BART CHRONOLOGY

January 1947 – March 2009

January 1947	Joint Army-Navy recommends action for underwater transit tube beneath San Francisco Bay.
July 25, 1951	California Legislature creates special commission to study Bay Area transportation problems.
January 17, 1957	Nine-county commission recommends legislature to create Bay Area Rapid Transit District.
June 4, 1957	California Legislature approves creation of five-county Bay Area Rapid Transit District.
November 14, 1957	District officially activated with first Directors meeting.
January 1, 1958	First District offices established in Flood Building, San Francisco (later moved to 814 Mission Street).
July 1, 1958	First property taxes collected.
May 14, 1959	Parsons, Brinckerhoff-Tudor-Bechtel retained as engineering consultants for system design and construction.
July 10, 1959	State legislature authorizes use of Bay Bridge tolls to finance construction of Transbay tube.
January 20, 1960	State approves use of Grove-Shafter freeway median for BART transit route.
April 12, 1962	San Mateo County Supervisors officially withdraw the county from District, citing high property taxes and the existing Southern Pacific commuter line as reasons.
May 17, 1962	Marin County officially withdraws from District, citing inability of Golden Gate Bridge to carry transit vehicles and prohibitive cost of another underwater tube as reasons.
May 24, 1962	Three-County rapid transit plan adopted by Board of Directors; referred to Alameda County, Contra Costa and San Francisco County Boards of Supervisors for approval.
November 6, 1962	\$792 million General Obligation Bond issues approved by District voters for construction of 75-mile system, including 3.5-mile Muni Metro line.
July 1, 1963	Full-scale design engineering begun by District engineering consultants, PB-T-B.
June 19, 1964	President Lyndon B. Johnson presides at official start of construction in Concord.
January 24, 1966	Construction begins in Oakland subway.
August 25, 1966	BART receives first federal construction grant.
October 4, 1966	Voters in the city of Berkeley approve \$12 million bond issue for construction of the BART system as a subway. The original plan called for aboveground rail lines in Berkeley, Ashby, and North Berkeley aboveground stations.
July 25, 1967	Construction begins on Market Street subway in San Francisco.

March 28, 1969	State Legislature approves a half-cent district sales tax to provide \$150 million required completing the system.
April, 1969	Last section of Transbay Tube placed; rail lying begins.
July 3, 1969	BART awards transit vehicle contract to Rohr Corporation of Chula Vista, California.
August, 1969	Transbay Tube structure complete.
February, 1970	BART joins with City of Oakland, Alameda County, and Coliseum to study feasibility of linking Coliseum Station to Oakland Airport.
April, 1970	BART joins with San Francisco and San Mateo counties to develop plans for extending BART from Daly City to San Francisco Airport. Federal grant of \$371,334 received July 1 for the study.
January 27, 1971	Final "hole-through" into Montgomery Street Station opens last subway tunnel on system.
July 23, 1971	Last rail in place on Contra Costa line to complete linking of all system mainline track.
November 5, 1971	Delivery of first production car for revenue service.
December 16, 1971	District headquarters settle in Oakland.
January 27, 1972	The San Francisco Human Rights Commission presented the Bay Area Rapid Transit District Board of Directors with a commendation for its positive policy on fair employment practices.
February 10, 1972	The Board of Control for the Bay Area Rapid Transit District's Livermore-Pleasanton extension study selected the firm of Livingston and Blayney as technical consultants for the project.
March 23, 1972	The Bay Area Rapid Transit District will install bicycle racks in the parking lot and plaza areas of 27 of its 34 stations. Coupled with the bicycle rack project will be a pilot program to install 94 bicycle storage lockers in six of the East Bay stations just prior to line opening.
April 27, 1972	Directors of the Bay Area Rapid Transit District voted to seek SB 325 monies to provide express bus feeder service to BART stations from four outlying areas in Contra Costa and Alameda Counties not currently served by public transit lines.
May 7, 1972	Public viewing of the El Cerrito BART Station interior and platform areas and inspect a train.
May 21, 1972	Public viewing of the South Hayward BART Station, and a brand new revenue train.
May 25, 1972	BART Board of Directors authorized procurement of 29 machines for issuing transfers, which will entitle BART patrons to one-half fare feeder bus service from its 17 East Bay stations served by AC Transit.
June 4, 1972	Public viewing of the Bayfair BART Station. A motorized cable car sponsored by the Bayfair Merchants Association ran a free passenger shuttled from the Bayfair Shopping
Center	to the BART station. San Leandro Mayor Jack D. Maltester rode an old-fashioned double- decker London bus from downtown San Leandro to the Bayfair station, followed by a small caravan of antique cars.
June 10, 1972	Public viewing of the Powell Street BART Station. Because the third rail from Oakland through San Francisco has not yet been energized, a special vehicle through the Transbay tube will push the train.
June 25, 1972	Public viewing of the Union City BART Station. The feature attraction will be a BART

