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Transit Talk with the General Manager



Get the answers to all of your transit questions directly from Mike Wiley, General Manager/CEO, by logging on to RT's monthly online chat "Transit Talk with the General Manager" at www.sacrt.com on Friday, January 6, from noon to 1 p.m.

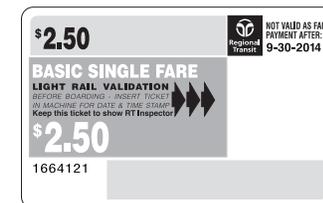
On the first Friday of every month, Wiley accepts questions from the public and provides immediate feedback on the issues you're concerned with.

No registration is required to participate and questions will be accepted two hours before the session, up to the conclusion of the chat. For more information and instructions, visit www.sacrt.com and click the chat link in the lower left hand corner.



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Do you like RT's Facebook page? Join more than 1,400 riders who receive information on the latest RT news and events by searching "Sacramento Regional Transit District" at www.facebook.com. RT posts are always open for comment and we look forward to hearing from new fans this month.



Pre-Paid Ticket and Pass Exchange

(December 1 – February 29)

Effective January 1, 2012, RT buses and light rail fare vending machines will not accept pre-paid tickets and passes with a December 31, 2011 expiration date.

During a three-month period, beginning December 1, customers may exchange Basic and Discount single fare tickets or daily passes for new fare media (September 30, 2014 expiration date). RT fares will remain the same.

RT will conduct even exchanges of fare media (December 31, 2011 expiration date) from December 1, 2011 – February 29, 2012 at:

RT Customer Service and Sales Center
1225 R Street
(adjacent to the 13th Street light rail station)
Weekdays: 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Closed weekends and most holidays

Next Stop News is produced monthly by the Sacramento Regional Transit District to keep passengers informed about current RT news and community events.

Email questions or comments about Next Stop News to nextstopnews@sacrt.com



31st Annual Martin Luther King Jr. March and Celebration

Each year, thousands
of local residents
take to the streets of

Sacramento to honor one of America's great leaders and remember the sacrifices made by pioneers of the American Civil Rights Movement during the annual Martin Luther King Jr. March and Celebration.

The opening ceremony for the six-mile march will begin at 8 a.m. on Monday, January 16, 2012, at the Oak Park Community Center. Marchers will travel past Sacramento City College at approximately 9:15 a.m. and then make their way to the Sacramento Convention Center where the celebration will continue. The ceremony for the North Area March will begin at 8 a.m. at Grant Union High School.

Travel with RT employees as they participate in the march and remember to stop by the RT booth at the Sacramento Convention Center, where RT's 1957 "Old Blue" historic bus will be on display.

The event will include five hours of interactive fun, featuring a multicultural talent showcase, a dramatic arts ensemble, a poetry/wisdom corner, and employment, health and education vendors.

RT will provide supplemental bus service from the Sacramento Convention Center back to Sacramento City College, the Oak Park Community Center and Grant Joint Union High School for attendees who participated in the march.

For more information about the event, call 916-995-3882, email march@mlk365.org or visit www.MLK365.org.

For route and schedule information, call 916-321-BUSS (2877) or visit www.sacrt.com.



13th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Dinner

RT is a proud sponsor of the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Dinner, which symbolizes the principles of freedom, unity and diversity that highlighted the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The event will be held on Saturday, January 14, 2012, at the Sacramento Convention Center at 1400 J Street, beginning at 5 p.m.

Herman Boone, former head football coach of T.C. Williams High School and inspiration behind the movie "Remember the Titans," will serve as the keynote speaker.

The celebration dinner was co-founded by Dr. Dorothy Enomoto who was a classmate and close friend of Dr. King. Their friendship, sealed by sharing valedictorian honors at Booker T. Washington Senior High School in Atlanta, continued through the remainder of King's life. All proceeds from the dinner fund the MLK Committee grant program.

For more information about the event, call 916-764-8785 or visit www.mlkcelebration.org.



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2012 Clean Air Awards Call for Nominations

The Sacramento region has historically ranked as one of the most polluted metropolitan areas in the country when considering air quality. The good news is that the air in our region is improving thanks to the many businesses, individuals, agencies and organizations that go above and beyond to make Sacramento a better place to live and breathe.

Breathe California of Sacramento-Emigrant Trails and its community sponsors will recognize Clean Air Champions for their outstanding efforts to clean our air for the 36th year in 2012, and are requesting your help in identifying them.

If you know of a business, organization or individual who has been doing more than their part to help improve air quality in our region, nominate them for a Clean Air Award.

The new streamlined award categories are: Sustainability; Leadership; and Innovative Strategy. The awards will be presented at the 36th annual Clean Air Awards Luncheon in May 2012. The nomination deadline is Tuesday, January 30, 2012.

For more information or to submit an online nomination, visit www.sacbreathe.org/cleanairawards.html or call 916-444-5900, ext. 209.