

# YOU ARE INVITED TO THE 2017 MONTANA GRAPE AND WINERY ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

March 30 – April 1, 2017

KwaTaqNuk Resort in Polson, Montana

This year's conference is all set to go, and your registration packet to sign up for the event is posted on this site along with this invitation!

The registration packet consists of three documents: The first page is a flyer with an overall summary of the conference. The second page is the detailed schedule of classes and events. The third page is the registration form to print out, fill in and send, with your check, to register for the event. This form will also allow you to support the Association and become a member by paying a 2017 membership contribution. The contribution is tax deductible under IRC 501(c)(3). (Sorry, we don't have the ability this year to take electronic signup or payment. You'll need to print the registration form on paper and send us a paper check in order to register. We'll try to get electronic signup/payment next year!)

In addition to a terrific line-up of speakers, there are a couple of types of things that we haven't done before. The Friday banquet dinner will include wine tasting, as before, but this year we will also open the 7:00 o'clock dinner/wine tasting to the public. Seating will be limited to 40 additional people (tickets will be first come, first served), so if you or someone you know may be interested, check out the registration form and act right away to get tickets.

Also, we have a Saturday morning session with two tracks. You will see on the registration form that registrants will need to identify which track they wish to attend. One track will include a hands-on pruning workshop at a local vineyard, so you might want to bring your favorite set of pruning shears (some will also be available). This track will also include a demonstration of installed irrigation/water management equipment and techniques.

The second track consists of a beginner's class covering the basics of grape growing and wine-making. This class is intended for someone who doesn't have any experience in these areas but who is interested in starting out. Thus, this class will be made available to the public. Existing members can sign up for this class, but seating for the class will be limited to a total of 30 people, again on a first come, first served basis. If you sign up for the rest of the conference and want to sign up for this class, there is no additional charge (but hurry). For persons not attending the rest of the conference, the cost will be \$30.00 per person to attend.

Please get your registration in as soon as possible. Hope to see you at the conference!!

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PS –If you'd like to join the Association's Facebook group, search for Montana Grape and Winery Association on Facebook and request to join the Facebook group.