	train of the latest transit cars, which will commence revenue service from Fremont to North Oakland this fall.
July 7, 1972	Public viewing of the Fremont BART Station. Some of the architectural features of the station include a large sunken rectangular plaza with porcelain enamel steel panels, and giant glass windows for natural light and warmth.
August 6, 1972	Public viewing of the Richmond BART Station. An outstanding feature of the Richmond Station is a fiberglass wall sculpture with a marine theme designed and executed by artist William Mitchell.
August 10, 1972	BART Board of Directors officially declared Monday, September 11, 1972, as the opening day of passenger service. BART will open the first of its four major lines 28 miles and 12 station on the 75-mile, 34-station system.
August 16, 1972	The BART Board of Directors has set Monday, September 11, as "Day One" of revenue service for the first of four major lines to open in four successive stages. Target dates for opening the other three lines comprising the 75-mile 34 station system are: Richmond ("R") Line - 12 miles - November; Concord (C") Line - 17 miles -within first quarter 1973; and the Transbay Tube, San Francisco to Daly City - around mid-1973.
August 19, 1972	Public viewing of the Berkeley BART Station. The main entrance, located at Center and Shattuck Streets is circular with a skylight dome that allows sunlight to flood into the center of the concourse level of the station.
August 24, 1972	BART Board of Directors authorized substantial deceases in property tax rates for fiscal year 1972-73 to be levied within the three District counties for payments on BART construction bonds.
August 27, 1972	Public viewing of the 16th and Mission Street BART Station. Outstanding features of the station are ceilings of acoustic pan with wood panels, can cast concrete sculptures lining the entrance walls leading from the street level plazas down to the concourse.
August, 1972	Pittsburg-Antioch extension study starts. San Mateo County and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission plan with BART consultants to extend rapid transit beyond San Francisco Airport to Menlo Park for San Mateo County Transit Development Project.
September 7, 1972	Starting with the Sept. 11 opening of the Bay Area Rapid Transit District's Oakland-to- Fremont service, BART patrons will be able to buy multiple-ride tickets through 80 Alameda County branches of 16 banking firms.
September 11, 1972	OPENING DAY OF PASSENGER SERVICE.
September 15, 1972	The Bay Area Rapid Transit District closed out its first five days of revenue service with a total passenger count of more than 100,000 for the opening segment of the system from Fremont to Oakland. Started with eight two- and three-car trains in service, and went to nine and ten trains, which generally did well all week.
September 25, 1972	The Bay Area Rapid Transit District began its third week of weekday revenue service today with a morning commuter count of almost 2,000the highest since the September 11 opening day.
September 27, 1972	President Nixon rides the BART system.
October 2, 1972	First accident since revenue service began. Component failure causes a two-car train to run off tracks at Fremont Station.
October 11, 1972	The system officially dedicated by Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe at Lake Merritt Station.
October 26, 1972	The BART Board of Directors authorized the establishment of an express bus feeder line

