then more than one person must make the reservations. Note: Your tables may not be adjacent since table numbers will be randomly placed.

## **CONVENTION ACTIVITIES**

### **Buying, Selling and Trading of Shakers**

Buying, selling, and trading of shakers are restricted to club members who are registered convention attendees and visitors who have purchased a daily pass. **Members, guests, and visitors must always wear their name badges during convention activities, including when they are buying, selling, or trading shakers in individual hotel rooms.**

### **Room Selling**

If you are selling and want to rent a table from the hotel, the cost is \$20.00, plus tax and will appear on your hotel bill. If you wish to order a table, please be sure to request one on your reservation form.

If you are selling from your room, here are a few things to remember:

- All shakers must be priced individually or placed on a table with other shakers offered at the same price with the price displayed.
- Any sets brought for display purposes must be clearly marked as "DISPLAY ONLY; NOT FOR SALE."
- Private auctions or raffles of any kind are not permitted in hotel rooms.
- Rooms are not permitted to be open during club functions. However, rooms can be open after 10:00 PM on Friday and Saturday if the auction extends beyond this time.
- Please return door hangers to the boxes next to the elevators on Saturday night after the evening function.

### **Contests**

Contests can be rewarding for participants and fun for all to view or watch. You must be a Club member to participate in any of the contests. Only registered, club-member attendees may vote on contests. Contest winners will be announced Saturday evening. Adult prizes in any contest, except theme (one prize awarded per contest category) will be as follows: 1<sup>st</sup> place: either 1 free room night (based on availability) or \$100 in cash; 2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$75; and 3<sup>rd</sup> place: \$50. Prizes for participants under 18 in any contest will be determined by the convention committee.

### **Adult Display Contest**

Adult shaker displays may be created in a choice of four sizes:

- **Little Box Display, formerly known as Shoebox display**, can be any number of shakers, but all shakers must fit inside a box that is no larger than **13" × 9" × 5" (new size)**. Neither shakers nor any part of the display can extend out of or above the box.
- **Small displays** consist of up to 30 shakers and may not occupy more than half of a standard 6-foot table with no overhang.
- **Medium displays** contain from 31 to 75 shakers and may not occupy more than half of a standard 6-foot table with no overhang.
- **Large displays** are those containing more than 75 shakers and may not occupy more than a standard 6-foot table with no overhang.

## Junior Member Display Contest

- Junior displays will have no more than 30 shakers and may not occupy more than half a 6-foot table with no overhang.

## Display Definitions

- **Shaker definition:** A “Shaker” means an individual shaker. A pair of shakers would constitute two shakers in the count for Small, Medium, and Large, or Junior displays. Individual shakers used in displays may be part or a pair or a single without a mate. One-piece shakers are counted as a single shaker. Trays, bases, and condiment pieces (such as mustard pots which are not salt or pepper shakers) are not counted in the number of shakers for display.

**Example 1:** If you enter one pair and one single in the small display contest, then three shakers have been entered.

**Example 2:** If you enter 6 pairs including a complete condiment set and two shakers with their egg cup bases, then 12 shakers have been entered.

- **Displays must meet the above dimensions even if the tables provided by the hotel are larger than 6 feet × 30 inches.** To protect your shakers and your display, please do not allow the base of your display to hang over the table edges.

## Adult and Junior Member Shaker Theme Contest

- You are encouraged to bring a shaker that you feel represents the convention theme: “Spring Into Fields Of Shakers”. Only one set per member classification (regular or Jr. Member) may be entered in the contest. Shakers are accepted on a first come basis, i.e., duplicates will not be accepted. Prizes for the adult theme contest are as follows: 1st place = \$25 plus a 1-year membership dues in the Club, 2nd place = a 1-year membership dues in the Club, 3rd place = \$10
- **SETS ENTERED IN THE THEME CONTEST MUST NOT HAVE ANY ALTERATIONS, ADORNMENTS, OR ADDITIONS. THEY MUST BE AS THEY WERE IN THEIR ORIGINAL FORM. The sets must be sets that are available for any member to buy, NO CUSTOM-MADE SETS. If there are any alterations to a set entered, it will not be eligible for a prize**

## Costume Contests

Your costume must represent an entire set, even in the one-person categories. Note: A one-piece shaker is a set. Be sure to bring the actual set that you represent, or a good photo of it, when you sign up for the costume contest (see “Schedule of Events” for when and where to sign up). You may sign up for only one type of costume contest. **All participants, regardless of age, must be club members (primary, associate, or junior).** The costume contest types are described in the table below.

