



**The Monterey Peninsula Committee  
of The National Society of The Colonial Dames  
of America in California**

*Cordially invites you to Board Annual Reports  
& Election of 2024-25 Officers at our*

## **ANNUAL MEETING**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2024**

**STEINBECK HOUSE, 132 CENTRAL AVENUE, SALINAS, CA 93901**

9:30 AM Members Arrive ▪ 9:45 – 11:00 AM Members-Only Annual Meeting  
10:50 AM Candidates & Guests Arrive ▪ 11:00 AM Program Begins  
12:00 PM Lunch

**PROGRAM** Professor Emeritus Susan Shillinglaw will present about John Steinbeck. Dr. Shillinglaw graduated with a B.A. in English and Art from Cornell College and earned a Ph.D. in English from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. Since 1984, she has been a Professor of English at San Jose State University (currently FERPing), where she was Director of the University's Center for Steinbeck Studies for 18 years. She was also Director of the National Steinbeck Center in Salinas from 2015-18.



Dr. Shillinglaw has published widely on John Steinbeck, most recently *Carol and John Steinbeck: Portrait of a Marriage, On Reading The Grapes of Wrath*; and *A Journey into Steinbeck's California*. Currently, she is writing a book about Steinbeck's landscapes. She has also served on the boards of Hopkins Marine Station, the Cannery Row Foundation, SJSU's Center for Steinbeck Studies, the National Steinbeck Center, the Monterey Museum of Art, and the Western Flyer Foundation.

**LUNCH** Please select one of the following ½ sandwich/wraps to be served with a green salad, beverage, and dessert:

- Bacon, Lettuce, Avocado, and Tomato Sandwich
- Turkey, Avocado, and Bacon Wrap
- Veggie Wrap

Individuals may order and pay for wine by the glass.

**RSVP**

- \$49 per person; please make checks **payable to NSCDA-CA**, and write your sandwich/wrap choice on your check.
- RSVP by **Wednesday, March 13 (FIRM)**, by sending your check to Margie Martin, PO Box 7472, Spreckels, CA 93962 or calling Margie at (831) 776-3470.