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Calendar...

- 📅 **September 1, 2019, Proposals Due (Call)**
- 📅 **September 7, Summer Board Meeting**
- 📅 **June 13-19, 2020! 72nd Chatcolab, "Be A Visionary" Twinlow, in Rathdrum, Idaho**

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 [Chatcolab: Northwest Leadership Laboratory](#)

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CHATCOLAB, INC Recreation Leadership Laboratory is an equal-opportunity, affirmative-action, non-profit educational organization begun in 1948 to offer leadership development through recreation. Youth and adults come together to build leadership skills. The lab meets annually at a residential camp and offers learning through general leadership sessions and interactive workshops. Anyone interested in personal, professional or volunteer development is welcome.

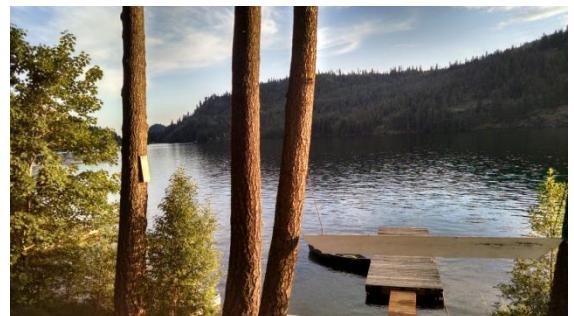
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Board meeting details!

The board meeting will be Saturday, September 7, 2019, in Boise, Idaho, at Betsy Carver's house: 6220 West Robertson, Dr. Boise, Idaho, 83709

- Meeting starts at 9 AM
- Everyone is welcome to attend
- We will be discussing any old business, voting on the annual meeting minutes, and reviewing proposals for 2020
- Stewart, Jackie, and Jen will be attending the [Idaho Nonprofit Conference on September 4-6](#) in Boise. If you visit the link and see something you think is important for Chatcolab be sure to let them know



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Chatcolab NEWS...

BHRL...South Dakota September 28 - October 4, 2019 * Join Us!

**Laurie Guadagno-Cozzetto,
Pueblo West, Colorado**

Do you ever wish as an adult that you could go to summer camp? Well, I have found something pretty darn close and I wanted to share it with you. It's called Black Hills Recreation Leaders Laboratory, or BHRL and it takes place the first week of October in Custer, South Dakota. It's dedicated to teaching leadership and personal growth through recreation but listen to what I think it is. They get amazing presenters from all over the place to come to a camp in the Black Hills and teach all kinds of workshops. You stay in cabins (or you could get a dorm room), have all of your meals in the dining hall, and attend classes on just about everything! I have taken cooking classes, craft classes, leadership classes, outdoor classes, STEM classes, song, dance, games- you name it! I have rappelled, canoed, rode horses, hiked, learned to twine rag rugs, weaved baskets, and quilted, I take so much knowledge home with me, I use it all the time in my Girl Scout troops and with my grand kids and in my church ladies group. What I really like about it though is this. I spend a week in a beautiful camp setting with the friendliest, most accepting people I have ever known. I get away from social media, politics, religion and all the other things I have to deal with the rest of the year. I come back revived,

renewed, relaxed and refreshed! I think of this yearly experience as a summer camp for adults, and it is so fun! I know a few of you already attend BHRL with me every year but I wanted to tell all of my Lazy Acre friends. If you want more info check out their page at BHRL.ORG.



Reflectively CHAT-ty Mirth For Our Times!

Michael “Mr. Mirth” Bork, Fairbanks, Alaska

I cannot believe it has been 2 months since my first Chatcolab; the rest of the Summer has just flown by! I have been wanting to write up an after-action article since I left, but one of my new, CHAT-learned passions has kept me distracted! More on that later, I wanted to give you my impressions as a first-time attendee and presenter.

When Betsy Carver reached out to me this time last year, asking if I would be interested in being an All-Lab Instructor for the 2019 Chatcolab, I said “YES!” before I really knew what I was agreeing to! Her basic description of the lab experience was enough to hook, set, and reel me in! All Betsy knew about me was what she saw on my online profiles, but she was excited. All I knew was that I would

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have a captive audience for 5 days in Idaho, and I was equally excited. And the journey begins...

