



Southern California Regional Transit Training Consortium

The Communicator

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Special Points of Interests

- On Nov 18th the SCR TTC EWD and Planning Committee meeting will precede the Quarterly Board Meeting which is being held at the Gardena Municipal Bus Lines new facility.
- On August 15, 2002 the first organizational meeting of the SCR TTC was held at OCTA hosted by Jim Ditch and Rich Wong. Jim was the megalomaniac” with a mission who organized a group of community colleges and transit properties to form the SCR TTC. A lot has been accomplished in these seven years, thanks to the credit of Jim, the community colleges, the transit agencies and all of the involved members.

Big Blue Sets the Standard

Santa Monica’s Big Blue Bus set a new standard for Eco-Maintenance facilities. After nine years of planning, and nearly three years of design and construction, Santa Monica’s Big Blue Bus turned the key on its new state-of-the-art, environmentally significant maintenance facility. The project came in under budget and on time, and features the latest in sustainable transit maintenance technologies. A dedication ceremony for the new facility was held on Wednesday September 23rd. This special event featured a ribbon cutting by city officials, as well as self-guided tours of the facility. A large display of vintage photos covering the past 80 years of the Big Blue Bus, and a 3-D video presentation showcasing how the project was designed was presented. In addition, a variety of equipment demonstrations were held during the open house. The new facility, which was financed entirely by public

transit funds, is part of an expansion project that will also include the demolition of the existing 40-year-old maintenance facility and a reorganized, more efficient bus yard. The project was extensively planned and multi-phased so that daily bus operations could be maintained while the project was under construction. The total cost of this phase, including the demolition and new parking area, will be \$60 million.

“This project has exceeded our expectations, both in its environmental and functional design and in its overall execution,” said Santa Monica City Manager P. Lamont Ewell.

“While the old facility has served us well for over 40 years, we live in a different world now and need a facility that can maintain our larger and more technologically diverse fleet, which includes many different types and sizes of cleaner burning alternative fueled vehicles,” said Stephanie Negriff, Director of Transit Services for Big Blue Bus.

**Our Report Card
 FYTD 2009**

Program Highlights to Date

Hours of Training: **16,300**
 # of Students Trained: **1,299**

Fiscal Year 2009

Hours of Training
 Goal: 500 Actual: 854
of Students Trained
 Goal: 30 Actual: 69
Courses Developed
 Goal: 2.0 Actual: 1.0

Student Evaluations
 Goal: 3.00
 Actual: 3.77
 (Four Point Scale)

Board of Directors

- Jesus Guerra, Chairman
- Patrick Astredo, Vice Chair
- Rolando Cruz, VP/CFO
- Alan Fox, Secretary
- Tom Barrio
- Gail Schwandner
- Greg Newhouse
- Steve Tomory
- Jannet Malig
- Frank Scholl

In Memory

Jim Ditch, our Founding Father, passed away on 9/24/09.

A Scholarship Fund has been setup on his behalf. Information is available at www.scrttc.com
 Click: Foundation

Mentor/Internship Program a Success

The SCR TTC successfully completed the 2009 Mentor Program with a ceremony and barbeque at Long Beach Transit on August 5. During April and May applications and interviews were conducted to select qualified students. These students were then processed through an in depth training program starting in June



and completing in August. This was a cooperative program between

Cerritos College, Long Beach College and Long Beach Transit. One intern from Cerritos and one from Long Beach College successfully completed the “Hands On” training program and were awarded certificates. Congratulations to Gabriel Vigil from Cerritos, and Ricardo Martinez from LBCC.

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Courses 2009/2010 Register Online at www.scrttc.com	October	November	December	January	February	March
TRACK 1 - BASIC						
D1-DVOM/ITS Technology #SC-DV-2700-I				Jan 18/19 @ Sunline Transit		
E1-Electric I for Transit #SC-EL-1600-I		Nov 19/20 @ LBCC				
HES1- ISE Hybrid Safety #SC-HY-4000-I						
TRACK 2 - GENERAL						
B1-Brakes I for Transit #SC-BR-1300-I		Nov 12/13 @ LATTTC				
B2-Brakes II for Transit #SC-BR-1300-II					Feb 25/26 @ LATTTC	
E2-Electrical III for Transit #SC-EL-1600-II			Dec 9/10 @ Cerritos			
E3-Electrical IIII for Transit #SC-EL-1600-III	Oct 21/22 @ Foothill Transit			Jan 27/28 @ Norwalk Transit		
E4-Electrical IV for Transit #SC-EL-1600-IV						
E5-Electrical V for Transit #SC-EL-1600-V						
EG1-Engines 8.3 C+ #SC-EN-1700-I						
TRACK 3 - ADVANCED						
H1-HVAC I #SC-HV-3000-I					Feb 18/19 @ Rio Hondo	
H2-HVAC II #SC-HV-3000-II						Mar 18/19 @ Rio Hondo
HEV-1 Hybrid Electric #SC-HY-4001-I		Nov 2 @ Norwalk Train the Trainer				
H608 - Certification HVAC						
TRACK 4 - VEHICLE/SPECIAL						
ITS Awareness						
Periodic Smoke Inspection - This course is to be REGISTERED direct by the student. Not Funded by the SCRITTC.	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link	See www.scrttc.com Website Link
CHP Out of Service Training	October 28th @ Foothill Arcadia (1/2 Day)					
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