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Next LVNA General Meeting:
Wednesday, July 14,
at 7:00 PM
in the Lakewood Park Building

- **Dumpster Day preparation meeting -- all Dumpster Monitors are encouraged to attend**
- **Neighborhood Preservation Specialist Rich Gutierrez will speak about what can and cannot be dumped**
- **Cookies and cold drinks will be served**

President's Column

- Ursula Syrova, LVNA President

Big Events Coming Up

Dumpster Day

Dumpster Day will be one day only again this year, on July 17. Dumpsters will be dropped off at various locations around the neighborhood (see www.lvna.net for a map), and residents will be able to drop off unwanted stuff all day. There are certain restrictions on what can be dumped, though, and we strongly urge everyone to pay attention to the posted signs and respect what the Dumpster Monitors have to say about what you are trying to drop off. Certain items, like anything with engine oil or Freon (used for engine cooling and in old refrigerators), or latex paint, are considered hazardous. These items may not be put in the Dumpsters. If you have hazardous materials, please drive the short distance to the SMaRT Station at 301 Carl Road (off Caribbean Drive; just go north on Lawrence Expressway)—less than 2½ miles away! July 17 is also hazardous materials day at the SMaRT Station (8 a.m. to 1 p.m.), so you see how well that works out!

We urge all interested residents to attend the Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association general meeting on July 14 at 7 p.m. at the Lakewood Park building to learn more about what can and cannot be put into the Dumpsters. Please remember that the Dumpster Monitors don't make the rules; they just make sure people follow the guidelines for safe dumping. Sneaking up on the Dumpsters in the middle of the night and dumping restricted items, or

arguing with the Monitors is both rude and environmentally irresponsible. This is a great free service we are offered, so let's not abuse the privilege.

This year we will have a Dumpster Day Garage Sale as well. Every year a lot of stuff that is still in good condition ends up at the Dumpsters, and this year we will move those items over to the area of parking lot between the two gas stations on Lakehaven and sell them. Proceeds will go to the Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association to help pay for the other events we put on during the year like the summer picnic and the holiday parade. We encourage people to come on by and check out what's for sale!

National Night Out Ice Cream Social

The second big event coming up is National Night Out. This year Lakewood Village will be hosting an ice cream social on Tuesday, August 3 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Fairwood Park. All Lakewood Village residents are invited. For National Night Out, neighborhoods across the

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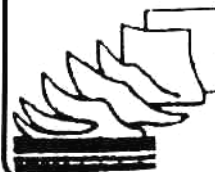
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 country are encouraged to organize local activities on August 3 that will bring neighbors outside on that evening to get to know each other. The idea behind the event is to foster tight-knit communities that can better resist crime and drugs. As the Sunnyvale city news release puts it, "Neighbors that know each other look out for each other, and that helps prevent crime." Everyone is urged to turn on their porch light, close their doors and come on out to the ice cream social! ■

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July 17 is the next Dumpster Day in Lakewood Village, but don't plan on putting paint, pesticides, solvents, batteries, fluorescent bulbs, or automotive fluids (oil, brake fluid) into the Dumpster in your area. These items are hazardous waste, so they need to go to the Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Event Site near the SMaRT Station and Recycling Drop-Off Center off Caribbean Drive and Borregas Avenue (it's a short trip north on Lawrence Expressway to Caribbean and Borregas). The site will be open from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on July 17.

Televisions and computer monitors cannot be put into the Dumpsters either. Sunnyvale residents can take these items to the SMaRT Station 7 days a week between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. TV and computer monitors require a special handling fee of \$15 each. Call (408) 730-7262 for more information. ■

LVNA Meetings

— Skip Gottschalk, LVNA Secretary

June 9 General Meeting

1. Sunnyvale Director of Community Services Bob Paternoster gave a presentation on the Sunnyvale downtown mall project.
2. Dumpster Day Monitors are still needed. All Monitors are requested to attend the July 14 general meeting for a briefing and materials on the do's and don't's of Dumpster Day.
3. Some Lakewood Village residents said that the City has installed traffic register cables on Lakehaven Drive. The board will request the city to brief the LVNA on the results of the study.

July 1 Board Meeting

The board discussed Dumpster Day (Saturday, July 17) issues, reviewed materials for Dumpster Monitors, and identified Dumpster locations. We will request that a representative of the SMaRT Station be present at the July general meeting. The board discussed speakers and events for future meetings, as well as the Lakewood Village National Night Out Ice Cream Social on Tuesday, August 3. ■

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July in Your Yard and Garden

- Weed. Do not let the weeds form seedheads.
- Add young, seedhead-free weeds to the compost pile. Remember to keep the pile as damp as a wrung-out sponge for faster composting.
- Watch out for snails and earwigs, both of which devour seedlings.
- Plant bulbs that bloom in autumn.
- Use a strong spray from the hose to wash away aphids.
- With fruit crops ripening this month, watch out for ants. Wrap fruit tree trunks with a sticky tape to control ants (wrap low so that birds, particularly hummingbirds, will not be attracted) and if necessary, spray.
- Water plants as needed.
- Insulate the garden soil from the hot, dry weather by applying a two-inch-thick mulch.
- Fertilize plants if you see signs of pale, lackluster growth. Fertilize the lawn. Fertilize all flowering plants that are about to bloom. Fertilize camellias. Fertilize roses, except most antique roses. In really hot areas, roses will probably stop flowering until the weather cools.
- Pinch off dead flowers. Make sure you get the entire flower head when deadheading annuals—particularly the swollen ovaries where seeds form.
- Transplant summer-flowering plants, such as cosmos, petunias, and zinnias that will endure heat, into the bedding plot. Hot weather is hard on newly transplanted plants. Shade them for a few days with the temporary shelter of an umbrella or wooden shake. Stake tall sprawling flowers such as dahlias.
- Continue to plant the vegetable garden. Thin vegetable seedlings that were sown too close together. Harvest vegetables as they ripen. Pick them early in the day.
- Soak all newly transplanted plants. Prune berry vines when you have finished harvesting.

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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- Ken Michels

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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!	8/3 Fairwood 7/13, 8/10 Lakewood
LVNA General Meeting	Lakewood Park Building	7/14, 7 p.m.
Compost Workshop	Sunnyvale Community Center Arboretum	7/10, 8/14 10 a.m. - noon
Dumpster Day	Various locations, see www.lvna.net for a map	7/17, 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off	Carl Road, near the SMaRT Station (dump)	7/17, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.
LVNA Villager Editorial Deadline	Contact editor@lvna.net	7/30
National Night Out	Fairwood Park	8/3, 7 p.m.
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