

# Steeped in Tea

Chantilly Tea Room & Gift Boutique

## Skawn, Scoan, or Scon?

Brinna Sands, vice president of Sands, Taylor & Wood, producers of King Arthur Flour in answer to this question wrote...

A young English friend of mine claims that whenever he hears scon pronounced with a long “o,” like own, his whole body begins to shudder. He says that it’s correctly pronounced scon. So as not to cause him bodily harm, I tried for some time to shorten up my “o”.

Then I heard from another English friend who said, “I grew up in a working-class family, and we pronounced it with the long ‘o’.” To pronounce it scon was con-

sidered very hoity-toity.”

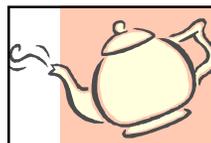
Later I was reminded that the Stone of Scone—the chunk of rock that forms the base of the Coronation Chair in Westminster Abbey—is pronounced scon. So, it would appear that it’s scon (*scoan-rhymes with loan*) for the working class, scon *skawn-rhymes with fawn*) for the upper class, and scoon (*rhymes with moon*) for the royal family.

With that tantalizing but inconclusive bit of onformation, choose your own, on, or oon pronunciation and start baking. (Italics

were added for clarification).

Since skawn is the closet to the original Gaelic pronunciation, it is probably the most correct. However, the debate continues over this question as people enjoy spreading jam and Devonshire cream on these tea time morsels.

Which do you prefer?



Join us for a pot of tea.

## Tea Tidbits

Bone china, ceramic, and pottery teapots should be rinsed well and dried after each use. If the tannin begins to build up in the inside of the pot, use lemon juice or baking soda to remove the stains; rinse very well and dry. Terra

cotta pots should be rinsed well and allowed to air dry after each use. Do not use detergents as it will be absorbed thus giving a sudsy taste to your tea.

Glass teapots may be washed with a small

amount of mild detergent or even put through the dishwasher. However, remember to rinse well until the water runs clear and no soap residue bubbles appear.

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### “Tea Brewing”

By Sanyo

Taken from Pearl Dexter's [Tea Poetry](#)  
The kettle by its singing

My attention claimed  
I beheld “fish-eye” bubbles like ocean pearls;

For the past three decades all my tastes it drained,

Yet there remains a nectar and my content unfurls.

# Doll & Teddy Bear Tea

On June 24th, 2006 young and old came together at Chantilly with their treasured dolls and teddy bears. While sipping Vanilla Cookie-doodle and English Breakfast, all guests introduced their dolls and bears. Stories were shared about 50 year old teddies and dolls from the 1800s whose clothes are tailored made by their owner to match the appropriate time period.

Since this event marked the 4th annual Doll & Teddy Bear held at Chantilly, a few had returning guests who came to

share new dolls from their collection as well as newcomers (one who even brought in a stuffed turtle over 40 years old). With a mixture of ages, everyone got along swimmingly and the adults beamed with praise at the well behaved younger generations.

Once all the tea time treats were enjoyed, many of the young ladies, dressed in their finery,

excitedly walked to each table and in quiet dainty voices shared more stories about tea parties with their faithful stuffed animal or favorite doll.



One lump or two?

## EVENTS, CLASSES & SPECIAL OCCASIONS

Chantilly's Reading Club: Begins meeting for our 3 season Th. Oct 9th 3:30-5pm

Stitch & Scones: Bring your knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, cross-stitch, or...and join us for scones, tea and fun conversation. 4th Tues. of every month. 3:30-5:30pm.

Tea Etiquette: Sat. Oct. 14th 3:30-5:30pm.

Calligraphy Class: Thurs. Oct. 19th 3:30-5:30pm.

Tea...that perfume that one drinks,  
that connecting hyphen.

-Natalie Clifford Barney

Adventures of the Mind (1929)

Pretty Princess Tea: (Dress-Up Tea) Bring the little princess in your life to our Princess Tea. Enjoy delicious tea sandwiches, treats (sip Vanilla Cookie-doodle while who meet Chantilly's own Tea Princess. Some dress-up items will be provided, but please have your pretty princess come as regally garmented as you would like. Sat. Oct. 21st 11-12:30pm. \$21.25 per person (tax & gratuity included). Res. Req.

