



Newsletter for October 2013

October programs coordinated by Buzz Piersol.

October 6 Skeptoid - Brian Dunning

Terry Crewse will present. Brian Dunning is an American writer and public skeptic. Since 2006, his "Skeptoid" podcast has critically investigated subjects of public interest. Critical thinkers have cheered his attacks on beliefs dear to the credulous only to find some of their own beliefs similarly being targeted. We will follow Brian Dunning's career from chief technology officer of Buylink Corporation to his recent legal troubles.

Hymn 186 Reading 477 Host: The Summers

October 13 An Occupied Ireland

Our presenter, Caidy Charles was raised in Belfast, Ireland during the euphemistically titled "Troubles" of the 1970s. Although a committed pacifist she was remanded along with other people from her neighbourhood and interned for a period of 6 months without charge for the crime of being a Catholic and a Republican. During this time her education in guerilla warfare was honed and when released her life changed completely.

Potluck - Bring a dish to share for lunch!

Hymn 314 Reading 464 Host: Marilyn

October Birthdays

Marya Innis	3 rd
Marilyn Pankey	12 th
Jim Hinz	26 th
Keane Ellis	26 th
Terry Crewse	26 th

Sunday Service is at 10:30 am.
Coffee and visiting at 10:15 am

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Tuesday Reading Group

The reading group is eyeing the book, "Turnaround: Third World Lessons for First World Growth," by Peter Blair Henry for the possible next read. Feel free to join the group Tuesdays at 3:30 to participate in the lively discussions surrounding their latest read.

October 20 The Organ at Walt Disney Concert Hall

Ivan will show a video on the pipe organ residing at Walt Disney Concert Hall. The organ was designed by Frank Gehry and Manuel Rosales, and completed in 2004. The video shows the construction and design of the organ, including interviews and excerpts of organists playing famous pieces of music.

Hymn 360 Reading 550 Host: Merrily Davies

October 27 Genealogy - Threads, Yarns, and Branches

Buzz will present. The tide of time sweeps life into and out of existence. There are many unbroken chains that connect us to the past and to the future. Forgotten stories of the past are discovered with a bit of time, money, internet, and obsession. Perhaps it does not matter that we are 1/16th of any of our great great grandparents, but the stories and connections are still persistent.

Hymn 324 Reading 470 Hosts: Carolyn Giddings



This Unitarian Universalist community welcomes and celebrates the presence and participation of people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or queer.



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UU Board Meeting Date

Sunday October 6, 2013
(shortly following service)

Members

President: Marilyn Pankey
Vice-President: Joan Givan
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Secretary: Marion Gant
Social Justice: Alfonso C. Hernandez
Grounds and Maintenance: Brock Neeley
Program Coordinator: Terry Crewse



**Tuesday
Recorders**

This musical group meets Tuesday following the reading group (about 5 pm). program. The group is preparing a holiday musical program December. All are welcome to join and play, regardless of experience!

Helping Hands Food Basket

Please continue to bring food for the Helping Hands Food Basket. Bulk staples and other non-perishables are appreciated and delivered weekly by Edith LaVonne.

Annual Rummage Sale—THIS MONTH!

We will be holding our BIG ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE on Saturday, October 26, 2013, 7 a.m.—1 p.m. at the Fellowship. Please consider donating items or helping out with the event. See Joan Givan for more information.



Metropolitan Opera HD at the Porterville Galaxy Theater

October 2013 Schedule

Saturday, October 5, 9:55 a.m. Eugene Onegin (live) by Tchaikovsky
Wednesday, October 9, 6:30 p.m. Eugene Onegin (encore) by Tchaikovsky
Saturday, October 26, 9:55 a.m. The Nose (live) by Shostakovich
Wednesday, October 30, 6:30 p.m. The Nose (encore) by Shostakovich

**As a Unitarian Universalist congregation,
we affirm and promote:**

- The inherent worth and dignity of every person;
- Justice, equity and compassion in human relations;
- Acceptance of one another and encouragement to spiritual growth in our congregations;
- A free and responsible search for truth and meaning;
- The right of conscience and the use of the democratic process within our congregations and in society at large;
- The goal of world community with peace, liberty, and justice for all;
- Respect for the interdependent web of all existence of which we are a part.