

# CHAT CHAT SPRING NEWS

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## Spring Planting!

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NORTHWEST LEADERSHIP LABORATORY



## CONNECT, STEAM & DRUM into Seeds of Leadership' in 2017!

It's Spring! CHATCOLAB'S 69th Year is around the corner! What SHARE will you make? ...Chatcolab registration is now up and running. If you want a special room in the lodge, reasonable accommodations due to special needs, or have other requirements for this year's lab as an Education, 4-H, Outdoor, Recreation, Extension, or Leadership professional; PLEASE Contact Val Duffy, Registrar TODAY! Join us for the 2017 program of this multigenerational leadership laboratory June 10-16th at Twinlow Camp near Rathdrum, Idaho. Check out last year's workshop descriptions on the web site (you will be surprised)!



Join us in 2017 for Car Care Olympics...



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## Calendar...

**April 15, 2017 – Early Bird Registration Deadline | Save Money...bring the family!**

**June 10-16, 2017! Chatcolab, Twinlow, in Rathdrum, Idaho**

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## Chatcolab NEWS...

Remember to add yourself or invite a friend to join our email list. For the most up to date news: [CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)



## Chatcolab 2017 Program Has Been Set

### [Schedule](#)

- **Leading with Connections, Trust and Innovation**  
**S.T.E.A.M.** (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math)
- **R U GAME** (Games for Team Building)
- **Lacto-Fermentation** (microbial process using beneficial bacteria)
- **Soul Collage** (soulcollage.com)
- **Appliqué** (needlework technique)
- **Extreme Forestry**
- **Parliamentary Procedure for All Ages**
- **Improve Your Golf Swing**
- **Sing, Draw, Play Games**
- **And So Many More!!**

## 2017 Early Registration Closes April 15<sup>th</sup>

- **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN**
- **Early Bird Prices End April 15<sup>th</sup> at midnight**
- **SCHOLARSHIPS** are still available for first time attendees



As a twist to the 2017 Share Fair we have added a theme to allow participants to think ahead for items or activities they would like to share with participants.

If you have any decorations that would add to the festive fun of our Share Fair Farmers Market please bring them to share as well.

**Ideas include:**  
**Denim Overalls**  
**Straw Hats**  
**Salsa Tasting Contest?**

**Share ideas with us on facebook:**  
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## Love Horses?

### Love learning with Brook!

**Brook Howell, Moscow, Idaho**



I have many different activities that will teach kids about horses without the need of a live horse. Some examples are history of horse use in the United States (think pony express!), anatomy (what parts of the horse are the same on us?), coat patterns (what are the names of those spots and white marks?), facilities needed (could I keep a horse in my backyard?), gaits of horses (how fast is that horse moving?), and a leadership game to learn effective communication (do horses speak English?). All activities will be interactive and get the students into learning about horses! Multiple activities will happen per session! I have been teaching youth and adults all about horses for the past 15 years. I am a member of the American Quarter Horse Association Professional Horseman and the National Reining Horse Association Professionals.

***Brooke Howell is a PhD student in Agricultural Education at the University of Idaho and the owner of Brooke Howell Horsemanship Company, LLC in Potlatch, Idaho.***



## Are You On Par?

***John Warren, Class A, PGA Professional Instructor, Great Falls, Montana***

Hello all 2017 Chat attendees. This year it will be my honor to conduct a short 1-2 hr Golf Clinic on Monday.

This clinic will be a "hands on" class. All participants will have the opportunity to learn some of the basic easy to do swing fundamentals, swing, drills, and have a fun time applying them!

Limited flight golf balls will be provided for this class, but attendees must bring their own clubs and other equipment. Class size will be limited so enroll early!!

### FREE DAY ACTIVITY

I will be happy to arrange a fun golf outing on Saturday afternoon and on Tuesday Afternoon "free Day"

Players preferably must register to play three weeks prior to Chatcolab so I will know how many tee times to book! Information will be in the welcome package.

Remember, all participants must bring their own clubs and play balls.

I look forward to seeing all of you there and sharing a fun golfing experience with you!

