



## NEIGHBORHOOD UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH

Announcements

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### TODAY – NOVEMBER 22, 2009

**Today is the last day to take the church survey!** Click on the survey link from our website, [www.uuneighborhood.org](http://www.uuneighborhood.org)

**Pick up your Alternative Gift Market shopping list today on the patio!** The Alternative Gift Market is December 6 and 13, 10:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Choose donations to local, national or international organizations working to make the world a better place in honor of the folks on your shopping list. Kids have their own list of simple and inexpensive options. You may also download the shopping list from the Social Justice page on our website [www.uuneighborhood.org](http://www.uuneighborhood.org). Interested in helping during the market? Please contact member Elizabeth Sadlon, [sadlon@mindspring.com](mailto:sadlon@mindspring.com).

Dr. Steven Castle M.D., a professor of internal and geriatric medicine at UCLA will speak today, 12:45 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. in Ross Chapel on "**Aging Gracefully: the Medical Perspective.**" His presentation and question and answer period will cover such topics as: aging versus old, anti-aging medicine: fact or fiction, and balance and mobility fitness. Light refreshments will be served and you are welcome to bring a brown bag lunch.

Holiday Pageant rehearsals begin today at 1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. All who are interested in participating should plan to attend. This year's pageant is, "The 12 Days of Winter".

It's time to welcome a Guest at Your Table! **Pick up a Guest At Your Table box** in the narthex or at the Social Justice Tables on the patio and join other UUs as money by placing money in the box at mealtimes to honor "guests" from the United States and around the world who are working hard to advance human rights — and protect their own rights — in partnership with UUSC. Share your mealtime with "guests" over the holidays and return the boxes to the church by year's end. Questions, [bcolcord@uuneighborhood.org](mailto:bcolcord@uuneighborhood.org).

**Thanksgiving Food Drive continues: The Neighborhood Scroungers** are asking the entire congregation to assist in their food drive to provide canned and packaged food for several families served by our social workers at the **Alliance for the Care of Abused Children ("ACAC")** this Thanksgiving. Please bring items such as canned fruits and vegetables, packaged stuffing, canned cranberry sauce and pumpkin pie mix, and any other non-perishable food items, and deposit them in the blue bin marked "ACAC Thanksgiving Food Drive". Please check expiration dates before bringing your food items to church. If you'd like to donate a turkey, you can bring (or mail) a supermarket gift card to Beth Colcord at NUUC. Questions? Contact Toni LeBel at [CreativeAlbums@aol.com](mailto:CreativeAlbums@aol.com).

Pick up your **2009 Photo Directory** at the Welcome Table on the patio today.

Don't forget to stop by the Welcome Table after either service to attend **Choices for Newcomers!**

**Writing as a Spiritual Activity** meets from 10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. in the Music Library.

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### THIS WEEK

**The campus and church office will be closed** Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27, in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Due to the holiday, announcements for the Nov. 29 Sunday Order of Service are due Tuesday November 25 at noon.

**Social Justice Knitting** continues November 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Neighborhood House Living Room. Knit to meet the urgent needs of impoverished people. Melinda Goddard at [melinda.goddard@clearmansrestaurants.com](mailto:melinda.goddard@clearmansrestaurants.com).

Are you 35+ and single? Join our newly-formed group, the **Singletarians**, for their first event on Sunday, November 29 at 11:30 a.m. for **brunch at Wild Thyme** in South Pasadena. Questions: Contact Dianne Franks at [slovz@hotmail.com](mailto:slovz@hotmail.com).

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### UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Operation Gratitude collection** - As part of their goal to participate in a monthly service project, the senior high will be collecting items for care packages to send to our troops overseas. Items needed include: knit scarves, neck gaiters, non-perishable snacks & candy, Beanie Babies or Webkinz, and hand written letters or cards. Please bring your donations to the box at the Lifelong Learning table through Sunday, December 6.

The **Neighborhood Church Book Group** will discuss *The Elegance of the Hedgehog*, by Muriel Barbery November 23 and 30. The NC Book Group meets on Mondays from 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the home of Joy Alaidarous, (626) 529-5888, e-mail [Alaidarous@charter.net](mailto:Alaidarous@charter.net). For further info, contact John Hunnewell (626) 359-5825, e-mail [ahwell@aol.com](mailto:ahwell@aol.com).

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## UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONTINUED)

**Sr. High OWL begins in January 2010** - We will have a **MANDATORY Parent Orientation on Monday, December 7** from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. You must attend this meeting if you want to register your youth. Please RSVP at the Lifelong Learning table or by emailing Sara LaWall, Director of Religious Education, at slawall@uuneighborhood.org. Space is limited in the class and priority will be given to members and youth active in the program.

