



A National Legacy: The Gettysburg Address

The Village eView

November 9, 2016

Colette Hoff, Editor

Coming Up:

Third Age – Friday November 11

Pathwork – Sunday, November 13

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Men's Weekend – November 18-20

Women's Culture – Saturday, Nov 19

The Gettysburg National Cemetery was dedicated by President Abraham Lincoln a brief four months after the Battle. Lincoln's speech lasted only two minutes, but it went into history as the immortal Gettysburg Address.

"Four score and seven years ago, our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation: conceived in liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

Now we are engaged in a great civil war. . .testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated. . . can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war.

We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

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But, in a larger sense, we cannot dedicate. . . we cannot consecrate. . . we cannot hallow this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember, what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced.



It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us. . . that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion. . . that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain. . . that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom. . . and that government of the people. . . by the people. . . for the people. . . shall not perish from the earth. "

President Abraham Lincoln's delivery of these remarks lasted only two minutes that day. The short length was in such contrast to the Everett allocution that the audience, stunned for a moment, barely reacted. Upon returning to his seat Lincoln remarked to a friend: "That speech won't scour. It is a flat failure." To the contrary, the Gettysburg Address has become known as one of the supreme masterpieces of eloquence in the English language. On November 20, Everett wrote Lincoln "I should be glad if I could flatter myself that I came as near to the central idea of the occasion in two hours as you did in two minutes."

Learning from a Trip

Colette Hoff

After a whirlwind tour of the Northeast, two historical figures have stayed with me. Abraham Lincoln and Walt Whitman, each connected by the Civil War. Each were committed to uniting the states. Each leaving a powerful legacy for our country.

Seeing the battlefields of Gettysburg, the bloodiest battle on the western hemisphere, made me pause and value the opportunity to vote and participate in how the country works. (written Tuesday, Nov 8)

Today, November 9, we are faced with the fact that our country is still divided. Yet we have to remember all that has come before in the history of the nation. So much bravery. Our country is relatively young and apparently we are at a pivotal point.

Walt Whitman served at the Civil War hospitals comforting the wounded soldiers and giving fruit, tobacco and little things that would add a human touch to their miserable experience. He also brought a listening ear and an open loving heart.

The words from the poem, "Song of the Open Road" from *Leave of Grass* with an excerpt on his statue in the Bear Mountain woods offers soothing words and comfort.

Go to <http://www.poemhunter.com/poem/song-of-the-open-road-2/> for the entire poem. It is very beautiful!

The Song of the Open Road

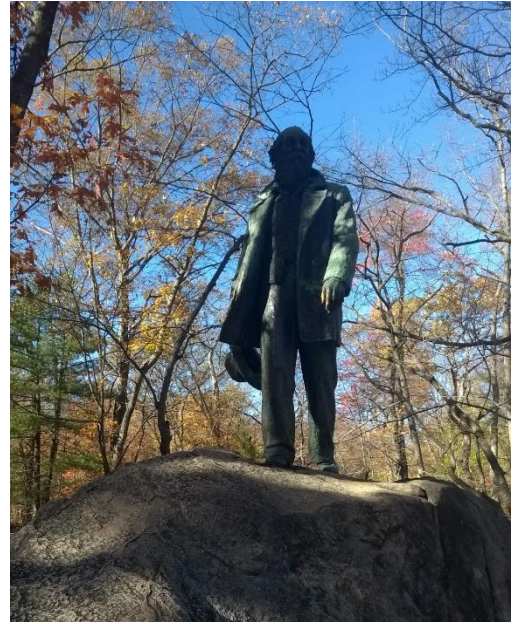
*A FOOT and light-hearted, I take to the open road,
Healthy, free, the world before me,
The long brown path before me, leading
wherever I choose.*

*Henceforth I ask not good-fortune--I myself am good fortune;
Henceforth I whimper no more, postpone no more, need nothing,
Strong and content, I travel the open road.*

*The earth--that is sufficient;
I do not want the constellations any nearer;
I know they are very well where they are;
I know they suffice for those who belong to them. 10*

