



Quilts Ahoy!

Welcome Aboard.....

Sail through your classes.....

Cruise along with friends.....

And most important of all, **CELEBRATE YOU!**

Plans have been underway since 2008 and the excitement is mounting! We are returning to **Smith Mountain Lake's (SML) 4-H Center** near Roanoke, VA, where the accommodations are great and the facility and scenery are beautiful. There will be exciting workshops, interesting lectures, great vendors, the silent auction, door prizes, favors, and lots of **FUN!!** Gather to learn new skills or brush up on old ones, greet old friends and new, enjoy lots of good times and laughter, and share the **Quilts Ahoy Celebration!** Start making plans to join us **TODAY!** Come sail away and join the **Quilts Ahoy Celebration.**

 Here's the most important information:

- **Celebration Dates: April 22 – 25, 2010. Check-in: 3:00 PM April 22. Depart: 11:30 AM April 25.**
- **Cost: \$335 per VCQ member and \$360 per non-member. All-inclusive fee with the exception of kit fees, class supplies, and spending \$\$\$ for vendors & silent auction.**
- **Registration opens August 8, 2009, at the VCQ meeting and a \$50.00 deposit will reserve your spot.**
- **Registration closes March 1, 2010 (or at capacity).**
- **Final payment due March 1, 2010.**
- **Specify roommate requests on your registration form.**
- **Roommates: There will be a 3 person per room minimum; 4 maximum.**
- **Handicap facilities are available.**
- **SML 4H Center Emergency phone number: 540.721.2759**
- **More details on page 3!!**

Your Celebration 2010 committee looks forward to seeing you at the Lake in April! Please contact us with any questions:

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Jean Hensley, Janie Lawless, Linda Quinn, Sharon Pafford, Stephanie Schaefer, & Cindy Stachelski



CELEBRATION 2010 SCHEDULE



Thursday, April 22, 2010

3:00PM – 5:00PM

Registration, turn in Block Lotto, register for the Chatelaine Contest, and register Past Year's Completed Projects for Show & Tell

Drop off items for the Silent Auction at the Central Activities Building(CAB)

Dinner



5:30PM – 6:30PM

6:45 PM – Program

Buck Night (explanation on page 4)

Welcome and Show & Tell of Past Celebration Projects plus Door Prizes

Introduction of Teachers with Class samples

Meet & Greet the Teachers. Specialty items will be for sale by the teachers

Merchant Mall (Open until 9:30 PM)

Friday, April 23, 2010

7:30AM – 8:30AM

Breakfast

9:00AM – 12:00PM

Friday Workshops, Merchant Mall, and Silent Auction

12:15PM – 1:15PM

Lunch, 12:45 PM Door Prizes

1:00PM – 5:30PM

Merchant Mall and Silent Auction

1:30PM – 4:30PM

Friday Workshops continued

4:30PM – 5:30PM

Free time, visiting with friends

Merchant Mall, Silent Auction, vote for Chatelaine Challenge entries

Dinner



5:30PM – 6:30PM

6:45PM – Program

Fat Quarter Friday (explanation on page 4)

Lecture: **Scrap Users System by Bonnie Hunter**

Block Lotto Drawing; Door Prizes

Merchant Mall Vendors and Silent Auction (Open until 9:30PM)

Saturday, April 24, 2010

7:30AM – 8:30AM

Breakfast

7:30AM – 1:30PM

FINAL Silent Auction Bids

9:00AM – 12:00PM

Saturday Workshops

12:15PM – 1:15PM

Lunch

12:45PM

Door Prizes

1:30PM – 4:30PM

Saturday Workshops continued

1:30PM – 5:30PM

Merchant Mall and **FINAL** Vote for Chatelaine Challenge

4:30PM – 5:30PM

Free time, visiting with friends

5:30PM – 6:30PM

Dinner

6:45PM – Program

Lecture: **"The Singing Quilter"**

Block Lotto Drawing, Silent Auction Winners

Chatelaine Contest Winners, Door Prizes

Merchant Mall – FINAL **Mid-Night Madness** shopping



9:30PM – 10:00PM

Sunday, April 25, 2010

8:30AM – 9:00AM

Non-denominational Worship Service

9:00AM – 10:00AM

Breakfast

10:00AM

Show & Tell of Celebration 2010 Class Projects

Block Lotto Drawing & Door Prizes

Time to pack & load cars, farewell



Celebration 2010 – FAQ's



What does it cost? What is included?

- ◆ **VCQ Members: \$335.00; Non-member: \$360.00.** *If you would like to become a VCQ member, please visit the web site at <http://www.vcq.org/join.htm>.*
- ◆ Includes lodging, meals, all workshops (except kit fees & supplies), lectures, special events.

How do I register?