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## LEADERSHIP Moments...

Jen's bringing a Portfolio of Ideas to Plant the Seeds of Leadership in You!



### Jen McFarland, Portland, Oregon

Hi, my name is Jen McFarland. I'll have the good fortune to spend a lot of time with many of you the summer of 2017 at Chatcolab. I can't wait! I wear a lot of hats. These hats serve a bigger purpose—to equip me to be the best service provider I can be. I have three passions: creativity, problem-solving, and helping people. No two people are alike. No two problems are alike. Let's find some fun and creative ways to work together. Learn to connect, dream, and foster growth at the ALL LAB Session!!!

*Jen McFarland*

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## **Tyler Schlagenhauf, Boise, Idaho**

We hope you'll join us on our next Challenge Island adventure at Chatcolab 2017! Our all lab youth program presenter is Tyler Schlagenhauf!

Challenge Island is an international educational franchise on the forefront of S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) Education and 21st Century Learning. We provide collaborative challenge-based experiences for ages 4 to 14+ in the form of after school classes, in-school workshops, camps, parties, homeschooling events, team building, and multi-generational family adventures.

Our unique ability to simultaneously address the needs of both the playful, whimsical child of today and the globally successful adult of the future has brought Challenge Island a sea of accolades from schools, parents, and kids alike.

Here is what you need to know about Tyler at **Chatcolab...**

## **What inspired you to become a Challenge Island Franchise Owner?**

The emphasis the franchise puts on student autonomy in **STEAM Education** is very intriguing to me as an educator.

## **Tell us about your professional background.**

I have taught 1st through 3rd grade for the last 6 years. I received my Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education and my Master's Degree in Education Administration.

## **What have you enjoyed most about starting your Challenge Island business?**

I have enjoyed working with programs and schools around Idaho. It has been very rewarding to see students, parents, teachers, etc. engaging in our high-quality, hands-on activities and working with others to complete the goal!



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## **Please share one of your favorite Challenge Island moments.**

My favorite Challenge Island moment is seeing a student whom had engaged in a previous challenge at his school show up at a community event and tell me that he remembered learning about Triremes in our Poseidon's Fury Challenge. His mother then told me that at home he went to the computer to look up Triremes and learn more about them!

## **What is your favorite Challenge Island "destination" and why?**

I enjoy Mythology Island because students have an initial interest in Greek Mythology.

## **What is your favorite quote from a student, parent, or school about Challenge Island?**

"My girls have never been so engaged in anything, let alone something educational. Thank you for coming to our community library!"

## **What schools/venues do you currently participate at?**

Fort Boise Community Center, YMCA, Boise and Meridian Library, Kids Are Special People, Nampa Rec Center, Sage International School, Whittier Elementary School, Girl Scouts of Silver Sage

## **What programs & camps do you facilitate?**

We facilitate In-School Field Trips, After-School Enrichment programs, Birthday Parties, and Summer Camps!

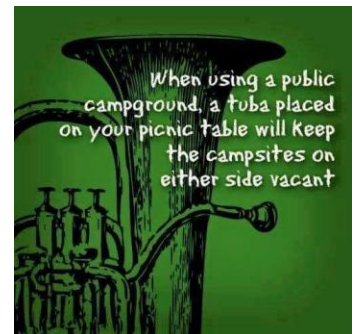
## **More info at:**

<http://challenge-island.com/boise/>



Tyler Schlagenhauf is the owner and operator of Challenge Island Idaho, a Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math education franchise as well as an Educational Consultant for Houghton Mifflin Harcourt. He

