



The Village eView

June 3, 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
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Journey

The act of *traveling from one place to another; a process or course likened to traveling.*

No traveler e'er reached that blest abode who found not thorns and briars in his road. ~William Cowper

It is good to have an end to journey toward, but it is the journey that matters in the end. ~Ursula LeGuinn

“Follow the yellow brick road. Follow the yellow brick road.” At the beginning of Dorothy’s journey through the Land of Oz, she believed that all she had to do to get back home was to follow the yellow brick road to a wonderful wizard who could magically send her back to Kansas.

As we soon find out, the road Dorothy must travel to get to the wizard is not smooth. She encounters a lion, flying monkeys, and the other scary creatures. Sometimes her helpmates on the way become problematic. Near the end of her journey, when she needs to be particularly mindful of every move, Dorothy and her buddies become intoxicated and unconscious in a poppy field. And finally, after reaching the end of the road, the intrepid and courageous Dorothy finds that the wizard she pinned her hopes on isn’t so wonderful. He can’t do a thing to mend her life. Only she has the power to do that, says the good witch.

Whenever illness, divorce, death, losing a job, or some other devastating whirlwind lifts us out of our familiar surroundings and hurls us over the rainbow into a foreign land, we resonate with Dorothy’s journey. Upon landing, we feel frightened, shaky, disoriented, and unsure about where to turn next. Others—doctors, lawyers, consultants, clergy, friends, and relatives—can

Upcoming Events

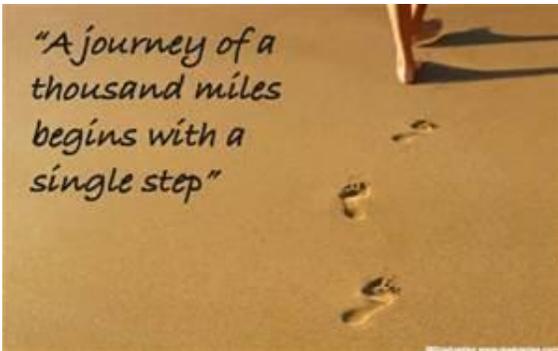
Relationship Group – Tuesdays – 7:30pm

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offer advice and point us toward a healing path. But no matter what directions or reassurances they give, we're the ones who must summon the courage to take the first step. Because we've no experience traveling this road, we're unaware of stumbling blocks, dead-ends, and all the deep dark places that we're destined to visit before arriving on the other side. Then, when we finally do get there, we, like Dorothy, may discover that others—even our best

wizards—cannot change our lives. The healing changes we courageously sought for our bodies, minds, and spirits must come from within. But now thanks to our journey, we do, at last, have the wisdom, strength, determination, perspective, and belief in ourselves to choose to make them happen.

Excerpted from the book, *Healing Words for the Body, Mind and Spirit* by Caren Goldman



We Are Each On A Journey

John L. Hoff

I first want to share with you some facts about my lifetime and then I want to say some thing about the *journey* I have been on in this lifetime.

I was born on July 7th 1935. And have lived almost 80 years. I was born in northern Canada. The first of three children born of my parents, Hazel and Lawrence. I began my journey in life in the spring I turned 8 years old when my family traveled into the Yukon in the far north. The journey began with my discovery of the native culture and it continued as I was trained in thinking and feeling as natives did about the natural world. I learned that there was a journey I could take—a journey of becoming a person. The journey had to do with getting along with people and being an obedient child. Later, the journey stressed growing up to being a responsible person and a good man. These were things we talked about and practiced. There were skills necessary for journeying.



My lifetime has been as a fairly traditional white man yet the inward journey was toward wholeness and service. The outer journey of my life involved learning how to adjust and fit in while the inward journey involved the development of spiritual qualities and a purpose for living. Most of us have two such stories in our life: an outward journey involving social

adjustment and an inward journey of becoming the specific person we are meant to be. You might find it helpful to compare and contrast the inward and outward journeys in your own life.