- ◆ Registration opens at the **August 2009** VCQ meeting. The brochure will also be available on the VCQ website at approximately the same time at <http://www.vcq.org/cele.htm>. Workshops are on a 1st come, 1st served basis. Confirmations to be mailed after March 1, 2010.
- ◆ Your \$50 **non-refundable** deposit must accompany your registration form (last page of brochure). A paid deposit reserves your space and will be deducted from the total cost. **Registration closes March 1, 2010.** All deposits will be recorded in the sequence in which they are received with workshops assigned accordingly. Members who pay deposits at August or November VCQ meetings may send in the workshop selection/registration form by **Dec. 1, 2009.**

When is final payment due?

- ◆ **Final payments must be received by March 1, 2010.** You may pay in installments, as long as the total is received by March 1. Remember to keep your VCQ membership up to date.
- ◆ **All payments should be made payable to VCQ (notation: Celebration 2010) and sent to:**
Janie Lawless, 11 Marvin Gardens Dr., Moneta, VA 24121
VCQcelebration2010@gmail.com 540.721.4748

What is the cancellation policy?

- ◆ Cancellation requests must be submitted **in writing** to:
Janie Lawless, 11 Marvin Gardens Dr., Moneta, VA 24121
No refunds will be issued for requests postmarked **after February 1, 2010**, due to commitments to the 4-H Center and contracted teachers.

What about lodging?

- ◆ Housing is dormitory style in rooms accommodating a maximum of 4 and have a private bath with shower. The rooms will have: a double bed and two twins with a trundle; heat and air-conditioning; and ample storage. Handicapped facilities are available. Please indicate your needs on the registration form. Refrigerator and ice machines are available in the dormitories. **There will be a 3 person minimum; 4 person maximum per room.** Please indicate your roommates' names/preferences on the Registration Form. **SML 4-H Center is a non-smoking facility.**
- ◆ Bed linens (beds will be pre-made), pillow, blanket and towels will be provided.
- ◆ If desired, you will need to bring a bath mat, extra towel, and quilt for your bed.

What are the meals like? What if I have special dietary needs?

- ◆ Meals are buffet style in the dining hall. 3 meals per day are provided (beginning with dinner on Thursday and ending with breakfast on Sunday). Indicate any special **Dietary Restrictions** on the Registration Form. Every effort will be made to accommodate allergies or dietary restrictions but cannot be guaranteed.

What do I need to bring?

- ◆ See page 26 for a checklist of things to bring to *Quilts Ahoy*.

Where is Smith Mountain Lake's 4-H Center?

- ◆ The map on page 26 shows the general location in Virginia. See page 25 for driving directions. Check the Smith Mountain website (<http://www.ext.vt.edu/resources/4h/smithmt>) for any changes in directions prior to departure on April 22, 2010. Consult a VA road map or the Map Quest website (<http://www.mapquest.com>) for more specific details.

How can my family get in touch with me if there's an emergency?

- ◆ Note the SML 4 H Center emergency phone #: **540 721-2759**
- ◆ Bring your cell phone and charger.



Events and Special Activities

Workshop Format:

Six hour workshops will be offered on Friday and Saturday. You may also choose to substitute “Come Quilt with Me” for any of the workshops. The Mystery Class will run all weekend (12 hours). All your options are summarized on page 8.

Silent Auction:

The Silent Auction will again be a favorite activity at Celebration 2010. Please keep in mind this is not a time to just clean out your sewing room. Besides raising funds to support our Celebration event, it is an opportunity to bid on and “win” some wonderful items donated by our generous participants and outstanding faculty. We invite you to join in the fun and donate patterns, books, kits, fabric, blocks, and UFO’s for the auction. We will accept most quilt-related items and finished quilted projects. **Any of the committee will accept the items at any VCQ meeting prior to the event or at the Silent Auction drop off table in the Central Activities Building between the hours of 3 – 5 PM on Thursday.**

Block Lotto: See Photo on Page 14



This was one of the most exciting activities of past Celebrations! Thanks for your participation. Here's how it works. You will purchase a packet containing 1 fat quarter of white background fabric along with directions for making the block. You will need to add a blue batik fabric . reminiscent of water. Any shade of blue is okay but stay away from the batiks that have a printed design on them. There will be enough background fabric in your packet to make 2 blocks. The block is made up of half square triangles (HST). **The block should measure 12 1/2 inches when you turn it in.** For each block you turn in, your name will be put into a drawing to win a set of blocks for a quilt top. The number of sets will depend on how many blocks are turned in. The cost is \$3 per packet. It is important that everyone have the same background fabric, so please do not substitute another white fabric in your blocks. The guidelines and a photo of the quilt are available on the VCQ Celebration web site at <http://www.vcq.org/cele.htm>. Block lotto is being administered by Cindy Stachelski (540.721.2588) or cmsquilter@gmail.com).

Buck Night



Each participant who pays one dollar upon entering the auditorium for the evening activities will receive a numbered ticket. Be sure to keep your ticket handy. The dollars collected will be used to create several gift certificates which will be good at any of the vendors during our 2010 VCQ Celebration. There will be several drawings for these gift certificates during the evening program.

