

CAQG RETREAT 2025 INFORMATION –

DATE and TIME: Arrival time is 10 am on Wednesday, January 15. Departure time on Monday, January 20 is noon. Or arrive on Thursday and departing Monday.

WHERE: WE Skelton 4-H Conference Center at Smith Mountain Lake - skelton4hcenter.org

LODGING - The Reid Jones Jr. Lodge is where most attendees stay. For our retreat the room can be either a single or double occupancy. Please see the website for amenities. There is also lodging in the Staff House (aka the Annex) where there are single rooms most with a sink. There is a shared bathroom with individual showers and dressing stalls. These rooms are ONLY for those sewing in the Annex.

You might want to bring.....

1. Pillow and QUILT if you wish, but a pillow, blanket, and sheets, and towels are provided.
2. Shampoo, soap, and hair dryer.
3. Comfortable shoes/slippers and clothes – layering clothes – temperatures do fluctuate.
4. Flashlight for walking to the dining hall.

SEWING SUPPLIES – Please put your name on all appropriate items. Every attendee is assigned to a sewing area with their own work table. No additional tables are allowed. There are 3-4 different sewing areas depending on the number attending.

A member is designated as the coordinator for each area. This person will be in touch with the group to coordinate who is bringing many of the general quilting supplies that can be used by all in that area. (i.e., the irons, ironing boards, cutting mats, table risers, etc.) Volunteers are also needed to bring coffee/tea and cream/sweeteners for each area.

Bring a sewing machine in good working condition!

General sewing supplies for your many projects.

Extension cords and/or power strip and duct tape to adhere to cords to the carpet.

Armless cushioned conference chairs are provided by the center, but feel free to bring your own chair if you desire.

Additional tasks lighting is also helpful, especially if you are an evening sewer.

FOOD AND SNACKS – Remember we do have a full breakfast every morning and a dinner provided by the 4H center each evening except for Sunday. **NO LUNCHESES ARE PROVIDED!** Each sewing area has a kitchen/kitchenette with a coffee maker and refrigerator and microwave. There are no pots and pans or dishes or eating utensils. **To keep things simple and easy, please do not bring snacks for everyone to share – just bring what you need and want.**

1. Bring a coffee/tea mug, wine glass, and/or water bottle. Please label them.
2. Bring dishes and utensils if you are bringing your lunches.
3. If you are a wine drinker, please bring wine to share and perhaps a little cheese. **EVERYONE** is welcomed at wine time! This is a GREAT time to make new friends and catch up with old ones. We meet at the fireplace on the upper level of the lodge by the main entrance.

Meal times are as follows – 8:30 am breakfast, 5:30 wine time and 6:30 pm dinner. **Lunches are not provided. Arrangements can be made for vegetarians and gluten free meals.**