	from Danville-Alamo area of Contra Costa County into the Walnut Creek BART Station.
December 12, 1972	Bay Rapid Transit District recognized its millionth passenger, Mrs. Bettie DeManty of Hayward.
January 29, 1973	Opening of Oakland-to-Richmond service, the second segment of the BART system to go into operation. This extends the operating system to 39 miles and 18 stations. Bicycle racks for BART riders have been installed at all surface and aerial station from Richmond to Fremont.
January 31, 1973	BART patrons are now able to buy multiple-ride tickets through 128 branches of 19 banking firms.
February 12, 1973	The high-voltage electric third rail, which power BART trains, was fully energized along the BART line from MacArthur Station in Oakland to Concord in East Contra Costa County.
May 21, 1973	Concord line opens, adding 17 miles. The BART System now has 56 miles and 24 stations.
June 19, 1973	BART, the nation's newest transit system, reached a milestone in safe operations by passing the 100 million passenger mile mark without incurring any serious passenger injuries.
July 3, 1973	The high-voltage electric third rails, which power BART trains, were fully energized through the Transbay Tube and as far as the Powell Street Station in subway beneath San Francisco's Market Street.
August 10, 1973	First train travels through Transbay Tube to Montgomery Station averaging 70-mph westward and 80-mph eastward.
August 13, 1973	Electricity for the high-voltage third rails will be fully energized all the way through San Francisco to Daly City. This is the last segment of the 75-mile BART System to be energized.
September 11, 1973	FIRST ANNIVERSARY of revenue service5 million passengers carried, 58 miles of track.
November 3, 1973	BART's 7.5-mile San Francisco line servicing 8 stations is opened. Patronage doubles within the first two weeks.
November 5, 1973	Service begins between Montgomery Street and Daly City Stations, bringing 63.5 of the 71.5 miles into operation.
January 31, 1974	New express bus service introduced to BART commuters from the Peninsula. A fleet of six charter buses makes inaugural runs to Daly City from pickup points as far south as Belmont.
March 6, 1974	Bay Area Rapid Transit District began construction this week on a new 2.5 mile test track along the BART main line from Industrial Parkway in Hayward to "E" Street in Union City, will expedite new car check out and regular maintenance work on its growing fleet of transit cars.
September 11, 1974	HAPPY SECOND BIRTHDAY BART!
September 12, 1974	BART Board of Directors approved a contract with AC Transit to provide express bus service in five areas of Alameda and Contra Costa counties not directly served by rail, beginning no later than December 30.
September 16, 1974	Transbay service began, representing a major milestone in placing the full 71.5-mile system in operation. With the advent of Transbay service, BART's patrons may purchase high value tickets at 264 branch banks through the three counties, and 13 branch banks

in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties.

- October 25, 1974..... BART Board of Directors authorized the commencement of a six-month "Bikes on BART" trial program to determine the feasibility of transporting regular, non-collapsible bicycles on its trains.
- November 5, 1974..... Nine-member Board of Directors elected to replace 12-member appointed board.
- **December 2, 1974.....** Express bus service to outlying areas begins as an interim extension of BART rail service.
- **February 10, 1975....** Bay Area Rapid Transit District began a program to increase its excursion fare from 60cents to \$1.00. The process of modifying the automatic fare collection equipment for the excursion equipment for the excursion fare increase can only be accomplished over a period of time. The excursion fare will be standard throughout the entire BART system on or before March 8, 1975.
- **February 26, 1975....** BART and the San Francisco Municipal Railway jointly announced that their long-awaited transfer system, cutting bus fares in half for regular BART-MUNI combination riders, will begin on March 10.
- March 17, 1975...... BART announced three new stops will be added to the BART/AC Transit Express Bus lines serving the Dublin area.
- April 28, 1975...... BART/AC Transit Express Bus service expanded and approved in the Livermore, Concord, Pittsburg, Antioch, and Martinez areas.
- **June 2, 1975......** BART Board of Directors authorized the extension of "Bikes on BART" trial program, which was scheduled to conclude June 31, for an additional six months, through December 31, 1975.
- July 1, 1975...... Handicapped 75 percent fare discount adopted an industry first made possible by plan administered by BART and approved by other Bay Area transit agencies. Discount fares for the elderly reduced from 75 to 90 percent.
- August 12, 1975.....Bay Area Rapid Transit District endorsed AB 664, would permit surplus bridge tolls to
be used for transit development on the Transbay corridors and their vicinities.
- August 14, 1975.....BART Board of Directors voted to increase passenger fares and initiate parking fees in
the system's 23 parking lots.

September 11, 1975.... HAPPY THIRD BIRTHDAY BART!

- September 30, 1975.... Construction began on a two level structure, which will double the current 800-car parking capacity at BART's Daly City Station.
- **November 3, 1975.....** BART's first fare increase since the District began passenger operation results in a 21 percent revenue growth.
- December, 1975...... "Bikes on BART", another industry first, adopted after a successful 12-month trial run.
- January 1, 1976..... Permanent night service goes into effect. Hours of train operation are extended from 6 a.m. to 12 midnight.
- January 12, 1976..... "Mid-day Parking" is re-introduced to better balance parking at its suburban stations.
- January 30, 1976..... Outstanding Community Achievement given to BART--one of 200 organizations selected by Revolution Bicentennial Administration's "Horizons on Display" program.
- April 8, 1976...... The one million-passenger mark was reached on BART's express bus service to suburban Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