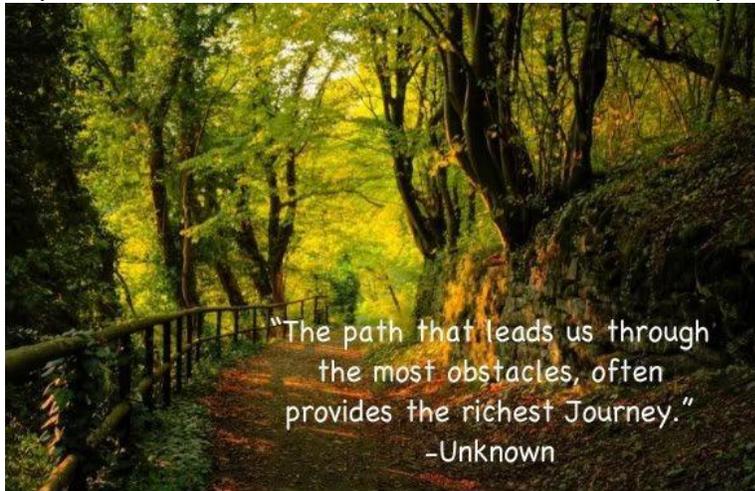
A good traveler has no fixed plans and is not intent upon arriving. Lao Tzu



Reflecting, Dreaming, and Journeying into the future with John

Irene Perler

I enjoyed a warm and creative conversation with John Hoff this week. We often dream together before creating any programs for children and family, or simply as a way to connect and appreciate the values that we share. It was enjoyable because of his openness about aging and the natural way we each search for meaning of our life accomplishments and ask what we will be leaving to the future. I appreciate John for his intention to engage in conversation about possible next steps for this Goodenough Community experiment. John's reflections bring stories of the journey of creating intentional community. He is able to integrate how the early days of life lived with natives of the Yukon and his study of communities led to his desire to



help modern white people value community culture and lifeways. John admits he's had unusual and meaningful situations to learn from and yet he also knows that he has seen how average people in common situations can learn to work well together, have better lives and leave something behind for future generations. He doesn't take for granted that culture just keeps going on. If we don't intend to leave something of benefit

behind to others, learning, wisdom and art surely will be lost. I truly believe this devolution is occurring and it concerns me and motivates me.

It was this concern for Legacy that we continued to speak about and I was enlivened and inspired by his energy and vitality and even hope for the future of the Goodenough Community and other worldwide Communitarian demonstrations; a hope of offering something of meaning and value to the future generations. We spoke of how 45 years of community development has created something real, tangible and truly a gift to many people's lives and that it took this long

to create a depth of relationships, traditions and other cultural aspects. Do we now understand that we must attempt to pass on what has been built? Can we describe this and the process well enough that others, too, can follow the template? It takes time to make communities. I am working with my own sense of responsibility to care for the future. I often want to take the easy route and not feel like it's my job to make a difference...after-all, I'm just one person. That's partly why it's really good to be with friends that want to work together. We just might be able to keep this dream of community alive together, but I can't sustain my energy or create a vision alone.

John spoke of how he appreciates what he's learned from this lifelong investment in people...his friendships, individuating young adults, marriages and families, professional life and activists learning to organize. The skills needed for each of these can be taught through intentional community activities. I have personally been helped, healed and given creative opportunities that have changed my attitudes about my life. I have an identity that is now mixed in with that of the Self of Community. I don't quite know how to see that differently, but it is true that I am in service to something bigger than myself. I know it, and I don't always like that feeling of commitment, as if I'm not free, but on the other hand, I belong and it is meaningful to be deeply connected to this organism called community. I want to help it continue because I can still remember the difference of being alone. I can be alone and in solitude and enjoy it, but that's not the same as being empty and isolated and dry of creativity and warmth of relationships. I don't prefer that, so I want to help this other way of life continue into the future and invite others to try it out for their own benefit and learning as well. **Let's get clear in our direction and move ahead into the future.** I see us reaching out and building the network more consciously with other communitarians. I hope you will keep imagining the future of this community and how you'd like to see it develop into the future. Let John, Colette, and other council members know how you think about the future of the Goodenough Community. What would you like to see as part of the legacy? Would love to hear from you!





