

LAKE VIEW TERRACE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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THE LVTIA OCTOBER 2011 GENERAL & GARDEN CLUB MEETINGS RECAP

High-speed Rail Connecting North and South California

At the October 3, 2011, General meeting, Alex Shoor, of the outreach team for the Palmdale to Los Angeles section of the California High-Speed Rail Project, made a very well sequentially thought-out presentation, with handouts, to the LVTIA audience. The High-speed Rail Authority is the entity that is actually the overseer for the California high-speed train line. The 800 miles of high-speed train service will run from the Bay Area to Central Valley to Los Angeles ending in San Diego at speeds up to 220 mph in the central valley area. A trip from San Francisco to Los Angeles is estimated to take 2 hours and 40 minutes. The High-speed Trains will have connectivity with Metro to further enhance its' travel appeal and relieving highway congestion for Californians. The fully electric powered, environmentally responsible, High-speed Rail will be the first in the country creating a safer, most efficient and more reliable means of ground travel in California.

The voter-approved state bond (Proposition 1A) funded the down payment on the High-Speed Rail's 6.33 billion dollars initial construction cost with the additional funding coming through federal funding grants, local funding, and public-private partnerships. The Economical benefits to the Northern and Southern California communities are enormous.

The California High-speed Rail Project

will create numerous jobs for approved contractors of small businesses, minorities and women owned businesses in Northern and Southern California not only during the construction, but also post-construction jobs to operate and maintain it.

The High-speed Rail construction is slated to commence in the Central Valley in Sept. 2012 building outward northward and southward. It's suggested that those contractors who wish to be listed on the approved list of contractors should submit their application now to be able to participate in the bidding process. For more information visit: <http://www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov/> or CALL 916.324.1541.

Garden Club

The LVTIA Soil Scientist, Mr. Dariush Bakhtar, Ph.D., Soil-Water-Plant Specialist, drove home the many benefits of the nasturtium plant and the best methods for caring for the perennial. The audience members' who had follow the nasturtiums articles in the past two issues of the LVTIA's Newsletter found the hands-on demonstration on the best planting techniques for the nasturtium seeds most rewarding. The mature nasturtium plant on display showed off the vivid green leaves and the vibrant floral red color of the flower. Whether you choose to use the nasturtium plant to trellis a wall or as a sloped ground cover, the beauty of the plant will hopefully bring you years of eye pleasing enjoyment.

~ By Cris Hughes

WELCOME NEW LVTIA BOARD MEMBER

At the September 19, 2011 LVTIA Board meeting, Cris Hughes, long time resident of Lake View Terrace was unanimously elected to the office of Recording Secretary.

Cris has formally served as the Foot-

hill Trails District Neighborhood Council (FTDNC) VP of Communications/Outreach, where she developed and maintained the FTDNC's first web site, and facilitated multiple outreach resources to help advertise the

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She has contributed articles to the newsletter, constructed and maintains the LVTIA web site and is the newsletter layout artist for several years now. Cris has also contributed her time to assisting at our monthly White Elephant Sale, formally known as our

monthly Swap Meet. LVTIA is grateful for her energy and expertise. We are honored to have her volunteer to fill the position of the Lake View Terrace Improvement Association's Recording Secretary. ~ By Cilé Borman

LVTIA'S LETTER FROM COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT

Dear LVTIA Members,



My Father called me after receiving the phone call to tell me I had been awarded the \$500.00 LVTIA Scholarship. Thank you so much.

The scholarship will come in handy as I have just started a new semester and will have to purchase new music for course work.

Just a little update; I am at University of Redlands in my sophomore year as a Harp performance and composition major with a general business minor. I am working part time with children in a local school helping in several classes as an American Reads Tutor and on week ends I have a few weddings I will be playing for before the end of the year.

Thank you again, Cheryl Rotundo

LANDSCAPE RETROFITTING PART-16 A TECHNICAL ARTICLE FROM LVTIA/GC

During the last fifteen articles in our newsletter, I discussed soil, water and plant in general. Beginning this issue, I like to talk about irrigation practices for a few weeks, which I believe, is an essential subject to discuss. Particularly when our department of water and power is not after any permanent solution for the water shortage that we, the community members are facing and the problem is getting worse day by day. Then as we go along, I will recommend different irrigation methods for different purposes, which the community can utilize in retrofitting their irrigation systems.

After water falls on the soil surface through natural precipitation, and/or during managed water application, or irrigation practices, it moves inside the soil due to gravity, moves laterally and or vertically due to the cohesion and adhesion forces that exert on the water molecules. Cohesion force is the attraction force that water molecules exert on each other. Adhesion force is the force that soil particles, organic or inorganic exert on water molecules and keep them attached to soil particles.

The water molecules that plants absorb work for the following purposes:

1. Sustain the plant's turgidity
2. Absorb nutrients from soil in soluble

form and move within the plant tissues

3. Transfer the excess moisture from plant tissues to atmosphere

Natural annual precipitation depending on the region of the plant growth may compensate the quantity of water that the plant requires. If not, the difference between the rainfall and the required quantity of water should add by mechanically controlled application of water. This process of water application is irrigation.

Application of water or the process of irrigation may perform in different ways that include:

1. Surface watering : a. Flooding; b. Furrow irrigation
2. Spray or sprinkler system: a. Regular sprays, b. Rotors, c. Micro sprays
3. Subsurface watering /drip or trickle irrigation

~ By Dariush Bakhtar, Ph.D., CPSS.,

Happy Veterans Day

11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month

Eternally grateful to all who served!