April 19, 1976	BART began running its first direct train between Richmond and Daly City on a limited basis, as part of a special program to increase service levels.
May 27, 1976	Embarcadero Station officially opened for revenue service, drawing thousands of San Franciscans to the colorful ceremonies at the 34th system station.
June 7, 1976	BART began a new schedule of direct, no-transfer Richmond-Daly City service, as part of an ongoing program to improve transit accessibility to its riding public.
June 16, 1976	The State Assembly passed a bill, AB 3785 that would extend the present BART District half-cent sales tax through June 1978.
July 8, 1976	BART General Manager Frank C. Herringer announced that a new three-year labor agreement had been reached with Service Employees International Union, Local 390, and Amalgamated Transit Union, Division 1555.
September 6, 1976	For the first time since beginning operations four years ago, BART offered a special 25- cent, one-way fare of their choice to any point on the system this Labor Day. Free rides offered on BART Express Buses when taken away from those BART stations served by the special buses.
September 11, 1976	HAPPY FOURTH BIRTHDAY BART!
September 13, 1976	Three new additional BART Express Bus stops are being added in areas served by the M and P buses, which originate at the Concord Station.
September 22, 1976	Governor Edmund G. Brown, Jr signed BART funding bill AB 3785 into law. This bill authorizes BART to levy the half-cent sales tax to meet operational expenses.
September 27, 1976	A new storage area designed to reduce delays due to disabled trains on the mainline became operative. Located adjacent to the BART Fremont line in Oakland at about 14th Avenue and 12th Street. It is officially designated as the "A-15 Spur".
December 6, 1976	BART increased commute-hour train lengths on all lines. Ten car trains, seating 720 passengers.
January 13, 1977	Ratification of an agreement between the District and the newly formed Supervisory and Professional Association (BARTSPA) numbering 114 middle management employees.
January 26, 1977	Hundred millionth (100,000,000) passenger entered the system since the beginning of operations 4 1/2 years ago. BART Board President Barclay Simpson and General Manager Frank C. Herringer presented a certificate and gift to Maria Magdalena De Guzman of Daly City. Since opening, BART trains have traveled 1.4 billion passenger miles.
March 9, 1977	The opening of 390 additional parking spaces at South Hayward BART Station, bringing the total to 880.
April 4, 1977	BART awarded contract to provide special instrumentation for sensing seismic activity along key areas of the line to Howell Electric Company of Oakland. Howell Electric Co. will supply the District with seismic sensor alarms. The seismic sensor system will be installed by BART personnel and linked directly to BART's Central Control and Station Agent consoles at Concord, Walnut Creek, Rockridge, El Cerrito Del Norte, Bayfair, Fremont, Embarcadero and Daly City stations.
April 25, 1977	Restriping to make more spaces for compact cars and changing the traffic flow, BART has added 145 additional parking spaces at Pleasant Hill; 71 spaces at Orinda; 42 at Walnut Creek, and 15 at Concord. Aggregate surfacing on the upper lot at Lafayette Station is providing 300 additional parking spaces for commuters from that area.
June 9, 1977	BART receives "outstanding public service" award from State Department of Rehabilitation in recognition of its accomplishments in making BART Accessible to the

handicapped.

June 13, 1977	BART adjusted its last train schedules to insure that patrons who enter any one of the system's 34 stations before midnight will be assured of catching a train.
June 25, 1977	BART conducts largest full-scale fire drill to date. Drill includes 200 volunteers plus representatives from hospitals and emergency response agencies.
July 8, 1977	Surprise walkout by the transit system's train operators. ATU, Local 1555, represents approximately 400 of the transit district's operation employees, primarily train operators and station agents.
September 7,1977	BART & the BART Police Officers Association, SEIU, AFL-CIO, announced at 2:30 this morning that they had reached a tentative agreement ending the 14-day labor dispute.
September 11, 1977	BART celebrates fifth birthday. To date, 120 million patrons have been carried 1.6 billion passenger miles. Daily patronage is 144,000. Patronage in September, 1972, reached 17,000; 32,000 in September, 1973; 80,000 in September, 1974; 122,000 in September 1975; and 132,000 in September, 1976.
September 30, 1977	Permanent extension of one-half cent sales tax signed into law. The bill authored by Assemblyman Leo McCarthy provides BART with 75 percent of the tax levied in Alameda, Contra Costa, and San Francisco counties. The rest is earmarked for allocation by the Metropolitan Transportation to AC Transit, and MUNI for service improvements.
October 10, 1977	BART's new three story parking structure, servicing the Daly City Station, was opened with approximately 1,600 parking spaces for BART commuters, with 24 of the spaces reserved for handicapped parking.
October 17, 1977	BART receives awards for "Pioneering Design and Construction" and "Outstanding Civil Engineering Achievement" from American Society of Civil Engineers.
November 19, 1977	Breaking a 20-year-old tradition, the Emporium's Santa Claus will arrive for his first official day of work via BART instead of by cable cars as in the past.
December 8, 1977	BART Board of Directors approved a proposed new free shuttle bus service between Hayward Station and the Alameda County Government Center near Winton Avenue. The shuttle service will operate as a demonstration project over a two-year period.
January 26, 1978	Free day on BART adopted in an effort to makeup for passenger inconvenience during AC Transit strike. Board also authorizes a free month of BART Express Bus service following the end of the two-month strike.
February 2, 1978	Another free day on BART. Ridership reaches record high of 250,000.
March 8, 1978	BART installs TTY Telephones in the Telephone Information Center for deaf patrons needing transit information.
April 7, 1978	BART officials seek approval from CPUC to remove constraint-requiring trains to be separated by at least one station.
May 19, 1978	BART Board President Harvey W. Glasser and Market Street Development Project President Albert S. Samuel's, Jr., dedicated a 37-foot high sculpture, "Wall Canyon", by artist Steven De Stealer's, at the Embarcadero Station.
May 23, 1978	BART passengers traveled there two billionth miles on the system.
June 16, 1978	BART Board of Directors adopted a policy of cutting the proposed 1978/79 fiscal budget b \$5-7 million as a first step toward meeting the impacts associated with Proposition 13.
July 2, 1978	Regular Sunday train service from 9 a.m. to midnight begins.