*(Still here I carry my old delicious burdens;
I carry them, men and women--I carry them with me wherever I go;
I swear it is impossible for me to get rid of them;
I am fill'd with them, and I will fill them in return.)*

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Inscription:

**Walt Whitman
1819 – 1892**

To commemorate the gift in 1910 by
Mary Wilson Harriman
Making Possible The
Bear Mountain-Harriman State Park
Dedicated November 17, 1940
Jo Davidson, Sculptor

*Strong and content I travel the open road.
Camerado, I give you my hand!
I give you my love more precious than money,
I give you myself before preaching or law;
Will you give me yourself? Will you come travel with me?
Shall we stick by each other as
long as we live?*

This statue above of Walt Whitman was designed by Jo Davidson to portray the feeling of one of Whitman's verses in the "Song of the Open Road". It was exhibited at the New York World's Fair before being placed

Conclusion:

Sitting in a waiting room the other day, I saw an article about the value of awe in life. It applies for a time like we are in post election. Take time in nature, play with children, take care of your self, remember awe-filled moments in your life.



Lake Kanawauke,
Harriman State Park NY

The first place we went after spending three days in New York City, we went up to my favorite lake in Harriman State Park. And, with fall color, it was an awe filled moment in our trip that I will keep close.



Haley and Adam recently spent 5 weeks at Sahale and I find their words restore my hope that we are indeed fulfilling our mission.

The following is from **Haley**: Benesorama@gmail.com

It's challenging to try to put my experience at Sahale and with the Goodenough Community into proper words. Sahale came at a point in me and my partner's year-long trip where we were fueled with all types of intense emotions.

We had been hopping around SE Asia and pieces of Europe for 8 months prior, just trying to

make sense of our "Direction." I can tell you that 3 months ago Tahuya, Washington was not on the itinerary, let alone the U.S. (prior to 2017.)

Our guts seemed to have brought us back to the familiar Pacific Northwest. It was both comforting and troublesome to be back in the states so soon, with this feeling and knowingness of our privilege. (Now that we had a glimpse of what was outside of our American bubble, what were we going to do?)

With the elections approaching, I'll admit that community living appealed to me as a great survival skill. I had witnessed various cultural communities internationally and longed to see an example in my own country.

I didn't really know what to expect before getting to Sahale. I had never really lived in a community like this before and I was pretty intimidated by the thought of it. However, all it took was several steps on the property to realize how foolish the fear was. On my third day I was already feeling like 5 weeks wouldn't be enough time. (It wasn't)

Despite the length of my stay, I feel like I've contributed in so many various ways and have of course learned about so many things during the process. It feels so good to feel that the help was needed and useful and the Goodenough Community is not short of appreciation! The connection between the land and its uses really made the work feel wholesome. I feel honored to have had the opportunity to contribute in the functionality of this community.

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Every day the property has something new to show you. Even when it's raining like it won't ever stop, the colors of the trees blended with the fog are beautiful and unforgettable. 5 weeks was not enough time to give every corner of this place the individual appreciation that it deserves.

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I've had so much pleasure in getting to know bits and pieces about the local residents at Sahale. In October, Adam and I were gifted with the opportunity to attend two eye opening meetings where the level of raw, emotional honesty just blew me away.

It's so inspiring to me that a community such as Goodenough exists. My experience at Sahale has been built from so many lessons and beautiful people.

This is certainly not a goodbye. I have a feeling I will be seeing you folks again one day!

From Adam: Adam Palodichuk <adpalodichuk@gmail.com>

Wow! What can we say about this amazing little gem among the waters of beautiful Washington State. We had an excellent workaway experience. Sahale is truly a one of a kind community, living space, and natural environment. If you believe in the power of community, this is your place. All of the community members are incredibly welcoming, including the wonderful workaway volunteer coordinators; Josh and Evelyn. We could not have been treated better. There is plenty of work to do

at Sahale, but you feel good when you do it cause you really know you are making a difference. From woodwork to cooking, gardening to art projects...there is really something for everyone to get into, not to mention the plethora of resources for learning these people have!

