



The Village eView

February 4, 2015

Colette Hoff, Editor

On-Line News of the Goodenough Community System

- **The American Association for the Furtherance of Community**
- **Convocation: A Church and Ministry**
- **Mandala Resources, Inc.**
- **Sahale Learning Center**

Introducing: The new Community Center
Located at 3610 SW Barton St. Seattle,
WA 98126, in West Seattle!

Upcoming events:

[Pathwork, February 1](#)
[Relational Group, February 3](#)
[Bon Voyage, Claudia Fitch, Feb 17](#)
[Third Age, February 27,](#)

From the Editor (Colette Hoff)

*As I was preparing this eView with its special announcement of our new community home, I remembered hearing friends talk about the ideal life of being "country mice and city mice." After researching the web, the following version by Beatrix Potter emerged. You may also be interested in the Aesop Fable, *The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse*.*

THE TALE OF JOHNNY TOWN-MOUSE

By BEATRIX POTTER, 1918

Johnny Town-mouse was born in a cupboard. Timmy Willie was born in a garden. Timmy Willie was a little country mouse who went to town by mistake in a hamper. The gardener sent vegetables to town once a week by carrier; he packed them in a big hamper.

The gardener left the hamper by the garden gate, so that the carrier could pick it up when he passed. Timmy Willie crept in through a hole in the wicker-work, and after eating some peas-- Timmy Willie fell fast asleep.

He awoke in a fright, while the hamper was being lifted into the carrier's cart. Then there was a jolting, and a clattering of horse's feet; other packages were thrown in; for miles and miles--jolt--jolt--jolt! And Timmy Willie trembled amongst the jumbled up vegetables.



At last the cart stopped at a house, where the hamper was taken out, carried in, and set down. The cook gave the carrier sixpence; the back door banged, and the cart rumbled away. But there was no quiet; there seemed to be hundreds of carts passing. Dogs barked; boys whistled in the street; the cook laughed, the parlour maid ran up and down-stairs; and a canary sang like a steam engine.

Timmy Willie, who had lived all his life in a garden, was almost frightened to death. Presently the cook opened the hamper and began to unpack the vegetables. Out sprang the terrified Timmy Willie.

Up jumped the cook on a chair, exclaiming "A mouse! a mouse! Call the cat! Fetch me the poker, Sarah!" Timmy Willie did not wait for Sarah with the poker; he rushed along the skirting board till he came to a little hole, and in he popped.

He dropped half a foot, and crashed into the middle of a mouse dinner party, breaking three glasses.--"Who in the world is this?" inquired Johnny Town-mouse. But after the first exclamation of surprise he instantly recovered his manners.

With the utmost politeness he introduced Timmy Willie to nine other mice, all with long tails and white neckties. Timmy Willie's own tail was insignificant. Johnny Town-mouse and his friends noticed it; but they were too well bred to make personal remarks; only one of them asked Timmy Willie if he had ever been in a trap?

The dinner was of eight courses; not much of anything, but truly elegant. All the dishes were unknown to Timmy Willie, who would have been a little afraid of tasting them; only he was very hungry, and very anxious to behave with company manners. The continual noise upstairs made him so nervous, that he dropped a plate. "Never mind, they don't belong to us," said Johnny.



"Why don't those youngsters come back with the dessert?" It should be explained that two young mice, who were waiting on the others, went skirmishing upstairs to the kitchen between courses. Several times they had come tumbling in, squeaking and laughing; Timmy Willie learnt with horror that they were being chased by the cat. His appetite failed, he felt faint. "Try some jelly?" said Johnny Town-mouse.

"No? Would you rather go to bed? I will show you a most comfortable sofa pillow."

The sofa pillow had a hole in it. Johnny Town-mouse quite honestly recommended it as the best bed, kept exclusively for visitors. But the sofa smelt of cat. Timmy Willie preferred to spend a miserable night under the fender.