September 29, 1978.... BART Board of Directors approved permit parking for BART district residents in a 250 space auxiliary parking lot at Daly City Station. BART Board of Directors awarded a \$269,000 contract for to construct an east entrance to the Fremont Station. October 12, 1978..... BART Director Arthur J. Shartsis announced that BART has agreed to the construction of a special entrance way from the 12th Street/City Center Station in Oakland to the proposed \$100 million Hong Kong/USA complex. October 16, 1978..... BART Board of Directors approved a policy to clearly define the transit district's hiring and promotion practices. October 27, 1978..... Ribbon-cutting ceremony to dedicate the new parking lot at the Fremont Station. The new facility has increased parking availability by over 300 spaces bringing the total to about 1,000.

HAPPY SIXTH BIRTHDAY BART!

January 11, 1979..... Keith Bernard appointed as General Manager, replacing Frank Herringer, who resigned December 31, 1978.

January 17, 1979..... TRANSBAY TUBE FIRE......

September 11, 1978....

April 2, 1979......BART completed the process of presenting direct evidence and testimony to the California
Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to support its request to resume passenger service
through the Transbay tube. Order of closure was issued by the CPUC on Friday,
January 19, following a train fire in the tube on January 17.

April 5, 1979...... Transbay service resumes with CPUC authorization.

April 30, 1979...... As a result of Transbay Tube fire, BART puts emergency information posters, containing evacuation procedures, in all transit vehicles.

August 31, 1979...... A strike by BART employees has forced the shutdown of the BART system.

September 11, 1979.... HAPPY SEVENTH BIRTHDAY BART!

October 16, 1979..... CPUC hearings continue regarding BART's application to remove constraint that trains operate no closer that one station apart--thus paving the way for direct Richmond/Daly City Service in early 1980. "Close headway's" begins June 13, 1980.

November 25, 1979..... BART General Manager, Keith Bernard, announced that full service will resume on December 3.

December 13, 1979.... The Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) advised BART that additional funding will be made available for the replacement of BART's existing polyurethane foam seats.

December 31,1979..... Another BART first--train operation continues around the clock on New Year's Eve as part of BART's "Safe Holiday Program".

February 2, 1980..... BART's bike permit office will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and will continue to be open the first Saturday of each month through June 1980.

February 25, 1980.... Special BART/AC Transit Committee of directors from both agencies is established to improve coordination between the two transit agencies.

March 7, 1980...... BART's new "All About BART" brochure has been translated into both Spanish and Chinese and they are now available in all BART Stations.

