

Historic Foodways Society of the Delaware Valley presents:

Sacred Sweet-Tooth

Constance L. Kirker

Date: Saturday – July 14, 2018
Place: Pottsgrove Manor
100 W. King Street, Pottstown, Pa 19464

Registration: 10:30 am (*No food or drinks in the museum please)
Program: 11 am – 12 noon,
Picnic/Tour: 12:30 pm

It's picnic time! Once again HFSDV members and guests will gather to learn something new and share a fun meal. Constance Kirker will start the morning with a presentation of her recent research focusing on how the innate and universal human preference for sweets and candy manifests itself in varied and diverse religious practices and traditions, which, in turn, create and define group identity. Sweets function both symbolically and practically in the "culinary philosophies" of each of four major religions to be considered here: Hinduism, Buddhism, Christianity and Islam. Several of these sweet treats will be available to sample at the picnic.

Pottsgrove Manor is the lovely, tranquil site of the Georgian home of the John Potts family. John Potts was a successful businessman and possibly the greatest Iron Master in the Colonies. Over time the Manor transitioned from a private home to a post-Civil War hotel, a multi-dwelling residence, until it was finally abandoned in the 1930s. By 1936, civic minded efforts to preserve and document the history of the area began the long journey to bring the Manor back to its present elegant state. Tours will be available after lunch, and you will want to stroll about the garden area and grounds before you leave.

In keeping with the theme of the day, we request that you bring food, sweet or savory, to share at the picnic lunch that represents something religious or spiritual to you or your family. Everyone is welcome to share the significance of their food with the group while we eat. There are some modern appliances if you need to warm your food. Plates, cups, utensils and cold drinks will be provided. If the weather cooperates we can dine outside under the shade of the trees, so **bring your chairs along.** Parking is available close to the Manor at a parking lot across the street.

Registration DEADLINE: July 7th

Names of Members: _____ Phone number: _____

Member(s) @ \$20 x _____ = \$ _____ Guest(s) @ \$30 x _____ = \$ _____

Total enclosed: \$ _____ Guest Names _____

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