The deAnguera Blog: Mike's Journey

This week's theme is Journey. So I decided to describe my journey to Sahale. My journey started with my birth at Maynard Hospital in Seattle on Sept. 23, 1955. I grew up in Seattle but spent time in a few other places.



The photo on the left is me at 11 in Hong Kong. We spent 18 months there where my father managed The Hong Kong branch of the National Bank of Commerce. Was I shy!

The photo below is of me as a Petty Officer 3rd Class in the Navy. I believe it was taken while I was on board in USS Nimitz.

Throughout the first part of my life I tried so hard to be a middle class guy just like my dad. It was impossible for me to conceive of being anything else. I went to college and graduated with a BA in Political Science. Back then I didn't know beans about politics and could not have cared less. After all I was on the road to Middle Class Success!

I believe my life was divided into two halves. In the first half I tried everything possible

to succeed. I went into the Navy thinking I could get work experience as a computer person. But the equipment was old. I really wanted to be in the computer programming field but it seemed I spent my entire career life just trying to catch up but never quite succeeding. The technology was always one step ahead of me.

Notice I am spending all my time describing what I did for a living. I was defining myself by what I did for a living. I am still having trouble with what it takes to be Mike. What does it take to be Mike?

Well...let's see.. what does it mean to be Mike? Who am I? You will see I am shown in 3 different stages of life. In each of them I was thinking very differently from the way I think now even though some part of me still remains the same.

Now I am at the ecovillage of Sahale. This is my home for the 2nd part of my life.



My former work life went away and for awhile it seemed as if my whole identity was in question. I am quite sure many people have gone through what I experienced. I believe my coming out here was a unique experience.

Now I am supported by my friends. Most of what I now know about the importance of human relationships I learned with the Goodenough Community. Relationships were something I used to take for granted. I even took what few friendships I had for granted. Now I find that hard to believe.

Not only did my former career life end but I became aware of my increasing social isolation. I needed to figure out everything for myself and was not very successful at it. Is my Asperger's Syndrome to blame I believe we all have short comings of one sort or another. Most of us don't work well on our own. That's why we banded together into tribes. May be in the present we are having to rediscover the tribe all over again as our economic and social environments collapse.



Here is my latest photo of me. It is off centered because I wanted to give the impression that I'm a naturalist with Nature in the back ground. I am now a Naturalist at Sahale! This is also the photo with my wisest look.



Dreaming Sustainability

Bruce Perler

One of the ways I occasionally allow myself dream has to do with my ongoing simplification goals. Having moved to Sahale, built a simple and comfortable home, and incurred minimal debt in doing so, I've created a movement in my life that matches some of my deepest values. Now that my kids are finishing college and we're nearing the payoff of our home, were working to further consolidate and chip away at debt as part of the path to a simpler life. A simpler life for me has less need for income, therefore less need for corporate employment and, a real need to build out small business opportunities from my home base. My version of the dream has been shared by others as well and is one of the facets of our future in the Tahuya River Valley.

Irene's study of small scale farming and high value crops is one area to continue to experiment with and explore. My growing skills and aptitude for alternative energy systems coupled with my general comfort with technology and engineering background gives me some directions to think and dream. As our EcoVillage at Sahale grows, more folks who want to transplant their livelihoods here will create more opportunities to work together, be creative and support our overall operation here in the valley.