March 12, 1980	The 250-space parking lot BART had originally set aside for permit parking only at its Daly City Station is now available for general parking use after 9 a.m. on weekday mornings and throughout the service day on weekends.
March 24, 1980	In an effort to further relieve parking congestion at its Concord Station, BART will be sponsoring a new three-person carpool program for the system's patrons.
March 27, 1980	BART Board of Directors today approved entering into an agreement with Kaiser Engineers, Inc., of Oakland to assist BART engineers in the development of a new transit car for the system. The new transit vehicle, which will be a combination "A" lead and "B" mid-train car, will be called a "C" car and is expected to be ready for bid by November, 1980. The procurement and delivery process would take four to five years.
April 7, 1980	The official opening of the new east entrance to the Fremont Station.
April 24, 1980	BART Board of Directors adopts extension policy as part of a 20-year plan to extend the system 15 miles from Concord to Pittsburg/Antioch area; 4.8 miles from Fremont to Warm Springs; 9.3 miles from Daly City to San Francisco Airport and 24 miles from Bayfair Station through Castro Valley to Livermore/Pleasanton. Total cost is estimated at \$1.7 billion.
May 16, 1980	Contract to install new seat cushions in BART cars, was awarded to WAM's, Inc. a San Francisco based firm. Their bid of \$118,267 was the lowest among five firms competing for the job.
June 2, 1980	BART begins issuing permits to bring bicycles onto the system on an "appointment only" basis.
June 20, 1980	BART leased two supplemental parking lots, which combined, will accommodate an additional 510 cars. This brings the total number of parking spaces at the Concord Station to 1600.
June 24, 1980	BART Board adopts \$105.5 million operating budget, which includes the first fare increase since 1975. Minimum fares to rise from 30 to 50 cents. New fares go into effect June 30.
June 30, 1980	BART's new fare increase goes into effect. The new discount ticket for handicapped persons and children 5 through 12 will be the same color red as the old ticket but will have a pre-encoded value of \$9.00 and will cost 90 cents.
July 7, 1980	Direct Richmond-San Francisco/Daly City service begins. There will be 43 trains operating during peak hours (as opposed to 33 before the introduction of Close Headway's).
July 11, 1980	BART bike lockers which are located at all stations except in San Francisco, downtown Oakland, and central Berkeley, may now be leased from the transit district for \$30 per year, or \$15 for three months. A \$10 key deposit is also required.
July 16, 1980	Because of a recent upsurge in demand for permits to take bicycles on BART, the transit
August 20, 1980	system will expand the permit office hours from two days a week to five days a week. Career Apparel Image Award given to BART by National Association of Uniform Manufacturers for station agent uniforms.
September 11, 1980	HAPPY EIGHTH BIRTHDAY BART! The transit system has carried better than 237,000,000 passengers over 3 billion passenger miles.
October 1, 1980	BART began making bicycle permits available on a mail-order basis. Also, BART will begin allowing bicycles to be brought on the system to travel in a reverse commute direction on some of the lines during the morning and evening commute periods.
October 16, 1980	BART Board of Directors approves a contract to LeeMAH Electronics, Inc. of San

	Francisco to manufacture a major new train control modification, which is expected to greatly enhance service reliability and overall operation of the system. The new modification called, "Manual Cab Signaling" (MCS), will permit the train operator to run the trains, manually, at normal speeds with full automatic protection.
October 22, 1980	BART will receive \$12.9 million in Federal grants from the U.S. Department of Transportation's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) for three major improvement programs.
October 25, 1980	BART Saturday service is expanded to four routes from the current three-route service. The fourth route will provide direct service between Richmond and San Francisco/Daly City, similar to weekday service.
November 5, 1980	Seat replacement program is completed. All seats in the operating fleet have been replaced with fire-resistance material made of low-smoke neoprene. Seat covers are made of 90 percent wool and 10 percent nylon.
December 8, 1980	Full-scale fire test is made on BART car at McDonnel Douglas Corporation testing facility in Southern CA.
March 16, 1981	Signs designating the close-in preferential parking spaces at four BART Stations (Concord, Lafayette, Daly City and Fremont) will be set-aside for BARTpool vehicles. The BARTpool is a program designed to help alleviate parking problems at these stations.
April 21, 1981	CPUC approves "Cut-Out-Car" program, which will allow the system to continue train operation though any one of the cars has a friction brake problem. Prior to the program, cars with brake problems operated at half speed.
April 22, 1981	Inauguration ceremony was held in the fountain area of the BART Administration Building for BART's new anonymous witness program called "We Tip".
July 16, 1981	BART Board of Directors adopts a 10-year, \$1.2 million program designed to improve pedestrian, automobile, bus and carpool access to 21 stations throughout the BART system.
August 31, 1981	BART's Board of Directors adopted a single property tax rate of 6.97 cents per hundred dollars of assessed value to meet BART's current general obligation bond debt service costs.
September 3, 1981	A preferred route for proposed Pittsburg-Antioch extension adopted which will run 19 miles from Concord to north Concord along Port Chicago Highway to Route 4 and along Route 4 to Antioch.
September 11, 1981	HAPPY NINTH BIRTHDAY BART!
September 17, 1981	BART opened the "BART Exhibit" the first of its kind for the system. Standing almost 8' high, 12' at one point, the physical structure, if stretched out in a straight line, would be well over 50'. It has aluminum facing on the outside, resembling the exterior skin of a BART train. Assembled, it will be divided up into three large curved sections, each depicting an era of the system. The main theme of the freestanding island exhibit is "BART Going Places."
October 21, 1981	BART received its first financial boost today when William Royer, U.S. Department of Transportation Regional Representative, announced that a grant of \$6.7 million for the new cars had been approved. This is the first such grant approval received for the new C-Car.
October 31, 1981	One of the eight massive switches, on this first new BART trackway, was moved into position using a system, which was developed by BART's Power and Way Maintenance Department.