Sahale will also hold a special place in our hearts for a long time. It is one of the few if not the only second homes we could see ourselves going back to time and time again to grow in our relationship in community and be a part of something larger than ourselves. We can't wait to come back. So much love to all the lovely people who welcomed us, taught us and enjoyed company with us: Evelyn, Josh, John, Colette, Mike, Irene, Bruce, Jess, Lucy, Chris, Connie, Douglas, Kirsten, Jim and others. We love you guys. Can't wait to see you again! - Be well and love. - Adam



And a note from Norm Peck

Subject: Another Tradition

For more than a decade now, a group of five of us, with occasional additions, have gathered at the end of October for Elk Camp. The core group is myself, my long-time hunting partner Sid Nesselroad (a retired opera and voice professor), Rolland Hort (a remodel contractor in Seattle), Mike, a Microsoft Software Engineer and Chris, a chef and construction worker. The place we camp has become more difficult to reach since we started, as one by one roads have been closed for lack of maintenance funds. Camp is 3 canvas cabin tents, with wood-fired stoves for heat, and a couple of covered kitchen vestibules. There is a large stone fire circle (you can see it on Google Maps at about Lat/Long N 47.020342, W-120.850339 at maximum zoom). Minor sub-rituals are gathering wood to heat with, cooking and eating (and drinking together at day's end), helping each other set up and take down camp. What is not visible on the map (not to be confused with the territory) is the brilliance of the stars at night away from city lights, the gold of willow and tamarack (Western Larch) among the deep green of fir, spruce and Ponderosa Pine above the tan grass and grey-green sage, ravens and scrub jays, chickadees and golden-crowned kinglets, varied thrushes and Lewis Woodpeckers, and other wealth of life at 4000 ft. The hushed silence of snow, or a fog you can't see 50 feet in, the amusement of seeing turkey, bear, coyote and deer tracks around patches of fresh-grown mushrooms as all share in the bounty.



Norm (a few years ago)

Equally invisible is the tradition of fall hunting to prepare for winter, to feed the family and tribe. In the world before supermarkets or even farms and ranches, the cold dark of winter was a lean time. Some dried grains, fruits and vegetables might be on hand, but the promise of fish and game meat was the food to carry through to spring, fresh, or seasoned and smoked. We have sometimes worked with the archetype of the Warrior in Men's Work in our community; the archetype of Hunter actually precedes that of Warrior. What became warrior skills were first honed by the Hunter. Yet where war is largely wasteful, hunting was the life of the family, tribe and community in the not-too-distant past. And with it comes an intimacy with the full flow of life and death in the natural world.

The law considers hunting today 'sport hunting', and I'm sure of some it is that: how many points on the deer's antlers, how many ducks at the end of the day. Not terribly unlike the point systems in athletic events like the Olympics, that score the skills of highly ritualized warrior skills. Hurdles, equestrian skills, javelin, high jump and pole vault, shot put and relays are actually ancient warrior skills, less obvious than the winter biathlon (skiing and marksmanship), frees rifle and pistol and rapid-fire pistol and 300 meter rifle competition and archery. It is not so for me.

It matters less to me and those I hunt with that we 'kill something' than that we take a step back, re-connect with the natural world and our roots as hunter-gatherers. There is much we don't understand about the human mind and body. Epigenetics is just beginning to discover how traits and behaviors pass through generations in some other way(s) than through DNA. For at least some of us, the call to hunt seems to be somewhere deep in our being. For countless generations and millennia men and often women as well have gathered to collect game and process it for the common welfare, to carry us together through the dark and cold of winter to the new life of spring. Gathering around the fire at the end of the day, celebrating whatever gifts the day has brought, be it meat to eat or a hundred smaller marvels of life in the natural world we do not see in our daily commutes, routine, work or other tasks.

As we as a people have become more and more urban, less connected to the land and rhythms of the natural world, in some ways these times become more precious, a tenuous link to a past almost forgotten. And a tradition that has fed and nourished us since even before we were human.