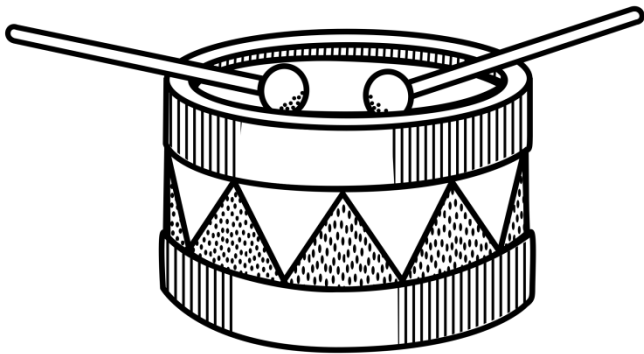
obtained his Master's in Education Administration with an emphasis in Organizational Leadership from Grand Canyon University. He received a Bachelor's of Science in Elementary Education from Minot State University in North Dakota where he was a member of the Minot State Baseball team. Tyler approaches leadership through collaboration, perseverance, and consistency. He has served in multiple leadership roles in his career including Teacher in Charge at a German Immersion school in Anchorage Alaska, Athletic and Activities Director, State Testing Coordinator, Danielson Site Based Specialist for district teacher evaluation system, and small business owner. Through these experiences he has found establishing a comfortable, professional environment enabling others to explore their individual strengths and embrace weaknesses creates a positive, healthy working climate.



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## ALL - LAB Music Merrymaking 🎵

Janet Zimmerman, Pony, Montana

Hello all you happy Chatco lovers! The sands are running through the hourglass at a rapid rate. I look forward to seeing you at camp this summer for more fun and games. As the singing and music resource leader I will be facilitating everyone's experience to make joyful sounds within our community. Please bring your drums, musical instruments, and your creative selves and we will have a happy hootenanny .

Did you ever want to go to a Jam Session, but you didn't know how? Will plan a Jam session for musicians and work on Jam session etiquette. She will offer you ways to lead, play, and connect as a musician. You will learn to be confident in skills to lead family, community and classroom music. Singing, playing instruments and drumming are community builders that brings people to common ground. I will plant seeds to get you growing! See you soon! Janet Zimmerman - Order of Music Merrymakers. She has been playing at Senior Centers for 30 years, also with professional bands, corals, barbershop groups, ensembles and honky-tonks. As a member of barbershop quartet she notes, " the beautiful part is the

blending of voices in beautiful acapella harmonies."



So glad you are interested in helping with music. If you have question...Call me at 406-451-3859. Cheers friends ! JZ

## Gentle Morning Yoga in the Spirit of Parker Palmer, *Living the Courage To Teach!*

Holly Moore Purdy, Bozeman, MT

**Larks Workshop - Sunday - Friday:** Join me to explore yoga and ponder how to integrate it into all parts of your family, classrooms, communities, and leadership. Basic Yoga poses, healthy stretches, and breathing will be your sunrise celebration! All ages and abilities are welcome; observers and beginners too. So bring your mats and stretch your way into the seeds of leadership!

**Teaching Strategies:** All sessions will highlight one or more key concepts from **Parker J. Palmer's *Courage to Teach***. You will stretch your mind and stretch your body. Teaching strategies for integrating yoga into elementary classrooms, senior programs and youth groups will be shared.



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## Game Play & Recreation Theory

**Janell Marmon, Lakeland, Florida**

Janell is a Teacher/Web and Digital Design Journalism at Polk County School Board Polk County School Board, Grand Canyon University. Join her at Chatcolab 2017!

In 2009 while attending the National Writing Project annual meeting in Philadelphia, one of the sessions in the program caught my eye, Writing: In the Game. The description was captivating as it introduced the idea of “play” as part of teaching writing, something not all

of my students felt was play or fun. It was the first step in a journey that brought me to where I am today as a teacher of writing and technology - teaching not only Game Design as a course, but also utilizing games and the theory of play in all of my classes.

### **Imagine the world of playfulness**

Imagine the world of playfulness, of extending that carefree aspect of childhood to the life we live every day, beyond age 10 or 12. Not just board games or cards, but other aspects of play as well. In Miguel Sicart’s book *Play Matters*, he suggests, as others have, that play is a portable tool that is about interaction rather than about “things”. Clearly, my students in game design are more interested in “things”, but it is that interchange of information, ideas, and experience that I’ve found are most interesting and engaging for students. They are what moves the class and makes it work in a real sense.