It was just the same next day. An excellent breakfast was provided—for mice accustomed to eat bacon; but Timmy Willie had been reared on roots and salad. Johnny Town-mouse and his friends racketted about under the floors, and came boldly out all over the house in the evening. One particularly loud crash had been caused by Sarah tumbling downstairs with the tea-tray; there were crumbs and sugar and smears of jam to be collected, in spite of the cat.

Timmy Willie longed to be at home in his peaceful nest in a sunny bank. The food disagreed with him; the noise prevented him from sleeping. In a few days he grew so thin that Johnny Town-mouse noticed it, and questioned him. He listened to Timmy Willie's story and inquired about the garden. "It sounds rather a dull place? What do you do when it rains?"

"When it rains, I sit in my little sandy burrow and shell corn and seeds from my Autumn store. I peep out at the throstles and blackbirds on the lawn, and my friend Cock Robin. And when the sun comes out again, you should see my garden and the flowers--roses and pinks and pansies--no noise except the birds and bees, and the lambs in the meadows."



A Seattle Home is Welcoming Us

Kirsten Rohde



On Monday night, we had our Council meeting at our new home in West Seattle! All of us were feeling celebratory as we looked around and realized what an amazing house we had managed to find. We couldn't believe our luck. It has been a busy few weeks as several of us have looked for homes for rent and visited a number of them. The comparison shopping made it easy to know that this one was the one to go for.

In a nice neighborhood, near a main arterial in West Seattle (35th), on a bus line, and 10 minutes from the Fauntleroy ferry, this house

is very well designed and unusually well kept up. It is two stories with a two-car garage, and enough grass yards around it to give some space between it and other houses. The main living

room and dining room are upstairs along with a modern spacious kitchen, outside deck, and two baths, and master bedroom. Downstairs we have another sitting room, two bedrooms and bathroom. This house can accommodate the need for a place for the Hoffs to stay when in town, a nice space for the counseling practice, and spaces for others to stay over, including some of us regularly coming in from Sahale.



Because of the spaciousness and design, we can easily imagine community gatherings here. So far we have had our Monday night meeting and the Tuesday Relationship Group meet in the living room. (Did I mention the gas fireplaces?) This house will help us create the type of welcoming community presence we wish to offer in the Seattle area. After a little under a year of experimenting with staying here, there, and everywhere, with John and Colette having

to see clients in other homes or even Starbucks, having a permanent space is a relief. We all agreed that it was good to experiment with not having a home in Seattle, and we have come to realize that a permanent place to base community work in town is important for our community. Sahale is one significant base of community activity, however, Seattle remains a place for many to engage with community activities and enjoy each other's company.

For now we will be setting up furniture and decorations and figuring out the routines of shared space. **Come join us this Sunday afternoon around 4:30 -6:30 to pay a visit or help with moving in.**

The first celebration will be a bon voyage party for Claudia Fitch on Tuesday, February 17, 2015. Claudia a well-known local artist is going to Berlin for 3 months. More information on page 7 We are also announcing a celebration of dedication at the new center on **March 21.**



The Gift of A New Community Center

John L. Hoff

Those of you who know me fairly well will understand when you hear me say I resist making something spiritually significant when what we are actually looking at is something humanly significant and it is best to celebrate the human happening rather than turn it into something that is spiritually important. There were perhaps a dozen of us that were responsible for handling a move out of the old community center and were trying to locate storage and accommodations. Most of us became more focused storage and sleeping spaces as an issue rather than a new community center. Suddenly this past week, as everything came together,

we realized we had found a place that had ample storage and could accommodate offering community services and activities. We found we could replace our sense of losing a community center by finding a whole house that invites us to get a fresh start on being a community with many activities and now centralized by our new community house. I notice that even when we became distracted by the complexity of our search, we were guided into a new community center in a good central location. I offer a special thank you to Pam and Elizabeth, Kirsten, Irene, Nan, and Colette who worked together to find the new home. I am also appreciative to our Council for really receiving the grace and guidance we need now. It is more than goodenough—it is a beautiful gift.

The word and idea of center has been around for 1000 years and usually refers to a place or person around which many activities are organized. For 35 years 2007 33rd was the center of activity for the Goodenough Community. That place has been sold and a new place is emerging at 3610 SW Barton St. in West Seattle. The new location is on a convenient bus line and very close to parks as well as the ferry to Sahale.

