

## ***Connection***

I define connection as the energy that exists between people when they feel seen, heard, and valued; when they can give and receive without judgment; and when they derive sustenance and strength from the relationship.

(Brené Brown)

# **The Village eView**

**November 16, 2016**

Colette Hoff, Editor

### **Coming Up:**

Men's Weekend – November 18-20

Women's Culture – Saturday, Nov 19

Pathwork – Sunday, November 27

Council – Monday, November 28

True Holidays Celebration – Sat Dec 3

**Editor's Note:** So much of what we heard last week, in dealing with the election result, is to stay connected. The glue of relationship is connection. Community enables connection. This week, for example, men will share time together and women will enjoy a few hours together. Connection is what keeps Pathwork significant in many people's lives. Last week, the Third Age gathered to share experiences as well as thoughts and feelings about recent national events.

Community holiday activities are intended to promote connection. This Thanksgiving, in addition to enjoying a good meal, pay more attention to the connection with the people

### ***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**

**The EcoVillage at Sahale**

you are sharing the experience with. Kirsten and Mike each share the value of connection in this issue. We also off a few notes of thanksgiving. This song speaks to our current need for connection:

## **CONNECTION**

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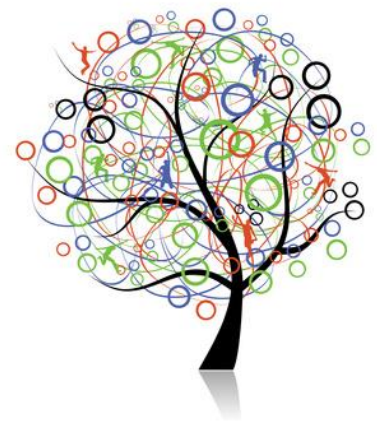
***seen a lot of rain  
seen a lot of road  
i've seen a lot of the world  
it's on overload  
i see it in myself  
it's everywhere i go  
each one of us  
looking for connection, connection***

***everybody's on the phone  
but nobody's home  
so how do we share  
how do we show that we care  
when everybody's on the line  
wasting time hungry for connection, connection***

***reach out and touch someone  
everybody's innocent here  
everybody's got a song to sing***

***everybody's got a private fear  
reach out and take somebody's hand  
here we stand in the eyes of god  
reaching out, reaching out for connection***

***i got the mp3  
i got the mini disc  
i got a world of information at my fingertips  
i've got a young son  
living with his walkman on  
just like me, he's looking for connection connection***



## Grateful for Connection

Kirsten Rohde

Today, when I was out running errands, I watched someone crossing the street, and I wondered if she had someone to go home to. Does she have somewhere she will go for Thanksgiving? Does she live alone? Sometimes in my life I've lived alone, and not had very strong connections with others in my life. I've felt alone and lonely. With these imaginary thoughts about this other person (who maybe actually has a whole life full of people – I hope so), I felt grateful that I do have people in my life now. I can be comforted by human contact when I need it. These days, with so much uncertainty and strong feelings over the country's direction since the disastrous election, it's good to be around others. In our community, we've had several gatherings over the last week, and we've taken time at each of them to let out our feelings and thoughts. I'm grateful for these times. Whatever happens, we're together. I would want that to be true for anyone; providing ways that people can get more connected seems to me to be part of the solution.



A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues. ~Cicero



I am most thankful this year for my Grandson, Wiley Blessings Colette



I am grateful to Kirsten, Irene, Theresa, Max, Joan, and Nan for enabling me to take 10 days away. I had a wonderful time.  
Love  
Colette

Thank you Kirsten for putting your heart in it!  
Love  
Colette

The residents at Sahale are thankful for Joan Valles' visits!  
We love you!



Thank you to the current community Council. Your dedication is admirable. Thank you for caring and ensuring the continuation of the work.  
Appreciatively,  
The Goodenough Community



## **There is still time to let Bruce know of your interest. November 18 Men's Weekend**

**Men's Gatherings - a way of being together**  
Bruce Perler



At first I thought I'd try and be funny, then particularly witty sounded better. Now, as I put my fingers to keyboard, all I really want to do is share this statement of purpose about being together as men.