Sicart, a MIT scholar and professor’s self-ascribed profession is “play scholar”. I love that. But I see myself more of a play “facilitator” in my work with students and adults, just as I view my role as coach in writing and design situations. I provide the tools, the prompts, the feedback, and the opportunities for collaborative thought. More importantly, those who are part of that gaming dynamic reap the benefits of their own discovery and creative process.



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## Why game design?

In preparing to write this, I had a discussion with a few of my second year gaming students who are in the process of signing up for courses for their next year of high school.



***"It's a process,"*** Joseph, a self-avowed gaming nerd who rides a long board and is writing a novel, said. ***"I didn't know what to expect when I signed up for the class as a sophomore after taking Intro to Web, but found out that it was and wasn't what I expected."***

***"You have to be motivated,"*** Pete, one of his classmates who works as most of them do on their own computer based gaming builds at home on his own. ***"You're only limited by your own imagination."***

Yes, my game design classes are computer based, but technology is only one tool, and I am a non-tech gaming grandma in a techy world. Computers are only what time and innovation have added to the concept of play. The mind is the first and key tool of game play.

## At Chatcolab Game Play...you will!

At Chatcolab Game Play will allow you to build with others in collaboration new games exploring what it is to be creative while considering what is required for a game to exist. We'll look at what "rating systems" for games, then create our own ratings, intended for those programs and age groups we represent and are involved in as leaders. We'll invent. Play. Evaluate. And while doing it, we will each explore our own creative process and place we naturally take on a team. We'll shake it up and explore gaming genre from board games, team building, and have our own little Escape from reality at Chatcolab. As Miguel Sicart says Play Matters!

Shoot me an e-mail if you have questions!  
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**Chatcolab 2016, Celebrating the Flag**

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## Dr. Jim Connors to Paddle & Plant Best Practices in Parliamentary Procedure & Leadership at Chatcolab!

**MICHAEL P. PARRELLA, Dean, College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, Moscow, Idaho**

By the Numbers Dr. Jim Conner's is the leader of **107** undergrads and **6** grad students are majoring at the University of Idaho, CALS Agricultural and Extension Education department offerings, including **51** undergrads in agricultural education and **48** in agricultural science, communication and leadership. More than a quarter of Idaho's 4,545 members of the FFA organization gather in Twin Falls in April for the State Leadership Conference.

This FFA Event Teaches Twice, as Some 30 CALS undergrads will be along for the ride, part of an annual effort by the University of Idaho to help organize and coordinate the

event. Most of the UI students are registered in Agricultural and Extension Education 498, a class directed by AEE Department Head Jim Connors.

Jim is one of our resource leaders for Chatcolab 2017. He plans to paddle his Kayak for a few days and to share his wisdom for non-profit, 4-H, FFA, teachers and administrators about Parliamentary procedure.



Parliamentary procedure is a term many believe limited to student government associations, 4-H Clubs, FFA or civic groups. However, nonprofit leaders cannot afford to be ignorant of parliamentary procedure basics. Courts have held that organizations are subject to the principles of parliamentary law if they don't have procedural policies of their own. As a result, ignoring or incorrectly applying parliamentary procedure can lead to embarrassment and lawsuits.

**Want to learn more about Parli-pro?  
Check out these web sites:**

- <http://www.parliamentaryprocedure.net/>
- <http://www.parliamentarians.org/about/parliamentary-basics/>
- <http://www.jimslaughter.com/Nonprofit-Boards-and-Parliamentary-Procedure.cfm>
- [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/parliamentary\\_procedure\\_re\\_sources](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/parliamentary_procedure_re_sources)

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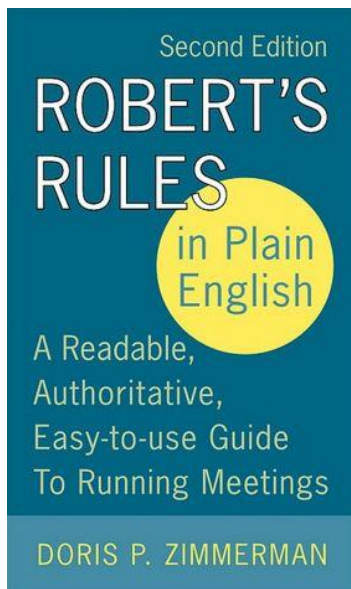
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## You will learn... The Five Basic Principles

- Only one subject may claim the attention of the assembly at one time.
- Each proposition presented for consideration is entitled to full and free debate.
- Every member has rights equal to every other member.
- The will of the majority must be carried out and the rights of the minority must be preserved.
- The personality and desires of each member should be merged into the larger unit of the organization.

