

CALIFORNIA, HERE I COME

Cookie Cutter Collectors Club 2010 Convention Information



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- 1) **Dates and Location:** The 2010 Cookie Cutter Collectors Club biennial Convention will be held June 24-26, 2010, at the Doubletree Hotel San Francisco Airport, 835 Airport Blvd., Burlingame, CA 94010-9949, 650-344-5500. The theme is “California, Here I Come!”
- 2) **Please support the Convention.** REMEMBER! Everyone who stays at the Doubletree helps the Club to cover the cost of the meeting rooms. You’ll also get to do more at the Convention!
- 3) **Register for the Convention by May 15, 2010.** The enclosed **Convention Registration Form** has information about various registration options. To register, make a check payable to “CCCC 2010 Convention,” and **send your check and the Registration Form to:** Shirley Roberts, 2385 Alberta Court, Santa Clara, CA 95050-3310.
- 4) **Prize for Early Registration:** there will be a drawing on April 15th, 2010, for a unique custom cookie cutter. All registrations received by that date will be eligible to win the cutter.
- 5) **Reserve your hotel room by May 15, 2010.** Use the enclosed **Hotel Form** to make your reservation at the Doubletree Hotel. On the form you will find information about rooms, prices, and phone numbers for the Doubletree. Please reserve your rooms as early as possible, especially if you will need a room designed for handicapped access.
- 6) **Roommates:** If you want to be matched up with a roommate, please contact Shirley Roberts at: 2385 Alberta Court, Santa Clara, CA 95050-3310, TAHAROB@aol.com, or 408-554-1747.
- 7) **Transportation:** “California, Here I Come!” You’ll probably come by air, train, or car. **By air**, fly into San Francisco International Airport, then call for the hotel shuttle. **By train**, roll into the train station at Richmond, California, where you’ll transfer to regional transit (BART train) with a San Francisco Airport destination; once at the airport, call for the hotel shuttle. **By car**, make your way to Highway 101 on the San Francisco Peninsula, take exit 419B toward Broadway, and follow the signs to Airport Blvd. Parking is \$10.00 per-day for overnight guests and \$5.00 per-day for local attendees.
- 8) **Meals:** Lunches are optional but we encourage you to join with fellow cookie cutter collectors and discuss your beloved hobby. We have left breakfast up to each of you. The Doubletree has a cold and a hot breakfast special available, and there is a nearby café and another hotel directly across the road. Both Thursday and Friday evenings you can dine at the Doubletree Hotel, choose a nearby restaurant, or take the city shuttle into downtown Burlingame for a night out on the town.

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- 9) **Dress:** Attire is casual and comfy. (**TIP:** the hotel is right by San Francisco Bay, and the summer weather can be breezy, cool, and even foggy; be sure to pack a sweater or light jacket. Also bring your denim duds: **Saturday is Denim Day** all day long - at the Banquet, too!
- 10) **Welcome Reception:** There will be a reception on Wednesday evening, June 23, 2010, prior to the Convention from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Sugar ‘N Spice in Daly City. It will be hosted by the shop’s owner, Jeanne’ Lutz. Registered convention attendees who will already be in the San Francisco Bay Area Wednesday night are invited to enjoy beverages, appetizers and camaraderie the evening before the Convention begins. Be sure to mark the Registration Form if you would like to attend the Reception, so we can plan transportation from the Doubletree Hotel.
- 11) **Cookies for the Hospitality Table:** Please bring **4 dozen cookies** to share with everyone during our meeting breaks. Please bring them in containers you can leave behind. The Northwest Sprinkles are kindly managing the Hospitality Table for us.
- 12) **Decorated Cookie Contest:** We invite you to bring a specially decorated cookie for our cookie decorating contest. Decorate it to reflect the Convention theme, “California, Here I Come.” Your cookie will be entered in just one of three categories: Frosted, Fondant, or Photo. Convention attendees will vote for their favorite decorated cookie in each category. Once the winners are announced, you will be asked to share your decorating techniques so we can all learn more about decorating.
- 13) **Goody Bag items:** Each Convention attendee will be given a Goody Bag at the Convention. The Goody Bag Committee is asking members to donate cutter-related items to the Goody Bags. **Please send 144 of each item by May 15, 2010, to:** Sherril Barber, 3330 Mt. Diablo Blvd. #307, Lafayette, CA 94549.
- 14) **Goody Bag purchases:** You can use the Convention Registration Form to order extra Goody Bags for delivery following the Convention. Besides member donations and items solicited from manufacturers, the Goody Bags will also contain all favors given to attendees by the hosting club, with the exception of the exclusive Convention cutter. The Goody Bags will be shipped in the order that checks/requests are received. Checks will not be cashed until Goody Bags are sent. Cost includes shipping.
- 15) **Raffle Gifts:** We ask members to donate cookie cutter or cookie-related gifts for the raffle. We suggest a value of at least \$10. Raffle tickets will be sold at the Convention. (**TIP:** bring address labels to stick on your tickets.) Drawings for all the wonderful donated gifts will be part of the Saturday Banquet. The top prize will be a Convention Quilt from the hosts of the 2008 Convention in La Crosse, Wisconsin. Remember - your donated raffle gifts create a truly fun event, AND the sale of raffle tickets provides important seed money for the 2012 Convention so we can have even more great times together! **Send your raffle items by May 15, 2010, to:** Pam Nelson, 7741 Curry Rd., Fallon, NV 89406. If you are planning to bring your donation directly to the Convention, please let Pam know ahead of time at pgwnn@phonewave.net or 775-423-7630 so she can prepare for your donation.
- 16) **Charity:** This convention you will have an opportunity to assist a deserving student pastry chef. For the service offering, you can fund a scholarship in the name of the national Cookie Cutter Collectors Club. Please send your contribution along with your registration information. Even if you can't come to California for the convention, you can use the Convention Registration Form to send a contribution to this worthwhile fund.

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- 17) **Cookie Cutter Scramble**: If you’ve been to Conventions before, you know how much we love to SCRAMBLE! We’ll have two scrambles at the 2010 Convention, on Thursday night and Friday night. Bring duplicate cutters and cookie-related items to SELL to other members, and be prepared to hunt for new-to-you items. When you find that special cutter you’ve been looking for, you’ll do the Scramble Dance!! Remember, whatever you sell makes room for new treasures from the tinsmiths and other vendors in the Vendor Room!
- 18) **Show and Tell**: You are invited to bring your great cutter finds and mystery cutters to share with all of us at Show & Tell sessions during the Convention program. If you want to share more than 3 items or want to share for more than 5 minutes, please contact Marilee Mortenson at mandm5929@mac.com, or 707-718-5979, to arrange for a block of time on the program.
- 19) **Business Meeting**: Do you have a topic for the Business Meeting on Saturday? Please put your motions in writing so time can be allowed for you in the business meeting. **Send your business item by May 15, 2010, to:** Doni Bryan, 4833 Hartwick Rd., Rocklin, CA 95765, or DoniB54@gmail.com, to get on the Business Meeting agenda.
- 20) **Door decorations**: This is a fun way to identify other members’ rooms in the hotel, and to meet up with old and new friends. Design a decoration that says “California, Here I Come!” and bring a wreath hanger (available at craft stores) to hang it from your hotel room door; please do not attach decorations to the door itself. **TIP:** as a precaution, please make your decoration from items you would not be concerned about losing, should anything unexpected happen. Decorations from simple materials can still be very fun and creative!
- 21) **Regional Club Banners**: Remember to bring your Club Banners to the Convention!