We will have use for a variety of items like a queen sized bed, a single bed, stuffed furniture, and a variety of wall hangings. Also if you have lamps, art, large plants or other items to donate, let Kirsten know.

I am most appreciative to pam and Elizabeth for allowing our use of their home for many meetings. You made a difficult time much easier for me personally. Elizabeth, you are a gracious hostess. Thank you Joan, Phil, Jim and Barbara for hosting our Sunday evening Pathwork gatherings.

Maybe we're on the other side of transition!



Editor's note: The following piece turned up today as we were writing about creating a welcoming space. Many connections can be made. Thanks to Bill Kohlmeyer for sending it in.

CREATING WELCOMING SPACE

by Sister Marilyn Lacey

One way of measuring whether our love is genuine, however, is to examine how far we've extended the boundaries that determine whom we are willing to be in relationship with. When these borders reach out as far as they can go, there will be no one left outside, there will be no one cursed. There will be no more strangers. Everyone will be welcome.

Reflect for a minute on what it feels like to be *welcomed*. The word means, simply, 'come and be well' in my presence. It's a fundamental human experience, and a

very crucial one. When I am welcomed, I feel good. I can be myself. I relax and feel unself-conscious, energized, happy. On the other hand, when I am *not* welcomed, I doubt myself, turn inward, shrivel up. I feel excluded, not accepted, and not acceptable. This is painful. If it happens often enough, I will question my own self-worth.

Hospitality means creating welcoming space for the other. Henri J. Nouwen notes that the Dutch word for hospitality, *gastvrijheid*, means 'the freedom of the guest.' It entails creating not just physical room but emotional spaciousness where the stranger can enter and be himself or herself, where the stranger can become ally instead of threat, friend instead of enemy.

That precious experience — when contemplated, cherished, and celebrated — enables me in turn to welcome others: I begin to be less fearful of the other; I start to see the stranger as gift. I become willing to create space in myself to invite the other in, and I open myself to the possibility of being changed by the presence of the other.

I invite the reader to sit with any of the wonderful hospitality stories found in the traditions of all the great religions. Mull them over; ask God for insight into them. Then ask for courage to take small steps in expanding your own circle of hospitality. These might be as tentative as smiling at the stranger in line with you at the grocery store, as deliberate as hosting a get-together for all the strangers in your apartment building, or as dramatic as volunteering to foster an unaccompanied refugee child in your own home. It might not cost you much, or it might mean going out on a limb: Can you imagine yourself during Thanksgiving dinner speaking up to your brother-in-law in defense of the undocumented, pointing out that, really, everyone is kin to us, and everyone has a human right to live where they can support their own family?

Sister Marilyn Lacey (1948 to pres., founder and executive director of [Mercy Beyond Borders](#))





Bon Voyage and Celebration for Claudia Fitch

Elizabeth Jarrett-Jefferson & Kirsten Rohde

Some of you may know that our own Claudia Fitch will be heading to Berlin soon to participate in a “Residency in Ceramics.” We thought this event would present an opportune time for us to celebrate Claudia, her accomplishments, and her trip, all at our new Community home in West Seattle. Read on for details and the story.

About Her Residency

✚ **What and Where:** A Residency in Ceramics in Berlin (formal name of the residency) in Berlin, Germany, located in the Pankow District of Berlin (the highest populated and the third borough of Berlin), north of Prenzlauerberg, famous neighborhood of East Berlin, pre- and post-wall).



Pankow town hall

✚ **When:** 3 whole months, March 1 through May 30, 2015!

✚ **How:** Through a wonderful grant sponsored by Artist Trust, the 2014 [Yvonne Humber Twinning Lifetime](#)

[Achievement Award](#), which gave Claudia a cash prize of unrestricted funds. “All of it,” said Claudia, “will be spent on this junket.” She said that unrestricted funding is a rare thing in the artists’ quest for government contracts and self-initiated projects and that she is “very, very honored, and of course will taking full advantage to do something I have always dreamed of and have never really had the opportunity to realize, until receiving the YTHLAA. Seize the time!”