For me personally it is also a time of healing. I spent most of my professional life cleaning up hazardous waste sites and petroleum release sites, places we together wounded the earth. There is a cost to that difficult to explain. To be in and with a vibrant and healthy part of the world I worked to protect and heal also heals and re-energizes me. I do not fully rationally understand it, I simply know that it is true. And I also feel the long, long tradition of the Hunt.



Third Age Third Age: A context for exploring legacy

Joan Valles

This is a reminder to those of you who are likely to be in town this Friday that our Third Age group will gather at the Goodenough Community Center for a potluck meal and an evening of conversation on topics of particular interest at this stage of our lives. (Third Age is for folks from about age 60, and on up.) Some of us may have special news to share since our last gathering. A lot of life happens in a few short weeks. We'll be celebrating two birthdays: Colette, Nov. 10, and Jim, Nov. 11.

We start the evening at about 6 p.m. with a meal. Main dish and probably a dessert will be provided. If you are able, please bring a side dish and/or appropriate beverage to share it would be appreciated. The address is 3610 Barton St. SW, Seattle. An RSVP to me is helpful for advance planning, and if you forget, please come anyway.

Looking forward to getting together with you again. Warm regards, Joan



There is still time to let Bruce know of your interest. November 18

Men's Weekend



I'm looking forward to a **fall men's gathering on the weekend of November 18 to 20**. We'll be having a mix experiences together including; hang out time, conversation about our real lives, some outdoor work and free time to enjoy Sahale's fall gifts.

There will be a hot meal to welcome you on Friday evening, followed by a time together to catch up and re-connect. We'll enjoy Saturday and Sunday in a mix of experiences and will close our weekend on Sunday afternoon by 3 PM.

RSVP Please let me know if you are able to attend for our meal and space planning **by November 1st**.

Warmly,

Bruce Perler bruce_perler@hotmail.com 206-419-8361

Save *these* Dates !

Joining Together for Peace

True Holidays - Dec 3:

We invite you to The Goodenough Community's **True Holidays celebration** this year on **Saturday, December 3**, from 6 to 11 PM, at the Mercer Island Congregational Church. Please save the date – and watch the *eView* and your email for more information to come.



The True Holidays party is a fun and family-friendly community event that has become an annual tradition for many, including those beyond the Goodenough Community.

During the evening, we will have the chance to reflect on the kind of holiday season we'd like to have as well as being able to spend time with friends, co-workers, and families (all in one place!) There are planned activities for children, plus food, libations, and a fun silent auction.

**This year again we are happy to be led in contra dancing
by Sherri Nevins and her musician friends!**

True Holidays' Silent Auction

Elizabeth Jarrett-Jefferson

Hello Dear Friends,

Our beloved True Holidays annual event is almost here

(December 3, 6-10 pm, Mercer Island Congregational Church), and now is the time to begin in earnest to think of how and what you might like to donate to our Silent Auction.

As you know, our True Holidays celebration, with all its related activities, is a wonderful time to rally your energy for the holidays by thinking of what might brighten your own holidays and those around you. We have a wonderful team who are planning intentionally for this year's event – [Colin &](#)

[Amie Aylward](#), [Carla Geraci](#), [Rachel Hoff](#), [myself](#) and [Kirsten](#)

[Rohde](#) – who have been meeting over dinner in anticipation of the event this year---and our meetings in themselves have been energetic and a fun way to connect.



While we agree that “experiences” is one area that many people enjoy in the auction----be it a sailing trip (a well known donation from friends Jodine and Leslie); a dinner party,



gourmet Sherpa hiking experience, or even a Make and Serve your own Hallmark Martini—we welcome your unique contributions. **

There are several unique experiences in the works that we are excited to offer this year. **Please let me know of your intention to donate to this wonderful event with the attached **Bid Form** that Colette has attached to the eView email. You may contact any one of us with your ideas and interests. Remember that all donations are

tax deductible.

Can you hear sleigh bells?

Winter Solstice Bus Trip - Saturday, Dec 17: With your friends and family, enjoy this day-long journey that embraces the longest night of the year.