TYPE	CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION
Adult Costume Contest (must be 18 yrs. or older)	One Person	A club member dresses as his/her favorite shaker set
Adult Costume Contest (must be 18 yrs. or older)	Double Person	Two club members dress as their favorite shaker set
Adult Costume Contest (must be 18 yrs. or older).	Multi-Person	More than two club members dress as their favorite shaker set(s)
Junior Member Costume Contest	One Person	A junior club member dresses as his/her favorite shaker set
Junior Member Costume Contest	Multi-Person	Two or more junior club members dress as their favorite shaker set(s).
Toddler Costume (must be under 5 yrs. old)	Toddler	One, two or more members under 5 years old dress as their favorite shaker set.
Mixed Costume Contest	Mixed	Two or more members dress as their favorite shaker set. May include ANY convention-registered club member.

**There will again be musical accompaniment for each costume entry. You can either bring your own music on an USB drive or the emcee will choose and play the music. This will be a change for ALL entries.**

## CONVENTION AUCTIONS

This section explains everything you need to know about entering items into the auction and about bidding on items. Club auctions are held Friday night, Saturday afternoon, and a short auction on Saturday evening. Only registered club members may participate in the auctions. Check the convention schedule for the 2 times on Thursday to enter sets into the auction. There will be no auction registration on Friday. Members may not bid on sets they place in the auction. Members and chapters may choose to establish a reserve price on two (2) of the entries they place in the auction.

### Shaker and Shaker Related Items Entry Allowance

Each chapter can enter up to a maximum of four sets and two trays which may contain shaker related items into the auction. Individual members can enter four sets and one tray lot which may contain shaker related items. Members may donate as many shakers as they want to the club tray lots.

### Auction Tray Lots

All auction trays will be in uniform-sized cardboard box flats, measuring a maximum of 12" x 18" (30.5 cm x 45.7 cm). The auction tray lot must consist of two or more sets of shakers or shaker related items and be only one layer deep. Shakers and shaker related items put into tray lots are **NOT** checked, are sold "as is," and cannot be returned. Members and chapters are responsible for advising the auction staff of any imperfections or damage on sets or items submitted in tray lots.

### Auction Material

The auction material is comprised of six types:

Type	Definition	Division of Selling Price
Club Tray Lot	Consists of shakers that are donated to the club and assembled into trays and auctioned. Whenever possible, each tray has at least one set valued at \$10 or more. No singles, wooden, chipped, damaged, or repaired shaker sets will be accepted.	100% to Club
Club Set	Shaker sets which belong to the Club or are donated to the Club.	100% to Club
Chapter or Club Member Shakers	Consists of individual sets registered by Club members or sets that belong to Club chapters. Each set must have minimum value of \$15. Each Club member or chapter in good standing can register a maximum of four sets.	If set sells for under \$1,000, the seller gets 80% of the selling price, and the Club 20%. If set sells for \$1,000 or more, the seller gets 90% of the selling price, and the Club gets 10%.
Chapter Tray Lot	A chapter in good standing may submit a maximum of two tray lots for the auction.	100% to chapter
Club Member Tray Lot	A Club member in good standing may submit a maximum of one tray lot for the auction.	If tray lot sells for under \$1,000, the seller gets 80% of the selling price, and the Club 20%. If tray lot sells for \$1,000 or more, the seller gets 90% of the selling price, and the Club gets 10%.

### Auction Reserve

A Club member or chapter may put a reserve on two auction entries. **A shaker set must have a minimum reserve of \$50, and a tray lot must have a minimum reserve of \$100.** All other sets or tray lots will be entered in the auction without a reserve price.

It will be up the seller to determine the reserve price. If the Auction Committee feels the reserve to be too high, the committee may discuss the reserve with the seller and make alternate suggestions, which the seller may accept or reject. Only the Auction Committee will know the reserve price.

During the auction, if the high bidder on a reserve auction set/tray does **NOT** bid up to the reserve, the high bidder will be told the reserve price and will be offered the option to pay the reserve price or decline. If the high bidder declines the reserve price, the seller will be asked to sell the set or tray to the high bidder for the bid price. No response from the seller means 'no sale' and the auction is closed for the item.