Claudia Fitch, *Host* (2012), low fire ceramic, acrylic paint, steel, aluminum

Why: To look at art, to look at history (WWII, cold war, ancient and family histories) and to look art, and to look at more art ancient and contemporary, and

the Bauhaus and Dada art movements out of Berlin. Re-invest the inspiration bank with notes, drawings, clay model studies, ceramic parts and pieces, all which will influence future work (Goddess knows what). Visiting Germany is to visit a branch of my heritage roots. It will be an opportunity to open up and soak in, unfettered.

About the Bon Voyage Celebration – You Are Invited!

✚ **When:** Tuesday, February 17, 2015, 7:00 PM

✚ **Where:** The Goodenough Community’s new Community Center in West Seattle, [3610 Barton Street SW](#). *Plenty of street parking available.*

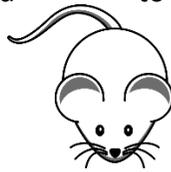
✚ **Details:** Come celebrate Claudia and have a bite to eat and drink. Bring your favorite beverages and appetizers.

✚ **RSVP:** [Kirsten Rohde](#) and/or [Elizabeth Jarrett-Jefferson](#)

About Community Activities, Spring 2015

Colette Hoff

During January and February our community leadership is busy anticipating activities of spring and summer. During March, April and May we have an annual meeting (**March 27 to 29**) of members and friends of the community and we have weekends when all of the men (**May 8 to 10**) and all of the women (**May 1 to 3**) meet separately but with an awareness of each other's work. In addition, in April we will provide a weekend focused on growing up and maturing (**April 17 to 19**). In March a weekend workshop (**March 6 to 8**) will be centered in relational world and will remind us all of what we need to know and how to get good at it. For more information, see pages 15 to 18.



Some of the best chances to learn about self, relationship and community coming up.

Kirsten Rohde

People who visit our community or attend one or more of our events often say that a key distinguishing factor about the Goodenough Community is its focus on relationships and learning the skills of being friends while growing ourselves. Members of other communities who get to know us have remarked on the same. I'm writing today to place value on two workshops that are coming up, offered by our community and John and Colette Hoff. Each of these weekends at Sahale are focusing on central themes of our community – learning to relate well with others and tips and practices for developing ourselves to be the best we can be in this life.

The first workshop is on **March 6-8** and focuses on developing our skills of relating and building friendships that last and grow. I have been attending the Tuesday evening relationship group, choosing to learn about friendship through partnering up with my friend Claudia. Others currently attending are couples, however what I learn is that the skills of communicating, working through differences, being intentional in caring for a friendship apply to all of us. Quoting from an article in last week's eView by Melinda Smith and Jeanne Segal, "Relationships are an investment. The more you put in, the more you can get back." I'm happy that the workshop in March will include anyone desiring to learn more, ie individuals as well as couples. And, on a personal note, I sure hope other single-type individuals come because I need company! A flyer s attached to the email announcing the eView. Pass it on!

Then on **April 17-19**, the Hoffs are presenting an experience that includes meditation, reflection and learning about one's self and journey in life. The Hoffs use this phrase to describe the focus: "Saving your own soul, growing yourself up, maturing." The first educational offering by the Hoffs that I ever attended was called "Education for Enlightenment." I soon learned

about being self-reflective, identifying changes I'd like to make in my life, and learning with others the skills and support needed to make change and connect more deeply with life. This started me on a journey that is never-ending. It is this type of experience with the potential for transformation and deepening our relatedness that is at the heart of our community.

I believe each of these experiential offerings will provide foundational learning for everyone already involved in our community and those considering more involvement.

Attending will help us all update and join in exploring essential elements of what it means to be more related, inside and out. These workshops are open to everyone and I'm hoping you will choose to join us. Also spread the word! Not forever will we have opportunities to learn directly from these two highly skilled, compassionate, friendship-focused, and experienced communitarians and educators. If you want to learn more about how a group of good people (including you!) learning together can create a supportive community, sign up for these workshops!