It was serendipitous that the theme for Chat was "Set Sail!" as it gave me LOTS of opportunity to work off of my brand "LaughterSHIP." And as I developed the 5-day "Laughter & Leadership" cruise idea for the class structure, everything came together very smoothly. But I had yet to fully appreciate what was about to happen. There is really no way to prepare yourself for Chatcolab, if you have never done any kind of similar program. Even describing it is difficult.

Is it a Summer Camp? Kind of, except it has ALL ages, and the games are way more fun.

Is it a Leadership retreat? Well, yes, but with very few overt topics of "leadership," mixed in with parties, bike rides, and swimming.

Is it Vacation? Sort of? I mean, we had free time, but there was a lot of structure to the day, so it was fairly regimented, more like a really laid back boot camp? With laughter. And chickens.

I'll be honest, I am still reeling (mentally) a bit from this week of recreational leadership development, and I still feel like I am processing a lot of what I learned and observed. There is so much that I have taken away, and much of it is qualitative and harder to define. Some of the take-aways:

- I know much more about chickens and chicken showing, ownership, and interpretive chicken dance than I ever thought I would.
- I think I have heard nearly all the pirate jokes ever made (thanks Stu).
- A *DESIRE* to cook food for the masses is different than the *ABILITY* to cook food for the masses, no matter how hard you try, but it was made with love!
- I still do not know how to play 9-square
- Tea Parties are cool.
- Electric Bikes are even cooler.

I went to Lee Hannibal's workshop on electric bikes. Before that, I had never really even heard about electric bikes, but it sounded like something this old Marine could be interested in. When I first saw Lee (if you haven't met him, he is a big guy: tall and beefy!) zooming up on this monster, heavy-duty-looking mountain bike, my interest was piqued even more. I too, am a large land mammal who likes to zoom.

And zoom we did! The perma-grin (which is a constant feature while riding), was not only plastered on my face, but on all of the faces of us taking the workshop. Lee did an amazing job of explaining the different types of bikes he owns or has researched. He explained the difference between whole bikes and conversion kits, and he did a fabulous job of having a bunch of different bikes to look at. All in all, I was sold on the *IDEA* of it before even getting on my first e-bike. We got to ride up and down the road that day, which was fun, but was nothing compared to the ride the next morning.

We drove out to Coeur d'Alene with Lee's van loaded with e-bikes and eager riders. I was riding on an old-model cruiser that had a 250W conversion kit. No gears, friction brakes, very basic. And I. Had. A. Blast!



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Just as Lee described, it is not a “cheater” way to ride. It is a ride extender pure and simple. I have lower back and hip issues, so bike riding in the past has often resulted in pain for days after. But with e-bikes, you have an assist. The electric motor gives you a boost, but it is not a scooter to just zip around on. For most e-bikes, you *HAVE* to be pedaling to go zoom-zoom. The difference is that you go faster and farther with the same amount of easy pedaling. After I returned home to Fairbanks, I began researching e-bikes in earnest. I had a further complication and limitation in my bike selection, because a lot of companies will not ship to Alaska, including the main bike that Lee was riding. After much comparison shopping, researching, and looking at the best bargain, I purchased an e-bike for myself and one for my wife Mary!

I could write pages and pages on the fun I have had in the 4 weeks that I have owned my bike which I have named “The Whacky Khaki.” In 4 weeks, I have put 500 miles on the bike, riding all over Fairbanks, and using it as my commuter to and from work whenever the weather allows. I am also losing weight (9 ponds so far) and my back doesn’t hurt as much. As importantly, I have been having an absolute blast, and I cannot wait to go out and ride whenever I can! As winter approaches here (yes, I KNOW it is only August, but we already have snow in the forecast for this weekend possibly!), I am saddened by the inevitable hibernation that will take place, to await spring.

For any nerds out there who want the specs of the bike, it is a Biktrix Stunner X. Biktrix is a company out of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, and they make a great product! The bike is a 7-speed, fat-tire, hybrid-cruiser with a 750W mid-drive motor. I get about 25 miles on a battery, and I have reached speeds in excess of 25mph!

