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Celebrate fresh air and Blue Sky with BART

BART has been thinking about the environment since before we carried our first passenger in

1972. For example, ours are the lightest subway cars in the world, so they use less energy. We're also 100% electric and get two-thirds of that power from clean hydro and renewable energy sources. We're thinking about the environment

today and will be thinking about it tomorrow. Visit bart.gov/bluesky for more infomation about how you can help keep our skies blue the easy way: by riding BART.

BlueSky

Vote for your favorite Blue Sky partner for a chance to win a \$500 Clipper card

Which of our BART Blue Sky Non-Profit partners' current initiatives do you like best? Vote for your favorite at bart.gov/bluesky!

The non-profits that get the most votes will win valuable exposure in front of BART's 360,000+ daily weekday riders for their organization, and YOU have a chance to win a \$500 Clipper card or other great prizes just for voting. You can only vote one time, so make it count. You have until Friday, May 4, 2012 to vote.

We're all trying to do our part to keep our skies blue and our earth green. BART has partnered with some great local organizations during our BART Blue Sky campaign this month who are working hard to make a difference here in the Bay Area. This contest features non-profits that are participating in our BART Blue Sky Festival, and are promoting some great initiatives that are making a difference locally.

You can vote for one of the following: Bay Area Green Tours, City CarShare, Coalition to Fight Factory Farming, CUESA (Ferry Plaza Farmers Market), Earth Justice, EarthShare, Green Festivals, Sierra Club, the San Francisco Vegetarian Society and TMASF Connects.

From the General Manager

Helping keep the sky blue since 1972...

For nearly forty years, BART riders have been helping keep our Bay Area skies blue. Riding BART instead of driving is an easy and inexpensive way to do your part.

While a typical automobile gets about 20 miles per gallon, during peak hours a BART rider gets the equivalent of 249 miles per gallon. Not even the most fuel efficient hybrid can match that. A BART rider travelling round-trip on weekdays for a year saves over 303 gallons of gas and keeps 5,868 pounds of CO_2 out of the air. On a single weekday, all BART riders keep over 4 million pounds of CO_2 out of the air and save 200,000 gallons of gas.

I'd like to invite you to join us at the second annual BART Blue Sky Festival (see story above) and thank you for choosing BART and keeping our sky blue.

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Check out the BART Blue Sky Festival

Join us for the second annual BART Blue Sky Festival, Thursday, April 19, just in time for Earth Day!

Absolutely free from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at Justin Herman Plaza in San Francisco. Get great environmental info and giveaways from dozens of eco-exhibitors, healthy and organic food samples, live music, carnival games with an eco-twist and more! Get a BART Blue Sky Passport at the festival, fill it with stamps from six festival exhibitors and redeem it for a free \$6 BART ticket. The first 5,000 people who turn in a completed passport will get a free \$6 BART ticket right at the festival!

Stamped passports will be entered in a drawing to win a folding bike. Official rules will be available at the festival.

Visit bart.gov/bluesky for an updated list of environmental partners attending the festival and complete information and rules for receiving your free BART ticket and entering the drawing. This is an outdoor festival...rain cancels!

Public invited to police oversight forum

The Office of the Independent Police Auditor and the BART Citizen Review Board invite you to a public forum to learn about the oversight system, find out what happens when you file a complaint and provide valuable feedback to help make the oversight system as effective as it can be.

The forum will take place at the Allen Temple Baptist Church, Mary Morris Room, 8501 International Boulevard in Oakland on Tuesday, April 24, from 6:30 p.m.–8:00 p.m.

RSVP to the Office of the Independent Police Auditor at 510/874-7477 or oipa@bart.gov. More information is available at bart.gov/ policeauditor.

Good Times calendar

"The Arsonists"

Aurora Theatre Company 2081 Addison St., Berkeley www.auroratheatre.org or 510/843-4822 >BART: Downtown Berkeley

April 5-May 12: Max Frisch's classic comic parable about appeasement opens in a new translation by British playwright Alistair Beaton. This absurdist allegory satirizes the way people can be manipulated into accommodating the very thing that will destroy them.

Pedals, Pipes & Pizza

An organ concert featuring "Peter and the Wolf" Cathedral of Christ the Light 2121 Harrison St. between 21st Street and Grand

www.ctlcathedral.org >BART: 19th Street/Oakland; six-block walk or AC Transit 51A

April 21, 10:30 a.m.: A thrilling opportunity for children of all ages to experience the wonderful music of the cathedral's 5,298-pipe organ. This lively morning features Prokofiev's music and narration of the children's story, "Peter and the Wolf." Pizza outside on the Cathedral Plaza afterward is included.