## Looking Forward...

Tea Tasting: Sat. Nov. 11th 3:30-5:30pm. Sample a variety of teas as you enjoy our scrumptious scones and condiments. \$13.39 per person (tax & gratuity included). Res. Req.

Teacup Exchange: Sat. Dec. 2nd 3:30-5:30pm Enjoy our Victorian Tea while unwrapping a new teacup.

\$17.31 per person (tax & gratuity included).

Broken China Mosaic Frames: Create a beautiful & unique broken china mosaic frame. All supplies & iced tea included in cost. Classes will be held on 2 consecutive days \$28.00 per person is total for both classes. Dec. 6 & 7 3:30-5:30pm. Res. Req.



The magic of candlelight. Sat. Nov. 18th 5:45-8pm

Candlelight Dinner: Dine under the soft glow of candles. Hors d'oeuvres at 5:45 and dinner (3 courses) served at 6pm. Res. Req. \$36.95 per person (tax & gratuity included).

# WHAT'S NEW?

Chantilly now carries fine teas from England, Wales and Ireland.

PG Tips PG Tips is a tea that is good in the morning or for a moment of respite at the end of a long day. One of UK's popular teas, it brews to a nice strong "cupps" that holds milk and sugar well.

Welsh Brew Welsh Brew is blended in Swansea, Wales. Passed down from generation to generation, this tea is a traditional Welsh blend that is an ex-

cellent strong tea suitable for any time of day.

Barry's Blended n Cork, Ireland since 1901, this is a tea for all moments during the day when you say "I'd love a cup of tea." Selecting only the finest, quality teas from the high mountain slopes of Kenya and the Assam valley of India, Barry's steeps into quite an excellent pot of tea.



Enjoy teas from Wales, England, and Ireland.

Bewley's Bewley's has been an Ireland tradition since 1840 when Joshua Bewley opened his doors. Bewley's legendary cafes have been one of Ireland's best loved gathering places for over a century. Irish Breakfast by Bewley's is a unique blend of strong Assam and Darjeeling teas.



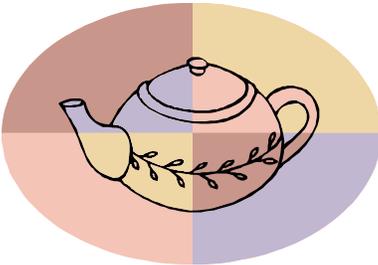
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Tues.-Sat.: Gift Btq. 10-6pm  
Lunch 11-3pm Walk-ins Welcome  
Afternoon Tea 11-4pm Res. Req.



The pleasures of afternoon  
tea...homemade lunches  
too!

### *Silk Stocking Seafood Salad*

*(Taken from Victorian Parlors & Tea Parties by Patricia B. Mitchell)*

*1 cup cooked crabmeat or lobster or shrimp, chopped*

*1 cup celery, chopped*

*1 T pimiento, chopped*

*1 T lemon juice*

*Salt & pepper*

*Mayonnaise to moisten*

*Combine everything and chill.*

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## Tea Time Entertaining

To encourage guests to RSVP (which means “respondez sil vous plait” or “please respond”), write a specific date on the invitations (Day/Month/Year). Having received no response by the date requested, it is appropriate to call your guests the following day.

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Use slightly chipped teacups as table decorations by filling them with water and floating a candle or create a floral ar-

rangement with fresh or silk flowers.

Broken china can also be utilized to create beautiful mosaic items.

See Broken China Mosaic Frame class on page 2 to learn about classes offered at Chantilly,

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The question is often asked concerning whether milk is poured in the teacup before the tea or after.

Dorothea Johnson, Director of The Protocol School of Washington, states: “Don’t pour the milk in before the tea because then you cannot judge the strength of the tea by its

color. You may have heard or read that milk precedes the tea into the cup, but please, please dear tea lovers, don’t be guilty of this faux pas.”

