



Strawberry Luncheon

Mary Lincoln Luncheon

Saturday, April 18, 2020 at Noon at the Edward's Place Historical Home.

Edwards Place, built in 1833 and remodeled in 1857, is an historic house museum that tells the story of social and domestic life in Abraham Lincoln's Springfield, Illinois. This Italianate mansion was once a center for social activity in Springfield. Prominent citizens and politicians such as Lincoln, Stephen A. Douglas, David Davis, and numerous governors, judges, lawyers, and politicians were entertained at lavish dinner parties and the grounds played host to many summer picnics and political rallies.

Edwards Place was the home of attorney Benjamin Edwards, youngest son of Governor Ninian Edwards and brother-in-law of Mary Lincoln's sister Elizabeth. Although the Lincolns did not court or marry here, Edwards Place is currently home to the "courting couch" on which Lincoln and Mary Todd sat during the early days of their romance, originally the property of Ninian Edwards.

Luncheon - \$25 includes lunch at the Edward's Place, business meeting, guest speaker and tour of the mansion.

Elizabeth Keckley, Mrs. Lincoln's dress maker will be our guest speaker. Kathryn Harris is a retired librarian, and is the Past President of the Abraham Lincoln Association.

Lunch choice:

_____ Red Rover, Red Rover – Fresh spinach, bleu cheese, pecans, red onion, strawberries and grilled chicken.

_____ Ken's Club – Multigrain bread, turkey, bacon, swiss, romaine, tomato and tarragon mayo with fruit salad.

Also includes a dessert tray with sweet treats plus strawberry lemonade/water.

A new Mary Lincoln - Association of Lincoln Presenter's polo shirt will be available next year. You will find an order form with the Conference materials. Cost is \$30 each. A purchase will help defray a small portion of the cost of the speaker and tour. The first 24 ladies who order a shirt will also be able to pick out a free reticule.

