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Thank you so much to all those who sent donations! And a special thank you to the anonymous donor who has allowed us to once again march our entire route. We are very grateful!

Holiday Lighting Contest to be Held on December 20th

Neighbors, start your electrical outlets! It's that time of year again, so dig out your holiday decorations and start stringing! As we did last year, a panel of celebrity judges will be assembled to tour the neighborhood and select some winners.

UNSCC Needs You!

I know I've written about the United Neighborhoods of Santa Clara County before, and here I am, writing about it again! The UNSCC is a great organization that strives to be a resource for neighborhood associations to communicate and learn from one another. They

also put on a yearly conference of great seminars, and provide us with the insurance coverage for our events. Faith Rogers has been our UNSCC representative since Tom Freeman moved out of Lakewood Village, but she has since also become the Treasurer for the Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association, as well as already being the co-editor of the Villager. In addition, our newsletter coordinator recently moved out of state, leaving us with the big project of getting Villager advertisers back up to date on invoice payments and ad coordination. Faith also took on this project. Frankly, it's a bit much for one person! So, we are officially soliciting someone to be the new UNSCC representative to the Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association. The requirements are pretty minimal—the UNSCC has a meeting once every other month and someone from our neighborhood needs to attend and vote on issues as necessary. The UNSCC also has a Yahoo! group online that anyone is welcome to join and learn more about the organization. Please let any of the LVNA board members know if you are interested in becoming our new UNSCC representative. Here is their Yahoo! group site if you would like to check it out or join the group to receive emails:
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/UNSCC-NEWS/> ■



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Congratulations, Sunnyvale Knights!

The Sunnyvale Knights, Junior Pee Wee (ages 8 to 11), cheerleaders won **first place** in their division at this year's California Western Regional Competition. The event was held in Reno, Nevada, on November 26.

As a result, they are eligible to advance on to the US National Cheerleading Competition in Florida the week of Dec. 6.

This is the first time in six years that the girls in this division have gotten the chance to compete in the US Nationals and they've worked so very hard to get to this point. Congratulations, girls, and Go Knights!! ■

Please Help Solve This Crime

On November 20th at around 12:30 p.m., a home on Lakehaven Drive near Silverlake was robbed. The suspects have been described as African American and Hispanic, driving a black, older model SUV (resembling a Denali or Tahoe) with chrome rims.

If you have any information about this crime or the suspects, please call Sunnyvale Department of Public Safety at 730-7100. You can ask for Officer Welch and refer to case number 04-13269. **Do not confront these individuals**, they may be armed. We need to work together to keep crime out of our neighborhood. ■

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Upcoming Public Hearings

Study Issues

Sunnyvale City Council will be holding a public hearing about potential council study issues for calendar year 2005 on Tuesday, December 7, 7:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers at 456 W. Olive Avenue. No action will be taken by the Council at that time; it is solely for receiving public input on study issues. Council will take action at a special meeting/workshop on December 16. For more information contact the City Clerks office at 730-7483. To view the City Council meeting calendar with agendas and minutes, go to <http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov/City+Council/Council+Meetings/>.

Comcast Cable – Needs and Interest

There will also be a community meeting to discuss Comcast Cable-related needs and interest on Wednesday, December 8, from 7:00 - 8:30 PM, at the Sunnyvale Community Center, Neighborhood Room, 550 E. Remington. For more information contact Ernie De Frenchi at 730-2759 or edefrenchi@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us. ■

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December in Your Yard and Garden

- Be sure to get in the last of the spring-blooming bulbs this month. Remember that wet soil is difficult to dig properly. Be careful not to plant the bulbs too deep.
- Water plants as needed.
- Watch out for frost.
- Direct water from downspouts to avoid damage to the garden.
- Save wood ashes from the fireplace as a source of potash for the compost pile.
- Request seed and nursery catalogs from mail-order companies.
- Set out large-sized transplants of winter-flowering plants into the bedding plot, using such plants as calendula, Iceland poppy, primrose, and stock.
- Apply dormant spray to deciduous flowering plants and fruit trees.
- Prune pines, magnolias, junipers, and red-berried plants for holiday greens.
- Cut back chrysanthemums as they finish blooming.
- Hold off fertilizing most plants in preparation for winter.
- Stabilize plants that might be harmed by wind.
- Harvest winter vegetables as they ripen.

These tips are from the book *Northern California Gardening: A Month-by-Month Guide*, by Katherine Grace Endicott, published by Chronicle Books, San Francisco, ©1996, and are used with the publisher's permission. See http://www.lvna.net/Resources/Reading_List/reading_list.html ■

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This Month in Lakewood History...

- Brian Smithson

- 50 years ago:** In 1954, a developer submitted plans for a 409-home tract where Unit II is today, on the northeast corner of Lawrence Station Rd. (now Expressway) and the Bayshore Hwy. (now the US-101 Freeway). Also submitted were plans for a 304-room Holiday Inn motel (now a Ramada Inn).
- 49 years ago:** After 13 years of drought, some ambitious cloud-seeding resulted in the Christmas Flood of 1955. It rained for almost two weeks and Sunnyvale's lowlands (including parts of Lakewood Village) sustained some flooding.
- 45 years ago:** In 1959, the first Lakewood Village Holiday Parade was held, and also that year, the first Holiday Lighting Contest was held. ■



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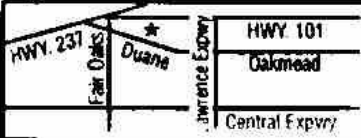
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City of Sunnyvale	http://www.sunnyvale.ca.gov
Sunnyvale Library	http://www.sunnyvalelibrary.org
http://www.lvna.net/Resources/Links/links.html	

Calendar of Upcoming Events

What	Where	When
Street Sweeping	Your street – move your cars!	12/7 Fairwood 12/14 Lakewood
Annual Holiday Parade	See route, page 1	12/11, 11 a.m.
Lighting Contest	Your house!	12/20, 7 p.m.
LVNA Villager Editorial Deadline	Contact editor@lvna.net	12/31
January LVNA Meeting	TBD	1/12/05, 7 p.m.
http://www.lvna.net/Resources/Calendar/calendar.html		

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Public Safety – Non-emergency	730-7100
Speeding cars; parking complaints; traffic signal repair; dead animals	Dispatch 730-7180
Noise complaints; homeless complaints; commercial vehicles on residential streets	Desk Officer 730-7110
Illegal storage or buildings; decrepit fences or buildings; weed problems; illegal home businesses; rental housing complaints; commercial vehicles on private property	Neighborhood Preservation 730-7610
City streets, sidewalks, trees, streetlights, street sweeping	Public Works 730-7505
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