If the set or tray lot with the reserve price is **NOT** sold, the seller will be charged a fee of 5% of the established reserve price. If the set or tray lot sells for the reserve amount or above, the reserve fee will be waived. The fund distribution will be in accordance with the established procedures.

### **Letter/Number Assignment**

Club tray lots are lettered and chapter tray lots are assigned the name of the chapter/letter combination. The tray lots will be auctioned off in the order that they are displayed on the auction table at the beginning of each session. The order is determined by the Auction Committee to provide a balance at each session of all types of shakers registered. Tray lots are interspersed between sales of individual sets. Tray lots are **NOT** auctioned off sequentially.

Individual sets are assigned a number/letter combination. Individual sets are **NOT** auctioned off sequentially.

### **Bidding Numbers**

A bidding number is assigned to all registered club members and is included in the convention registration packet. Members will need this number when registering sets to sell in the auction or when bidding on auction sets.

**Note:** Registered guests and non-club members are **NOT** permitted to participate in the auction.

### **Previews**

Sets and tray lots to be auctioned will be available for preview prior to each auction. During the preview periods members should make note of trays and sets they are interested in. When previewing, members are **NOT** to handle the sets, point over the table, touch, or lean over the table. Members must be aware of items hanging from their arms or neck so that those items do **NOT** touch the table or come over the top of the table.

Helpers will be able to answer questions or provide a closer inspection. Tags will indicate any known damage, problems, or special details about the sets. Possible or known reproductions will be marked as such. To avoid confusion and disturbances, members should **NOT** approach the display table while the auction is in progress.

### **Auction Etiquette**

All members bidding in the auction **MUST** have their assigned bid number with them. The best way to place a bid is to raise the bid number for the auctioneer or one of their assistants to acknowledge. But some people place more subtle bids, such as raising an arm or nodding their head. Members must be conscious of arm movements during the auctions—a wave to a friend across the room might be interpreted as a bid on an expensive set.

The Auction Committee tries as much as possible to acknowledge all bids, but ultimately it is the bidder's responsibility to make sure their bid is **NOT** overlooked. They must do whatever is necessary to make it known that they are in the bidding. It is better to interrupt for a moment than to lose out on a set they really want. Remember, once the auctioneer announces "SOLD," the sale is final.

There is no buyer's premium or sales tax on auction items. There is a minimum bid required of \$15 for individual sets, but no minimum bid for tray lots. Sets that fail to achieve the minimum bid will be set back and it will be the seller's responsibility to reclaim the set following the auction. High bidder always takes the entire tray lot or set.

It is members' responsibility to keep track of their expenditures. They should **NOT** ask the clerks to check their total while the auctions are in progress.

The first bidding cycle will go slowly, to give members a feel for the process. Then the auctioneer will move to a more rapid pace that will continue through the Saturday evening auction. This pace is necessary to sell all the sets by the end of the convention. Members must make their bids quickly or lose out on desired sets. Sellers are **NOT** allowed to bid on shakers they are selling.

### **Duplicate Sets**

Members will be told when submitting a set for auction if there is a duplicate set already in the auction. They will be given the choice to withdraw the set or continue to place the duplicate set in the auction. All the sets will be displayed prior to the auctions. If a seller wishes to withdraw a set because there is a duplicate of that set already in the auction, such action **MUST** take place prior to the start of the first auction. An announcement of the withdrawal will be made so that all members bidding will know the correct quantity of that set remaining in the auction.

### **Returns**

Any known damage or irregularities concerning a set will be announced by the auctioneer before the bidding begins on a set. It is the buyer's responsibility to inspect the set immediately upon receipt.

Buyers have two cycles to return a shaker set which has damage **NOT** announced prior to the sale of that item by notifying the auctioneer. Sets can only be returned if the buyer discovers any damage **NOT** previously announced. Tray lots are **NOT** checked, are sold “as is,” and **CANNOT** be returned for any reason.

Any disputes or questions concerning the sets or bids will be settled by the Auction Committee, comprised of experienced volunteer club members.

