

January 11, 2010

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The time is drawing near and we are finalizing our preparations for the retreat and your visit. We are looking forward to this retreat and hope that you are too.

If after reading this email you have any questions, please call me (Mary Holloway) directly at 770-978-9551 or better yet send me an email to walker.richard@comcast.net. If you do not speak to me directly please leave a message with your contact information and I will call you back. Thanks

Early Arrival or Late Departure Attendees: This requires immediate response!

- If you are planning on coming a day early (before the 25th) or staying a day later (after the 27th) I need to know as soon as possible. Please provide the date of your arrival and your departure date and if your roommate will also be coming with you as I will need their name too. Simpsonwood Check-In time is 4:00 pm and Departure time is 11:00 am every day. Room rates for early arrival or late departure are \$99.99 (includes breakfast) but does not include lunch, dinner, or room taxes and are not a part of the retreat package. Meal tickets for the other meals can be purchased at the front desk. Send me an email to walker.richard@comcast.net with your contact information and date of arrival or departure. I need the information so that we can make sure that you are in the building you have been assigned to so that you do not have to move when the retreat starts to another building. Simpsonwood will need to be notified as well so you can reserve a room (770-441-1111).

Reminders

- LAPTOP computers are not required however if you do bring one it must have the latest version of Creative Studio loaded (currently it is CS 2.0). If using a mouse other than the one build into your laptop it should be wired. Do not bring a wireless mouse. Please contact the Statler Help Desk before the retreat for instruction on how to load the program if you have questions.
- Driving directions to Simpsonwood along with the address and ground transportation for those arriving by plane are available on the Simpsonwood website at www.simpsonwood.org. Ground transportation is also available at the airport (Hartsfield/Atlanta International) at <http://www.atlanta-airport.com/groundtransportation/>.
- ***NEW!*** Even if you do not bring your computer bring a memory stick for ***FREE PATTERNS!***

Roommate and Class Roster

- Roommate information will be available upon arrival on February 25. We will be in the lobby to greet you beginning at 2:00 pm. You will be required to check in at the front desk and then we will be in the lobby immediately to your right after you check in to provide you with directions to your building, etc.
- The class rosters will be posted on the Pat's Calico Cottage website sometime in February. The website is www.patscalicocottage.com. Go to [Click Here](#) for our latest news and all the information will be posted under 2010 Southeastern Statler Retreat.

• Special Events

- We will be having dinner each night in the Private Dining Room in the Rollins Center. You will go through the buffet line and then we eat in the private dining room.
- On the first night Thursday, we will have our Opening Welcome with Announcements and Show & Tell. We encourage you to bring Show & Tell if feasible.
- On Friday night we will have "Ask the Experts". After dinner you will be able to go back to the classrooms and meet with the teachers. The machines will be up and running and each teacher will be in her classroom so that you can go from room to room.
- On Saturday Night we will have a guest speaker. Sorry but I can't tell. It is a surprise! We will wrap up the conference on Sunday morning at breakfast.

Looking forward to meeting all of you in February – Mary Holloway