Study with Jim and you will come home with new seeds of to plant, best practices, and skills to run meetings in your, family, club, non-profit, and community!



## Date & Nut Squares...just right for your next PARTY!

Nel Carver, Moscow, Idaho



When cleaning up some Chat stuff this recipe fell out of one of the books - 1980s book. I didn't know if you would want it for the GEMS section of the ChatChat. If not it still sounds good!

Date & Nut Squares from the kitchen of Miriam Beasley with a slash giving credit to Betty Crocker (which I thought was very funny).

Beat 2 eggs. Add in 1/2 cup sugar and 1/2 tsp vanilla. Beat together. Sift together & stir in 1/2 cup sifted flour, 1/2 tsp baking powder and 1/2 tsp salt. Mix in: 1 cup of cup-up walnuts and 2 cups finely chopped dates. Spread in a well-greased 8" square pan. Bake until top has dull crust. Cut into squares while warm, cool, then remove from pan. If desired, dip in confectioner's sugar.

Temp: 325 degrees (slow to mod. oven)  
Time: 25 to 30 min. Amount: 16 - 2" squares

(Note from Mama B - I cut them smaller.)

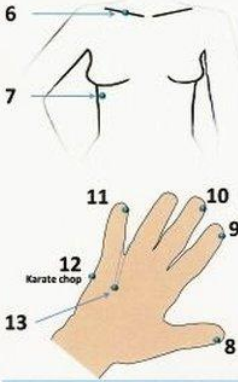
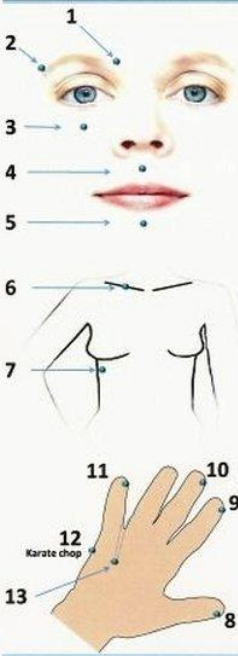

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## Emotional Freedom Technique





A. Before you begin

1. What color is it?
  - a. Get into the picture or sound of it.
2. What number is it from 0-10, 10 being the highest?
  - a. Get into the feeling of it.

B. Tap on the points 1-12 and say **"Even though...(insert feeling, habit, anything here) I deeply and completely love and accept myself"**.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> Tap Spot.....

14. Eyes open
15. Eyes closed
16. Eyes open
17. Look hard down to the right (keep head straight)
18. Look hard down to the left (keep head straight)
19. Eyes complete circle clockwise
20. Eyes complete circle counter-clockwise
21. Hum a tune – Happy Birthday (Out loud)
22. Count 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 (Out loud)
23. Hum a tune again
24. Start tapping over without completing steps 14-23.
25. Repeat until number is 0 and color is white

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related to a different aspect of leadership; I will share two quotes that I liked best:

***"Leadership is influencing others by your character, humility, and example. It is recognizable when others follow in word and deed without obligation or coercion."*** -  
Sonny Newman, President, EE technologies

***"Leadership is stepping out of your comfort zone and taking a risk to create reward."***  
Katie Easley, Founder, Kate Ryan Design

We are all called to leadership in some form weather it is in your home, your office, or your larger community; we influence our environment and the people in it for better or for worse by our visions, attitudes and perceptions. If you are dissatisfied with your life's circumstances, check your mind and heart.