We even already have a proper structure within which to house these kinds of businesses. Mandala Resources Inc. has a history of providing basic business framework for accounting, tax management etc. and, because it's a [Subchapter S corporation](#), registered with the state of

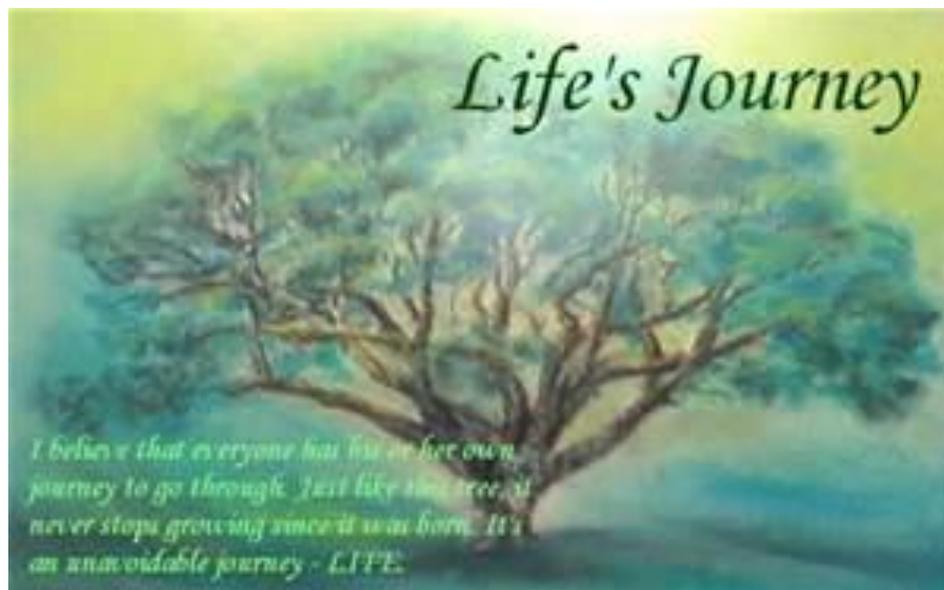
Washington, can allow for individuals working as contractors support for their efforts while also providing income as overhead to the GEC System of organizations.

This is one of those dream areas I'm uneasy about getting very far into out of my own insecurities about letting go of my corporate "golden handcuffs" and, I'm much more interested in being freer and living simpler than I am in continuing to be a city bound corporate citizen.

I can feel the connectedness of my dreaming in this way and truly believe that the future of our community will be partially supported by small, locally sourced businesses that allow me and others to be creative, work from our home base and live into a freer and simpler form of sustainability. I've come this far already having made the choice not to wait to "retire" to manifest my lifestyle dreams so, it really is true that I'm already living this one and, there's so much more to come!



We can only go halfway into the darkest forest; then you are coming out the other side.
~Chinese Proverb



Come to Celebrate John's Journey!



John Lawrence Hoff

It's your 80th Birthday!

We're going to celebrate on

Sunday, July 5,

Sahale Learning Center

Games and Play at 3:00

Dinner at 5:00 p.m.

RSVP

You are welcome to celebrate the 4th at Sahale. Come anytime beginning Thursday July 2. The Tahuya Day Parade begins at 1:00 Saturday, July 4.

Email hoff@goodenough.org with your plans.

Please notice: How has John Hoff impacted your journey? If you cannot attend, please send a greeting, an appreciation, a roast, a memory to Elizabeth at elizabeth.ann.jarrett@gmail.com



Themes for Village EViews

We have been putting out this on-line newsletter for many years. We have agreement among us that it could be improved by having more stories and personal information from our lives. We are encouraging you to help us by suggesting words that might serve as useful anchors in your life, something to help you ponder and reflect on your own thoughts. For instance, we will appreciate your ideas, dreams, brief messages and concerns you want us to know about. The Village eView has a purpose to encourage communication among us and to make sure that ideas and concerns get talked about in our everyday lives. As a community we continue to learn that the path to a better community involves communicating more. Consider taking a pause and write out words you would like more clarity about. This summer we are going to be talking

about words that are key in describing our community and its purpose in our lives. We welcome your contributions. Thanks for helping!

Future Themes:

June 10, Perspective

June 17, Voice

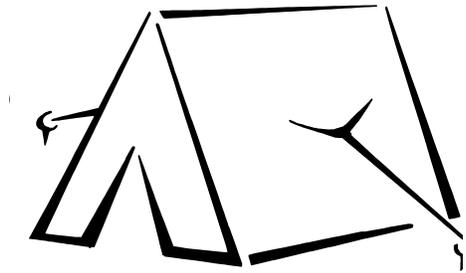
June 24, Seeing

July 1, Gift



There is still time to join either of the following events:

It's that time again!



