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I'm up for it. I have to check my schedule, but I think Monday's are okay. I'd love to have an interesting conversation about this with some colleagues. How about over noon? Or 1? Anyone else up for it? J

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Subject: Re: Chataqua Courses and SI

Now that IS a cool idea. We could get our lab stuff geared up for a day  
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> Science Saturdays. Logistically much simpler, and easy to involve LOTS  
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> On Wed, 18 Dec 1996, Rob Knapp wrote:

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>>>> A couple of weeks ago, I tuned in late to the NPR Talk of the Nation  
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>>>> people knew nothing about Evergreen and our long history of doing  
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