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CGCI 80th Convention

May 15-19, 2011

Luther Burbank District and Mendo-Lake District invite you to the 80th CGCI Convention, **May 15-19, 2011** in beautiful Northern California. This special 80th annual meeting will provide opportunities to meet old friends, make new ones, share ideas and hear wonderfully informative speakers, including the keynote speaker - internationally recognized garden designer, [Kate Frey](#), who is a three-time medal winner at the Chelsea Flower Show in London (see Kate Frey's photo to the right).



In addition to the tri-refresher courses and hands-on workshops, there will be tours and time to take in the breathtaking beauty of this world-renowned region. For more information,

contact [David West](#) or [GinaBell Smith](#), Co-Chairmen.

Sights to plan on visiting include:

- [Luther Burbank Home & Gardens](#)
- [Luther Burbank Experimental Farm](#)
- [Armstrong Woods](#)
- [Quarry Hill Botanical Gardens](#)
- [Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens](#)
- [Sonoma State University](#) Butterfly Garden, Nursery & spectacular Winery Gardens

Convention Headquarters:

[Sonoma Wine Country DoubleTree Hotel](#)

One DoubleTree Drive

Rohnert Park, CA 94928

707-584-5466 / 800-222-TREE

The Sonoma Wine Country DoubleTree Hotel is situated on twenty-two park-like acres between the dramatic panoramas of the Sonoma Coast and the award-winning appellations of Wine Country. The special CGCI rate is \$99.00 per night. Check the CGCI website, under [Board Members / Next Meeting](#), for more details (Call to Convention).

[Click here](#) for the Convention Registration Form.

[Click here](#) for the Convention Highlights (For Your Information).

[Click here](#) for the Convention Schedule.

[Click here](#) for the Credential Form.

[Click here](#) for the Post Convention Tour Registration Form.

[Click here](#) for the Post Convention Tour Flyer.

[Click here](#) for the Tri-Refresher Flyer and Registration Form.

[Click here](#) for the Exhibit Room Registration Form.

Tri-Refresher



May 15-16, 2011

"Nature's Beauty & Bounty: Up Close & Personal"

The Tri-Refresher, which will be held on May 15-16, 2011, will be a GREAT OPPORTUNITY for, not only environmental, gardening and landscape design consultants to refresh their credential(s), but this is a GREAT OPPORTUNITY for garden club members to join in with the consultants to LEARN! The [brochure with registration form](#) can be found on the CGCI website under Board Members / Next Meeting, or [click here](#).

Deadline to register is

April 1, 2011.

Space is limited, so register early.

Questions: Contact [Nancy Bailey](#).

Itinerary:

Sunday, May 15, 2011

- Lecture: Alternative Energy & The Geysers Region
- Lecture: Collecting Seeds in the Wild to Preserve Genetic Material
- Lecture: Bringing Nature's Beauty & Bounty Home

Monday, May 16, 2011

- Bus Trip to Sonoma State University - tour [Kenneth M. Stocking Native Plant Garden](#)
- Travel to [Richard's Grove & Saralee's Vineyard](#) in the Russian River American Viticulture Area
- En Route - "Right Plant - Right Place" lecture
- Tour of [DeLoach Vineyards](#)
- En Route - Lecture on Luther Burbank



2011 CGCI Convention Post Tour

May 19-20, 2011
"All Aboard . . . Destination: Mendocino Coast!"

CGCI invites you to join fellow garden club members on the 2011 Convention Post Tour which will take place May 19-20, 2011.

Space is limited. **Deadline to register is April 1, 2011.**

Itinerary

Thursday, May 19, 2011

- 1:00 pm - Load bus at [Sonoma Wine Country Doubletree](#)
- 1:15 pm - Depart Rohnert Park (snacks on the bus!)
- 2:30 pm - Arrive at [Saracina Winery](#) in [Hopland](#), California certified organic winery with first wine caves in Mendocino County
- 3:45 pm - Depart for [Fort Bragg](#)
- 6:00 pm - Arrive at [Harbor Lite Lodge](#) - most rooms overlook the harbor at [Noyo Bridge](#)
- 7:00 - 8:30 pm - Buffet-style dinner (at the lodge) provided by Fort Bragg Garden Club

Friday, May 20, 2011

- Continental breakfast at the lodge, featuring homemade waffles
- 8:45 am - Load bus at [Harbor Lite Lodge](#)
- 9:00 am - Depart for [Mendocino Botanical Gardens](#), a jewel on the Pacific Coast
- 9:15 am - Arrive for a docent tour of Mendocino Botanical Gardens or visit [Digging Dog Nursery](#) (featured in *Martha Stewart & Sunset* magazines) with carpooling by members of Fort Bragg Garden Club (subject to weather and spring garden conditions)
- 11:00 am - Load bus for town of [Mendocino](#) (snacks on bus!)
- 11:30 am - Arrive in Mendocino - Self-guided walking tour and lunch on your own
- 1:30 pm - Load bus to travel down Pacific Coast Hwy. 1 to Hwy. 128 through [Anderson Valley](#)
- 2:45 pm - Arrive at [Goldeneye Winery](#), dedicated to production of world-class Pinot Noir wines
- 5:30 pm (approx.) - Arrive at Sonoma Wine Country Doubletree

Price

All of this for only \$175 per person - an amazing deal!

The tour form can be found on the CGCI website, [home page](#), right side, under "Board

Members" and "Next Meeting" or [click here](#). If you have any questions, contact [GinaBelle Smith](#), Mendo-Lake District Director.

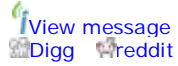
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