



*2023 Carolina District
Mid-Winter Meeting
February 3 - 4, 2023*



Dear Fellow Presidents:

The South Carolina Rose Society is delighted to host the 2023 Carolina District Mid-Winter Meeting, *Midnight & Roses*. We want to share information and the registration form with you and ask that you in turn share this with your members. Please encourage everyone to **Save the Date!**

Dates: Friday – February 3, 2023, hotel arrival. Check in time is 4 PM
Saturday – February 4, 2023, all day sessions, lunch on your own, evening banquet & auction
Sunday – February 5, 2023, time to depart

Location: **Embassy Suites Hotel**
200 Stoneridge Drive
I-26 and Greystone Blvd
Columbia, SC 29210

Hotel Reservations: To qualify for our special rate of \$119 per night (plus taxes), you **MUST book your hotel room by Friday, January 13, 2023.** Remember to tell them you're attending the Carolina District Meeting to get this group rate!

Call 803-744-8132 or 800-EMBASSY to make your reservations.

Event Registration: **The cost to attend the meeting is \$95 PER PERSON WHICH INCLUDES THE SATURDAY NIGHT BANQUET!** If you are only attending the banquet or are bringing a guest to the banquet with you, the cost is \$50 per person.

The registration form for the meeting is attached.

Make your check payable to the **South Carolina Rose Society or "SCRS."**
Please mail payment and completed registration form to:

Kim Austin
934 Buck Shoals Road
Gaffney, S.C. 29341-5516
kimaustin@bellsouth.net
864-494-6383

The President's Meeting will be held Friday evening at 7 P.M. This will be a good time to see old friends and make new friends. Please be prepared to share an update of the highlights of your society at this meeting. If you aren't able to attend, please ask someone to attend in your place.

We are asking each society to contribute a gift basket for the Saturday evening auction. Attendees will have a chance to vote for their favorite gift basket, so please get your creative and competitive juices going! Delores Snellgrove is responsible for the gift baskets so look for more information from her. Also, we need additional items that you are willing to donate for the Saturday night auction! Please bring them to the meeting Friday night. Thank you in advance for your support and help with this.

We will share updates with you regularly via email and social media. We follow all of the local rose societies in the Carolina District on Facebook and ask you to please do the same. This is an easy way for us all to get information out and reach a broader audience! Please be sure to share our posts on the upcoming Mid-Winter District meeting on your Facebook page.

If you have any questions, please let us know. We are counting on your support and are looking forward to seeing everyone at the *Midnight & Roses Mid-Winter Meeting* in Columbia!

Yours in roses,

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The South Carolina Rose Society cordially invites you to attend
The Carolina District Mid-Winter Meeting, Midnight & Roses
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REGISTRATION FORM

Meeting registration is \$95 per person prior to January 13, 2023

Meeting registration is \$115 per person after January 14, 2023

NAMES OF ATTENDEE(S): _____ PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____ ROSE SOCIETY: _____

Your event registration includes:

- Complimentary beverages and snacks Friday & Saturday evenings - *for hotel guests only*
- Hospitality room with refreshments on Friday evening and during the day Saturday
- Complimentary breakfast at the hotel Saturday and Sunday mornings - *for hotel guests only*
- Banquet dinner at the hotel including vegetarian options
- Educational rose programs, meeting for rose society president, vendors, door prizes, live auction!!!
- An online schedule will be posted by 11/30/2022 at www.carolinadistrict.org and www.scrs.org

_____ Number of guest(s) for meeting/banquet registration at \$95 per person (paid by 1/13/2023): Total \$ _____

_____ Number of guest(s) for meeting/banquet registration at \$115 per person (paid after 1/14/2023): Total \$ _____

_____ Number of guest(s) attending the Saturday buffet dinner only (no meeting registration) \$50 each: Total \$ _____

CHECK TOTAL: \$ _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "SCRS" AND MAIL WITH REGISTRATION FORM TO:

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Questions? Call or text:

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Hotel Accommodations

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Additional Request

I am bringing an item(s) on Friday to donate for a door prize or for the auction. YES _____ NO _____

ATTENTION ALL SOCIETIES: For our auction, we ask your society to donate a gift basket filled with items of your choice. The basket receiving the most votes from the attendees will win a cash award. Please include your society's name on the bottom of the basket.