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ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW ANSWERING SERVICE FOR 24-HOUR HOTLINE

As you know, on September 2nd, SBRCC changed its answering service for the 24-hour crisis hotline. We are now working with Professional Answering Service, located in Rialto, CA. If you have any questions or need more information, please see Vilma.

The new phone number advocates should use when checking in with the answering service is:

1-888-327-7173

NEXT MONTHLY ADVOCATE MEETING: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14TH FROM 6 PM - 8 PM

At this month's meeting, we will view and discuss a film entitled "What is Rape?" Advocate meetings are great opportunities to learn new information, get to know other advocates, and take time to process calls and any client work.

UPCOMING SELF-DEFENSE WORKSHOP: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH, 10AM – 2PM

Classes are \$30 per person. Please call SBRCC for more information.

A self-defense class can be a great present for someone you love. Gift certificates are available.

OCTOBER IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

Domestic Violence Awareness Month is an annual observance sponsored by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence and coordinated by community-based domestic violence programs throughout the country. It is a time to mourn the women who have lost their lives to domestic violence and celebrate the strength of women who have survived. It is a time to connect advocates throughout the country who are working to end violence against women and children.

In Santa Barbara, Domestic Violence Solutions will join thousands of men, women, and children from all walks of life to organize activities that raise public awareness about domestic violence. Ending domestic violence and all forms of violence will require the shared responsibility of each of us. We must each pledge to refrain from violence in our own relationships. And we must each take responsibility for speaking out when we see or hear violence in the relationships around us.

If you are interested, DVS has planned the following events in Santa Barbara:

- **Tuesday, October 14, 7:30 am:** Men Against Domestic Violence Kick-Off Breakfast, Moby Dick's Restaurant, Stearns Wharf, \$20.
- **Tuesday, October 14, 2pm:** City Council Proclamation at City Council Chambers
- **Tuesday, October 21, 6:00 pm:** Candlelight Vigil and March Program, Chase Palm Park Center. The evening will include presentations by local elected officials, art and Silent Witness displays, poetry readings, and a candlelight march to Stearns Wharf.

AND....HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MARGARITO REYES!

Have a great day on October 17th, Margarito.