



# W. E. Skelton 4-H Educational Conference Center

## Adult Education Opportunities for Spring 2012



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](http://www.skelton4hcenter.org) for course updates and additions.

### Introduction to Pistol Shooting

**February 25**  
**9:00 AM – 5:00 PM**

Utilizing our state-of-the-art 12,000 square foot indoor shooting sports complex, experience a full day of instruction by Peter Fissette, NRA Certified Instructor and President of the Smith Mountain Lake Pistol Shooter's Association (SMLPSA). The course will cover basic handling, design, safety, storage, and ammunition basics. At the conclusion of the course, participants will receive an NRA Certificate of Completion which can be used to apply for a concealed carry permit. Participants can bring their own handgun or utilize one of the few that will be available. Registration fee covers instruction, live-fire range time, and lunch. Please contact Peter Fissette to register or learn more (540.400.1070 or [themayorofsmll@yahoo.com](mailto:themayorofsmll@yahoo.com)).  
**Cost: \$100.00**

### "Colonel" Bill's Redesigned Antique/Appraisal Course

**March 14**  
**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 on identifying various antique styles and prices and will provide an appraisal of your personal antique treasures brought to the class. Registration fee covers instruction, appraisals, and lunch.  
**Cost: \$25.00**

### Shape Note Singing (Sacred Harp Singing)

**March 6 & 7**  
**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: \$40.00**



### Unleash Your "Hidden Clapton": Beginning Guitar

**February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**  
**10:00 AM – 11:00 AM**

Under the patient guidance of experienced instructor, Judi Britt, learn the basics of how to 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: Utilizing the "Bob Ross" Method

**March 24 and/or April 21**  
**9:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

Learn to paint just like America's favorite artist, Bob Ross. In one short day you will paint your own masterpiece guided by certified instructor Genia Wright. No art experience is necessary and in just a few hours you will have your own 16" x 20" painting to take home. Discover the talent in you and surprise your friends, family, and yourself! The "Bob Ross" method really works! Registration fee covers materials and instruction either day.  
**Cost: \$50.00**



### Cooking with Westlake Kroger's Jason Hardy

**April 24, 25, & 26**  
**10:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

Learn how to prepare and serve unique dishes for the spring 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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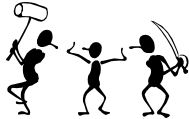


### **Conflict in the Mountains: Famous Appalachian Feuds**

**April 11  
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: \$25.00**



### **Like Dentists without the Drill: Painless Tax Preparation**

**February 29  
9:00 AM – 12:00 PM**

It's that time of year again. If you're beginning to panic about the deadline of April 15<sup>th</sup> then take advantage of the expertise of Chuck Marlowe, the former Controller of ITT and a certified tax preparer and learn the in's and out's of the Federal tax laws. In a low-key, patient environment Chuck will guide you through the preparation of a basic tax return and answer your questions concerning individual tax related matters. Registration fee covers instruction.

**Cost: \$10.00**



### **Make and Play your own Dulcimer with Anne Lough**

**April 24, 25, & 26  
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

Even though it sounds too good to be true, you can actually make and play your very own dulcimer in this three day workshop. Even if you have no musical experience (or aptitude), under Anne's patient and expert instruction you'll leave the course with your very own dulcimer along with the ability and desire to play it for family, friends and your own enjoyment. Anne has instructed hundreds of people in mountain and hammered dulcimer at the prestigious John C. Campbell Folk School in Brasstown, NC, the Western Carolina Dulcimer Week, Swannanoa Gathering and other festivals and workshops throughout the country. Registration fee covers lunch each day, instruction, practice time, and your very own dulcimer.

**Cost: \$125.00**

#### 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](http://www.skelton4hcenter.org)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Course/Course Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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](http://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](http://www.roadscholar.org), or call 1-800-454-5768.