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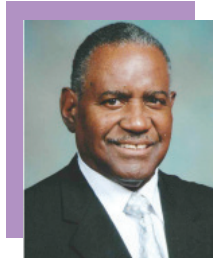
This Week

Steve Reagan Representative Altadena Coalition of Neighborhood Associations

Program Host:
Gary Clark

Steve Reagan is a Representative for the Altadena Coalition of Neighborhood Associations, with the Community Emergency Response Teams of Los Angeles County. His Theme is: "Map Your Neighborhood." The program is Building and Strengthening Disaster Readiness Among Neighbors. Reagan will be joined by Nancee Darling, Team Member with ALERT (Altadena Local Emergency Radio Team). She will focus on Neighborhood Communications. Nancee and Bud Darling operate the Safe N' Ready Emergency Supplies store at 245 S. Rosemead Blvd., Pasadena.

Printed materials will be available in two booklets: Emergency Survival Program and Emergency Survival Guide developed by the County of Los Angeles. Also information on SNAP (Specific Needs Awareness Planning) for the handicapped. ○



Quietly Quick

by Steve Cunningham, President

The Question

We left You with Last Week

If you have the power over your life, and that power is inside you, why isn't your life amazing? Why isn't every area of your life magnificent? Why don't you have everything you want? Why haven't you been able to do everything you want to do? Why aren't you filled with joy every day?

The answer is: Because you have a choice. You have a choice whether to love and harness the positive force — or not. And whether you realize it or not, every day of your life — every moment of your life — you have been making this choice. Without, every single time you experienced something good in your life, you loved and harnessed love's positive force. And every single time you experienced something not good, you didn't love, the result was negativity. Love is the cause of all the good things in your life, and a lack of love is the cause of all the negative things and all the pain and suffering. Tragically, a lack of knowledge and understanding of the power of love is clear in people's lives across the planet today—and in the entire history of humanity.

The Law of Love. The universe is

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governed by natural laws. We can fly in an airplane because aviation works in harmony with natural laws. The laws of physics didn't change for us to be able to fly, but we found a way to work in accordance with the natural laws, and by doing so we can fly. Just as laws of physics govern aviation electricity, and gravity, there is a law that governs love. To harness the positive force of love and change your life, you must understand its law, the most powerful law in the universe—the law of attraction.

So what is the force of attraction? The force of attraction is the force of love! Attraction is love. When you feel an attraction to your favorite food, you're feeling

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October Team

Tom McCurry • Charles Wilson
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John Frykenberg

Meeting Responsibilities

- Setup • Greeter •
- Flag Salute • Song •
- Inspirational Presentation •
- Happy Bucks • 4-Way Test •
- Takedown •

Program Review

Surviving the Disaster



That's what our speaker last week was talking about. Lisa

Derderian, the Emergency Management Coordinator for the Pasadena Fire Department, stated that her job was to get us prepared to survive any disaster. She started by asking us which would be more important after a major earthquake — an

American Express Gold Card or a roll of toilet paper. The answer was quite clear.

She referred to the severe windstorms that occurred here a few years ago, particularly to the long outages of electricity that resulted. We're very dependent on electricity, so many of the steps she told us to take were meant to overcome that dependence when electricity is no longer available. She stated that we should have plenty of flashlights and fresh batteries, sturdy shoes by the bed, well-fitting work gloves, and extra water. She mentioned that there is a product called Blue Can Water that has a shelf life of 50 years.

She said you should have cash in your freezer, because ATM machines will not work without electricity. We should find an alternate way to charge our cell phones, such as car chargers. Although they're much rarer now, we should find the locations of the nearest pay phones. We should all have ICE (In Case of Emergency) on our cell phone contact list. We need to know how to bypass our garage door openers, since they operate on electricity.

She reminded us to have lots of canned food, and a manually operated can opener. She told us to remember our pets. In an earthquake, dogs tend to run away, while cats tend to hide. Collars fall off, and, unless the animal is chipped, a pet will



be difficult to recover. We should all know where our nearest fire station is located.

The Pasadena Fire Department has instituted a new program called **Map Your Neighborhood**. They will come to your neighborhood and speak to a gathering of residents to talk to them about disaster preparedness. It's important that we get to know our neighbors before a disaster so that we can assist each other. We must remember that we live in earthquake country, and Lisa Derderian reminded us how important it is to stay prepared.

Ed Jasnow ○

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October Vocational Service

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October 22 - Vasken Gourdikian, Lieutenant, Pasadena Police Dept., Community Services Division

Congratulations



Birthdays



10/08 - Susan Cox

10/17 - Noriko Suzuki Mehringer

10/20 - Charles Wilson

10/24 - Jim Gorton

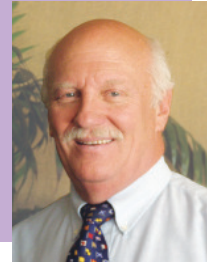


10/01 - Margarita & Freddy Figueroa

10/19 - Elsa & David Smith



Dealing With Immigrants? Compassionate Confusion?