I miss my fellow labbers, and I hope that there is an aspect of Chatcolab that has flowed into your “real” life. I especially hope that those of you who attended my laughter and leadership classes are remembering to breathe in deeply and laugh! Ho Ho, Ha Ha Ha! You are amazing, and I LOVE that about you!



The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag:

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.", should be rendered by standing at attention facing the **flag** with the right hand over the heart.

At Chatcolab each day we begin with this simple respectful opportunity to renew our mindful appreciation of our country.

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If I Had a Trailer...

Mr. Towed

Nel and Bob Carver, Moscow, Idaho

The 2019 Chatcolab participants pooled their collective ideas for naming the trailer that carries all our supplies back and forth to lab every year. Jean Baringer submitted the winning entry, Mr. Towed, and as a result, she was awarded \$100 off her 2020 registration. There were over thirty different names for labbers to choose from which really showed off the creativity of the group. They were so clever, in fact, that one labber even thought we needed a second trailer just to use another name.

Now we have the opportunity to come up with the best graphics to go along with the name to paint on the side of the trailer. So put those thinking caps on once more and exude your creative juices and win yourself \$100 off your registration.

Submit your entries to Betsy Carver via email (betsy@betsycarver.com) or snail mail (6220 W Robertson Dr. Boise. Idaho 83709). The deadline for all submissions is March 30, 2020.

Guide lines:

1. Be Creative, Be Creative, Be Creative
2. It should be timeless
3. Something that is inviting & elicits questions
4. Something that packages the idea of Chatcolab

Our thanks again to Terry and Steve Weber for graciously storing the trailer, Mr. Towed for yet another year at their farm North of Moscow.



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Chips from the Chair

It's hard to believe how quickly summer can zoom by. I hope this finds you all doing well.

It's Proposal Time!

As you may have seen earlier, we are accepting proposals! If you know anyone with skills or resources they can share at Chatcolab 2020, please ask them to submit a proposal before September 1, 2019.

Chatcolab's 2020 theme is "**Be A Visionary**".

If you have questions about proposals, please contact Jamie Richmond at jamnkev@hotmail.com or 208-908-2263 (call or text).

You can also find information about proposals on our website: www.chatcolab.org/proposals.

Chatcolab Board Meeting: Boise, ID, September 7, 2019

The board is set to meet in Boise, Idaho, Saturday, September 7, 2019, at Betsy Carver's house.



Everyone is welcome to join us for the board meeting.

For those of you who weren't present at Chatcolab this year, we have six youth representatives joining the board and alternates in Boise.

To my knowledge, this is the first year the board has received valuable feedback from our youth to help guide the programming for the following year.

We are very excited to get everyone's input.

We are also mindful that we need to use great care in creating a welcoming environment for the youth joining us.

As a result, on the evening of Friday, September 6, board members, board alternates, youth representatives, Jean Baringer, Kim Maes, and Robert Carver are invited to gather for BBQ, fun, and team building.

We are piloting Friday night team building because we've grown substantially. We believe this will make for a more efficient board meeting on Saturday. All board business will take place on September 7.

Reach out for a Chat

For those of you who don't know me, I'm Jen McFarland. I led the All-Lab in 2017, "Planting a Leadership Garden." I still use the leadership model

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I developed for Chatcolab as part of my business consulting business.

I am a busy entrepreneur and podcaster.

I loved Chatcolab so much I joined the board. This year I was honored to be selected as the board chair.

If you'd like to get to know me a little better or share your thoughts or experiences with me, the best way to reach me is jen@jenmcfarland.com so we can set up a time to talk.

Have a great rest of your summer.

Hope to see you at the board meeting.

