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RT Celebrates a Season of Civil Rights ...

It All Started on a Bus

RT is coordinating a series of events during the months of December, January and February to build awareness about the significance that transit played in the American Civil Rights Movement.

Reserved Seats in Honor of Rosa Parks (Monday, December 1, 2008):

RT will reserve a seat on every RT bus and light rail vehicle in honor of Rosa Parks on December 1, on the same day in 1955 in Montgomery, Alabama, when Rosa Parks refused to obey a bus driver's order that she give up her seat to make room for a white passenger. Ms. Parks played a critical role in the American Civil Rights Movement as her act of defiance ignited the Montgomery Bus Boycott. She went on to organize and collaborate with civil rights leaders, including boycott leader Martin Luther King Jr., and eventually became an international icon of resistance to racial segregation.

Poetry Contest - I am the Dream and the Dream is Now (December 2008 – February 2009):

RT invites students in grades K-8 who attend a school within a city in the RT service area to submit a poem of 10 lines or less. Poems must be original work, and relate to the theme of civil rights and transit. 10 entries will be chosen. Each winner will receive a \$25 Barnes & Noble gift card and "The Rosa Parks Story" on DVD.

RT will display winning poems at the Black Expo and on RT interior bus cards during the month of February to commemorate Black History Month. Submissions must be received by Friday, January 16, 2009.

Special Commemorative Passes (January 2009 – February 2009):

RT will distribute special complimentary passes to churches, schools and community organizations to commemorate the Season of Civil Rights. Pass holders can ride free of charge on Monday, January 19 to attend the Martin Luther King Jr. March and Celebration, and on February 27, 28 and March 1 to attend the Black Expo.

Martin Luther King Jr. March and Celebration (Monday, January 19, 2009):

On Monday, January 19, 2009, RT's Season of Civil Rights bus, historic bus and Transit Master Plan (TMP) bus will travel with RT employees as they participate in the Martin Luther King Jr. March and Celebration. The buses will be on display at the Sacramento Convention Center where the public is invited to board the TMP bus to participate in an interactive computer exercise that will shape the future of transit in the Sacramento region.

For more information, contact Laura Washburn, Senior Public Information Officer, at 916-556-0125 or by e-mail at lwashburn@sacrt.com.

Stay Connected! Transit Talk with the General Manager



RT will conduct its monthly online chat on Friday, December 5, 2008, from noon to 1 p.m. when Mike Wiley, General Manager/CEO hosts "Transit Talk with the General Manager." The December session will cover general transit questions. No registration is required to participate and questions will be accepted up to two hours before the session, which begins at noon. For more information and instructions, visit www.sacrt.com.

New Ice Rink Opens in Folsom



The Historic Sutter Street Ice Rink, Folsom's newest and coolest attraction, is now open for the holiday season.

The new ice rink is located in Folsom, near RT's Historic Folsom light rail station at Sutter and Reading streets. It will be open from 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. daily through January 25, 2009, as well as from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Christmas Day (Thursday, December 25). Two-hour skate sessions are \$8 for adults, and \$5 for children and seniors, plus a \$2 skate rental fee.

A special Folsom Stage Line holiday shuttle bus will pick up and drop off passengers at the Sunrise light rail station, Folsom Premium Outlets and historic Folsom every 30 minutes from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings through the end of the skating season. The last holiday shuttle bus will depart historic Folsom at 10 p.m. Passengers with a valid RT pass or ticket may ride the holiday shuttle free of charge.

For more information about the ice rink, visit www.visitfolsom.com or call 916-985-2698. For RT route and schedule information, visit www.sacrt.com or call 916-321-BUSS (2877).

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E-mail questions or comments about Next Stop News to nextstopnews@sacrt.com.