December 17, 1981	BART Board of Directors today approved going to bid for the purchase of 60-150 newly designed "C-Cars".
January 7, 1982	BART Board of Directors today adopted a five-year plan designed to upgrade and streamline the transit system's Express Bus service.
January 20, 1982	"BARTpool" a preferential parking program for BART patrons who carpool to the station, is now available at the El Cerrito Del Norte BART Station. Seventy-five close-in parking spaces have been set-aside in the west parking lot for carpools of three or more v riders.
February 1, 1982	A firstBART reduces fares during off-peak hours to attract ridership between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. The test will continue throughout February.
February 10, 1982	BART took over the ownership of the Lafayette Parking Lot located at Oak Hill Road and Dear Hill Road. The parking lot, which will accommodate approximately 400 cars, previously had been leased to the City of Lafayette by the State of California.
February 12, 1982	"BART TIMES", a free, bi-monthly publication for transit riders, is introduced.
February 18, 1982	BART Board of Directors directed General Manager Keith Bernard to advertise for bidders on the \$19 billion project, which will significantly improve the fire resistance of BART cars. Bid documents will be available from BART's District Secretary's Office on Tuesday, March 16, 1982.
March 24, 1982	Groundbreaking ceremony for the \$12.5 million Regional Administrative Facilitythe first government condo. The facility will house BART, Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Association for Bay Area Governments.
April 1, 1982	The "two-for-one" transfer purchased from the BART/MUNI transfer machines has gone up in price, by ten cents, in accordance with the new increase in MUNI fares also on this date.
May 21, 1982 Overhe	Transit vehicle "Fire Hardening" program contract given to TODCO, division of ad Door Corp., for \$17.8 million.
May 24, 1982	BART announced that a \$1.8 million contract, which will greatly improve radio communications capacity for BART, has been awarded to Wismer and Becker, Consulting Engineers, Sacramento, CA.
July 1, 1982	BART and its two major unions, Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1555, and United Public Employees (UPE), Local 390, voted to ratify the new agreement.
July 13, 1982	BART awards \$16,000 to the winners of its "Architectural Design Competition" to graduate student teams from west coast colleges for designs of joint commercial and institutional development at three BART stations.
August 19,1982	Board of Directors approved the sale of \$65 million in sales tax revenue bonds for the purchase of new transit cars. The District plans to purchase between 90 and 150 of the new cars, depending on the amount of federal funding that is committed to this project.
August 20, 1982	BART announces new 18.4 percent fare increase effective September 8.
August 31, 1982	BART Board of Directors adopted a reduced property tax rate for the 1982/83 fiscal year to meet general obligation bond debt service costs.
September 11, 1982	HAPPY TENTH BIRTHDAY BART! The system presently carries approximately 190,000 passengers per weekday and has traveled over 4.5 billion passenger miles since opening in 1972. BART's anniversary theme contest, "Ten YearsCheers" was won by Station Agent Donna Loughran. Loughran's slogan was selected from over 150 entries submitted by BART employees.