### **Payment**

Buyers should wait to settle their account until they are sure they are finished bidding. The club accepts personal checks, travelers’ checks, and U.S. dollars. **Accounts MUST be settled no later than Saturday evening.**

### **Summary of Auction Rules**

The following information summarizes the auction rules:

1. Maximum of four sets and two tray lot entries per chapter, and four sets and one tray lot per member.
2. No bidding on sets or trays you registered for the auction.
3. Members have two cycles to return a shaker set which has damage **NOT** announced prior to the sale of that item. Tray lots **CANNOT** be returned.
4. Maximum tray lot size is 12” x 18” with shakers one layer deep. Members and chapters are responsible for advising the auction staff of any imperfections or damage on sets submitted in tray lots. Tray lots are **NOT** checked and are sold “as is.”
5. All disputes on bids or questions will be settled by the Auction Committee.

### **Raffle Prizes**

**General raffle and Chapter baskets:** Raffle tickets will be sold throughout the convention for \$1.00 each, 6 for \$5.00, 13 for \$10.00, or 30 for \$20.00. There is no limit on the number of raffle tickets that may be purchased, and all registered attendees (excluding visitors) may participate. These tickets are good for the chapter baskets AND the general raffle. All registered club members and guests will receive one free raffle ticket in their registration packet. Raffle drawings will be held throughout convention.

**50/50 drawing** We will be having a 50/50 drawing, tickets will be sold by 1 person, beginning Wednesday, and ending Saturday evening when the winner will be drawn. Tickets are \$1.00 each and the amount of tickets sold will determine the amount the winner will receive. The winner will get half the total and the club will get the other half.

### **Chapter Presidents’ Meeting**

On Thursday, July 20, 2023, chapter presidents (or a chapter representative) are invited to attend a meeting with the Club President and the Board of Directors. This is a great opportunity to share ideas with your fellow chapter presidents and to make suggestions to your officers.

**Volunteering** Please consider volunteering. When you pick up your registration package at convention, please ask one of the registration volunteers if any help is needed.

**First Time Attendees** Welcome! We hope you have a great first convention, find lots of shakers and make lots of new shaker friends. Be sure to plan on attending the “First Timers’ Reception” on Thursday, July 20, 2023 where you’ll have a chance to meet Club officers and other first-time attendees.

## **MERCHANDISE**

### **Convention Shaker Set**

Each year a commemorative shaker set is created to celebrate the annual convention. Only 102 sets will be made this year which includes the number 1 and 2 sets, and each member is limited to purchasing a maximum of 2 convention sets. The first sets ordered will be filled until all the first sets ordered are filled. Then the second sets ordered will be filled until sold out or there are no remaining orders to be filled. The price is \$100.00 before unveiling and \$105.00 after unveiling (if still available). Shipping (with insurance) is available for additional fees.

A special gold-trimmed “number one” set is being made and will be raffled off. Only Club members may purchase tickets for this exceptional, one-of-a-kind set at time of registration or, if still available, at convention. Club members not able to attend convention

can purchase tickets ahead of time using the enclosed registration form. If an absentee member wins the number one set it will be shipped to them at the expense of the club. Tickets will be sold at \$5 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20. Only 700 tickets will be printed. There is no limit on how many tickets a registered Club member can buy. As with the convention sets, the raffle tickets will be filled with similar sequencing. The winner of the number one set will have the option of keeping it or, if in attendance, placing the set in the auction on Saturday night.

A special silver-trimmed "number two" set is also being made. It will be placed in the Club auction on Friday night. Get your auction paddles ready! The winner of the #1 set may decide to keep it, so winning the #2 set at the Friday night auction may be your only chance to get one of the two special sets.

### **Convention T-Shirts**

T-shirts must be ordered ahead of time. Please see the registration form for sizes and costs. T-shirts are light tan. The convention logo will be in the center front of the shirt. Please order your t-shirts in advance because we will not be ordering extra t-shirts to sell at the convention.

### **DONATIONS**

We hope that you will donate to the raffles and the goody bags. If you wish to donate to the raffles, please contact Maureen Meyer at meyershakers@gmail.com and if you wish to donate to the goody bags, please contact Delores Burgess at deedle\_b@yahoo.com.

### **ANTIQUE MALLS**

Here is a list of just a few of the area's antique stores.