Chatelaine Contest:

What is a Chatelaine? A chatelaine is designed to wear around your neck and is an excellent sewing aide for the enthusiastic quilter or seamstress. It has multi pockets for scissors, thimble, thread, and other supplies. To participate in the contest, make your own Chatelaine. There are many patterns available. There are instructions from the Internet or even an old tie can be used. Be creative - embroider, paint, appliqué, crazy quilt, add lace, beads, ribbons, buttons, and pockets from miniature blocks for thimbles, threads, scissors, rulers, etc. Use a favorite quilting technique and embellish up a storm. See how many sewing items can be stored in your chatelaine! You can Google “chatelaine” for additional information and patterns online. Participants will wear their chatelaines all weekend. At check-in, you will be given a number to attach to your chatelaine for recording votes by the attendees at Celebration 2010.

Merchant Mall:

Vendors will be joining us at Celebration 2010 in April. They will have fabric and notions to support the classes that are offered as well as a variety of new and wonderful things to enhance your quilt-making. Make sure to support these great folks who work hard to provide us with everything we need.

Meet & Greet the Teachers:

On Thursday evening, attending faculty members will introduce themselves and show items being created in their weekend classes. Meet and greet each teacher, who will have a table to display his or her kits, supplies, patterns and books for sale. They will be glad to talk to you about the latest techniques and sign your books and patterns. Please visit their websites prior to the event.

Evening Programs:

Celebration 2010 is excited to bring you special lectures. Thursday evening’s program introduces our faculty. The Friday and Saturday evening programs feature lectures by 2 faculty members (See pg 8). Continuing the tradition begun at the 2004 Celebration, there is an admission fee to the evening program. The admission “fee” will turn into something special by the end of the evening.

Thursday – “Buck Night”	\$1.00 admission
Friday – “Fat Quarter Friday”	Fat Quarter for admission

Show and Tells:

Thursday evening’s program will also feature Show & Tell of past Celebration completed projects. Sunday morning’s program will feature Show & Tell of Celebration 2010 Class Projects.

Non-denominational Worship Service:

A Sunday morning worship service will be available for all who would like to participate.

CELEBRATION TEACHERS

Pepper Cory-- Pepper Cory has been a quilt maker since 1972 when she saw an antique quilt at a rummage sale, purchased it for \$1.00, and on the way home fell in love! From that moment she wanted to learn to make quilts and sought out quilt makers (at the time usually elderly ladies) who could teach her the art. Ever since she has been collecting quilts, judging quilt shows, making quilts herself, writing books about them, designing needlework tools and lines of fabrics, and sharing her love of quilting by teaching and lecturing nationally and internationally. **Website: www.peppercory.com. Pepper also has two blogs... *Pepper at the Quilt Studio* <http://peppercory.blogspot.com> is about quilting, family, and general musings on the craft. The other *Quilt Flap* <http://quiltflapper.blogspot.com> is about antique quilts.**

Mickey Depre-- Mickey Depre is a member of AQS, IQA, NQA, SAQA, and several other national organizations. Her work has been shown nationwide and has garnered recognition at several major shows. You can find her work in Quilter's Newsletter, Quilting Arts, books—Shoreline Quilts, "Great American Quilts", and "All American Quilts", and many other publications. Her first book, "Garden Whimsy Appliqué" was released in the spring 2006. **Website: www.mdquilts.com .**

Karen Dumont-- Karen Dumont is an enthusiastic quilter as well as a dough artist and avid gardener. She's been quilting since 1998 and is known for her bright colored whimsical machine appliqué. In addition to her own Karie Patch Designs, her work can be found in QUILT, Quick Quilts, and Quilt Almanac magazines. Karen enjoys teaching where she can share her knowledge and skills with all levels of quilters. **Website: www.kariepatch.com .**

Karen Eckmeier-- Karen Eckmeier is an award-winning fiber artist, international teacher, and author of 3 books: "Happy Villages" (2007), "Accidental Landscapes" (2008), and "Layered Waves" (2009). Karen's spontaneous approach to playing with fabric creates a relaxing atmosphere in her workshops. Students go home with an "I can do that" attitude. **Website: www.quilted-lizard.com.**

Bonnie Hunter-- Bonnie Hunter is passionate about quilting, focusing mainly on scrap quilts with the simple feeling of "making do." She started her love affair with quilting in a home economics class her senior year of high school in 1980 and has never looked back. Bonnie has been machine quilting for 19 years and professionally longarm machine quilting for the public for 13 years. She has been featured in magazines both for her quilt patterns and articles she has written on scrap management and using that stash to its full potential. She is the author of "Scraps & Shirrtails". Bonnie is dedicated to continuing the traditions of quilting. She enjoys meeting with quilters, teaching workshops and lecturing to quilt guilds all over the USA, challenging quilters to break the rules, think outside the box, and find what brings them joy. **Website: www.quiltville.com.**