A Weekend for Learning about Relationships
March 6 to 8, 2015

Could Your Relationships Use a Tune-Up?

Do you wish your partner understood you better or that you could communicate with them more effectively?

Do you find yourselves repeating arguments that pull you farther apart and that you don't know how to resolve?

Do you find yourself clueless as to how to resolve conflicts with your boss/co-worker/friend/sibling/child?

Would you like more intimacy in your relationships?

Would you like to know how to ask for what you want in any of your relationships?



If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, or have other questions or issues about how to have happier relationships, we can help you!

We don't "automatically" know how to be in a marriage, in a family, or even in a close friendship. Most of our families of origin and the demonstrations of parenting we experienced offered inadequate

training. We need to allow ourselves to start learning again as adults to be effective partners. We are convinced that just trying harder doesn't help as much as consciously developing skills.

During this weekend workshop, you will have many opportunities to learn and practice skills that will make all your relationships happier. In a supportive environment, with other couples, friends, and individuals, you will:

- Learn how to talk things through more thoroughly.
- Help your partner work with their stuck places, and allow them to help you with yours.
- Practice together and watch the same skills demonstrated by different personalities and in a variety of situations.
- Learn to communicate more effectively, listen and identify and ask for what you really want.
- Learn from observing others' processes.
- Be paired with a small group (partners will be placed together) where you can practice and be observed and receive feedback. Also have time alone to reflect.
- Have your particular relational issues addressed, with gentleness and insight.

Location: Sahale Learning Center

This workshop will be held at Sahale Learning Center, a beautiful setting at the tip of the Kitsap peninsula on the Tahuya River about a mile from Hood Canal. You will be able to hike and get some exercise. We will be sharing bountiful meals and will have opportunities to socialize as a group.



Your Facilitators, John & Colette Hoff



John and Colette Hoff are gifted counselors with more than 30 years experience of empowering clients to be effective as individuals, partners, parents, and members of society.

John and Colette and the Goodenough Community, which they founded, are widely known for providing a unique experiential learning environment that focuses on helping everyone learn about relating better. John and Colette teach from well-documented findings:

- Friendship, developed over time, is one of the highest valued qualities of long-lived relationships.
- Friendship is defined partly by the ease with which partners live with each other, and partly by the thoughtfulness with which partners tend to each other's needs.

John and Colette have much to offer you in developing more satisfying relationships.

Cost

The cost of the weekend is \$175 per person or \$350 per couple which includes room and board as well as learning materials.

February 2, 2015 The Next Step

By [Barbara Brucker](#) — Feb 2, 2015 6:17pm

The picture says it all. The next step is the buzz cut pictured. It keeps my hair from falling out in clumps like it did last night every time I scratched my head. Eventually the hair crumbs that remain will fall out as well, but at least there won't be huge clumps around. :)

No significant changes in blood counts today. ANC (neutrophils) still 0, white blood cells still 0.6.

Patience is a great virtue and I'm getting a Ph.D in patience with this one. I'm quite resigned to waiting, thank goodness.



DATE CHANGE!

Goodenough Community Women's Program



Please update your calendar and plan to attend our next women's gathering:

Saturday, March 21, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

And be sure to plan to come to the women's weekend at Sahale:

Friday, May 1, through Sunday afternoon, May 3

For more information, please send an email to Hollis Ryan:

hollisr@comcast.net

We look forward to seeing you!



Work Resourcing Needed!

by Marjorie Gray

Many of you know I am seeking work. Do you know of any jobs available, or people who work in any of these areas, that I could contact for information interviews?

- Writing (brochures, website content, blog posts, articles, marketing)
- Graphic design (for web or print, layout, image selection, photo editing, Adobe Creative Suite)
- Web design & maintenance (front-end, information architecture)
- I am also interested in finding out more about recreational therapy, as a completely different direction.

If you know of anyone I could contact about any of these, could you please let me know? Also feel free to give out my contact info:

email: m.dancingriver@gmail.com

Phone: 206-300-1315

Rent a Marjenta!