June 5 to 6, 2015

We will again gather to work together to put up our tent. Please let me know if you can make it.

THE BIG TENT ERECTION IS COMING

Jim Tocher

In fact, we are putting up the big white tent on Friday and Saturday, June 5 and 6.

You probably know the drill. Friday morning we start about 10 AM moving tent poles and plywood flooring and hauling out those monstrously heavy bags with the roof sheets in them. Then we go on to erecting the aluminum frame and follow that by pulling the roof sheets over the frame. Then comes the big lift and stabilizing the whole thing. And on it goes.

The process has typically taken 6 hours on Friday and about that same amount on Saturday. Those of you who can show up on Friday morning are essential to getting us off to a good start. We welcome anyone who can show up on Saturday for another day of work. If you are new to the process, you should know that we take lots of breaks and nobody has to work harder than they themselves feel comfortable. We have lots of chairs for us old folks. This

is not a contest, but a really fun, well organized event. You will be amazed by our smoothness and team skills.

This year we have *hired* Norm Peck to lead the experience. He is coming all the way from Ellensburg to provide his leadership skill for the project. He can be reached at shkwavrydr@gmail.com .

Please respond to either Norm (or Jim Tocher at jamestocher@earthlink.net) as to whether or not you can join us (and when you are coming). Norm and I are dreadfully poor at reading your minds, so be a little birdie and whisper in our ears about your plans.

For Women: Lifelong Learning Begins Early!

Were you able to attend the women's weekend early in May, at Sahale? If so, you will know that at the end of the weekend, women called for another gathering, reluctant to go all summer without being together and continuing to learn together.

So, on June 6 while the Big Tent is being set up, the women will gather at Sahale from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., and I hope you can be with us.

I invite you to join me in a group of women who are intent on continuing to learn the lessons of their lives.

Please come ... whether you attended the weekend in May, or not.

Please come ... whether you have attended Goodenough Community women's events before, or not.

Please come ... whether you are staying for the whole weekend, or just part of it.

In meditation, in friendly discussion, and in free time, we will examine our own development, noticing where we are whole and where we are stuck. Using the resource of the day-long community of women, we will choose ways to get un-stuck and move ahead in our life-long learning.

As is usual at our women's gatherings, we will provide lunch, and we invite you to stay for dinner. And, as usual, there is no charge. We will gratefully receive donations.

It would be helpful to know whether you are planning to attend, so please send me a note to let me know. But, don't stay away just because you didn't send an RSVP!

I hope to see you at Sahale on June 6! Warmly, Hollis

June 7 Pathwork: A Circle of Trust

Colette Hoff

Our next Pathwork gathering will be Sunday June 7, we will continue to use the theme of being an authentic person and the struggle we have to be true to ourselves.

Pathwork is a commitment to encouraging people to their fullest development. This means encouraging:

1. **Maturity** an awareness of one's age and the responsibilities to act accordingly or even a little better, being aware of developmental tasks of all ages and being responsible to them including a conscience on fulfilling one's own intentions.
2. **Sanity** or being proactively responsible for your mental and emotional life. Sanity also has to do with the choice to be in relationship and to care for other people's experiences.
3. **Awakeness** as Self to the energetic quality of life in a body.
4. **Intellectual** preparation or an approach to learning about your own intelligence and how to make the most of your mental capabilities.
5. **Compassion** (learning to feel) and a sense of **service** to others.

The Pathwork Circle meets on Sunday evenings at 7:00 at our new Community Center at 3610 SW Barton St. in West Seattle. You are welcome to join!

