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**REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 20, 2009**

The Honorable Board of Directors
Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District

Honorable Members:

PRESENTATIONS BY DISTRICT STAFF FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2009

For the month of October, District staff made speeches and/or presentations to community groups/interviewers interested in the District. The following presentations were made in the month of October:

PRESENTATION TO:	PRESENTED BY:
California Transit Association	Z. Wayne Johnson
Dave Creek Elementary School Simpson Middle School	Karen Collins
IBTTA Conference on sustainable Transportation Petaluma Rotary Club	Kary Witt
Transit Labor Exchange	Susan Spencer
U.S. EPA's 2009 Safety, Health and Environmental National Conference	Bill Stafford

SPECIAL EVENT/EXPRESSIVE ACTIVITY REQUESTS

Below are the dates, times and sponsoring agencies of special events and expressive activities for which permits have been sought. The following applications were received since last reported to the Board in the October 23, 2009, Report of the General Manager:

Event Date	Event Title	Location	Type*	Expected No. Participants
October 24, 2009	AIDS Lifecycle	West Sidewalk	SE	300
November 1, 2009	US Half Marathon	East & West-Sidewalk	SE	5000
November 8, 2009	Bay Area Code Pink	East-Sidewalk	EX	150

The types of permits: EX – Expressive Activity; SE – Special Event

GOLDEN GATE TRANSIT BUS SYSTEM PERFORMANCE REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2009

Attached is the *Golden Gate Transit Bus System Performance Report* for the month of September 2009. The reports provide a breakdown of monthly patronage by county bus services (Attachments 1).

FERRY STATISTICS – OCTOBER 2009

During the month of October, Larkspur ferry service carried 109,680 passengers. Morning commute runs carried 32,131 passengers, and evening commute runs carried 47,673 passengers. A total of 987 crossings were scheduled and completed; Of the 983 crossings completed; two crossings were cancelled on October 13th due to weather-related conditions: one crossing was cancelled on October 28th due to a mechanical failure of the *M.S. Sonoma*; and one crossing was cancelled on October 30th due to mechanical failure of the *M.V. Napa*. Of the 983 completed crossings, three of these crossings resulted from the addition of a 7:30 a.m. crossing on October 28th, 29th and 30th, due to the closure of the Bay Bridge for repairs. Averages were:

Daily	3538
Weekdays	4402
Sat., Sun., Hol.	1427
AM Commute	1461
PM Commute	2167

Sausalito ferry service carried 50,864 passengers during the month of October. Morning commute runs carried 4,775 passengers, and evening commute runs carried 16,364. A total of 504 crossings were scheduled and completed. Averages were:

Daily	1641
Weekdays	1519
Sat., Sun., Hol.	1938
AM Commute	217
PM Commute	744

Tables detailing October Larkspur and Sausalito Ferry patronage are attached (Attachments 2-3)

RETIREMENT OF MARTHA CURTIS, BUS OPERATOR, BUS DIVISION

It is my privilege to announce the retirement of Bus Operator Martha Curtis on November 1, 2009, after twenty-four years and one month of dedicated service with the District.

Ms. Curtis joined the District October 7, 1985, as a Bus Operator. Prior to District service, Ms. Curtis worked as a Bus Operator for Greyhound Lines, Inc., in San Francisco; Aztec Bus Lines in San Diego and for Martinez Bus Line as a school bus route driver.

RETIREMENT OF JAMES CLINCY, JR, BUS OPERATOR, BUS DIVISION

It is my privilege to announce the retirement of Bus Operator James Clincy on November 1, 2009, after twenty-one years and nine months of dedicated service with the District.

Mr. Clincy joined the District February 8, 1988, as a Bus Operator. During his career with the District, Mr. Clincy received numerous letters praising his perfect attendance. Prior to District service, Mr. Clincy worked for Park-n-Fly in Oakland and Martinez Bus Lines as a School Bus Operator.

Retirement plans includes, fishing and collecting music, traveling and enjoying time with family.

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH – NOVEMBER 2009

After reviewing nominations submitted by District employees, the Employee of the Month Committee selected Kristy DeCoursey, Chief Store Keeper in the Bus Transit Division, as the Employee of the Month for November 2009.

Ms. DeCoursey receives this prestigious award in recognition of her dedicated and positive attitude. Ms. DeCoursey's responsibilities of supervising all storekeepers and the storeroom activities have won the praise of her fellow co-workers for her effective and efficient system that they are proud to be a team member of. Ms. DeCoursey is frequently called upon by the Marketing Department for her coordination efforts to oversee the mass distribution of Bus Transit Guides and Ferry Transit Schedules. Other Departments admire Ms. DeCoursey for her positive attitude and for her "can do" enthusiasm.

Ms. DeCoursey joined the District in August 2001 as a Storekeeper in the Bus Maintenance Personnel and promoted to Chief Storekeeper in 2005. Prior to District employment, she worked as a Parts Manager for the ATC County Transit in Sonoma and the ATC Wheels Division in Livermore and as a Receptionist/Parts Clerk for Bart Express in Pleasanton.

Born in Oakland, CA, Ms. DeCoursey attended Del Valle High School in Livermore, CA. Ms. DeCoursey resides in Santa Rosa, CA with her Dad, Brother and her pet cat, Jonny since 1999. In her spare time, Ms. DeCoursey hobbies include hiking, mountain biking, road cycling; playing soccer and indulging with good food and spirits. Of a special note, Ms. DeCoursey truly enjoys working and being a part of the District.

Respectfully submitted,

Celia G. Kupersmith
General Manager

Attachments

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