

COMMUNITY EVENTS

City of Duarte – Summer Sunset Concert Series
 Thursday evenings at Duarte Park
 1344 Bloomdale Street
 Music 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
 Food booths 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.
 August 5, August 19
 For more info, call 626-357-7931 ext. 220

Puente Hills Concerts in the Park
 Schabarum Regional Park
 Azusa & Colima Rd.
 Tuesdays 7-9:00 p.m.
 Through Aug. 17th
 For more info. 626-336-4937
Take bus lines 178, 185, 280, 285, 482

City of Covina Summer Evening Entertainment
 Covina Park Bandshell
 Fourth & Badillo
 Starlight Concert Series
 Mondays 7:30 p.m.
 July 12 – Aug. 9
 Kids Night Out
 Tuesdays 7:30 p.m.
 Through Aug. 12th
 For more info, call 626-858-7271

Holiday Reminder

On Monday, September 6th, Foothill Transit Stores will be closed for the Labor Day holiday except for Puente Hills Mall (open 10AM-9PM) & El Monte Station (Open 7AM-6PM)
Also, lines 178, 184, 185, 187, 190, 191, 193, 195, 269, 272, 274, 280, 281, 283, 284, 285, 289, 291, 292, 294, 480, 482, 486, 488, 492 will be running on a Sunday schedule. No other lines will be running.



Monthly Contest

Reggie Jackson wore #44, Ernie Banks wore #1 (but we also accepted #14), Tom Seaver wore #41, Babe Ruth wore #3, and Yogi Berra wore #8. Congratulations to Frank Pangelinan of Glendora, who rides Line 187. This month's category is computers. Good luck!

Remember that all correct answers received by the last Friday of the month will be placed in a drawing for a free Foothill Transit 31-day pass! As always, employees of Foothill Transit contractors and their families are not eligible. Please limit entries to one per customer.

A 'byte', in computer terms, is 8 'bits'. A 'nibble' is another computer term that measures 'bits'.

How many 'nibbles' make a 'byte'?

Answer: _____

Name _____
 Address _____
 City & Zip _____
 I ride Line # _____
 Daytime phone _____
 Evening phone _____

Send your answers to Foothills, c/o Foothill Transit
 100 N. Barranca Ave., Suite 100,
 West Covina, CA, 91791.
Please include your personal information, so we can let you know if you've won.

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New Senior ID Cards are Coming: Get yours before the Nov. 1st deadline!

The September issue of the Foothill Transit Bus Book will highlight many exciting changes coming your way, including the launch of the new Senior ID Card Program.

Much like the College ID Card, which was inaugurated last year, the new Senior ID Card will make obtaining and using your Senior Discount Pass much easier. Customers 62 years of age and older can obtain their new Senior ID cards beginning Tuesday, September 7th, at any one of our six Foothill Transit Stores.

Foothill Transit Senior IDs will be required when purchasing senior discount passes and when using a senior discount pass to board a Foothill Transit bus beginning November 1st.

"The new Senior ID Program will allow us to more closely monitor the sale of senior discount passes and cut down on potential fraud," said Joyce Gilmore, Foothill Transit's Director of Sales and Services. "Senior ID Cards will be available in September and our staff is ready and able to assist our senior customers with the process."

Senior Discount Pass users are encouraged to get their ID cards well before the mandatory use date in November.

For more information about a Store location near you, call 1-800-RIDE-INFO (800-743-3463) or visit us on the web at www.foothilltransit.org.



If you are boarding a Foothill Transit bus with a cash fare, you may use a valid driver's license, California DMV card, Medicare card, or Foothill Transit Senior ID that proves you are 62 years of age or older.

Bus Bsis Reminder

We will not tolerate acts or comments that could be perceived as threatening to another customer or bus operator. Our employees will contact the police for assistance if they deem it necessary. If you see anything suspicious, report it to your bus operator immediately.

// Your Ride

NEW SERVICE CHANGES ARE ALMOST HERE!

Look for your new Bus Book soon.
Changes become effective September 5th!

Effective September 5th, new service changes will adjust frequencies on several lines to match their ridership needs.

Changes to these lines were carefully made based on ridership and suggestions from customers via both e-mail and three public information meetings. Suggested changes in service were first proposed to the public and then altered after receiving abundant customer input earlier this year. The finalized changes were unanimously approved by Foothill Transit's Governing Board at its Annual Meeting on May 5th.

Although Foothill Transit implemented a 12% service increase in September 2002, ridership has not risen to match it.