*If you want to be a complete human being,
if you want to be genuine
and hold the fullness of life in your heart,
then failure is an opportunity
to get curious about what is going on
and listen to the storylines.
Don't buy the ones
that blame it on everybody else,
and don't buy the storylines
that blame it on yourself, either.*

*~Pema Chodron
(1936 to pres., Buddhist Teacher)*

Pathwork Schedule:
June 7 Pathwork (last for summer)

More News from Memorial Day Weekend @ Sahale

Appreciations

Kirsten Rohde

Having been on a journey elsewhere, I missed the Memorial Day weekend work and play/party at Sahale. Coming back there is evidence that a lot of people have done a lot of work out here. What an accomplishment all around! Walking around I appreciated new paths down by the river, the hugelkulture looking great, the vegetables that were just little starts when I left are now big plants, areas of weeding and tidying up. And larger projects accomplished too; I'm still hearing about all that has been done and is continuing. Kudos to all who have worked on the back of Mamook. What a change to walk in there – it is really straightened out and clean! I know I haven't even seen all the changes yet. This is community at its best.



A little more room left in Sahale Summer Camp! Help us fill space for 6 more campers!

June 22 to 28, 2015

Irene Perler



The campground at Sahale is being prepared for our 10th Annual Summer Camp and the staff are all preparing for a variety of activities and experiences, which we use to deepen our circle of friendship for the week.

We are very excited to continue with themes about friendship and enjoy such things as evening campfires and stargazing; playing Frisbee in the meadow; learning about fish, frogs and snakes; swimming in the river; singing songs and learning about our own thoughts and feelings.



If you know anyone **aged 9 to 12** who may still want to join our camp....please send them to our website www.goodenough.org and better yet, have them contact me personally at irene_perler@hotmail.com and I'll enjoy orienting them and getting them registered.

Send a child to camp

Irene Perler

Each year, for the last 9 years, Sahale Summer Camp has enjoyed a program rich in culture and learning for campers and camp staff alike. This year, our theme is Friendship again, because it is the best theme we can keep learning from. There are skills to learn that help make friendship fun, fair, creative, meaningful and playful. Young people can learn about older people and older folks enjoying finding out what young people think and feel.

Our community has a deep investment in the next generations and in family life. It is a vision and mission to pass on learning about relationships, family life and self-development. Our summer camp program does that very naturally through the week of camp life and it also works with the parents ahead of time to help them learn more about their parenting goals and hopes for their children.

Consider a donation to the Goodenough Community Scholarship fund, which supports families who want to send their children to summer camp, and may need financial assistance. Our camp fees are very reasonable in order to make it accessible, and a little help goes a long way to make our camp experience a diverse and welcoming one.

Please feel free to donate on-line with a note about scholarship fund, or you may send a check to:

Goodenough Community
Box 312
Tahuya, WA 98588

Thank you for considering this way to make a difference!

Available for Rent: A Private Suite at 3610 SW Barton St.

Very large walk-in closet
Beautiful bathroom with large soaking tub and lots of cupboards
Large bedroom with lovely west view of Puget Sound

While we shared space at the Community Center for a couple of months, we are again looking to someone to share space in the Fautleroy neighborhood. The rent is \$950 per month including utilities and a beautiful shared kitchen.

Call Colette 206-755-8404

Human Relations Laboratory

August 9 to 15, 2015

A Path from Stuckness to Freedom

Seven rich days of experiential learning and social creativity within a community environment

Sahale Learning Center

Kitsap Peninsula

Register soon at www.goodenough.org (Space is limited)

360-275-3957



Useful for your marriage, a resource for your family and a kick in the pants for your personal development.

An Encouragement to Attend the Human Relations Laboratory, August 9 to 15

This lab will encourage you and guide you in your journey to become the best version of yourself. It is a week designed to help you embrace your purpose and responsibilities while also encouraging you toward freedom and fulfillment. The Lab supports relational awareness with space to practice skills and strategies.

There is more information about Lab on our web site, www.goodenough.org There will be an **Open House about the Lab at our Community Center on Monday, July 20.** This is a good opportunity to introduce friends to the Laboratory model.