New RT Fares Effective January 1, 2009

Bus & Light Rail Fares	Current Fare	New Fare
Basic Fare	\$2.00	\$2.25
Discount Fare	\$1.00	\$1.10
Central City Zone/Shuttle Fare (The Neighborhood Ride)	\$1.00	\$1.10
Discount Central City Zone/Shuttle Fare (The Neighborhood Ride)	\$0.50	\$0.55
Transfer Fee	\$0.25	\$0.50
Discount Transfer Fee	\$0.10	\$0.25
Route Deviation Fee	\$1.00	\$1.10
Passes & Stickers		
Basic Daily Pass	\$5.00	\$6.00
Discount Daily Pass	\$2.50	\$3.00
Basic Monthly Pass	\$85.00	\$100.00
Basic Semi-Monthly Pass	\$42.50	\$50.00
Senior/Disabled Monthly Sticker	\$42.50	\$50.00
Senior/Disabled Semi-Monthly Sticker	\$21.25	\$25.00
Student Monthly Sticker	\$42.50	\$50.00
Student Semi-Monthly Sticker	\$21.25	\$25.00
Ticket & Pass Booklets		
10 Basic Fare Tickets	\$20.00	\$22.50
10 Discount Fare Tickets	\$10.00	\$11.00
10 Basic Daily Passes	\$50.00	\$60.00
10 Discount Daily Passes	\$25.00	\$30.00
Paratransit		
Basic Fare	\$4.00	\$4.50
Monthly Pass	\$100.00	\$100.00

Rider Alert

January 2009 Service Changes

Effective Sunday, January 4, 2009, RT will implement service changes. The schedule changes include the modification of the following routes:

Route 19: Rio Linda (Weekday Schedule Changes)

Additional operating time will be added to certain trips. Trip start times may be adjusted. These changes will improve on-time performance.

Route 80: Watt - Elkhorn (Weekday Schedule Changes)

Additional operating time will be added to certain trips. Trip start times may be adjusted. These changes will improve on-time performance.

Route 84: Watt - North Highlands (Weekday Schedule Changes)

Additional operating time will be added to certain trips. Trip start times may be adjusted. These changes will improve on-time performance.

Route 85: McClellan Park (New Route - Weekday Schedule)

Route 85 will serve the Roseville Road light rail station and McClellan Business Park beginning December 1. This is a peak-hour route only.

Route 228: Gloria Drive - Rush River Drive (Weekday Route Change)

Route 228 will be extended to serve Florin Road and Greenhaven Drive. All times will remain the same. Bus service will continue to operate along Rush River Drive to Greenhaven Drive ending at Florin Road.

Pick up a new pocket timetable for details.

Ride Free on the RT Holiday Bus

As a thank you to riders and wishes for a happy holiday season, RT invites you to take a free ride on the RT Holiday Bus. Hand-painted by RT employees and their families, the colorful 40-foot Holiday Bus will be easy to spot as it travels on different routes throughout the Sacramento region spreading cheer Monday, December 1, 2008 through Sunday, January 4, 2009.

In keeping with the "season of giving," passengers will have the opportunity to deposit a donation in the farebox (cash or checks accepted), and/or place non-perishable food items (such as canned goods, peanut butter, etc.) in RT's special donation box. All donations will directly benefit River City Community Services, a non-profit organization that provides emergency food and housing assistance to nearly 30,000 clients in Sacramento County annually.

For more information about River City Community Services, please call 916-446-2627 or visit www.rivercitycommunityservices.org.

View the schedule to find out when the Holiday Bus will be coming to a neighborhood near you!

2008 Holiday Bus Schedule

Date	Day	Route
Dec. 1	Mon	1
Dec. 2	Tues	2
Dec. 3	Wed	4
Dec. 4	Thurs	5
Dec. 5	Fri	6
Dec. 6	Sat	93
Dec. 7	Sun	88
Dec. 8	Mon	8
Dec. 9	Tues	11
Dec. 10	Wed	13, 14, 88
Dec. 11	Thurs	15
Dec. 12	Fri	19
Dec. 13	Sat	38, 86, 87
Dec. 14	Sun	82
Dec. 15	Mon	20, 22, 23
Dec. 16	Tues	21
Dec. 17	Wed	24, 25
Dec. 18	Thurs	26
Dec. 19	Fri	28
Dec. 20	Sat	81
Dec. 21	Sun	67, 68
Dec. 22	Mon	30, 31
Dec. 23	Tues	34
Dec. 24	Wed	36
Dec. 25	Thurs	56
Dec. 26	Fri	54, 65
Dec. 27	Sat	80, 84
Dec. 28	Sun	72, 75
Dec. 29	Mon	61
Dec. 30	Tues	62
Dec. 31	Wed	63
Jan. 1	Thurs	51
Jan. 2	Fri	83
Jan. 3	Sat	72, 73, 74, 75
Jan. 4	Sun	55