

**MONTHLY CONTEST**

Last month's question was a little confusing, we admit. The answer we were looking for was 700 ft. But several of you pointed out that our wording was a little confusing. So we also accepted one foot and one inch. Congratulations to Camille Gomez of West Covina who rides Line 274 (and is a regular player of Transit Trivia!) This month's category is **Your Editor is Buying a New Car!** Enjoy!

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 name synonymous with automobile luxury the world over is Rolls Royce. What city has the most of them on the road, per capita?**

- West Covina?
  - Cairo?
  - Moscow?
  - Hong Kong?
- (circle your answer)

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

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

**EVENTS**

# COMMUNITY

**For Love of Youth Fundraiser**

**Boys & Girls Club of the Foothills**  
 Saturday, February 5th, 6PM – 9:30PM  
 Monrovia Historical Museum  
 742 E. Lemon Avenue  
 Call (626)256-8096 for tickets and details.  
 Take Line 184.

**Weekend Winners All-Star Sports**

**Fundraiser for Delhaven Community Center**  
 Thursday, February 24th, 6:30PM – 8PM  
 Delhaven Community Center  
 15135 Fairgrove Avenue  
 La Puente, 91747-0423  
 Call (626)917-9789 for more details.  
 Take line 185.



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**Valentine's Day is Every Day!**

(In March)

**497**  
**+699**  


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**\$0**

We love our customers. So much so that if you use either Line 497 or 699 in March, you'll ride free.

With the money you save you can celebrate Valentine's Day twice. Or get yourself an extra birthday present.

So, yes. March. Free. March. Free. New service. New faces.

Oh and by the way, in March, it's free.

See you in March! When Lines 497 and 699 are FREE! (free)

**Orange: It's the New Black!**

The new Foothill Transit Bus Book hits the busways this month. It's your ticket to ride in style!

Foothill Transit blue has become as cozy as a broken-in pair of bunny slippers. Comfy? Reliable? Yes. But sometimes, you just feel like a new pair of shoes.

Among the tranquil sea of azure hues that you've become used to on our buses will be the now unmissable Spring 2005 Bus Book, which becomes effective on February 27th. Glaring back at you in stunning orange you'll say to yourself, hey, that's one vividly obvious Bus Book.

Which is the idea. The Bus Book is your source for everything you need to know about riding a bus with Foothill Transit. Stuck on transfer policy? Turn to page 10. Want to know where to board at El Monte Station? Turn to page 24. Holiday

schedules? Page 10 again. How many buses in our fleet? Page 5. You get the idea.

There are a few new changes inside the Spring 2005 Bus Book as well. We've told you about the improvements to Line 497 and Line 699 already (free service on the 497 and 699 in March! Pass it on!). For more details about other adjustments in service, turn the page. Or you can call 1-800-RIDE-INFO. But turning the page is faster.



## // Your Ride

# What's New?

Notable Notes for Spring 2005

All changes become effective on Sunday, February 27th

### New Commuter Express Service from Chino into Downtown







Customer demand and cooperation with Omnitrans has brought this newest service enhancement to Foothill Transit. The new Chino Transit Center is the new start point for Line 497, which continues on to the Chino Park and Ride and Industry Park and Ride before zipping into downtown.

### New Direct Service into L.A. from Fairplex

The Fairplex Park and Ride will get you to L.A. faster than ever. Line 699 now makes a streamlined straight shot into downtown, decreasing your daily round trip commute by 24 minutes. That's more time for your friends, your family, and your life.

### Schedule Changes

There are several important schedule changes for spring 2005. The following lines have been adjusted after extensive review and customer input. Please take the time to review the new maps and schedules if your line is listed here: 187 (Sundays), 289, 497, 498, 499, 699.

-  Additional Sunday service on Line 187 (Going from hourly to every 30 minutes)
-  New routing on Line 289
-  Additional trips on Line 497 (3 Additional AM - 3 additional PM)
-  Additional trips on Line 498 (1 additional AM - 2 additional PM)
-  New Eastbound routing on Line 498
-  Additional trips on Line 499 (2 additional AM - 1 additional PM)



## Upcoming Holiday Schedule

Clip and save! The following holidays are observed by Foothill Transit (and a few other people). On these days, the following lines run on Sunday service schedules: 178, 185, 187, 190, 191, 193, 195, 269, 272, 274, 280, 281, 283, 284, 285, 289, 291, 292, 480, 482, 486, 488, 492.

No other lines will run on these holidays, because, well, they don't have Sunday service, so it just makes sense.

**Monday, May 30th - Memorial Day**  
**Monday, July 4th - Independence Day**  
**Monday, September 5th - Labor Day**

We've put this information on bus cards above your head in three different languages (English, Spanish, and Chinese). We also issue special rider alerts as each holiday approaches, both on the buses and on our website at [www.foothilltransit.org](http://www.foothilltransit.org). We figured it couldn't hurt for you to have your own personal copy to keep with you as a reminder.

As always, more info is at your fingertips by dialing us up at 1-800-RIDE-INFO.



**Remember:** The Metrocard changes from an added-value card to a fixed-value card this month. The Metrocard will now only be available in \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50, and \$100 values. If your card doesn't have enough value to cover the fare, you must pay the difference in cash. When your Metrocard is empty, simply buy a new one at one of our six Transit Stores. See our new Spring 2005 Bus Book for a location near you, or visit [www.foothilltransit.org](http://www.foothilltransit.org).

## // Foothill News

Have you lost that lovin' feelin'?



Zounds no! The Duarte Transit Store still has eyes for you across the street in its new digs at 1740 E. Huntington Ave. She's sporting a fancy new sign, fresh paint and decor, and happy and always helpful staff within.

Eastbound Line 187 stops right at the corner of Huntington and Highland, just a short walk to the west. Look for the sign pictured above on the south side of the shopping center. Come back soon and don't forget the chocolates! As always, you call 1-800-RIDE-INFO for more details.

## New Chino Transit Center Now Open

But Line 497 isn't there yet!

Patience, Grasshopper. Line 497 will begin servicing the new Chino Transit Center on February 27th.

Foothill Transit did attend the grand opening of the new center at the end of January. But the change on Line 497 will take place with all the rest. So sit tight! We're almost there! If you have any questions about the new Chino Transit Center, call Omnitrans at 1-800-966-6428 or visit their website at [www.omnitrans.org](http://www.omnitrans.org).



## Sneak Peek! We're getting a new website!

We've had our current website design for...oh...five years. In Internet years, that translates as one ancient piece of the superhighway landscape.

We're trading in the jalopy though, for a new, turbo-charged, all-optional out, fleck-coated, double-finned, hum dinger of a webspace that will get Foothill Transit info to you faster than you can say [www.foothilltransit.org](http://www.foothilltransit.org).

When, you ask? Soon. Very soon. We'll keep you posted.