



W. E. Skelton 4-H Educational Conference Center

~Adult Education Opportunities for Spring 2011~



As part of its commitment to furthering the educational interests and needs of area adults, as well as visitors to our Lake from across the country, the W. E. Skelton 4-H Educational Conference Center at Smith Mountain Lake is pleased to present its schedule of Adult Education Programs for the Spring of 2011. Enrollment will be limited and demand is expected to be high; consequently, early registration is advised. Visit our website at www.skelton4hcenter.org for course updates and additions.

Computers for the Barely Computer Literate

March 3, 2011

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

In a positive, good humored environment, Clay Jackson will ensure that every student, no matter their current position on the “computer learning curve,” leaves with a greater understanding of and appreciation for the benefits that a home computer can provide. You’ll also learn all the latest hardware and software jargon familiar to the typical grade-schooler. If you feel you’re not getting the most out of your computer system, or are thinking about upgrading to a more modern one, this is the course for you. Registration fee covers instruction and lunch.



We’re again offering this course with a money back guarantee – you can’t lose!!

Cost: \$60.00

“Colonel” Bill’s Redesigned Antique/Appraisal Course

March 8, 2011

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Join the Lake’s premier version of “The Antiques Road Show” as local antique expert, “Colonel Bill” returns to the Center with a redesigned one day antique and appraisal course. The “Colonel” will present information concerning identifying various antique styles and prices, and, in addition, will provide an appraisal of your personal antique treasures brought to the class. Registration fee covers instruction, appraisals, and lunch.



Cost: \$30.00

Shape Note Singing (Sacred Harp Singing)

March 22 & 23, 2011

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM



Shape Note Singing is a tradition of sacred choral music that took root in the Southern Appalachian region by combining traditional English-style hymns with local Southern musical customs. A recent example of this style of mesmerizing music was featured in the movie *Cold Mountain*. Learn about and practice this unique form of singing under the expert guidance of Jim Baldwin, a leader of several local musical and choral groups. Registration fee covers instruction and lunch both days.



Cost: \$50.00

Beginning/Intermediate Guitar

March 31, April 7, 14, 21, 28,

& May 5, 2011

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Under the patient guidance of experienced instructor, Judi Britt, learn the basics of how to begin, or further establish, a firm foundation and understanding of the skills necessary to master and enjoy the guitar. Emphasis will be placed on Chording, Rhythm, and Picking. No musical experience needed, just a guitar, the desire to learn, and a positive attitude! Registration fee covers instruction for all six sessions.



Cost: \$50.00

Beginning Your Artistic Journey: Exploring the Many Worlds of Art

April 5 & 6, 2011

10:00 AM – 4:00 PM

This unique, multi-dimensional course is designed to ignite that “spark” in the many budding artists out there. Instructor Mary Anne Meador will introduce the class to the various artistic media available, including watercolor, acrylic, oil, and pastel, as well as review key components such as value, shape, and composition in order to guide students on this creative journey. A list of materials necessary for the course will be provided prior to the first class. Registration fee covers instruction both days.



Cost: \$80.00

Cooking with Westlake Kroger’s Jason Hardy

April 19, 20, & 21, 2011

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Learn how to prepare and serve unique dishes for the Easter season under the expert guidance of Chef Jason Hardy, well known and respected chef at Westlake Kroger. Surprise family, friends, and even yourself with truly delicious and memorable meals learned from this three-day course. Class size is limited to eight participants, so sign up early for this unique opportunity! Registration fee covers instruction, and all the leftovers you can eat!



Cost: \$60.00



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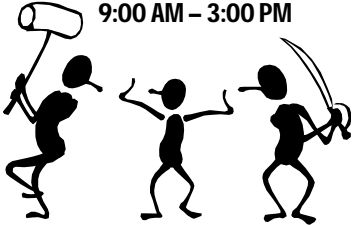
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Conflict in the Mountains: Famous Appalachian Feuds

May 3, 2011

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM



If you thought the dispute between the Hatfield's and McCoy's was the most interesting feud in American history, this is the course for you! The list of famous, tragic, and often humorous feuds numbers in the dozens. Discover the surprising reasons they started, why they continued and, perhaps more surprisingly, who was involved. The Hatfield/McCoy feud will be examined along with the local "Hillsville Massacre," and a number of others you've probably never heard about. Registration fee covers instruction and lunch.

Cost: \$30.00

Beyond Genealogy: Exploring Your Family History

May 11, 2011

9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Tracing one's family history has become a favorite pastime for many people; however, there's a lot more to it than merely searching through the Internet and poking through dusty files in county courthouses. In order to thoroughly understand and appreciate the search for a family history, it's important to go beyond names, dates, and cemetery records, and to place that history in the context of the time(s) studied. Join Ellen Brown, a local historian and experienced researcher and teacher, as she explores the field of genealogy from a different perspective. You can learn more about Ellen's background and passion at www.vahistoryexchange.com Registration fee covers instruction, snacks, and lunch.



Cost: \$50.00

Road Scholar Events:

April 4-7, 2011:

Antiquing in the Blue Ridge

May 16-19, 2011:

How the Civil War Shaped Jubal

Early, Booker T. Washington;

Plus a Little Moonshine

June 6-9, 2011:

The American Presidency: Sex, Drugs & Lies in the White House



The W.E. Skelton 4-H Center at Smith Mountain Lake has been hosting Road Scholar (formerly Elderhostel) programs since 1989. In addition to visitors of Smith Mountain Lake, local area residents are welcome and encouraged to enroll in Road Scholar programs as well. Spring Road Scholar Course descriptions are available on our website: www.skelton4hcenter.org, under the "Adult Education" tab. For more information on the Road Scholar program, please contact Dennis Crowley, the Skelton 4-H Center's Adult Ed. Coordinator, at 540-721-2759, ext. 264 to discuss our programs and fee structure. Or, for a more complete picture of the Road Scholar experience, visit their website at www.roadscholar.org, or call 1-800-454-5768.

To Register:

Please complete this form and mail with your payment at least one week prior to event to:

W. E. Skelton 4-H Educational Conference Center; Attn: Dennis Crowley

775 Hermitage Road, Wirtz, VA 24184

www.skelton4hcenter.org

Name: _____ Telephone: _____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Course/Course Date: _____