In the meantime, I would love to help you with any household needs:

- Cooking
- Organizing
- Cleaning
- Color consultation and interior painting

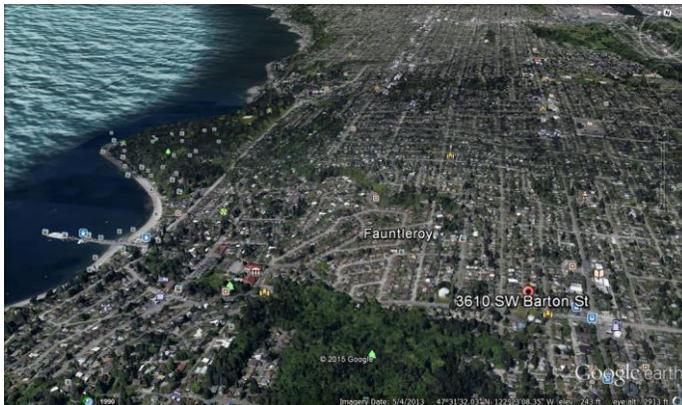
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Thanks so much!

Majorie/Marjenta



The deAnguera Blog: New Community Center



As of last Monday we now have a new Community Center. I picked these Landsat images using Google Earth. The one on the left shows the general area where the house is located. You can see Fauntleroy with Lincoln Park and the ferry dock. The house's location has a red marker. The photo on the right is a close up showing the house at the extreme lower left just above the trees. You can see 35th Avenue S.W. in the upper right hand corner.

I love to play with Google Earth and have observed cities all over the world. Many of them like Hong Kong include Google Street view enabling one to cruise down city streets. Most US cities show all the buildings standing out as 3-D images. I believe this has only been in the last year or two.

On Friday I will meet Jim Tocher at 5:00PM and he will let me into the house because he has the key. I will be spending my first weekend here.

Yesterday Josh De Mers and Pharoh Kuykendahl moved a lot of furniture into the house from storage using the Blue Truck.

I believe our next Pathwork session will be held here. We will have plenty of room since the house has two living rooms. The closets are huge.

We have been searching for a place to lease for quite some time and this house meets our requirements. It is definitely a nice area. Fauntlee Hills is just a few blocks to the west.

The house is nice and clean. One other place we looked at in White Center would have required a lot of cleanup. That was something we were not looking forward to.

Metro's Rapid Ride C Line stops nearby providing a quick trip downtown with no transfers.

Ever since the house was mentioned during our last Pathwork session it has been on my mind. I love new adventures like this. They bring out the little kid in me once again.

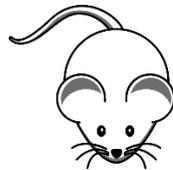
I even had a dream about staying in the house. I was in Colette's bedroom which had a strange window opening at the head of the bed. To the right was a yellow box which Colette would take things out of. There was a line of people outside and one threw a backpack in through the window. If I stay in Colette's bedroom, does that mean I get her responsibilities? So you see my imagination has been active on all levels, even when I was asleep.

For John and Colette, it will be a relief to have a place of their own when they are in Seattle. Trying to do counseling and other things without a central location can be quite a strain. Now they no longer have to stay with Larry and Rachel. Larry Hoff is one of John's sons.

As we move our stuff in, the new community center will feel more and more like home. I know from experience there is a big difference between an empty house and a home. I can feel the energy of those dwelling there.



My first photo of our new Community Center, courtesy of Google Street view.



Happy Birthdays!

Irene Perler – February 7. Happy birthday to you, Irene.

The Goodenough Community:

Cultural Programs & Events in 2015

For the Goodenough Community, cultural life is an arena for creative expression. All programs and events are open to the public. We welcome your interest and participation.

Over thousands of years human communities have organized not only their work life but also their relational and cultural life. The Goodenough Community organizes its cultural life around encouraging human development—through our programs for men, women, committed couples, families and around age groupings. Cultural programs usually encourage maturity, responsibility, and the development of valued relationships. Some of our programs bring everyone together with a seasonal emphasis. Following, are program offerings for the next period on our calendar.