These new service changes are designed to streamline bus service and meet the specific demands of the communities Foothill Transit serves. In some cases, service has been increased while in others, trips have been removed or rescheduled.

The affected lines and the changes being made are indicated in the table to the right. The new maps and schedules will be available on our website beginning August 20th.

If you have questions about routes or schedules, please contact us at 1-800-RIDE-INFO or visit us on the web at www.foothilltransit.org.

Line	Change
178 Weekday	Westbound: Two trips added, will operate every 30 minutes. Eastbound: Five trips added, will operate every 30 minutes.
184 Weekday	Westbound/Eastbound: Will no longer serve the Sierra Madre Villa Gold Line Station, will operate hourly. <i>Note: Service to the Gold Line Station is provided by Lines 187 and 189.</i>
184 Weekend	Weekend service will be eliminated.
187 Weekday	Westbound: 24 trips added, will operate every 20 minutes. Eastbound: 25 trips added, will operate every 20 minutes.
189 Weekday	Westbound/Eastbound: Will operate hourly.
191 Weekend	Westbound: Removed 7:13 p.m. trip. Eastbound: Removed 6:47 p.m. trip.
193 Weekend	Westbound: Removed 7:35 p.m. trip.
195 Weekend	Eastbound: Removed 7:40 p.m. trip.
272	Northbound/Southbound: Will operate hourly service.
280 Weekday	Northbound/Southbound: Will operate every 20 minutes.
280 Weekend	Northbound/Southbound: Will operate every 30 minutes.
289 Weekend	Westbound/Eastbound: Will operate every two hours.
292	Northbound/Southbound: Peak-only service in the morning from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and in the afternoon from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.
294	Line 294 will be eliminated. <i>Note: Service to this community is provided by Line 292.</i>
480 Weekend	Westbound/Eastbound: Will operate every 20 minutes.
486 Weekday	Westbound/Eastbound: Will operate every 20 minutes.
488 Weekday	Eastbound: Removed 6:19 p.m. trip.
493 Weekday	Westbound: All trips will originate from Rio Rancho and 71 Expressway. Eastbound: 4:30 p.m. trip added, 6:20 p.m. trip removed.
497 Weekday	Westbound: Removed 5:10, 6:20, 7:50, and 8:20 a.m. trips. Eastbound: Removed 6:10 and 6:50 p.m. trips.
498 Weekday	Westbound: 8:05 and 8:25 a.m. trips removed. Added 8:20 a.m. trip.
499 Weekday	Eastbound: 6:30 p.m. and 6:45 p.m. trips removed. Added 6:40 p.m. trip.
699 Weekday	Eastbound: 6:43 p.m. trip removed.

// Foothill News

From 1745 to 1740

A hop skip and a jump: The Duarte Store's new digs at 1740 East Huntington Drive



On August 4th, the Duarte Transit Store closed its doors for the last time.

On August 9th, it reopened across the street, in a clean and modern new storefront.

It's still the same friendly and knowledgeable staff. And all the conveniences of your local Transit Store are still in place. We think you'll like the new location's clean exterior and bright surroundings. But most importantly, we think the new location will better serve our customers.

Drop by and say hi!



What's New?

A preview of what's in store for Fall 2004

New Senior ID Cards

See the front page article for more details. The new Senior ID Cards will come with lanyard and carrying case, while supplies last.

No More MTA Tokens

On May 1, 2004, Foothill Transit stopped accepting MTA tokens as regular fare on all of our buses. Other options, like the Metrocard and 31-Day Pass, are available at any of our six Transit Stores. Please be aware that MTA is looking to phase out the token altogether, so start switching to a new fare as soon as possible.

New Duarte Store Location

Come by and say hi!

Schedule Changes

It bears repeating: There are several important schedule changes for Fall 2004. The details are outlined in this issue of Footnotes on page 2. Take the time to review them so you can plan for any adjustments you may have to make in your personal transit plan.

Fall 2004 Bus Books will be available in mid-August.

Beat the Summer Heat

With the dog days of summer in full swing, it's tempting to pop that window on the bus wide open to feel the air come in....

Stop! Foothill Transit air conditioners *recirculate* the air inside the bus. Every open window means it takes longer and longer for the bus to actually cool down and stay that way. And when it's 100 degrees outside, an open window means nothing but hot air. Do yourself, and everyone inside the bus, a huge favor. Keep the windows closed on hot days. The air conditioners will cool you down faster and make everyone's ride a breeze.

