

Dear MTBBA,

The annual MTBBA conference is before us and we are excited about blending lots of information that is important right now with a little stress reducing fun and social opportunities. We have selected Fairmont Hot Springs Resort in Fairmont, MT. Members will be staying in one location allowing more time to interact and pick each others brains.

We have listened to past convention attendee's and the board and have planned more time for Innkeeper to Innkeeper discussions and not have such a packed agenda. This does not mean you will not gain great information, we think it will be even more...we each have a wealth of knowledge that we can assist each other in our areas of interest.

For Starters, tour some of the area BnB's you may have never seen....

Thinking about checking in early?? If so, take advantage of a shuttle system that will allow us to visit some of the outlying BnB's as a group and then come "home" to relax in some of the hot springs pools.

Monday, the conference starts with breakfast and registration 8:00am. The day includes several compelling guest speakers and events: Betsey Baumgart from Travel Montana, MTBBA's Webmaster Jeff Logan, the all important business meeting, the time effective two minute drills, Being Green, and more. (The agenda will be posted on the web site closer to the convention).

The evening entertainment will have a new twist. We will have our normal no-host social hour, and then have a 50's Rock n Roll buffet dinner complete with root beer floats and apple pie! There will be a best 50's costume contest so dig deep in your closet and be ready for a fun evening!

Tuesday begins by watching a cooking demo, and then the majority of the morning is spent learning about marketing...a key area in a slow economic period.

To sign up, fill out the form and mail it in...then get ready for a relaxing yet energizing couple of days to help kick off the 2010 tourist season! (The form is available on the MTBBA web site)

For lodging, rooms are set aside at Fairmont Hot Springs Resort under the MTBBA conference for \$99/night. After February 22nd, the rooms are no longer set aside or given the special room rate, so book now!

We look forward to seeing you at the conference.  
Tom and Nancy Malikie, Convention Coordinators