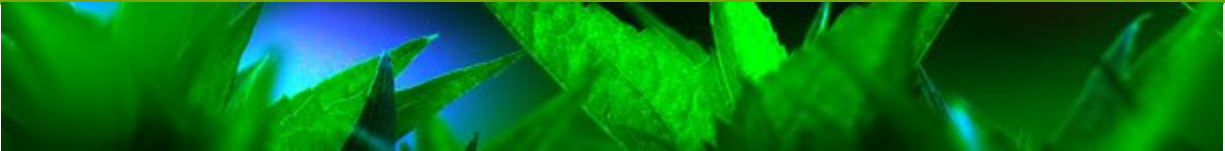


Tip\$ & Treasure\$ Weekly

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5 IDEAS FOR HIGH-IMPACT GOVERNANCE

Most would agree on the need for good governance. Not all would agree on just what the term governing means.

In his book "Meeting the Governing Challenge," Doug Eadie maintains that governing is more than policy making. It involves making decisions and judgments. A governing "product" is one that helps an organization carry out its mission.

For Eadie, there are five key elements of high-impact governing. They are:

1. A board-savvy CEO who is a real expert in the field of governance, who is strongly committed to high-impact board leadership and who takes the lead in building the board's capacity to do high-impact governing work.
2. A clear, detailed board governing mission statement, describing the board's key governing functions and responsibilities and meticulously designed processes for involving the board creatively and proactively in such key governing functions as strategic planning, budget development performance oversight and monitoring and external relations.

3. A well-designed structure of board standing committees that serve as "governing engines" in accomplishing the board's detailed governing work.
4. A self-management program aimed at building board member governing knowledge and skills and strengthening board accountability for its own governing performance.
5. Strong CEO and executive team support for the board and its standing committees in carrying out their governing functions.

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WORKSHOPS, EVENTS, SEMINARS AND MORE!

Puget Sound Grantwriters Association

Does distance or your schedule keep you from attending PSGA meetings?

Through a new member benefit, Meeting Transcripts, you can still find out what the funders said. Word-for-word transcripts of the bimonthly lunchtime meetings in Seattle will now be posted on the PSGA website in the Members section. We've already posted the transcript of the September 24 meeting on Capacity Building with panelists from the Seattle Foundation, the Taproot Foundation, and Social Venture Partners.

Become a member by going to the Puget Sound Grantwriters Association website at [click here](#) .

Another member benefit useful to those who are far from Seattle is the PSGA listserv, PSGA-L. After you're registered as a PSGA member, you can join the listserv at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/PSGA-L>.

Find out the latest about changes in funders' guidelines or staff, ask questions, and discuss grants-related issues with other PSGA members.

Young Nonprofit Professionals Network

The much anticipated event is finally here! Come mix and mingle with young nonprofit professionals from across the Puget Sound region.

Please spread the word to your colleagues to help make this event great.

YNPN Mix and Mingle

WHEN: Tuesday, November 18, 5:30 PM

WHERE: Parkway Tavern, 313 N. I Street, Tacoma

Located between N. 3rd and N. 4th Streets

RSVP: pugetsound@ynpn.org

Join the Office of Secretary of State's Corporations Division for a Night of Non-Profit 101

So you have formed a non-profit - now what? Figuring out how to stay in compliance with the law and keeping up-to-date on paperwork can be tricky - let the experts from the Office of Secretary of State's Corporations Division guide you through it. In a free, ongoing monthly series starting with "Non-Profit 101", our specialists and invited guests will share their insight on topics that are crucial to starting a non-profit and keeping it running smoothly. This event, free and open to the public, is geared towards those who run a non-profit, are thinking about forming one, or who work with non-profits on a regular basis.

ABOUT THE UPCOMING "NON-PROFIT 101" SESSION:

WHEN: Thursday, October 30 from 6-8 p.m.

WHERE: The Dolliver Building Lobby, at 801 Capitol Way South in Olympia.

TOPICS:

- How to form a non-profit and keep it current
- When a non-profit has to file with our Charities Program
- What taxes a non-profit might owe

Please contact the Charities Program for more details: (360) 725-0378

[Another opportunity to enhance your relationship with volunteers....](#)

Training Busy Staff to Succeed with Volunteers

Do you often wish that your salaried staff and leadership volunteers were truly committed to cutting edge engagement of volunteers and had the skills to effectively and creatively partner with them? If so, don't miss this fast-paced interactive presentation by Betty Stallings and receive your own electronic copy of her complete series: Training busy Staff to Succeed with Volunteers

Among the things you'll learn:

1. How to identify signs of executive and line staff resistance to volunteer engagement
2. How to build staff commitment to the volunteer program - at all levels of the organization.
3. How to design a training program to build the skills of staff and volunteer leaders.

You will also get a brief introduction to the 55-minute series, a tool you can use to build commitment and competency for working effectively with volunteers.

WHEN: Thursday, November 6, 2008 8:30 a.m. to Noon

WHERE: The Olympia Center, Olympia, WA, 222 Columbia St. NW

COST: \$100 for volunteer managers or \$50 for AmeriCorps VISTA members (includes a product worth \$69.)

REGISTER: Call Lisa at 360.741.2610

Betty Stallings, M.S.W., is an international trainer, consultant, facilitator, author and keynote speaker specializing in volunteerism, nonprofit fundraising, board development and leadership.



JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director of Development The Evergreen State College

Review of applications begins October 27, 2008. Applicants are encouraged to apply by this date. The position announcement is extensive so we encourage you to explore the details at their [website](#), send an email to jobline@evergreen.edu, or call (360) 867-5361.



QUOTE OF THE DAY

Now I see the secret of the making of the best persons. It is to grow in the open air, and to eat and sleep with the earth.

Walt Whitman

Leaves of Grass