Not all European or European Union (EU) countries are dealing with the flood of immigrants the same way. Here

are some of the different ways these countries are dealing with the current flood of immigrants:

Germany has pledged to take in an estimated 800,000 refugees this year, earmarking an additional \$6.7 billion for the refugee crisis. Germany's aging population is expected to shrink from 81.3 million to 70.8 million. Admitting hundreds of thousands of migrants will help shore up its labor base for years to come and pay for a social safety net that will have to catch many more people.

Unlike Germany, the United Kingdom (UK) has no real need for more immigrants: Britain's population is set to expand from 64.1 million today to 80.1 million by 2060. That would make it Europe's most populous country if current migration and fertility rates hold. This helps explain why British Prime Minister David Cameron has only pledged to accept an additional 20,000 refugees over the next five years, a paltry figure compared to Germany's. According to a recent poll, 40 percent of British citizens say the UK should accept more refugees, while 31 percent say the country should accept fewer. That's a delicate balance; one that Prime Minister David Cameron must bear in mind.

In France, the unemployment rate for

working-age native born is 8.6 percent, while for non-EU-born workers, it's 18.9 percent. No wonder France is only willing to accept an additional 24,000 refugees this year.

In Denmark the Ministry of Immigration, Integration and Housing bought advertisements in four Lebanese newspapers that detail the stringent regulations that migrants will face. This is a pretty brazen attempt to dissuade refugees eyeing that country as a safe haven.

In Hungary, for every million native inhabitants, there were 7,245 asylum applicants. That same figure for Brits is 485, for the French 890, Germans 2,635, and

the Danish 2,590. Prime Minister Viktor Orban, a right-wing populist, has vowed to seal Hungary's border with Serbia — claiming to do so for the good of the entire EU.

Europe is built on the shared value of freedom: freedom of ideas, freedom of commerce, freedom of movement. It will take wisdom, courage and patience for EU leaders to protect these freedoms during a crisis that complicates life in so many countries at once.

And given the growing unrest across North Africa and the Middle East, there is reason to fear that this crisis is just getting started. ○

Two Boy Scout Events Coming

Boy Scout Legacy Golf Tournament ScoutGolf.org

On October 26, The Boy Scouts of America is hosting a Golf Tournament at the Pacific Palms Resort!

Your participation directly benefits the Scouts of the Greater Los Angeles Area Council, serving disadvantaged youth in our local community.

For more information, see flyer, p. 4

Boy Scout Celebrity Sports Lunch

The Greater Los Angeles Area Council of the Boy Scouts has selected Special Guest John McKay, Jr. to address the *Friends of Scouting* and other important members of our community at their an-

nual sports lunch. The proceeds benefit local Boy Scouts. The event takes place Monday, October 19 at 11:45a at The California Club. See flyer on p. 5 ○

Quietly

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love for that food; without attraction, you wouldn't feel anything. All food would be the same to you. You wouldn't know what you love or what you don't love, because you wouldn't be attracted to anything. You wouldn't be attracted to another person, a particular city, house, car, sport, job, music, clothes, or anything, because it's through the force of attraction that you feel love! The law of attraction or the law of love....they are one and the same." ○

GOLF HOME

CONTACT US

REGISTER

INVITE FLYER

Join us Monday,
October 26th

8:00AM Registration
Driving Range Opens
Putting Contest Begins

10:00AM Shotgun Start
Lunch Provided By
In-N-Out Burger

3:00PM Reception
& Awards



It is all for the Kids!

The Boy Scouts of America Legacy Golf Tournament is scheduled for Monday, October 26, 2015 at the Pacific Palms Resort. We look forward to a great day of golf with exciting on-course activities, tee prize packages, on course snacks and beverages. Lunch will be provided courtesy of In-N-Out Burger! Proceeding the Golf Tournament there will be a hosted cocktail reception followed by buffet and awards presentation.

Your participation directly benefits the Scouts of the Greater Los Angeles Area Council, serving disadvantaged youth in our local community. The funds raised support Scouting year-around programs including the sponsorship of the Golf Merit Badge. Corporate sponsorships are welcome and available. Help change lives today. For more information please contact Diana Bates at (213) 413-4400 x313 or email her at dana.bates@scouting.org.

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MONDAY, OCTOBER 19TH THE CALIFORNIA CLUB

SPORTS LUNCH 2015

The Greater Los Angeles Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America is proud to select a special guest from the world of sports to address the Friends of Scouting and other important members of our community at our annual sports lunch. Proceeds benefit local Boy Scouts right here in Los Angeles.

The 2015 Special Guest Speaker is John McKay, Jr. He is a former NFL wide-receiver for the Cleveland Browns, Southern California Sun and Tampa Bay Buccaneers. McKay began his career playing college football for the USC Trojans where he was named the 1975 Rose Bowl MVP. Beyond the field, McKay was a lawyer at Jeffer Mangels Butler & Marmaro in Los Angeles. He currently serves as Senior Associate Athletic Director of the University of Southern California.

Please join us for this exciting event at The California Club on Monday, October 19th at 11:45 a.m. For questions, please call (213) 413-4402 to speak with Diana Bates (ext. 313) or Cecilia Nazarian (ext. 311).



Special Guest
JOHN MCKAY, JR.