**The Barrel Antique Mall** 5850 S 6th St, Springfield, IL 62703 Hours 9:30 – 5:30 Daily

**Sangamon Antique Mall** 3050 E Sangamon Ave, Springfield, IL 62702 Hours 10:00 - 5:30 Daily

**Abe's Old Hat Antiques** 111 N 6th St, Springfield, IL 62701

**Magnolia Lane** 3600 S 6th St, Springfield, IL 62703 Wednesday – Saturday 10:00 – 4:00

**Lisa's Antique Malls** 14266 Frazee Rd Divernon IL 62530 Hours 10:00 – 5:30 Daily

### **DINING**

**Maldaner's** 222 S 6<sup>th</sup> Lunch Monday – Friday 11 AM – 2:30PM - Dinner Tuesday -Thursday 5:00PM – 9:00 PM (great lunches)

**Saputo's Twin Corner** 801 E Monroe Monday – Friday 11AM-10:30PM – Saturday 5PM-10:30PM Closed Sunday (great pizza)

**Cafe Moxo** Breakfast. Lunch 411 East Adams Street – Monday – Saturday 6:30AM – 3PM Closed Sunday

**La Piazza Cucina Italiana** 220 S. 6th Street Closed Monday – Lunch Tuesday-Sunday 11 AM- 3PM – Dinner Thursday – Saturday 4-9PM

**The Grille at City Centre** 700 E Adams Tuesday- Saturday 6:30 AM – 9:30AM & 5 – 9PM Closed Sunday & Monday

## LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

<https://visitspringfieldillinois.com/Landing/HistoryComesAlive.aspx>

JUNE 2 - AUGUST 6, 2023 This summer **History Comes Alive** returns for its 14th Season as Abraham and Mary Lincoln lead a cast of characters on a trip back in time!

Meet the Lincolns at historic sites throughout the city and learn about their lives in Springfield. From historic portrayals at locations such as the Lincoln Home National Historic Site, the Lincoln Herndon Law Office Visitors Center, and the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum to a Flag Lowering Ceremony at the Lincoln Tomb with the 114th Regiment Illinois Volunteer Infantry Reactivated, visitors are invited to become a part of living history. Listen to Abraham deliver some of his most famous speeches at the Lincoln Depot, meet and greet both Mary Lincoln and General Ulysses S. Grant, and enjoy live music and an ice cream social at Edwards Place.

**Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum**, 212 N Sixth St Springfield IL 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Daily

**Lincoln Tomb & War Memorials** 1500 Monument Ave Oak Ridge Cemetery, Springfield, IL 62702-2500 9:00AM – 5:00PM

**Springfield African American Historical Museum** 1440 Monument Ave, Springfield, IL, United States, 62702

**Henson Robinson Zoo** 1100 E Lake Shore Dr. Springfield IL 62712 \$7.50 Adults (13-61 years old) \$5.50 Children (3-12 years old)

\$5.50 Seniors (62+)

**Knight's Action Park & Caribbean Water Adventure** 1700 Knights Recreation Dr. Springfield, IL. 62711 9:00 AM – 9:00 PM

<https://www.knightsactionpark.com/> for pricing and activities available.

**Washington Park Botanical Garden** 1740 W Fayette Ave Springfield, IL 62704 Noon -4:00 PM

We are offering a walking tour called **Lincoln's Ghost Walk** on Thursday evening. It begins at 7:30 PM. Join this 90-minute lantern lit 10-block walking tour that uses the Lincoln sites as the backdrop for strange and bizarre stories surrounding Lincoln's life and his death! Learn about his final visit to his law office, his funeral in the old capitol, his Christian beliefs, you'll also hear about the phantom carriage, Lincoln's bizarre visions and dreams, Mary's seances in the White House, Spiritualism, the ghostly Lincoln Special and skullduggery at the tomb site. This is a factual history tour, family friendly, ADA.

**\$15- adults / \$8 children 7-17 / \$12 seniors & military Exact change or Credit card at tour time. Groups of 15 or more are eligible for a group discount \$10 adults / \$6.00 children 7-17.** Please indicate on page 4 if you are interested in doing this. We will need to give the tour guide an estimated number of those joining.

Anyone interested in viewing Ruthie Denney's collection should make plans for either Thursday or Friday July 13/14, 2023 or Sunday or Monday July 23/24, 2023. Ruthie lives 1 hour and 15 minutes from the hotel. Amtrak has a station in Bloomington's twin city, Normal, and Ruthie will help with pick up and drop off at the station if you need her to.

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