Invitation to the 2024 DSD Mid-Winter Meeting

You are invited to attend the 2024 DSD Mid-Winter Conference to be hosted by the Tampa Rose Society the weekend of January $19 - 21^{st}$, 2024 at the Best Western Gateway Grand Hotel and Conference Center in Gainesville, Florida. Take Exit 390 to get off I-75. The Hotel is located on the north side of Gainesville just west of I-75, at the 39^{th} Avenue exit (SR 222).

Starting on Friday, January 19th afternoon, the popular arrangement seminar will focus on how to make an award-winning arrangement. Friday night dinner on your own was popular, so we are continuing that option. The Registration table will be set up around 12 noon on Friday and a list of local restaurants will be available to review.

Please join us after dinner to greet old friends and make new friends in the Hospitality room located in the Presidential Suite on the third floor.

Several vendors will be selling different types of roses and rose growing supplies. Be sure to order the roses and amendments you want ahead of time, if possible.

Saturday's programs will feature a variety of speakers for CR credit, and there will be a DSD members' meeting. Please check out the wonderful raffle prizes. The raffle winners will be announced immediately after the DSD members' meeting, and you must be present to win.

The Banquet will be held Saturday evening and various district award recipients will be announced and honored.

Sunday morning, January 21st, the Consulting Rosarian School will be held for new applicants and Consulting Rosarians who need to recertify. New candidates need to apply at least 30 days ahead of time by contacting our DSD CR Chair, Janet Newburgh.

Please be on the lookout for the registration form in the next DSD Newsletter and on the website and start planning to celebrate the New Year by attending the Mid-Winter Meeting.

Let's start the 2024 year with some fun and learning!

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