New Living Expo

Concourse Exhibition Center, 635 8th St., San Francisco www.newlivingexpo.com

>BART: Civic Center, free shuttle to Expo April 27-29, Friday 5-10 p.m. , Saturday 11-8 p.m., Sunday 11-7 p.m.

Find things that are good for the body, mind and soul. Vendors and exhibitors educate attendees on ways to make homes and lives healthier and more sustainable. Free lectures by inspiring speakers.

Cinco de Mayo with Ballet Folklorico Mexicano

Oakland City Center 12th and Broadway www.oaklandcitycenter.com >**BART: 12th Street/Oakland City Center** Friday, May 4, noon-1 p.m.: Free performance in the plaza celebrates Mexican culture and the joy of dance.

The Touré-Raichel Collective

Herbst Theatre, 401 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco www.ciis.edu

>BART: Civic Center

Thursday, April 26, 8:00 p.m.: Vieux Farka Touré (Mali) and Idan Raichel (Israel) are musicians from very different backgrounds. After a chance meeting in an airport in Europe, Idan and Vieux forged a deep friendship that led to an impromptu acoustic recording session, and The Touré-Raichel Collective was born.

April BART Board of Directors meetings

Kaiser Center 20th Street Mall 344 20th Street, 3rd floor, Oakland >**BART: 19th Street/Oakland**, one-block walk Thursday, April 12 and Thursday, April 26, 9 a.m. The BART Board of Directors wants to make sure that they are serving the needs of all the people of the Bay Area. Let them know what you think about BART: service, policies—whatever's on your mind. Minutes and agenda available at www.bart.gov/board.

Transportation Choices Summit

Tsakopoulos Library Galleria

828 | Street, Sacramento >BART: Richmond; transfer to Capitol Corridor to Sacramento.

May 1 & 2: Learn about the issues and meet with legislators who can help support more transportation choices. For more information visit transformca.org/ choices2012. BART is a sponsor of the summitt hosted by TransForm.

Baseball is back in the Bay The smell of the grass, the crack of the bat the A's, visit oaklandathletics.com.

at bart.gov.

The smell of the grass, the crack of the bat and the familiar "boop, boop" of a BART train mean all the excitement of Major League Baseball is back in the Bay Area.

BART is the best way to get to AT&T Park to see the Giants. Exit BART at Embarcadero or Montgomery stations and walk to the park or transfer to Muni Metro for the quick streetcar ride. No need to hassle with city traffic and limited parking around the ballpark.

Getting to the Coliseum for A's games is easy; just exit at Coliseum Station and cross the BART ramp to the stadium.

For Giants information, visit sfgiants.com; for

Take BART to A's \$2 Wednesdays

The A's longest-running and most popular ticket promotion, BART \$2 Wednesdays (formerly Double Play Wednesdays) is the best deal on A's games in 2012. Get Plaza Level game tickets for just \$2.

To plan your BART trip, use the QuickPlanner

Giants Upcoming Schedule

Saturday, April 14, 6:05 vs Pirates

Sunday, April 15, 1:05 vs Pirates

Monday, April 16, 7:15 vs Phillies

Tuesday, April 17, 7:15 vs Phillies

A's Upcoming Schedule

Friday, April 20, 7:05 vs Indians

Saturday, April 21, 6:05 vs Indians

Sunday, April 22, 1:05 vs Indians

Wednesday, April 18, 7:15 vs Phillies

Friday, April 13, 1:35 vs Pirates

But wait, there's more! At each \$2 Wednesday game, BART will give away \$50 BART tickets to two BART-riding A's fans.

Get your game tickets today at oaklandathletics.com or by calling 877/493-BALL.

Parade and Festival mark Cesar Chavez Day

Commemorate and celebrate the life and work of labor and civil rights leader Cesar Chavez on Saturday, April 21 at San Francisco's Cesar Chavez Holiday Parade and Festival.

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Take BART to the 16th Street Mission station to assemble for the parade in Dolores Park. The parade starts at 11 a.m. For the street fair, take BART to 24th Street Mission Station. The fair runs from noon to 6 p.m. For more info, please visit cesarchavezday.org. To plan your BART trip, visit bart.gov.





Don't forget you can use cash to add value to your Clipper Card at any BART Ticket Vending Machine.