## Tracy Johnson, Great Falls, Montana

Hello Chatcolab members! My name is Tracy Johnson, and I am excited to be joining you this summer at Chatcolab to present a mini course in Emotional Freedom Technique. EFT is a procedure that combines Western Psychology and Eastern Acupressure; I have helped my clients to release stress and anxiety, manage pain without the use of narcotics, eliminate limiting beliefs, and bust unhealthy cravings.

So how does this all relate to leadership? To answer that question I did a Google search on Leadership quotes and I found an abundance of material! Every quote I found

**Questions:** Are you holding thoughts of gratitude or thoughts of lack and woe? Are you stressed? Have you ever been inspired and creative in a state of stress? Probably not. Are people around you respectful and kind? Are you respectful and kind to yourself and others? Do you have a vision that is not fulfilled because it would be necessary to step out of your comfort zone?

If you would like your life and the lives of those around you to improve, come find me at Chatcolab, and I will teach you how to use EFT to bless your life and to help you to discover your leadership gifts. Join me to learn from a Empowerment Coach and EFT practitioner from the Treasure state.

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## Philosophy of Chatcolab

Chatcolab Leadership Laboratory is designed as a stimulating experience for people who are interested in learning leadership! Held in a recreational setting, it is fun and exciting. This is a unique experience for youth leaders, senior center staff, youth development professionals (teachers, students, Extension, and 4-H), church leaders, camp counselors, ANYONE!!

The Lab is a group living experience in which there is an exchange of ideas and techniques in the field of leadership and recreation. The lab is a retreat from daily routine. Group unity flows as individuals develop together in work and play. Major emphasis is placed in joy and fellowship. New knowledge and abilities gained through the sharing of creative activities lead to mental, emotional and spiritual growth. As a result of lab experience individuals recognize opportunities for good living...By Sharing One's Self Freely.

## The Spirit of Chatcolab Northwest Leadership Laboratory

- This is a sharing camp, with no distinctions of leaders from campers, pupils from teachers.
- This is a fellowship separated from any sponsoring institution and self-perpetuating by some process of democracy.
- Goals must be for the enrichment of life and not merely to add skills and information to already busy folk.
- This recreation Laboratory would invite attendance from diverse vocations and never seek uniformity for its campers.
- Those who gather assume cooperation in complete sharing as a way of life.

## Goals for 2017 Chatcolab

- A. For all Chatcolab participants to gain new knowledge and leadership abilities through the sharing of creative activities that lead to mental, emotional and spiritual growth.
- B. For all Chatcolab participants to experience, gain skills and a greater awareness of the "Seeds of Leadership" of their own lives, in their family and in their communities
- C. For all Chatcolab participants to enrich their lives using all aspects of the camping facility, especially the natural environment.

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## ***Greetings Chatcolabbers...***

Greetings from a still snow covered Twinlow Camp! We have some big news here at Twinlow:

We are excited to announce our plans to build a new Director's house just up the road a bit from main camp. We have seen significant growth in our program participants and retreat group partnerships in recent years. Twinlow has been blessed with more people, more volunteers, and more groups than we can handle not only with space, but with current staffing.

This project is not about a new house to serve our own needs, this is the first step in a multi-step and multi-year project to put Twinlow on a path of true sustainability.

Allow me to explain,

1. The first step is new home construction for Twinlow's Camp Director.
2. The second step will be to turn the current house on site into two housing units for staff.
3. The third step will be to relocate and then remodel the old nurse's cabin which has been used for program staff housing.
4. The fourth step, with the old cabin relocated, will open up the space we need to add on to our Selkirk Lodge.