*At the core of our way of being together is a heartfelt social process. We offer a container, a safe place, a men's development framework, experienced facilitation and tested elders. There is no program, only the real stories shared by those present and the inspiring way this encourages authentic response in the group. When graced, our process can create perspective and insight for both those sharing and for those joining in, hearts and minds engaged.*

Bruce Perler [bruce\\_perler@hotmail.com](mailto:bruce_perler@hotmail.com) 206-419-8361





## **Introducing The Second Annual Friends of Sahale Weekend, January 13 to 15, 2017**

Dear Friends,

This second annual weekend is a time for appreciation as well as sharing information and continuing to envision the future at Sahale. We want to gather all who are connected to Sahale for a good weekend together.

We will have time to share about Sahale: past, present and future. We will have the opportunity to be informed about the various aspects of Sahale: the EcoVillage, the finances of running Sahale, residents and future residents, the retreat business, land use and restoration, food production, educational programs, and more.

We will review what we have learned this year and the status of various projects we agreed to at last year's gathering, including fundraising.

Together we will engage in shared visioning for the future and put some directions, priorities, and plans in place.

Bruce, Irene, Kirsten, Colette and John hope you will join us this weekend. Let Colette know if you are interested. [hoff@goodenough.org](mailto:hoff@goodenough.org)



## **A Gathering of Women**

The women of the Goodenough Community are gathering on **Saturday, November 19, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at the Community Center (3610 Barton Street SW, Seattle)**. I hope that you will join us.

Whether you have participated in the Community's women's program for many years, or have not yet attended a gathering, please come! Our day together will give you opportunities for introspection, listening deeply, and sharing your own heart in a warm, welcoming, and stimulating environment.

Our day typically begins with a chance to mingle over coffee before our program begins, and we will serve lunch later in the day. Although our programs build on each other from

September until our concluding weekend in early May, each day is a discrete event. Even if you do not participate in other gatherings, you will find that the one(s) you do attend are valuable.

At our September gathering, we worked with values as expressing our heart's desires for the way we want to interact with and relate to the world, other people and ourselves. As we continue to work with the community themes for the year--Sanity (Mental Health), Maturity, Proactivity, and Creativity--this Saturday our focus will be on how to handle conflicting values and behaviors that disrupt our mental well-being. As we explore thought patterns, emphasis will be on integration.

To help us plan, please send an RSVP. And ... please come, even if you do not send a response! We suggest a contribution of \$20 to the Goodenough Community for each Saturday gathering, and trust that you will give more or less, as is right for you.

We hope to see you soon!



## *Joining Together for Peace*

### *True Holidays - Dec 3:*

**W**e 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

### Second Article of a Series

My 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 and the season by thinking of what might brighten your own holidays and those around you.



**The Silent Auction Team wanted to provide more specifics** about the event this year, and we think you will appreciate the specificity about what will be offered and what we'd love as your unique contribution.

1. **Items for sale:** Home made foods (Do you bake bread? Have a favorite granola recipe? Make cheese? Have a favorite cake or preserves you'd like to offer for sale? Maybe you are now raising chickens: How about some farm-fresh eggs?)
2. **Experiences:** We've had many offered over the years that have been wonderfully sought after: A Gourmet Sherpa Hiking Experience; Shooting the Breeze Sailing experiences with Jodine Hatfield and Leslie Norman as important examples. This year, Pam and Elizabeth will be offering a Signature Cocktail night, where we will teach you how to make two-three different cocktails and provide the appetizers, all in one of our homes and enjoy the fruits of our labor. How about a specialty ethnic dinner night, prepared and served in your home by professional restauranteers? How about a family game night?
3. **Hand-made items:** Do you paint? Carve? Do calligraphy? We invite you to use your imagination.
4. **Unique or unusual items:** One year several silver plate items were offered by the Perlbers. The silver pieces had belonged to Bruce's mother and were bid upon and given wonderful new homes.

Please let me know of your intention to donate to this wonderful event. We have a bid form (revised in its format) which is attached to the eView communication from Colette.

Remember that all donations are tax deductible. Thank you!