Jen



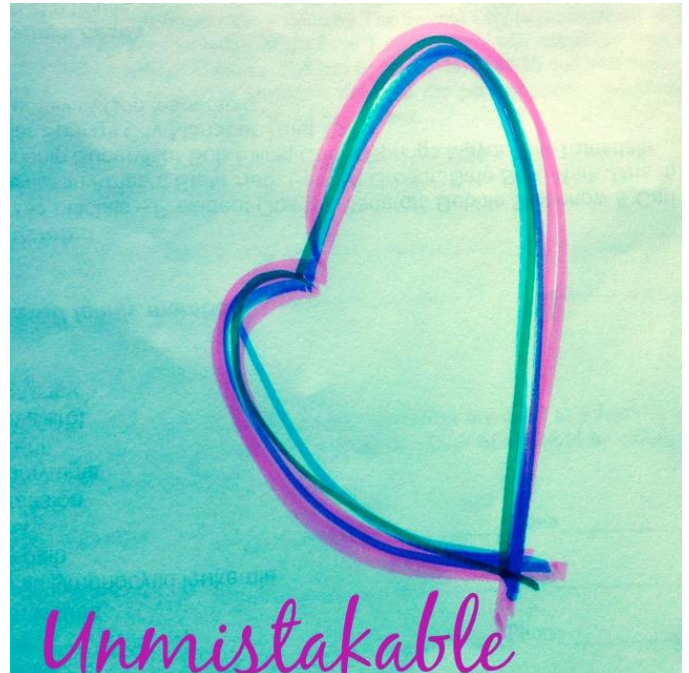
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Donate \$72 for 72 Years

Every year Chatcolab raises money for our scholarship fund to provide a \$100 scholarship to as many first time labbers as possible (application process necessary). In order for this tradition to continue we are asking previous lab attendees if they are able to pay it forward with a \$72 donation to our scholarship fund. The goal is to reach \$1500 by the end of 2019. All donations are tax deductible and go directly to support Chatcolab Northwest Leadership Laboratory scholarship funding. Thank you!

LEADERSHIP Moments...



Unshakeable Belief is the Truth Behind Overnight Success

Jen McFarland, Portland, Oregon

A couple of weeks ago, people celebrated the 50th anniversary of the US moon landing.

Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin, President Kennedy — these are the people who get the most attention. Not unlike many other yarns we spin declaring the latest overnight success.

We oversimplify success and then wonder why we don't achieve it.

Consider the moon landing again:

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“Ten thousand problems had to be solved to get us to the moon. Every one of those challenges was tackled and mastered between May 1961 and July 1969. The astronauts, the nation, flew to the moon because hundreds of thousands of scientists, engineers, managers and factory workers unraveled a series of puzzles, often without knowing whether the puzzle had a good solution.”

– Charles Fishman, *Smithsonian Magazine*

I love this quote; not only because it acknowledges the people involved, but also because it talks about problems, puzzles, and solutions.

It’s fascinating to me that most people shirk away from problems, puzzles, and solutions.

Sure, we solve other people’s problems. And often hang onto fear rather than solving our own.

Are You Afraid of Ten Thousand Hours?

Is it easier to hang onto the overnight success myth?

Are you afraid to put in the thousands of hours it might take?

The important thing is to get started, no matter how small. Work through those big puzzles and when you get stumped, don’t be afraid to ask for help.

‘Overnight success’ is a myth. And so is doing it alone.

I think it’s that we shield ourselves (and others) from failure. We don’t see the fear, the crash, the day-to-day grind problem solving requires.

I remember years ago when I worked as a business analyst.

I was collaborating with a team to convert Excel spreadsheets into a computer application to calculate complex tax computations, to the penny, and then split it six ways, also to the penny, no rounding.

When you’re dealing with millions of dollars, pennies add up quickly.

No one could get the math right. No one. My programmer was telling me to give it up. My supervisor thought maybe it wasn’t possible. My customer demanded it. One night, worn out from the day, and tired of working through the same puzzle, I broke down in tears. My husband, Jon, hugged me and asked to see the equation.

Oh. Have you tried this?

My husband, in a matter of minutes, solved the puzzle a team of tax pros, a business analyst, and a programmer couldn’t figure out.

Truly. We can’t do it alone.

And as far as anyone working there now is concerned, building the application was a piece of cake.

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There Are No Overnight Successes

There are plenty of people who never try.

I'm not saying it isn't daunting.