Rev. Alexia Salvatierra, Executive Director of CLUE- CA, is reviving the famous folk music series that brought outstanding talent to Neighborhood Church for many years. **The first concert, to be held here at Neighborhood Church on December 11 in the Sanctuary at 8:00 p.m.**, will feature **John Gorka**, the musician that Rolling Stone called the preeminent male singer-songwriter in the new folk movement.

**All Church Holiday Decorating Party & Potluck** - Saturday, December 12, at 5:00 p.m. Once again we will gather to decorate the Sanctuary and party while we are doing it. There will be fun for all ages, crafts for children, tree trimming for the moderately spry, light untangling for the sedentary, and swag-hanging for the athletic! Please bring a potluck dish to serve 10-12 people. Last name: A-C Drinks, D-G Desserts, H-N Sides/Salads, O-Z Main Dish. If you would like to bring a poinsettia, we can make the sanctuary even more gorgeous. Set-up and clean-up volunteers are needed! Please contact Irene Burkner at 626-791-8618 or iwoodsburkner@earthlink.net.

Our annual **Yule Log event is December 13**. Each YRE class will rotate through this fun activity, which has been a long-standing tradition at Neighborhood for more than 35 years! We are still looking for log donations, between 18 & 24" which can be brought to church anytime, as well as volunteers for the event. Please stop at the Lifelong Learning table to sign up.

Neighborhood's Winter Camp committee invites you to join us for a relaxing and fun weekend in the mountains at **Camp de Benneville Pines, February 5-7, 2010**. The theme "Spirits in Snow" offers activities for all - families, singles, couples. Sign up on the patio after services starting Dec. 6.

## UPCOMING SERVICE SCHEDULE

November 29: "The Versatility and Power of Prayer" -- **One service only at 10:00 a.m.**  
Marisol Caballero, intern minister

10AM single service Sundays in the upcoming church year:

**Nov. 29, 2009; Dec. 27, 2009; March 14, 2010; May 30, 2010; June 13, 2010**

## MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO ARE SERVING TODAY

**Infant Care:** Evelyn Espinosa

**Pre-School:** Javier Hernandez, Cathy Jimenez, Claudia Zaragoza

**Chalice Children:** Carolyn Brunetto, Vivien Hoang, Les Hunter

**K-1:** (9:30) Julie Hiroto, Holly Horton, Julie Livzey, Margot Riemer (11:30) Lee Brainerd, Susan Castle, Brenda Dillon

**2-3:** (9:30) Mary Brennan, James Coomes, Laurie Kovalenko, Jim Schnobrich, Todd Ward

(11:30) Christine Ferriter, Dianne Franks, Holly Hall, Nancy Nielson Brown

**4-5:** (9:30) Irene Burkner, Kathy Cole, Ben Lopez, Rachel Lopez (11:30) Lauren Eaton, Justin Levy, Meg Roburn

**6-7:** (9:30) Bob Barber, Diane Fisher, Anne Franck, David Shechtman (11:30) Rachel M. Ramirez, Maggie Potthoff, Marsha Smith

**8 ROP:** (11:30 only) Michael Alvarado, Steve Ellison, Pamela Miller, Sam Westcott

**Senior High:** (11:30 only) Noel Hernandez, Erin Lindsay, Kit Petrie, Josh Stallings

Stephen Grimm, Music Director

**Neighborhood Church Children's Chorus**

Maya Bellew Hopper, Adam Belling, Fiona Bishop, Laura P. Brown, Carolyn Cohn, Jack Cohn, Kate Davey, Logan Goddard, Adella Hall,

Kieran Hayden, Sophie Lindsay, Haley Lowes-Bicay, Amy Stapenhorst, Katie Stapenhorst, Bodo Wyss, Timmy Camarillo

**CANDLES:** Sam Palahnuk

**FLOWERS:** Jo Kehoe

**SOUND & LIGHTING:**

9:30am Randy Baer

11:30am Rick Jimenez

**USHERS:**

9:30am Angela Escobar, Lowell Meyer, Mary Nelson,

Jennifer Schlickbernd

11:30am Mary Rider, Sharon Sand, Florence Varner,

Jane Zamanzadeh

**WELCOME TABLE:**

9:30am Carol Lim

11:30am Charles Thomas

**GREETERS:**

11:30am Julie Hiroto

**CHOICES FOR NEWCOMERS:**

9:30am George Scherer

11:30am Laura Morgan

**SUNDAY SUPPORT STAFF:** Rick Jimenez

**CUSTODIAN:** Miguel Mendoza

**COFFEE SERVERS:**

9:30am Vieve Metcalfe & Jay Holladay

11:30am Sean Cook, Laura Hartman

**NEIGHBORHOOD MARKET:**

open between services

John Cromshaw

**SOCIAL JUSTICE TABLE:**

9:30am Susan McCarthy

11:30am Marilyn Downey

If you would like to learn more about our church and Unitarian Universalism, please stop by the Welcome Table after the service