

Proper Tea

By Reservation, Seatings at 11:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.
Thursday, Friday & Saturday, \$23.95 per person plus tax & gratuity

Teapot to share plus the following

Scone

Clara J's Lemon Curd, Devonshire Cream & Strawberry Jam

Savories

Broccoli Snap Salad in a tortilla
Warm Artichoke Pinwheel
Surimi Crab Melt Triangle

Sandwiches

Clara J's Signature Ribbon Sandwich
Traditional Cucumber
Turkey and Cranberry Pinwheel

Sweets

Clara's Cookie
Chocolate Mint Mousse Brownie
Coconut Joy with Jam
Friendship Fudge to share

Children's Menu

Tea Room Sandwich

Classic Cucumber, Grilled Cheese, Turkey & Cheese or Peanut Butter & Jam or

Macaroni & Cheese

Served with finger Jell-O, Gold Fish & Teacupcake, Raspberry Lemonade or Tea, \$9.95
for those over 12 years of age \$1.50 add on

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Children's Proper Tea in the British Tradition is available by Reservation
\$16.95 Plus Tax & Gratuity

Thank you for coming to Clara J's Tea Room.

We appreciate that you have chosen a locally owned business to patronize!!

We would be honored to host your special event. ... Bridal Tea, Baby Shower, Birthday Party, Garden
Club, Bridge et al. ... Carry-out & Catering?? We can assist!!

"Devonshire Tea" For Two

Two Scones, Devonshire Cream, Lemon Curd, Jam, Medium Pot of Tea \$20.00
For ONE guest: One Scone, Tea Tray with small pot of tea \$10.75

Nuts, mushrooms & onions are used in food preparation in Clara's Kitchen
Split a meal add \$2.75 Menu Substitutions add \$1.50

For the comfort of all guests **PLEASE** turn your cell phone off

Lunch Menu

Tea Room Sampler, Petite Scone, Devonshire Cream, the daily Savory, half of a
Ribbon and Cucumber Sandwich, Daily Sweet & Tea of the Day, \$16.95

Quiche, Always Vegetarian, made in house with the finest cheeses
Accompanied by Winter Solstice Salad & Tea Bread ... \$11.25

Roasted Butternut Squash and Apple Salad, over greens with Swiss cheese,
candied walnuts, and Pomegranate vinaigrette, \$10.25

Clara J's Shepherd's Pie, ground beef, peas, carrots, topped with mashed potatoes &
gravy, served with fresh fruit \$11.25

Ploughman's Lunch, an English cold meal, traditionally consists of cheese, pickle,
mustard, & bread. We add a slice of corned beef & turkey, candied walnuts, & a smoky
lapsang tea egg \$14.00

Sandwiches

Served with Chips & Winter Solstice Salad, \$11.25

(broccoli, dried cranberries, apples and coleslaw)

Bread choices include white, multigrain, English Muffin, or everything, gluten free \$2.00 additional

Clara J's Signature Ribbon, layers freshly sliced breads with chicken salad, garden
medley seasoned cream cheese, & spinach spread

Reuben Finger Sandwiches, Pumpnickel, corned beef, Swiss cheese, sauerkraut,
Thousand Island dressing, toasted & garnished with a cornichon pickle

Surimi Crab Melt, served on a toasted English muffin, with zesty cream cheese,
mushrooms & white cheddar

Winter Chicken Salad, multigrain bread, romaine, apples, dried cranberries, & sage

Turkey & Cranberry Wrap, cranberry chutney, pears, roasted turkey, & romaine

Gourmet Grilled Cheese, everything bread, white cheddar, sundried tomato pesto, &
spinach

Soup & Salad or Soup & Half Sandwich, \$11.25

Soup from Clara J's Kitchen

Creamy Chicken Orzo or Vegetable Soup du Jour
Cup \$4.75 Bowl \$5.75

Sweets

Clara's Cookie, \$1.75

Sweets Sampler for two from the Proper Tea Menu, \$9.50
Scone \$3.55; Devonshire Cream, Jam & Lemon Curd, \$4.00

Gluten Free dessert available upon request

The History of Clara Charlotte Jaessing

Clad in an apron and a mellow demeanor, Clara Jaessing Keller was as comfortable in her kitchen and vegetable garden as she was catering parties or starting her own restaurant.

Born April 16, 1903, the fraternal Granddaughter of early settlers to the Maumee Valley. Her grandfather, Carl Clemens Jaessing, was born in Dresden, Germany and settled here in 1860.

Clara's maternal grandparents, Frederick and Charlotte Kleile were shopkeepers and owned a meat market right here on West Wayne Street and a slaughterhouse on Cass Road.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church in the heart of Historic Maumee was an important part of the Jaessing Family heritage. Grandfather Carl was the 1st appointed Trustee there, and Clara's father and her brothers Carl (my Father) and Fredric were active members. Clara's 1914 Confirmation photograph graces the mantel at 219 West Wayne Street.

Despite her mellow demeanor, Clara was driven, and went on to attend Baldwin-Wallace College at a time when few women pursued higher education. She studied Culinary Arts, a discipline that would suit her well for years to come. In August 1941, she married Frank Keller, a skilled carpenter, and they settled on 40 acres near Stony Ridge. In 1957, Frank and Clara built a home on her property in Maumee just a short distance from the Stuckey's Restaurant franchise that she established at the corner of Ryan and Reynolds Roads. While Clara had many talents including beadwork, needlework, quilting and baking, she was clearly an adept businesswoman, using her family money wisely to build her business.

My Aunt Clara was 13 years older than my father Carl, so she was like a grandmother to me and my five siblings. We cherished our regular visits with Aunt Clara, who although childless, knew how to make us feel comfortable and loved. Aunt Clara died in 1962 at the age of 59. Although she was not a tea aficionado, Clara loved all things culinary, and so, it seems appropriate, that on this Maumee street where her grandparents used to keep shop, Clara's enduring spirit remains in Clara J's Tea Room.

~Rebecca Jaessing, Proprietor



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Clara J's Tea Room

Serving Lunch Tuesday-Saturday 11:00am-2:00pm

Open Sundays, December 3rd, 10th, & 17th
10:00am to 3:00pm

Tea and Sweets 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Neapolitan Gift Shop

Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