Are you trying to do something that's never been done? Good. Keep doing it. Is it hard? Good. Then it's worth it.

We need to start being more afraid of never starting than we are of failure, doing something new, or solving the problems ahead.

We need to be the John F. Kennedy of our lives.

It's easy to think that all Kennedy had to do is declare the US would go to the moon to make it happen. He wasn't even an engineer or astronaut.

But There is Unshakeable Belief

And while that may be true; what I'm talking about is the *unshakeable belief* that the US would land on the moon even though we had no idea how to do it.

That's visionary.

You need to practice having that *unshakeable belief* in yourself.

In your goals. In your ability to get there even if you don't know how to do it.

I believe in you. Now go out there and get it.

Reference:

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Accessed August 15, 2019,

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/science-nature/what-you-didnt-know-about-apollo-11-mission-fifty-years-ago-180972165/>

[IMAGE] <https://craigtowens.com/2019/03/13/unmistakable/>

Great Leadership Tools

10 Lessons That Will Make You a Better Leader

Sally Heard, Great Falls, MT

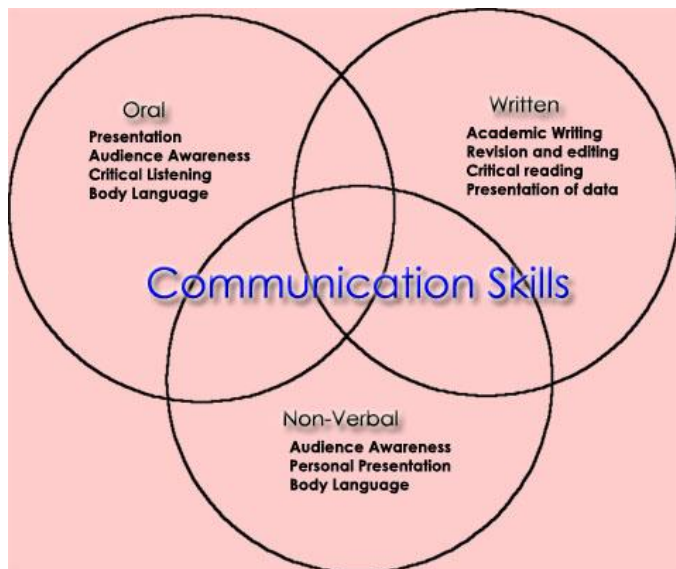
[Editors Note, Sally submitted this after the last CHAT CHAT Deadline and asked that it be added to the next edition. She shared these at lab and thinks they are worth remembering. Read the full article at: <https://chopra.com/articles/10-lessons-that-will-make-you-a-better-leader>]

1. Understand Your Leadership Style
2. Have a Vision
3. Be Organized
4. Be Confident
5. Communicate Well Across All Platforms
6. Stick to Your Word and Follow Through on Your Commitments
7. Believe in Your Team and Raise Them Up
8. Delegate
9. Value Curiosity and Learning
10. Have a Positive Attitude

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Communicating Change

Hope Ryan, Boise, Idaho

These are some public links that are from a transcription I did recently. Add this to your basket of tools for leadership.

https://www.ted.com/talks/simon_sinek_how_great_leaders_inspire_action?utm_campaign=teds spread&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=tedcomshare

<https://hbr.org/1995/09/the-power-of-talk-who-gets-heard-and-why>

<https://www.nbcnews.com/better/careers/7-ways-millennials-are-changing-workplace-better-n761021>

[IMAGE] <http://charmmariama.blogspot.com/>



The CHAT- CHAT Newsletter Submission Deadlines are: December 15, 2019; March 17, 2020, & August 15, 2020; 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 or mail to: P.O. Box 140324 Garden City, Idaho, 83714



COABE... A Good Resource for Leadership Ideas

Kevin Laughlin, Garden City, Idaho

The **Coalition on Adult Basic Education**

represents the system of 55,000 adult educators in the United States. It is an organized to advance national and international adult education, leadership, and literacy opportunities for all persons. The purposes of COABE are:

- To promote adult education and literacy programs, including Adult Basic Education, Adult Secondary Education, English for Speakers of Other Languages, Family Literacy, Skills Development, Workforce

