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Next LVNA General Meeting:

Thursday November 10

at 7:00 p.m. in the Lakewood Park Building

**•Sunnyvale Community Services
Representative Nancy Tivol**

•Cookies and cold drinks

President's Column

-Ursula Syrova, LVNA President

New Neighborhood Enhancement Program Area Chosen

A new Neighborhood Enhancement Program area has been chosen, based on the results of a code violation survey done in April 2005. It will be on the Fairwood side of Lakewood Village and will include parts of Torrance Avenue, Tuscon Avenue, Socorro Avenue, Havenwood Avenue, and part of Sandia Avenue.

This is the fourth phase of the Neighborhood Enhancement program, which has already resulted in the improvement of many homes in Lakewood Village. City staffers work with local residents to provide information, assistance, and even, in some cases, landscaping grants. Lakewood Village used to stand out in red (red meaning four or more code violations visible from the street) on a map of code violations across Sunnyvale, but not anymore. Thank you to Rich Gutierrez (Neighborhood Preservation) and the staff of the Enhancement Program for all their hard work, and to the residents of Lakewood Village for their help in improving the neighborhood. If you have questions about the program, please contact Rich Gutierrez at (408) 730-7447 or rgutierrez@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us.

Candidates' Night with S.N.A.I.L.

All the candidates for City Council, Sunnyvale School Board, and Foothill/DeAnza College Board of Trustees appeared at a forum sponsored by LVNA and S.N.A.I.L. (Sunnyvale Neighbors of Arbor Including La Linda) on Monday, October 10. Each candidate made a statement, and there was a question and answer session. Unfortunately, only four people from Lakewood Village attended. Thanks to Skip Gottschalk and Phyllis and Fred Fowler for keeping me company!

Be In the Annual Holiday Parade!

Do you know a group that would like to participate in our holiday parade in December? Planning for the parade has begun, and I would love to have some new ideas. I'm especially interested in groups representing different cultures. Examples might be a dance or musical group. Hobby groups could be wonderful too. If you know, or are part of, a group that would like to volunteer to walk in the annual Lakewood Village holiday parade, please call me: Ursula Syrova 408-738-3092. Or you can e-mail me at president@lvna.net.

Join the Villager Team

Are you interested in being on the Villager staff? Soon our long-time editor Brian Smithson will be stepping down, and co-editor Faith Rogers will need another co-editor. This position requires good computer word-processing skills.

We also need help with *Villager* advertising management. Many local businesses advertise in the *Villager* and must be invoiced. Some visiting of businesses is required. This position takes some organization, a computer, and a little bit of time every month. For more information, please contact Faith Rogers at 408-738-3215 or e-mail her at editor@lvna.net. ■

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November in Your Yard and Garden

- Finish planting spring bulbs.
- Shop for native plants and set them in the garden.
- Complete fall cleanup in the garden.
 - Despite the drop in the temperature, composting continues. Add disease-free leaves and chopped-up, dead annuals to the compost pile. Remember to keep the pile as damp as a wrung-out sponge for faster composting.
- Keep after the snails.
- Watch out for ants invading the house from the garden.
- Wrap vulnerable, young tree trunks, particularly citrus trees, with paper or burlap to protect them from freezing.

- Water plants as needed.
- Stabilize plants that might be harmed by autumn wind.
- Prune wisteria and clematis to control size and encourage new flowering wood in spring. Lightly prune forsythia.
- Water roses but withhold all fertilizer. When the ground freezes, mulch the rose bed heavily.
- Finish transplanting fall- and winter-flowering plants into the bedding plot.
- Harvest what is left of the summer vegetables before the rain and cold destroy them. Continue to plant the winter vegetable garden with cool-season crops such as beets, broccoli, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, onions, parsnips, and turnips. If you have put the vegetable garden to rest for the winter, cover it with manure so that the manure will age properly over the winter.
- Flush your watering system to remove mineral deposits. Soak all newly transplanted plants until the rains come.