So the question is... will you join us? This will be the first significant construction project at Twinlow in over 20 years. We are doing this project with the long term in mind. Total project cost is estimated to be about **\$250,000.**

At the end of 2016, Twinlow became a debt free organization for the first time in many years. We now want to complete the house construction without taking on any additional debt. We have over \$100,000 in previous gifts ready to go, we have been blessed with grant support for the other \$100,000 to go towards this project. **Will you help us reach the final \$50,000 needed to make this project a reality?**

Thank you for your consideration in supporting this project. More information on this project and how to donate can be found at:

**[twinlow.org/give/donations/](http://twinlow.org/give/donations/)**



***Kristen "Moonie" Moon*** - Guest Group Coordinator/Program Coordinator

***Tyler Wagner*** - Camp Director,

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**The CHAT- CHAT Newsletter Submission Deadline is: August 15, & October 15, 2017; April 15, 2018.** Send your contributions of 300 words +/- , pictures, or ideas; or best practices about leadership, recreation, or your Chatcolab experiences past, present, or future; interviews with former labbers; ATTACHED as a Word document to Kevin Laughlin, CHAT CHAT Editor: [kevinlaughlin@peoplepc.com](mailto:kevinlaughlin@peoplepc.com) or mail to: P.O. Box 140324 Garden City, Idaho, 83714



## GEM of Gems, Past Labs!

*From the 1996 Spring Edition of CHAT CHAT,*  
**Toni Gwin, Editor, Albany, OR**  
[Now South Bend, WA]

### SUCCESS

Success is the way you live your life  
each day;

It's the little things you do and say.  
It's not getting rich or riding high on  
fame.

Now winning awards that all would  
like to claim.

Success is being faithful to your  
friends and to the stranger kind  
It's in the children that you love and  
in their love of you.

Success is exhibiting character in  
everything you do.

-Author Unknown

## The Seeds of Leadership

**Kevin Laughlin, Garden City, Idaho**

### 3-Day In-depth Workshop:

Discover transformative ideas, knowledge, philosophy, knowledge, and humor, as seeds of leadership and gardening for your family, classrooms, & communities. SHARE in growing good kids by igniting a passion for learning, success, & service through the Junior Master Gardener education program. Gain Leadership skills you will never outgrow, complete 7 + activity based (4-H) projects using the experiential learning model. All ages welcome! So bring your hands, hearts, heads, and good health ...grow your way into the seeds of leadership!



### Garden Tour &

#### Soil Stewardship - Tuesday 1:15 - 3:30:

Explore problems, opportunities, & projects for growing vegetables & small fruits in your home and community gardens. Join us to discover "best practices" at Twinlow Camp gardens. Gain skills in amending soil, make "Happy Dirt", and learn to identify common garden pests and diseases. Dust off your planting skills and gain some sustainable ideas for managing your garden.

**Teaching Strategies:** All sessions will highlight one or more key concepts from the Junior Master Gardener Curriculums, Multiple Intelligences, and the Experiential Learning Model. You will explore and get your hands dirty. Teaching strategies for integrating JMG into elementary classrooms, senior programs, and youth groups will be shared.

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**Life Skills:** Gardening is a life skill that children and adults can celebrate together that offers enjoyment, learning, and interaction with the natural world. At any age gardening provides a link to the rhythms' of the seasons and the circle of life. The Junior Master Gardener Program provides an innovative mix of horticulture, life sciences, leadership, service learning, and fun for everyone. The hands on nature of gardening and its link to water, wildlife, soils and sustainability are all fostered in this Chatcolab In-Depth workshop and supporting (optional) Tuesday garden tour and soil stewardship activity. Each session will also offer seeds of leadership!

*...The seeds of leadership are in nearly everyone. Chatcolab simply provides a little fertilizer (Ideas, Knowledge, Philosophy & Humor), water, and sunshine to help leaders grow, be transformed, and share. There's tremendous benefit in planting seeds in due season for both young and old. Chatcolab is held in late Spring or early summer, when the ability to impart change is present—when the soil is tilled and the earth is fresh and we are able to cultivate. An old Chinese proverb says the best time to plant a seed is 100 years ago; the next best time is today. We encourage each of you to plant your seeds at and after Chatcolab and reap the benefits for generations to come. The seeds we will be pondering...*

## Day #1:

*"...If facts are the seeds that later produce knowledge and wisdom, then the emotions and the impressions of the senses are the fertile soil in which the seeds must grow."*