The title of this Lab is: **The Path from Stuckness to Freedom** in which we are both reviewing the problems we are having in our own personal development **and** we are learning how to help each other be released from what holds us down or keeps us stuck, and the lab program allows us the opportunity to help each other be freer to become unstuck and more committed to developing our personal sense of freedom. If it is true for yourself or someone you know—this lab, HRL 2015--will be an unusual opportunity to talk about what is holding you back and to ask for help in choosing freedom and growth. The people who have become staff for this event are intellectual studying how to emphasize freedom and transcendence while at the same time encouraging each other to do the same. This will be a resource for couples and families and friendships of all kinds. Our on-going conversations indicate that we are motivated to make this a rich celebration of experiential learning.

News from Members and Friends

By Elizabeth Jarrett-Jefferson

Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Paul Rudnick – June 3- Happy birthday, Paul!
- Sarah Benner-Kenagy – June 4. Happy birthday, Sarah!
- Brandy Bradford – June. Happy birthday, Brandy!
- Milo Eugene Newell – Age 1 – June 6!
- Happy 35th anniversary, **John & Colette Hoff** – June 7
- Happy birthday, **Samantha Sieverling** – June 7.
- Sam Staatz – June 8 – Happy birthday, **Sam!**

Congratulations to Upcoming

Graduates



Chris Benner-Kenagy, son of Richard Kenagy and Lee Benner, will soon be graduating from **Central Washington University (CWU) in Ellensburg**. Chris will be graduating with a psychology major. He will be working this summer working on a research project with a professor before he graduates, having enjoyed

analysis and statistics this past year. He then will be starting a job with College Access Now, an AmeriCorp position that helps students with little support get what they need for the process of getting into college. He will be working with 30 students at Nathan Hale HS where he went to high school. *Congratulations, Chris!*



Kathleen Buchmeier will graduate from CWU on June 13 with a degree in Anthropology and a minor in Native American studies. Kathleen' parents, Phil and Rose, will be hosting a party on June 20 and you are invited (**see below**). Congratulations, Kathleen!



Gillen Martin, daughter of Kate Martin, will graduate in June from Arcata High School, Arcata, California. Gillen plans to attend Brown University (Providence, Rhode Island) in the fall. Congratulations, Gillen!

Brynn Zebold, daughter of Ryan and Liz Zebold, will be graduating on Friday, June 12, from Burlington-Edison High School. In September, Brynn will be moving into her dorm at The Evergreen State College, Olympia, where she

plans to study creative writing and art. Brynn hopes to become an author. Congratulations, Brynn!



If you have news about yourself or other friends or family, please email [Elizabeth!](mailto:Elizabeth)

You are invited to a graduation celebration
Honoring

Kathleen Rose Buchmeier

June 20th 2PM to 6 PM.

Refreshments will be served

Toasting !

Where: Philip and Rosemary Buchmeier

9033 13th Ave S.W.

Seattle, Wa. 98016

RSVP 206-764-0193



Congratulations on your achievement, Graduate!

Hara haere ki Aotearoa ! (Translation from Maori: Sarah goes to New Zealand!)



With much excitement, the Perler-Boone family is looking forward to sending off their daughter, Sarah, on yet another international adventure. This time, the budding young professional will find herself in Wellington, the political and cultural capital of New Zealand! Sarah has recently accepted a position as a strategic water policy analyst for the Ministry for the Environment – a government body that acts much as the Environmental Protection Agency does in the States. Within the Water Directorate, Sarah will have the opportunity to help guide policy on issues such as managing pollution in pristine ecosystems, coordinating national policy with community-based governance systems and supporting the integration of customary Maori water rights within the new allocation system.



Sarah is looking forward to this exceptional opportunity to apply her learning. She recently completed a Master of Science degree in water science, policy and management from the University of Oxford. This interdisciplinary training has been quite inspiring for her and she is looking forward to doing something useful with the skills and knowledge that she has acquired. As the natural environment in New Zealand is quite similar to that of the Pacific Northwest, Sarah hopes that her experiences ‘down under’ will support her in caring for your local environment later in her career. Sarah takes off for New Zealand on June 18th.