- **Elizabeth.**

A favorite part of the True Holidays is having the children sing. Carla Geraci has helped shaped this aspect of our program many times. Thank you Carla!

## I'd Like To Teach The World To Sing

I'd like to build the world a home  
And furnish it with love  
Grow apple trees and honey bees  
And snow-white turtle doves

I'd like to teach the world to sing  
In perfect harmony  
I'd like to hold it in my arms  
And keep it company

I'd like to see the world for once  
All standing hand in hand  
And hear them echo through the hills  
For peace throughout the land

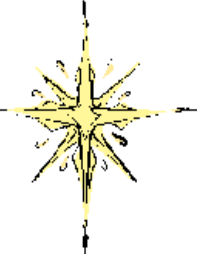
(That's the song I hear)  
I'd like to teach the world to sing  
(Let the world sing today)  
In perfect harmony

I'd like to teach the world to sing  
In perfect harmony

I'd like to build the world a home  
And furnish it with love  
Grow apple trees and honey bees  
And snow-white turtle doves

In an effort of "Joining Together for Peace"  
We will be singing:

## Song of Peace (from Finlandia)



1. This is my song, Oh God of all the nations,  
A song of Peace for lands afar and mine.  
This is my home, the country where my heart is;  
Here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;  
But other hearts in other lands are beating,  
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
2. My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,  
And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.  
But other lands have sunlight too, and clover,  
And skies are everywhere as blue as mine:  
Oh hear my song, thou God of all the nations,  
A song of peace for their land and for mine.
3. May truth and freedom come to every nation  
May peace abound where strife has raged so long;  
That each may seek to love and build together,  
A world united, righting every wrong;  
A world united in its love for freedom,  
Proclaiming peace together in one song.

Lyrics written by: v. 1 & 2, Lloyd Stone in 1934  
v. 3 by Georgia Harkness 1964  
Put to the music of *Finlandia* written in 1900 by Jean Sibelius



## 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?



### **More News from Hollis and Hal's Magnificent Road Adventure**

November 15

*Hollis Guill Ryan and Hal Smith*

I don't really know where I left off in telling about our travels. I know it has been more than a week since I last wrote about our trip. So, I thought I'd just select one highlight to tell about: Scary Roads.

Hal and I have had at least 2 unintentional adventures on back roads, in the past, and have vowed not to travel on unpaved roads again. But, of course, not all scary roads are unpaved. A case in point was early in our trip when we drove through the Sawtooth

Mountains, Idaho, traveling west to east. Beautiful scenery! Small almost-ghost-towns along the way. Friendly folk wherever we stopped.

And then we approached a pass whose name we do not right now recall and which was 8,000 feet high, and the road became steep, narrow, and twisty. And it began to snow. It wasn't the worst drive we've ever made, but we were relieved when the snow stopped and the road began to straighten out. Coming down the hairpin turns with low visibility in the first snow of the year was not as fun as some folks would have you think!

Even though we traveled through Yellowstone and some high roads in Wyoming, we were happy that none of them were white-knuckle drives. We arrived in Moab, Utah, and spent a little while visiting some shops where one friendly shopkeeper told us a better way to get to Island in the Sky and Dead Horse Point. A tourist advisor had also recommended these stops and had shown us how to reach them, but the shopkeeper told us his way was much more scenic, as long as we had four-wheel drive. I told him that we were wusses on unpaved roads but he assured us this road was no big deal, as long as we had four-wheel drive. The fact that he repeated that caution made me suspicious but we decided to give it a try. After all, the locals know best.



Here is Shafer Trail:

<http://www.dangerousroads.org/north-america/usa/591-shafer-trail-road-usa.html>

We came off that road quivering ... and vowed again: No more dirt roads, no matter what they tell us! By the way, when we wrote to Tom James to tell him about the road, he allowed as how it would be a scary drive for novices (that's us!) but that he and Mary love to take their Jeeps up and down the trail. They do that for fun.