We will board a chartered bus and travel over Snoqualmie and Blewett Passes to the beautiful Bavarian Christmas village of Leavenworth. Then we'll head to Eagle Creek Ranch, just outside of Leavenworth, where a horse-drawn sleigh ride awaits us, followed by a buffet dinner. [Please register with Elizabeth now at http://www.goodenough.org/solstice.htm](http://www.goodenough.org/solstice.htm)

Announcing . . .

Save the date

A Weekend for Men and Women . . .

February 24 to 26, 2017

**Men and Women Together: A New
Relationship**

Join the Conversation!

How is the election impacting gender issues in our country?
What are your challenges to understand the opposite sex?
What are your questions?

Pathwork, Sunday, November 13, 27, December 11

On Sunday evenings for many years, John and Colette Hoff have invited individuals interested in personal growth and sharing their spiritual journeys to join in a process of "Pathwork." These evenings provide good opportunities for individual exploration in relationship to others. It is a process in which we coach and share insights with each other. This fall our focus will be on what is happening in our lives in relation to the themes of sanity, maturity, proactivity and creativity. **All are welcome** even if you are just a little curious.

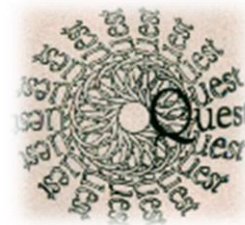
Pathwork is sponsored by Convocation: A Church and Ministry, which promotes an interfaith exploration of the journey of life. Individuals share practices that have worked for them and we often spend some time in meditation together.

Colette Hoff provides guiding leadership to the evenings and is joined by John in helping each person deepen their understandings. Email Colette at hoff@goodenough.org if you're coming. Pathwork meets at **7:00 p.m.** at the Community Center at 3610 SW Barton Street, typically every other Sunday evening.

Quest: A Counseling and Healing Center

Our belief is that mental and emotional health is a prerequisite 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 or Colette (206-755 8404) or Colette and John at Sahale – 360 275-3957. In Seattle, John and Colette meet with clients at the community center, 3610 SW Barton Street, Seattle 98106, as well as at Sahale.



Thinking of Our Legacy

Kirsten Rohde

We hope that these last few issues of the eView focusing on legacy might inspire you to think about your personal legacy as well as the legacy of our community. This might be a good time to reflect on whether you would like to remember the Goodenough Community by making a gift through your will or a revocable living trust. This is one way that some of us are ensuring that the community continues its work long after we're gone. If you are considering naming the community in your



estate plans or if you have already done so, please let us know of your plans so we can say thank you!

Both Convocation: A Church and Ministry and the American Association for the Furtherance of Community can be named in your will as a beneficiary. Please contact Kirsten Rohde, krohde14@outlook.com or 206-719-5364 for more information.



The deAnguera Blog: Isolation and Fear



Are we as a nation making history today? Definitely. Shock and disbelief on the part of many people. Demonstrations in the streets of many major cities. I certainly have never seen a presidential election turn out like this.

Our nation has been working itself up to this point for a long time. Distrust of government has never been higher. How did we get here?

In the United States we elect office holders. The highest office in this country is that of president. Two parties compete for the race to the White House. As the race progresses candidates slug it out with each other sometimes over issues. Many debates turn into personal attacks. At that point I just want to turn off the TV.

Our fears of each other are exploited. I find it fascinating that politicians take advantage of hot buttons such as sex, race, and economic status.

How well do we really know each other? I know from experience that our culture does not value community. Cities are made up of huge numbers of people with no relation to each other. In addition we compete with each other for the necessities of life. There is almost no sharing.

Here at Sahale we share our lives with each other. A group of us went out to the restaurant at the Bremerton Airport and ordered the brunch. Of course we all really went to town. I myself went back for more three times. One of us picked up the bill. We did it for John so he could really enjoy himself.

We share in our collective work at Sahale as well as the good times such as Seahawks football games. We watched the election coverage. We shared our joys as well as sorrows.