These tips are from the book *Northern California Gardening: A Month-by-Month Guide*, by Katherine Grace Endicott, published by Chronicle Books, San Francisco, copyright 1996, and are used with the publisher’s permission. ■

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Stolen Shoes

On Tuesday, October 18, between 4:30 and 5 p.m., a pair of red and white size 5 Michael Jordan shoes were stolen from in front of a home on Lakehaven. If anyone has information, or if parents notice that their child suddenly has shoes matching this description, please call Mara at (415) 341-2365. ■

In Search of Shower Door

I am looking for a replacement shower door for my master bathroom. Has anyone remodeled their master bathroom lately and have a door they want to get rid of? Please call Joetta at 408-469-3317. Thank you! ■



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Here's a Good Way to Exercise

-Wendy Stanley, Villager Walker Coordinator, Lakewood Side

I am looking for someone who can deliver *Villagers* to 49 houses on a route consisting of Lakedale Way and Stonylake Court. It takes less than an hour each month and is a great way to meet your neighbors and get some exercise.

I also need back-up walkers to take various routes when someone is on vacation. If you're interested, please call me, Wendy, at 745-1331.■



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School District and City Offer Flu Vaccine for Kids

School-age children are up to four times more likely to catch the flu than adults. To help protect our kids, Sunnyvale's Columbia Neighborhood Center (CNC), has partnered with the Sunnyvale School District to offer free influenza vaccinations using FluMist nasal vaccine.

The final vaccination date is **November 22** from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., at CNC, 785 Morse Avenue. This vaccine is only available to students and staff of Sunnyvale School District. The vaccine supply is limited, and vaccinations are on a first-come, first-served basis. FluMist is an influenza vaccine that uses a weakened form of the influenza virus to help provide protection from the flu. FluMist is given as a nasal spray, so it does not require an injection.

Brochures containing answers to frequently asked questions regarding FluMist will be available at the school office. Please see the Patient Information in the brochure, visit flumist.com, or call (877) 633-4411 for additional information. Ask your health-care professional if FluMist is right for you and your family. ■

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- Housing and Human Services Commission
- Personnel Board

For more information and to download an application form, go to:

<http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/City+Council/Boards+and+Commissions/>

or call the City Clerk's Office at (408) 730-7595, TDD (408) 730-7501, to request an application. ■

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November Events in Sunnyvale

SNAP Lite Training Program Wednesday, November 9, 6:30–9:30 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Safety Building, 700 All America Way. SNAP stands for "Sunnyvale Neighborhoods Actively Prepare." Learn to be prepared! Register by calling (408) 730-7190 or visit oes.insunnyvale.com.

Faces of Homelessness, Sunday, November 13, 12:30–1:45 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Sunnyvale, 1112 Bernardo Avenue. An opportunity to hear directly from people who have lived with hunger, and people who have been homeless. The panel will include as guest speakers: Patricia Vazquez, single mother, program manager for Boccardo Family Living Center in San Martin, previously homeless; Vanessa Martinez, single mother of seven, shelter manager at First Christian Church and Community Homeless Alliance Ministry in downtown San Jose, homeless in 2001 and 2002. Selena Janelle Hernandez, single mother, executive manager, homeless. The event will conclude with a presentation and discussion of how we can work together to end homelessness in our community.

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Energy at Play: The Tech Museum at the Library, Saturday, November 19, 2 p.m., Sunnyvale Public Library, 665 W. Olive Avenue. Youth, families, and adults are welcome to participate. Teams, under the guidance of The Tech Museum staff members, will build a Tinkertoy contraption to meet a challenge. Fourth grade and up; adult or older sibling assistance for younger students is encouraged. Sign up in the Children's Room at the library or phone (408) 730-7292. ■

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City of Sunnyvale	http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov
Sunnyvale Library	http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org
Sunnyvale Freecycle	http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/freecyclesunnyvale

<http://www.lvna.net/Resources/Links/links.html>

Upcoming Events

What	Where	When
Street Sweeping	Your street – move your cars!	11/1 Fairwood 11/8 Lakewood 12/6 Fairwood 12/13 Lakewood
Election Day	Your Polling Place	11/8, 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
LVNA General Meeting	Lakewood Park Building	11/10, 7:00 p.m.
America Recycles Day		11/15
Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off	Carl Road, near the SMaRT Station	11/19, 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.
LVNA Villager Editorial Deadline	Contact editor@lvna.net	11/25

<http://www.lvna.net/Resources/Calendar/calendar.html>

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Public Safety – Non-emergency	730-7100
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City streets, sidewalks, trees, streetlights, street sweeping	Public Works 730-7505
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