<http://www.dangerousroads.org/north-america/usa/591-shafer-trail-road-usa.html>

On we went on our sedate journey. In Blanding, Utah, the tourist information guy gave us detailed instructions on all the sites to see on our way across the state to Bryce Canyon. We followed the green line he drew on our map to Monument Valley, the Gooseneck on the Colorado, and were on our way to Valley of the Gods when we encountered the Moki Dugway. Here it is:

<http://www.dangerousroads.org/north-america/usa/783-mokee-dugway-usa.html>

The information guy had told us he didn't want us to be taken by surprise when we encountered the Dugway, and he made a point of the fact that it is only 3 miles long. Again, I asked about pavement and switchbacks, and he told us that was why he didn't want us taken by surprise. Yes, it is gravel, and yes, there are switchbacks, but it's an OK road, and it is only 3 miles long.

OMG. That is a very long 3 miles.

If you read the "Dangerous Roads" website about these 2 roads, you'll see that it praises the views. Yeah, right. Who dares take their eyes off the road unwinding in front of their wheels??? As the passenger, I was looking ahead to see if anyone was coming down

the hill so we could find a pullout, and as the driver, well, Hal wasn't looking over any edges, either!

OK. No more gravel roads. And, so far we have not encountered any more unpaved roads. We are throwing more than a grain of salt at any advice that comes to us in the form of, "But you can do it if you have clearance and 4-wheel drive"!

And, nevertheless, not all scary roads are unpaved. Take the Hogback in Utah, for example. It's on the scenic byway that takes you toward Bryce Canyon. It's paved, and the lanes are wider than the car, and sometimes there are even guardrails. But the road falls away on both sides simultaneously! You're on top of a ridge that connects 2 mountains! It probably wouldn't be so scary if we hadn't both developed PTSD from our earlier drives! In fact, one of the men we were talking to later on told us how much he loves riding his motorcycle across it, and I imagine Sam would rank it as a great ride, too.

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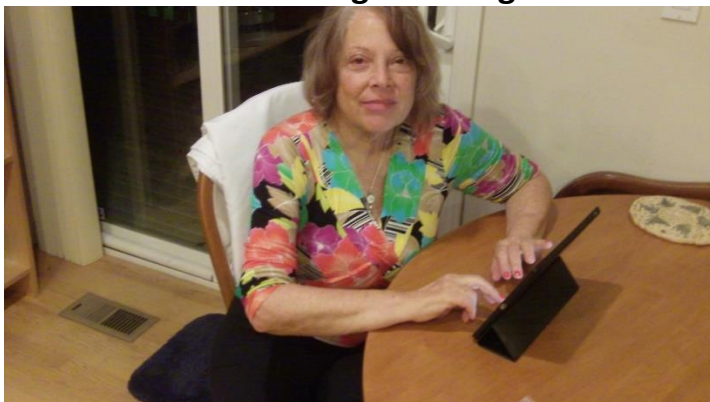
Now we encounter a slight curve in a road and laugh together: "This is NOTHING compared to ... !" So, although much of our journey has been, as I said above, sedate, there has been some spice added from time to time!

As I write, we are in Sedona, enjoying 2 free nights courtesy of Wyndham Resorts. We have to give them 2 hours of our time tomorrow mid-day, but the room is lovely, and the surroundings are beautiful. The town itself does not interest us much, but the environs do. And we are ready to take some time off, so I think that tomorrow we are going to a park and just bask in the warmth of the day.

With love, Hollis



### The deAnguera Blog: Connections



Linda Martin showed up last weekend. A talented artist and a good Community friend. I had not seen her for many years. She is currently living in San Cristobal de las Casas In the Mexican state of Chiapas. She showed me pictures of her house and some of her art work. Like most Mexican towns and cities San Cristobal has a plaza with a colorful

Catholic church. Linda also has pictures of the many dogs she helped rescue off the city streets. They are now being taken care of at a rescue shelter.

Linda's art work reminds me of Norman Rockwell, a great American artist who drew and painted all sorts of colorful and humorous scenes. Unlike Rockwell, she painted Chiapas men, women, and children. But the choice of subjects was similar. I remember one of her pieces featuring two shoe shine boys. Linda told me she could photograph people in San Cristobal's public square but one had to be really careful about photographing people in the surrounding villages.