Programs & Events in 2015

<i>Third Age Gatherings</i>	<i>Women’s Culture</i>
<i>The Conscious Couples Network</i>	<i>True Holidays Celebration</i>
<i>Family Enrichment Network</i>	<i>The Winter Solstice Bus Trip</i>
<i>The Men’s Culture</i>	<i>New Year’s Eve Weekend at Sahale</i>

Third Age Gathering: Next Meeting February 27, 2015

The Third Age group is for older adults, approximately age 60 and older, who are interested in exploring the issues of living well while aging and supporting each other in this “third stage” of life.



Third Age meets on Fridays—February 27; April 24; Sept 18; October 23; November 20 are the remaining 2015 dates.

We meet at the home of [Phil, Joan, Barbara, and Jim](#) in West Seattle. We start at 6 PM with potluck supper. An RSVP is always helpful – either by phoning us at 206-763-2258 or by emailing me at joanvalles70@yahoo.com

Women’s Culture, Upcoming Next Gathering: March 21 (A Change!)



The women’s culture meets on Saturdays: March 21, September 11, October 24 and November 21, from 10am to 2pm. There will be a weekend **May 1 to 3**. Mark your calendars!

Happy New Year!

Here we are, a fortnight into the new year. It is a time of year when many of us plan to make changes. It's a time of fresh starts, of sturdy resolve, of high hopes and expectations for the future.

And we all know that change also comes upon us unexpectedly. Transitions can begin before we fully realize what is happening. This can be unsettling, and it can be exciting.

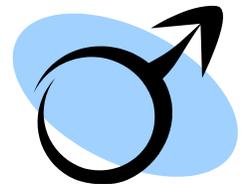
As we look around our circle of friends, we see that change and transition abound in our lives. Some of it is planned, some of it is not. As we move more deeply into the depth of winter and as the year itself changes, what changes are taking place in your life?

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Men's Program

Theme: Friendship among Men

The men of the Goodenough Community will be meeting for a weekend this spring, **May 8 to 10, 2015**. Please let [us](#) know of your interest.



Introducing . . .

A Workshop offered by John and Colette Hoff April 17 to 19, 2015

Maturing . . .

Growing your self up . . .

Saving your Own Soul . . .

This is a weekend for remembering your own journey and your story of trying to develop your self. Each individual will review where they are in their story and in their growth. We will become a supportive circle. Guided meditation on our lives will be a primary method the Hoffs will be using to in leading the workshop and we will practice meditation as a whole group. Small group interaction will also be utilized.

Email hoff@goodenough to express your interest.

Memorial Day Weekend, May 22-25, 2015

at Sahale Learning Center

Join us for a weekend of well-organized work parties balanced with play, wholesome meals, hot tubbing and relaxation. The only charge is a donation for food.

Sahale Summer Camp for 9 to 12 Year Olds

June 22 to 28, 2015

<http://www.goodenough.org/camp.htm>



Sahale Summer Camp is entering its 10th season! We invite youth aged 9 to 12 to join us for 6 nights and 7 days of fun living in nature at Sahale Learning Center.

We enjoy a program rich in experiences just right for this age zone. Youth enjoy traditional camping experiences with our tent village set up around a giant campfire pit for evening programs complete with stories, singing, s'mores and friends under a canopy of stars.

We teach skills of outdoor living and provide experiences which help you get to know yourself and have confidence making friends. We also impart a gentle sense of responsibility for caring for each other and the land. We do this through natural activities of taking care of camp and being part of small clans that spend time together each day getting to know each other and working together.



A training program for 13 to 17 year olds is also included and is an excellent opportunity for leadership training. For more information, see [The Junior Staff Training Program](#). Please contact Irene Perler for more information - 206.419.3477 or irene_perler@hotmail.com.



