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Mature communities have rituals that honor important times or events.

RITUAL TIMES

What activities are important rituals for the community? (Even if unlabeled. Hint: if you changed the activities, members would feel the absence and be upset.)

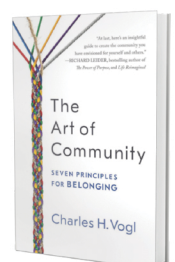
What events, transitions, or memorial moments do members appreciate that are recognized by the community?

COMMUNITY DISPLAY RITUAL

When and how do members display their participation together so they can see others in the community?

PLAY RITUALS

When do members play together as a community? (Sporting events and celebrations count.)



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FORMAT FOR EACH RITUAL

What activities do your members appreciate doing together that are special? (Feasting, sporting, silence, singing, toasting all count.)

What ritual tradition do you prefer to continue? (if any)

Who, preferably, is present?

Who preferably leads?

What preferably is said?

TOKEN FOR EACH RITUAL

What do you pass on or leave behind to remember?

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