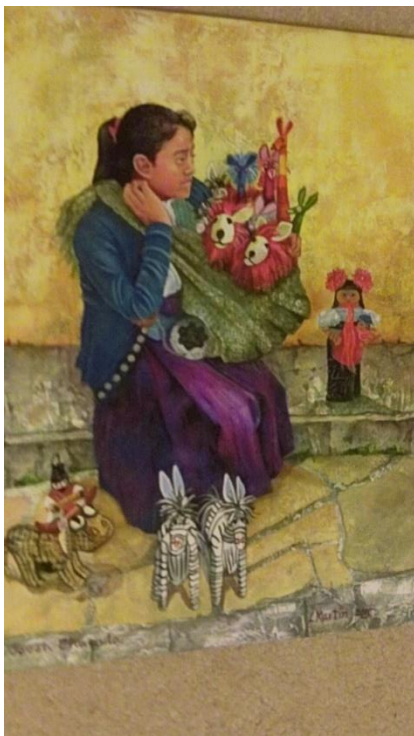
There is talk of building a wall between the U.S. and Mexico to stem the flood of immigrants. I can't help but feel the fear many Americans have of our southern neighbor. Mexico has had to battle drug wars. Politicians take advantage of our fear to get our votes.

Linda feels safe in her town. She knows a number of townspeople and doesn't mind being surrounded by Mexicans. She shows it is possible even desirable to have a life with people different from her.

For me now a successful life is about connecting with people. That's what Linda has done. It is not easy as she reminded me. What would make it easier? How connecting with others as a group? That's certainly something we need to concentrate on in our next Lab, especially considering the results of our presidential election.

There's a whole universe of different people to connect to. The more different we are from each other the more ideas and possibilities grow. Two opposite poles send a charge out to each other and that energy lights our homes and drives our appliances. We are limited only by our imagination.

What's happening is that the world I thought I knew is falling away and I am seeing things as they really are. That can be shocking. But do I really want to be surrounded by illusions? That's not helpful. I'd rather know the truth.



The good news is we are all still here. Sahale is still present. That's something to be thankful for. We can celebrate the birthdays of Colette Hoff and Jim Tocher. I can celebrate the birthdays of my brother Paul and his wife Pat. I treated them both to a Chinese dinner at Lee's Resaurant in West Seattle.

A Mayan girl from Chiapas. This painting really caught my eye, especially the face. Linda is really a talented artist.

## **Pathwork, Sunday, November 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.

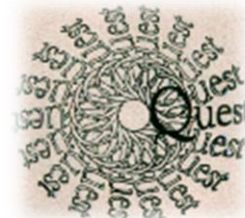
Pathwork is sponsored by Convocation: A Church and Ministry, which promotes an interfaith exploration of the journey of life. Individuals share practices that have worked for them and we often spend some time in meditation together.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:krohde14@outlook.com) or 206-719-5364 for more information.



*In these unsure times, take to heart the words of poet, writer, activist and farmer Wendell Berry (Submitted by Kirsten Rohde)*

### **The Peace of Wild Things**

When despair for the world grows in me  
and I wake in the night at the least sound  
in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be,  
I go and lie down where the wood drake  
rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.

I come into the peace of wild things  
who do not tax their lives with forethought  
of grief. I come into the presence of still water.

And I feel above me the day-blind stars  
waiting with their light. For a time  
I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.



### **In Memory of Jack George**



There will be a memorial for my dad , Jack Larry George, Nov. 19th. in Richland. This photo with both Mom and Dad in it at Kathleen's graduation 6 years ago.

**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](mailto: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

*OutCast 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](http://brownpapertickets.com) or [ocp@whidbey.com](mailto:ocp@whidbey.com)

by Jahna 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](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/2684935)

or email us at [ocp@whidbey.com](mailto: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.



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**Men’s Culture**



Men’s Weekend, **November 18 to 20**

Focal Person: Bruce Perler, [bruce\\_perler@hotmail.com](mailto:bruce_perler@hotmail.com)

**Women’s Culture**

**Next Saturday gathering is November 19, 10-2**

**Mark your calendar: Women’s Weekend, May5-7, 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.

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**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](mailto: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.

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**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

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## *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.

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### **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.

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Watch this page – or visit our website at [goodenough.org](http://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.