I come back to my nice warm apartment built for me by my community friends out here at Sahale. I have security. This would still be true even if I had no money. As long as I have a place to call home I have it made.

We care about each other and each other's families. We developed close relations with folks staying with us temporarily such as Workaways.

It is good to have a warm fire. I took two separate photos of Bruce Perler on the left and John Hoff on the right. I need to remember this experience in these tense times.

As things get crazier folks wonder what to do. Our answer is form sharing communities. Share living and working together. Help each other get to places none of us would have been able to achieve on our own. Our Human Relations Laboratory will show you how to work and play together as friends. We will teach you friendship skills for that is our specialty. You will find friends who really care about you.

My life out here at Sahale was unimaginable when I was still living at my Bellevue condo.

People depend on me. I feed two cats every morning. One, Earlina screams at me as I prepare her food. Another, a black and white cat is becoming friendlier and friendlier with me as I put out his food by the Homestead Cabin. Now he bumps his head against my hand. In the past I was lucky to briefly see him maybe once every two months.



Those silly chickens! Tarzan the rooster knows how to herd the hens in his care. Once I found them they all quickly ran up the hillside.

Community News *By Elizabeth Jarrett-Jefferson*

- **Happy Birthday – Colette Hoff – November 10**
- **Happy Birthday -- Jim Tocher -- November 11**



Interested?



NHT ("Now Hear This" brand) high end surround sound speaker system in excellent shape. The speakers work perfectly. The speaker cabinets are in great shape with a few scuffs here and there.

Back in the day, this complete setup cost upwards of \$2K. The complete setup includes one pair side tower speakers; one pair bookshelf speakers; center speaker; sub-woofer plus sub-woofer amp (seven pieces total plus documentation.) \$450.00. Contact Colette to arrange a viewing or to pick up.

Love,
Douglas douglas@douglasdemers.com

Opens Friday!

DOG PARK: The Musical

November 4, 5, 11, 12, 17, 18, 19 @

7:30pm

Sunday, November 13 @ 4pm

Meet the Cast

Daisy - Coreen Beckman

Bogie - Jim Carroll

Champ - Gabe Harshman

Itchy - Ned Farley

DutCast Productions



DOG PARK
The Musical
By Jahna Beecham, Malcolm Hillgartner,
Michael J. Hume
Songs by Malcolm Hillgartner

At the Fairgrounds

OPENS NOV. 4th

November 4...5...11...12...13...
...17...18...19. Evening performances
at 7:30 p.m. Sunday (11/13) at 4 p.m.
Ticket prices - Adults, \$20 - Students
and Seniors \$16
THURSDAY 11/17.....\$14.....
brownpapertickets.com or ocp@whidbey.com

by Jahnna Beecham, Malcolm Hillgartner, Follow Daisy the sassy Westie through her dating adventures with Itchy, Champ and Bogie at the hippest, hottest place in town: Central Bark, where every dog has his day, and love conquers all. Daisy has promised her BFF (Best Friend Forever) she'd give the dating scene one more chance. She meets Champ the Collie, a charming but full of himself show dog; Itchy, a "humperactive" Jack Russell terrier; and Bogie, the darkly mysterious Lab/mutt who sticks his neck out for no one. This unusual quartet make their way through the day's scheduled events which include Singles With Friends, Agility Class, Speed Mating, Yappy Hour and Lovers with Leashes, which is when they pair up and leave the park. Daisy comes to the conclusion that Champ only has eyes for himself, Itchy can only be a friend, and Bogie is the dog for her. But when Daisy makes her desires known to Bogie, she gets a rude awakening; we learn that Bogie, a stray, has been living at the Dogpark for six months. Bogie confesses his love for Daisy just as Animal Control arrives to take him away. Will Bogie and Daisy ever be reunited?

