

PENN-JERSEY DISTRICT CONVENTION & ROSE SHOW 2013

This year's district convention and rose show will be hosted by the West Jersey Rose Society and will be held from **Friday, September 6 through Sunday, September 8, 2013** at the **ML Hotel** in Mt. Laurel, New Jersey 08054, Telephone: 856-234-7300, www.thehotelmml.com.

On Friday, September 6 a **Judges School** will be held for those interested in becoming a horticultural judge or those judges who need to renew their credentials. In the evening a "**Social Hour**" will be held followed by a "**Casual Dinner**." From 12 midnight Friday, September 6 until 10 am Saturday, September 7, the **Rose Show Prep** area will be open to exhibitors and artistic design arrangers who want to get their roses ready and enter them.

A "**Vendor's Area**" will be open on Saturday morning and judging will begin at 10:30 am with the show open to the public at 1 pm. Additionally, two workshops will be featured in the afternoon. "**Classic Shrub Roses**" will be presented by **Yankee District Director, Craig Dorschel** and **Jersey Shore Rose Society's President Mary Hahn** will whet our appetites with a talk on "**Cooking With Roses**." **Awards** will be presented starting at 4 pm. **Dinner** will feature keynote speakers from the **ARS** and begin at 7 pm. On Sunday, a garden tour of **Philadelphia's Morris Arboretum** will also be available to those attending the convention.

The hotel selected for this convention also features a **55,000 sq. ft. indoor water park and entertainment center** and those members attending the convention and staying at the hotel will receive an **admission discount**. The hotel is also less than ¼ mile from Exit 4 of the New Jersey Turnpike and Exit 36A of I-295 and 22 minutes or 12 miles from Philadelphia. In fact, this hotel's close proximity to the **City of Philadelphia** as well as **Atlantic City** will make this convention a great way to make this a vacation destination.

The convention registration and hotel reservation information as well as the complete rose show schedule will be included on the **West Jersey Rose Society's** website: www.wjrs.org. So check it often for additional information and updates.

The following attractions are located within driving distance of the hotel:

- Adventure Aquarium in Camden, NJ
- Garden State Discovery Museum, Cherry Hill, NJ
- Battleship New Jersey, Camden, NJ
- Six Flags Great Adventure and Wild Safari, Jackson, NJ
- Ramblewood Country Club Golf Course, Mt. Laurel, NJ
- Philadelphia Zoo, Philadelphia, PA
- Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia, PA
- The Franklin Institute, Philadelphia, PA
- National Constitution Center, Philadelphia, PA
- Independence National Park (Home to Independence Hall, The Declaration of Independence and The Liberty Bell), Philadelphia, PA
- Philadelphia Sports Complex (Wells Fargo Center, home to the Flyers, 76ers, Wings and Soul; Lincoln Financial Field home to the Eagles; and Citizens Bank Park home to the Phillies), Philadelphia, PA.