~ Rachel Carson

## Day #2:

*"...Out of perfection nothing can be made. Every process involves breaking something up. The earth must be broken to bring forth life. If the seed does not die there is no plant. Bread results from the death of wheat. Life lives on lives. Our own life lives on the acts of other people. If you are lifeworthy, you can take it."*

~ Joseph Campbell

## Day #3:

*"Bearing Fruit- Are you sowing seeds that bear fruit? What fruits are you bearing? "Fruit" means that which originates or comes from something. It is an effect, a result. By your fruits you are known. A good leader is hard at work preparing the soil, planting the seed, weeding, watering, pruning and later reaps a harvest. We produce what we are, after our "kind." What legacy are you leaving behind in others, your team and the organization? Depending on your leadership style, you will bear lasting fruit, some fruit, diseased fruit or no fruit."*

~ Brigitte Hyacinth

### **Biography of Presenters:**

**Holly Moore Purdy** is a new mom and resident of Bozeman, Montana. She is completing yoga teacher training in yoga philosophy and asana, with an emphasis on yoga for teens and for recovery. She has taught English in Butte, Montana, grades 9-12; English grades 6-10 at Berkeley International School in Bangkok, Thailand; English grades 4-5 at De La Salle Blackfeet School in Browning, Montana; and most currently is teaching ESL online to Chinese children ages 5-12. Before she began teaching, she obtained her TEFL certification in Buenos Aires, Argentina and completed a Master of Education degree from Montana State University.

**Kevin Laughlin** lives in Garden City, Idaho. He is in his 7th year as an Idaho Master Naturalist with the Sagebrush-steppe Chapter in Boise. He enjoys teaching, organizing and facilitating horticulture, gardening, & especially children's gardening programs. Kevin is a lifelong learner, has been a member of Chatcolab since 1983, volunteering in several roles, currently as CHAT CHAT Editor.



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## What is Chatcolab?

Chatcolab is a Pacific Northwest blend of the recreation laboratory ideas born in the early thirties at Waldenwoods, Michigan and an older model for education the "Chautauqua" from New York. 2017 will be the 69th year for this Idaho based leadership laboratory and non-profit corporation. This lab developed out of the College of at the University of Idaho and a Presbyterian minister's vision in 1949. It is focused on leadership education in a natural resource setting using recreation as a framework. It serves 13 western states. It is slow paced and reflective -families come with adults who wish to learn recreational leadership and continue their lifelong learning in an atmosphere of sharing.

A balanced mix of recreational professionals, academic experts, support staff and youth volunteers always makes for the best lab and stimulating interaction. Over the years Western Cooperative Extension Directors and 4-H have used this leadership lab for the professional development for volunteers, staff and faculty. Girl Scouts, Parks & Recreation, Corrections, Counselors, Social Service providers, Ministers, Camp Directors and Senior Center Program directors also come to this lab from across the west.

Chatcolab is one of the Pacific Northwest's remaining Chautauqua's! It offers a 'Legacy of Leadership!' Chautauqua is an adult education movement in the United States, highly popular in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Chautauqua assemblies expanded and spread throughout rural America until the Mid-1920s. The Chautauqua brought entertainment and culture for the whole community, with speakers, teachers, musicians, entertainers, preachers and specialists of the day. Former U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt is quoted as saying that Chautauqua is "***The most American thing in America.***"

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\$ 315.00+ **Regular Member:**

Registration & Participation at Chatcolab; Notebook, Marketing & Newsletter.

If you came to 2016 Lab you are PAID IN FULL! Thanks!

\$50.00 **Patron / Institutional Member:**

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I Will Be A First Time Participant! I have attended Chatcolab  1-5  6-10  11 or More times

Please Send 2017 Scholarship Application!

*Chatcolab: Northwest Leadership Laboratory is an ALL Volunteer organization! The annual dues are a pittance - just \$20 per year (less than a single dinner at a restaurant)! So there is no acceptable excuse for not joining us. If you live in the West and have benefitted from Chatcolab, one or more times, please help keep our outfit running! Put us in your will!*

***We take money \$\$\$\$ all year long! Thanks!***

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