Purchase your tickets by credit card at: www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2684935

or email us at ocp@whidbey.com to reserve tickets and pay at the door by cash or check. Tickets are \$16 students/seniors & \$20 adults

Thursday, November 17- all tickets \$14



Cultural Programs in the Goodenough Community are created for visitors and they are developed as opportunities for our members and friends to practice our lifeways and apply them to contemporary issues and problems in our lives. For instance, the men's program must be an expression of the best wisdom men have gathered from their life together—about what is a good man and how he could best express that in his own life. Similarly, women must return to the essentials of being a good woman in this day and age.

Calendar of Programs and Events, 2016-2017

What makes community meaningful and fun?

The richness of life in community comes in many ways – getting together informally over a meal ... celebrating a significant birthday with long-time and newfound friends ... working together in a creative endeavor ... collaborating in a work party ... thinking deeply with others about what it means to be fully alive and connected with ourselves, each other, and Spirit ...

In the Goodenough Community, we recognize such ways to connect as expressions of **community culture**. Throughout the year, we offer **cultural programs** so that you can engage with the community, participate in your own development, and have a good time. We **welcome your interest** and your participation, and hope that you will join us at any – or many! – of this year's events.

Human Relations Laboratory, August 6 to 12, 2017

This intense and joyous week-long event is a communal experience of personal growth, and has been presented annually for more than 40 years.

Focal Person: Colette Hoff, hoff@goodenough.org



Men's Culture



Men's Weekend, **November 18 to 20**

Focal Person: Bruce Perler, bruce_perler@hotmail.com

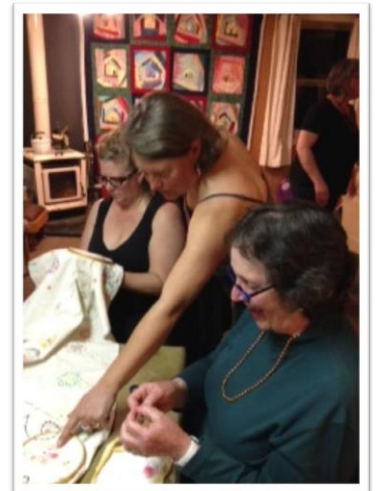
Women's Culture

Next Saturday gathering is November 19, 10-2

Mark your calendar: Women's Weekend, May 5-7, 2017

Women of the Goodenough Community have been gathering intentionally and regularly since 1983 to discover in themselves and each other the essence of womanhood at any age and the presence of the Divine Feminine.

Focal Person: Hollis Guill Ryan, hollisr@comcast.net



Third-Age Gatherings

Next gathering will be in November 11. Joan will pass on the date to all.

Focal Person: Kirsten Rohde, krohde14@outlook.com

True Holidays Celebration, Saturday, December 3



Be part of this fun-filled family-oriented evening, and prepare yourself for a holiday season (whatever faith tradition you follow) that fills your heart.

Focal Person: Kirsten Rohde, krohde14@outlook.com

Winter Solstice Bus Trip, Saturday December 17, 2016

Board a bus, play in the snow, shop in Leavenworth, have a horse-drawn sleigh ride and enjoy an abundant dinner

Focal Person: Colette Hoff

New Year's Eve Weekend at Sahale

New Year's Eve at Sahale!

This year New Year's Eve is on Saturday night. We plan to continue our tradition of good conversation, winter walks, hot tubbing, making meals together, and celebrating the change of year. Dinner will be served at 7:30 p.m. on New Year's Eve. Time will also be given for some personal and shared reflection and for joyful celebration.



Work Parties throughout the Year

Traditionally, the Goodenough Community sponsors work parties over Memorial Day weekend (**May 26 to 29, 2017**), as well as other times throughout the year, to express gratitude for the presence of our beloved retreat center, Sahale, and to experience the satisfaction of playing and working together.

Focal Person: Colette Hoff, hoff@goodenough.org

Summer Camp for Youth, June 25 to July 1

A wonderful opportunity for children 9 to 12 to have a full camp experience in a beautiful setting with loving leadership.

Focal Person: Irene Perler, Irene_Perler@hotmail.com



Watch this page – or visit our website at goodenough.org – for information about these and other events and programs. Some are in town at our Community Center in West Seattle, and others are held at Sahale, our rural retreat center near Belfair, Washington.