Human Relations Laboratory

August 9 to 15, 2015

The best event to experience the Goodenough Community

Seven Fun-filled Days of Social Creativity & Experiential Learning about Friendship and Effective Relationship

Sahale Learning Center

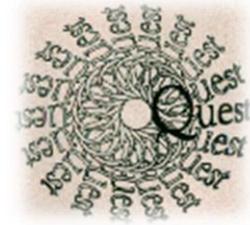
A 68-acre retreat on the Kitsap Peninsula

Family Enrichment Network Parent Group

If you are interested in developing a supportive parent circle for study and conversation about family life, please contact *Irene Perler at 206-419-3477 or email irene_perler@hotmail.com*. Topics could include simplifying and organizing life, creating a family culture, development stages and sibling dynamics, understanding roles within the family.

Quest: A Counseling and Healing Center

Our belief is that mental and emotional health are prerequisites for spiritual well-being, collaboration, and the expression of compassion. Quest's counseling and education programs, open to all interested individuals, focus on empowering individuals, couples, and family groups to be happier and be more effective in relationships. **Call John (206 963-4738), Colette (206-755 8404).**



Where are you working, you might ask?

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THE TALE OF JOHNNY TOWN-MOUSE

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"There goes that cat again!" exclaimed Johnny Town-mouse. When they had taken refuge in the coal-cellar he resumed the conversation; "I confess I am a little disappointed; we have endeavoured to entertain you, Timothy William."

"Oh yes, yes, you have been most kind; but I do feel so ill," said Timmy Willie.

"It may be that your teeth and digestion are unaccustomed to our food; perhaps it might be wiser for you to return in the hamper."

"Oh? Oh!" cried Timmy Willie.

"Why of course for the matter of that we could have sent you back last week," said Johnny rather huffily--"did you not know that the hamper goes back empty on Saturdays?"

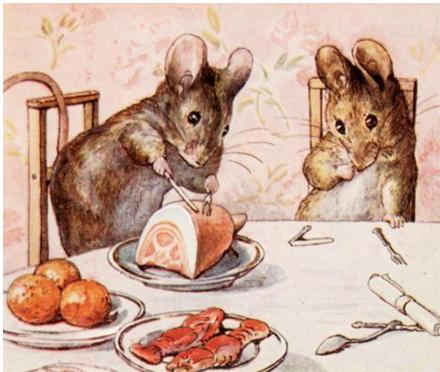
So Timmy Willie said good-bye to his new friends, and hid in the hamper with a crumb of cake and a withered cabbage leaf; and after much jolting, he was set down safely in his own garden.

Sometimes on Saturdays he went to look at the hamper lying by the gate, but he knew better than to get in again. And nobody got out, though Johnny Town-mouse had half promised a visit.

The winter passed; the sun came out again; Timmy Willie sat by his burrow warming his little fur coat and sniffing the smell of violets and spring grass. He had nearly forgotten his visit to town. When up the sandy path all spick and span with a brown leather bag came Johnny Town-mouse!

Timmy Willie received him with open arms. "You have come at the best of all the year, we will have herb pudding and sit in the sun."

"H'm'm! it is a little damp," said Johnny Town-mouse, who was carrying his tail under his arm, out of the mud.



"What is that fearful noise?" he started violently.

"That?" said Timmy Willie, "that is only a cow; I will beg a little milk, they are quite harmless, unless they happen to lie down upon you. How are all our friends?"

Johnny's account was rather middling. He explained why he was paying his visit so early in the season; the family had gone to the sea-side for Easter; the cook was doing spring cleaning, on board wages, with particular instructions to clear out the mice. There were four kittens, and the cat had killed the canary.

"They say we did it; but I know better," said Johnny Town-mouse. "Whatever is that fearful racket?"

"That is only the lawn-mower; I will fetch some of the grass clippings presently to make your bed. I am sure you had better settle in the country, Johnny."

"H'm'm--we shall see by Tuesday week; the hamper is stopped while they are at the sea-side."

"I am sure you will never want to live in town again," said Timmy Willie.

But he did. He went back in the very next hamper of vegetables; he said it was too quiet!!

One place suits one person, another place suits another person. For my part I prefer to live in the country, like Timmy Willie