LVTIA'S GARDEN CLUB PRESENTS GARLIC'S NATURE AND PROPERTIES

<u>Family</u>	<u>Botanic Name</u>	<u>Common Name</u>
Liliaceae	Allium Sativum	Garlic

Garlic is one of the oldest and most valued of our cultivated plants. Its fame as medicinal qualities should not be ignored.

Garlic is a member of the onion family with a strong scent, particularly in the bulb. The bulb consists of six to eight bulb lets or cloves enclosed in a white membrane. Garlic is a perennial plant, which will reach up about 2' in height. The thin, tubular leaves are similar to those of the spring onion, and the upright stem will bear tiny whitish to pinkish flowers in large clusters during spring and summer.

Cultivation: Each bulb let or clove of a gar-



lic bulb can grow into an individual plant. The common way for planting garlic is to separate the individual cloves, and plant them in a well-prepared planting bed at 12" on center (OC).

Garlic plants are ornamental plants to grow. If you like to grow garlic in pots indoors or outdoors you may plant the cloves directly in one-gallon pots. You may use a circular decorative container about twenty inches in diameter and grow the cloves of one full bulb together. This will provide you with a beautiful decorative container for your patio as you wish.

~ *By Dariush Bakhtar, Ph.D,
Soil-Water-Plant Specialist*

FREE HEALTH FAIR ~ Saturday, November 5, 2011, from 10 AM to 2 PM. All Nations Korean Church, 10000 Foothill Blvd. Lake View Terrace, CA, 91342

**HANSEN DAM
ADVISORY BOARD**
meets at 7PM on
the 4th Tuesday of
every month at the
LVT Rec. Center,
11075 Foothill
Blvd., Lake View
Terrace, CA 91342

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Saturday, Nov. 19, 2011
MONTHLY BOOK SALE
10 AM to 2 PM
MONTHLY MEETING
2 PM to 2:30 PM

Lake View Terrace Library
12002 Osborne St.
Lake View Terrace CA
Phyllis Hines 818.897.7644



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

LAPD FOOTHILL COMMUNITY COFFEE KLATSCH
Meets from 8AM -10AM the 1st Tuesday of every
month at Albertsons/Starbucks, 6240 Foothill
Blvd., Tujunga CA 91042

**FOOTHILL TRAILS
DISTRICT NC**
General Meeting
Nov. 17, 2011 @ 7PM
Visit www.ftdnc.org
for location.

LAKE VIEW TEARERS

Are you a Senior? Are you
looking to join an active
group of your peers? Then
search no more. Join the
Lake View Tearers on the
1st Tuesday of the month at
the LVT Recreation Center,
11075 Foothill Blvd., Lake
View Terrace, CA 91342

MONTHLY MEETING
Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2011
10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.
FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON
Nov. 9, 2011 at 11 A.M.
Location to be decided

For more information call
Phyllis Hines 818.897.7644

GET INVOLVED! JOIN LVTIA

LVTIA Membership is available to all who live in
Lake View Terrace and the vicinity. The yearly
membership is \$10 per person or \$20 per family.
Please fill out this form and mail it with your check to:
Lake View Terrace Improvement Association
P O Box 224
Sunland, CA 91041

JOIN THE LVTIA AND LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD.

FIRST NAME:

LAST NAME

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CITY:

STATE:

ZIP CODE:

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WHITE ELEPHANT SALE

Saturday, November 5, 2011
7 AM to 3 PM
11075 Foothill Blvd.
Lake View Terrace, CA 91342

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LVTIA'S GENERAL MEETING

Monday, Nov. 7, 2011 @ 7 PM
LVT Recreational Center
LVTIA'S GARDEN CLUB
meets immediately after

LVTIA'S BOARD MEETING

Monday, Nov. 14, 2011 @ 7 PM
LVT Recreational Center

FREE: Benita Bike's DanceArt Interactive Dance Performance

Saturday, Nov. 5th @ 2:00 PM,
Lake View Terrace Library,
12002 Osborne St.
Lake View Terrace

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THANK YOU MARY L. PADILLA
FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL.

WHY SHORT SALE?

If your monthly mortgage is too much and you cannot afford it, your best option would be a loan modification. Unfortunately not many people are qualified for a loan modification due to unemployment or other reasons. If you cannot keep your house, your best choice is short selling it. There is no out of pocket expense for you; your lender pays all the expenses including the commission to the realtor. Short sale is a complicated matter; you need an experienced realtor to handle it.

HOMES SOLD IN LVT IN SEPTEMBER 2011

Address	BD	BA	Area sq ft	Lot sq ft	Sold Price	Yr. Blt	Comments
12238 Van Nuys Blvd.	3	3	1,671	7,200	\$ 275,000	1961	Short Sale, Fixer
11383 Lemoncrest Ave.	3	3	1,569	11,050	\$ 364,950	1957	Standard Sale, Upgraded
11600 Orcas Ave.	5	3	3,700	24,393	\$625,000	1958	Horse property, Standard
11670 11670 Glamis St.	3	2	1,538	7,560	\$ 220,000	1958	Short Sale, Fixer
11517 Kamloops St.	3	2	1,074	5,581	\$289,000	1947	Standard Sale, upgraded
11701 Tripoli Ave.	3	2	1,656	7,590	\$325,000	1963	Remodeled , Standard Sale
11364 Goren Pl.	3	3	1,600	5,404	\$330,000	1985	Remodeled, Standard Sale
11502 Luanda St.	3	3	1,600	6,148	\$340,900	1985	Remodeled, Standard sale
11482 Kagel Cyn. St.	4	4	2,400	11,811	\$419,000	2010	Brand New, Standard Sale
11476 Kagel Cyn. St.	4	4	2,400	7,581	\$432,000	2010	Brand New, Standard Sale

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