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Development, and other state, federal, and private programs which assist undereducated and/or disadvantaged adults to function effectively

- They are keen in support of Technology! For example, a recent post encouraged learning about the *Google Applied Digital Skills blog*, The Keyword, to read inspiring stories, hear about product updates, and more. <https://www.blog.google/>

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 a process of democracy.
- Goals must be for the enrichment of life and not merely to add skills and information to already busy folk.
- This Leadership Laboratory invites attendance from diverse vocations and never seeks uniformity for its campers.
- Those who gather assume cooperation in complete sharing as a way of life.

Goals for 2020 Chatcolab

1. 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.
2. For all Chatcolab participants to experience, gain skills and a greater awareness of the "2020 Theme" **Be A Visionary...** in their own lives, in their family and in their communities.
3. For all Chatcolab participants to enrich their lives using all aspects of the camping facility, especially the natural environment.

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Scrap and Sew November 21-24, 2019



crafts, sewing supplies, or whatever you need to relax for the weekend. This is a weekend for many ladies, who are often primary care-takers, to get away. That being said, we would appreciate all participants to be mindful of their physical needs, if you need extra assistance getting around, or you have health needs, please make sure to arrange ahead of time someone to help you get through the weekend. Transportation to and from Twinlow Camp is not arranged by Twinlow. At Twinlow we always strive to be accessible to all ability levels, however, accessibility is not always guaranteed in the non-summer months, and handicap lodging is limited. Individual rooms are **not** offered or an option during registration. While you may get lucky, Twinlow does not offer individual rooms nor will we allow people to pay extra for their own room. **Housing is based on a first come, first serve, basis.**

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Greetings Chatcolabbers...

We have programs going on all year and invite you to join in to our programs when you can. Check out our website to see what we have planned the Fall and Winter: <http://www.twinlow.org/>

Ladies, come enjoy a weekend of crafting! You bring the crafts, we bring the programming. Relax, be creative, and worship with friends. **Cost: \$110 if registered by November 1st. \$120 after or at the door.** Open to ladies 15 and older (under 18 must have an adult chaperone). Lodging is available Thursday night through Sunday morning. Meals are Friday dinner-Sunday breakfast. Bring your own

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● GEM of Gems, Past Labs!

Chatcolab 2006 - Leadership Outside The Box [Notebook Excerpt - Section A]

From the History of Chatcolab: The History of Chatcolab suggests that it was born out of ideas in the early thirties at Waldenwoods, Michigan. Born in the midst of a depression when time was more plentiful than money, recreational leadership laboratory ideas found their way to the Pacific Northwest in 1948. Over the years ideas, wisdoms, and methods were also adapted from Chautauqua's held since the 1870s across the nation. The first Chautauqua, the [New York Chautauqua Assembly](#), was organized in 1874 by [Methodist minister John Heyl Vincent](#) and businessman [Lewis Miller](#) at a campsite on the shores of [Chautauqua Lake](#) in the [state of New York](#). Chautauqua are 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, showmen, preachers, and specialists of the day. In the Pacific Northwest, church, USDA, and 4-H volunteer leaders, and the regions Land Grant Universities (University of Idaho, Washington State University, Oregon State University, Montana State University) were instrumental in implementing and sustaining Chatcolab as a leadership Laboratory.



A big 'Thank You' from Chatcolab to those who met Dolly's age challenge. \$661 dollars were donated for the Chatcolab Scholarship Fund! Wow!



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<http://www.accessidaho.org/public/sos/corp/C40921.html>

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. 2020 will be the 72nd year for this Idaho based leadership laboratory and non-profit corporation. This lab developed out of the College of Forestry 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 adult professionals who wish to teach leadership, recreation, and/or continue their lifelong learning in an atmosphere of sharing. A balanced mix of recreational professionals, academic experts, and 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 laboratory 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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I Will Be A First Time Participant! I have attended Chatcolab 1-5 6-10 11 or more times

Please Send 2020 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!

For 2020 why not Donate \$72 Dollars for 72 years! Be the Vision!

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