

C4C sponsoring facilitation training

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Community volunteers can improve their skills and confidence to collectively address issues and opportunities through a January 30 Citizens4Community workshop.

From 5 to 8 p.m. at the Sisters Fire Hall Community Room, located at 301 S. Elm St., Sisters residents can gather for a free light meal and instruction from professional facilitator Terry Buchholz, who will help attendees build their practical facilitation skills.

Buchholz will be teaching how to lead more effective and more collaborative gatherings – meetings that produce real and sustainable results. The training will help people feel more confident about facilitating meetings, work sessions, or projects for their nonprofits, businesses, churches, HOAs, schools, and more.

C4C chairman Robyn Holdman told *The Nugget*, “We’re offering this session as one way to help empower our local volunteers and those

who would like to be more active in leading community action or activities.” She went on to say, “As the visioning effort moves toward implementation and direct actions in the community, we do think it will be especially helpful if as many people as possible are willing and ready to spearhead talks, tasks, or projects.”

With more than 35 years of experience, Terry Buchholz is the principal facilitator and strategist for Integrated Water Solutions. She has become known in the Pacific Northwest for her ability to convene collaborative processes that achieve implementable consensus solutions. She has helped a diverse range of organizations, including tribes, state and local agencies, and stakeholder organizations.

There will be another session in the spring focusing on collaboration after this session on facilitation.

The free community meal and a chance to connect with other community members will be offered from 5 to 5:45 p.m. The workshop runs from 6 to 8 p.m.

St. Charles Health Center and Deschutes County have provided support for this local learning opportunity to help strengthen the base of local volunteers. With that help and Buchholz’s generosity, the workshop is being made available for a nominal \$5 per person that will be collected at the door.

Seating is limited and reservations are required. Reserve a spot at www.citizens4community.com.



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Terry Buchholz will lead the January 30 C4C workshop.

Lecture explores threatened oceans

Oceans cover more than 70 percent of the earth, and to the humans who first turned to them for transportation, food and spiritual inspiration, their vast waters must have seemed inexhaustible and invincible. But they were not. From carbon emissions to plastic trash to spilled oil and constant noise, modern pollutants threaten the very existence of marine life.

“For most of its history, the ocean was a de facto fully protected area, simply because humans could not access it,” wrote Dr. Kirsten Grorud-Colvert for Smithsonian.com. “It is only in the last half-century that most of the ocean has become accessible to extractive activities. Industrial-scale fishing, for example, is now global, leaving only small fractions of the ocean free from extractive activity.”

Dr. Grorud-Colvert is among the experts on marine ecology working throughout the world to create, study and promote marine reserves — geographic areas with discrete boundaries that have been designated to enhance the conservation of ocean resources.

An assistant professor in the Integrative Biology Department at Oregon State University, she also directs the Science of Marine Reserves Project, an international collaboration working to catalyze, synthesize, and communicate scientific data about marine protected areas.



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Dr. Kirsten Grorud-Colvert will explore the world’s oceans at The Belfry on January 22.

As a marine ecologist, Dr. Grorud-Colvert has studied ocean organisms underwater and above the waves in the Oregon nearshore, the Florida Keys, and the California Channel.

Her goal? To help find solutions to the challenges facing the oceans.

Dr. Grorud-Colvert will speak at The Belfry on Tuesday, January 22, for the first winter lecture in the 2018-19 Frontiers in Science series, sponsored by the Sisters Science Club.

In addition to the evening lecture, Dr. Grorud-Colvert will present a K-5 program at Sisters Elementary School and meet with the ECoS class at Sisters Middle School.

Dr. Grorud-Colvert’s lecture, “Oregon’s Ocean: Local Legacy and Global Goals,” starts at 7 p.m. at The Belfry,

with an introduction by retired OSU professor and oceanographer Dr. Curtiss Davis of Redmond.

Social hour begins at 6 p.m. with light fare, beer, and wine available. Admission is \$5; teachers and students are admitted free. The Belfry is located at 302 E. Main Ave.

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**Kirsten Grorud-Colvert, OSU, Ph.D.,
Marine Biology and Fisheries**



What happens when an area of the ocean comes under the protection of an ocean preserve? Are fisheries ruined or enhanced? Is the cost too high? Dr. Grorud-Colvert studies Oregon’s ocean, both above and below the water. Shared with planners of marine reserves around the world, her research is essential to understanding the ecology of marine communities, their survival potential in a changing climate, and the needs of the 870 million people that depend on the ocean for food.

Tuesday, January 22
The Belfry, 302 E. Main Ave., Sisters
Lecture at 7 p.m.

Doors open at 6 p.m. for community hour, food & drink!
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