Carl Rohde Passes



My brother, Carl, died Thursday, May 21. It's hard to believe that he is really gone. I'm so glad that I was able to be with him these last couple weeks and with Katie and Carl's longtime partner, Kathy. Many friends stopped by Carl's home in the last few days and we were able to share stories about Carl both while he was still with us and then afterwards. There was a lot of support present for Carl and

for us. We have learned so much more about our brother, his devotion to designing wonderful homes for many, his creativity with photos and sketching, his love of fly fishing and his friends' love of him. This has both been a hard couple weeks and something I wouldn't have missed for anything. Katie and I are on our way to the Oregon coast now for a few days of peace and rest. Thank you to all who have stayed in touch with me and offered support long distance during this time.

You can read Carl's obituary and see some photos at www.howemortuary.com and see his home designs at: www.rohdedesigninc.com

Kirsten

Kirsten and Katie, Our hearts are with you in your loss. A card and a beautiful Japanese Maple await your arrival home, Kirsten.

Upcoming Events

15th ANNUAL

Fairy & Human Relations Congress

Communication & Co-Creation with Nature Spirits, Devas and the Faery Realms

JUNE 26-28, 2015

Skalitude Retreat, Twisp, WA.

<http://www.fairycongress.com/>

"Greening Our Neighborhoods With Permaculture."

Permaculture Convergence, the weekend of August 28, 29 and 30.

This year's Convergence will be in the River Road Neighborhood, 3 miles northwest of downtown Eugene, Oregon.

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>Human Relations laboratory</i>
<i>Family Enrichment Network</i>	<i>Sahale Summer Camp</i>
<i>The Men's Culture</i>	<i>Relational Weekend, page</i>

Third Age Gathering

Joan Valles

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.



Sept 18, October 23, and November 20 are the remaining 2015 dates.

Third Agers meet at the home of [Phil, Joan, Barbara, and Jim](#) in West Seattle. Gatherings 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

Announcing:

Women's Culture, Upcoming Gathering: Saturday, June, 6, 2015

Hollis Ryan



At the end of the women's weekend, a suggestion was made to re-gather and continue some of the work that was begun over the weekend.

So while some friends are putting up a large white tent, the women will be meeting together as well as helping with meals. We will gather beginning at 10:00 Saturday until 5:30 p.m. You are welcome to negotiate for a spot to spend the night.

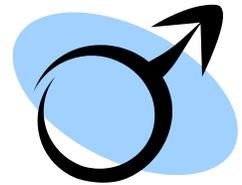
Attendance in the most recent weekend is not required. Come join us!

RSVP Elizabeth Jarrett-Jefferson

Men's Program

Theme: Friendship among Men

The men of the Goodenough Community had a great weekend this spring, Please let [Bruce Perler](#) know of your interest. In the future



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 9-15, 2015

A Path from Stuckness to Freedom

Sahale Learning Center

On the Kitsap Peninsula near Belfair

Register soon (Space is limited)

www.goodenough.org (360) 275-3957



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An event designed to encourage human development

- This event can inspire your own desire to be a better person.
- Whether you are focused on personal mastery or trying to improve your relationships, you will find this learning/training event will facilitate your growth.
- The Lab context provides opportunities to practice interpersonal skills and experience community formation.
- Former attendees have referred to the Lab as transformative and rejuvenating.

We offer the opportunity for social creativity in play, drama, dance, music, song and conversation. Each day will include time to explore the magical land of Sahale.

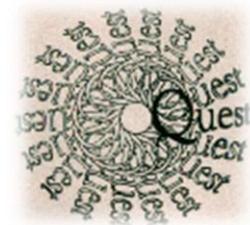
To register: www.goodenough.org or call (360) 275-3957 to discuss your interest.

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 (206 963-4738), Colette (206-755 8404).

Currently, John and Colette are now visiting with clients at the new community center , 3610 SW Barton Street, Seattle 98106 as well as Sahale.





*Everyone you meet is meant to be in your
Journey. Not everyone is meant to stay there.*