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| **Monday, November 24, 2014 141124-1**  **In this Issue:**  **Press Conference to Seek Public Assistance in Search for Suspect**  **Holiday Lights Celebrations Close to Metro Bus or Rail** |
| **Press Conference to Seek Public Assistance in Search for Suspect**  Today, I joined Los Angeles County Supervisor and Metro Board Director Michael Antonovich, Metro Board Director Jacquelyn Dupont-Walker and Commander Reginald Gautt of the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department to hold a press conference to seek the public’s assistance in our search for a suspect connected to an assault on a Metro bus operator. Last week, a bus operator was assaulted on board a Metro bus at Victory Boulevard and Valley Circle in West Hills by a suspect whom Sheriff’s now have identified. We are asking the public to keep their eyes open and report any sighting of the suspect to the Sheriff’s Department immediately. Metro Executive Director of Transportation, Robert Holland reiterated Metro’s commitment to the safety of its passengers and bus operators by highlighting Metro’s three-pronged strategy to enhance safety on Metro buses. This plan includes operator training to defuse potentially violent situations, installation of passenger-facing live feed video monitors and a plexiglass barrier shielding the operator, currently a pilot program. For a photo of the suspect and the complete story as posted on The Source, please click [here](http://thesource.metro.net/2014/11/24/police-and-metro-seek-publics-help-in-finding-suspect-who-assaulted-bus-operator/).  **Holiday Lights Celebrations Close to Metro Bus or Rail**  Participate in Holiday festivities this year by attending one of many Holiday lights celebrations adjacent to Metro bus or rail stations. Gather up the family and friends and go Metro. Start the lighting celebrations by joining the tree lighting ceremony at the Los Angeles Union Station on Monday, December 1, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. in the old ticketing concourse area. For a full list of celebrations occurring this Holiday season and the full story as posted on The Source, please click [here](http://thesource.metro.net/2014/11/21/go-metro-to-holiday-lights-in-l-a-starting-at-union-station/). | |
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