October 7, 1982	Single largest contract BART will award in the coming decade given to Societe Ferrovaire de Valenciennois (SOFERVAL) of France for the C-Car. Soferval estimates that 65% of project will be spent on American-made material and will create jobs in the Bay Area where final assembly will take place. BART and Soferval agreed on at least a 14 percent Minority and Women's Business Enterprise participation.
December 6, 1982	Groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of the carbarn to house the historic streetcar "00". The car has been preserved and will be placed on permanent exhibit at the Hayward BART Station.
January 11, 1983	Passenger survey indicates more people using BART for all kinds of trips; commuters now make up more than 77 percent of total weekday trips. Women patrons now a majority. Marked increased in patron income since 1980 when 54 percent of passengers earned over \$20,000 compared to 66 percent for 1982.
February 15, 1983	BART has increased the full fare value of its discount tickets for seniors, youths and disabled persons to \$12. The 90 percent discount will remain.
March 7, 1983	Ceremony inaugurating into service BART Express Buses are equipped with wheelchair lifts and special steps that "kneel" to aid elderly and disabled persons in boarding the buses.
April 1, 1983	The new BART/MUNI monthly Fast Pass goes on sale. The pass will be honored for unlimited rides for the month of its designation on MUNI and BART within San Francisco.
April 11, 1983	BART's \$21 multi-ride tickets, which cost \$20, can be ordered by calling a 24-hr. toll-free telephone number.
May 4, 1983	BART connections with the AIRPORTER bus service to the San Francisco International Airport can be made from the Embarcadero BART Station, where the airport bus service leaves from the main entrance of the Hyatt Regency Hotel, or from the Powell Street BART Station.
May 19, 1983	A committee of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) approved funding for a one-year demonstration project for "The Martinez Link".
June 3, 1983	Grand opening of the new Oakland Convention Center located at 10th and Broadway, a few steps from BART's 12th Street/City Center Station.
July 5, 1983	"The Martinez Link" begins between the El Cerrito Del Norte BART Station and the Contra Costa County offices and courts in Richmond and Martinez.
September 11, 1983	HAPPY ELEVENTH BIRTHDAY BART! Today, 43 BART trains on 479 daily runs carry about 191,000 trips each weekday. Patrons have taken 382 million trips on BART
September 19, 1983	for more than five billion passenger miles, with not a single passenger fatality. Work began on the expansion of the parking lot capacity at the Union City BART Station, in order to add 234 more parking spaces.
October 22, 1983	Beginning today and continuing every Saturday through November 19, BART Police will conduct its "Ident-a-Kid" program, a fingerprinting program for children, being offered as a free community service at various BART stations.
October 31, 1983	Moped riders can now rent one of 42 storage lockers at 12 BART stations for a cost of \$15 for three months or \$30 for a year.
November 29, 1983	The first of BART's 436 transit cars of the fire-hardening program on display for public showing.
March 23, 1984	BART Employee, Pete Avalos will carry the Olympic Torch later this summer, as the

	torch proceeds on its way to Los Angeles for the opening of the Olympics in June.
June 21, 1984	BART Board of Directors approved a public hearing to receive public comment on proposed administration changes in the "Bay Region Discount Card" program.
July 2, 1984	BART began part-time jobs as part of a "Summer Youth Program" involving the transit district, Bay Area Urban League, Alameda County Training and Education Board (ACTEB) and the City of Richmond.
August 10, 1984	BART received a "letter of no prejudice" from the Washington, D.C. offices of the Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA), which permits BART to incur costs to match up to \$56 million dollars on its Daly City Turnback and Serramonte Yard projects without prejudice to future federal aid.
September 6, 1984	BART and AC Transit signed an agreement aboard one of the 50 new Gillig buses recently acquired for service in the BART Express Bus fleet.
September 11, 1984	HAPPY TWELFTH BIRTHDAY BART!
September 16, 1984	BART celebrated 10-years of service through the Transbay Tube. Almost 200 million people have traveled about 1 billion passenger miles beneath the bay between East Bay communities and San Francisco.
November 2, 1984	BART announced that a federal grant totaling nearly \$11 million has been received from the U.S. Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA). This project is a vital part of BART's five year, \$525 million Capital Improvement Program which when completed will ultimately expand BART's ridership capacity by 80 percent.
December 8, 1984	BART begins to install test materials as part of a platform edge detection system, which is being developed as added protection for BART patrons.
December 11, 1984	BART has selected DeLu-Foster-Francis, a consortium of engineering, managerial, construction management and community relations firms of San Francisco and Oakland, to serve as the construction management group for the District's \$150 million Daly City Turnback and Storage Yard Project.
January 3, 1985	The final weld in 9.5 miles of trackthe first module in the Daly City Turnback projectis made.
February 11, 1985	BART holds a groundbreaking ceremony at the Daly City Station to mark the start of construction on the transit system's \$150 million Daly City Turnback project.
February 15, 1985	BART General Manager announced that four prototypes of BART's new transit vehicle, known as the C-Car, will be delivered on or about June 30, 1985, at which time they will be subjected to an extensive six-month testing program.
June 3, 1985	BART announced that the Secretary of the Navy in Washington, D.C., has just approved lease negotiations to be finalized between BART and the Navy for the lease of seven acres of land in North Concord, for a proposed Park and Ride lot.
July 1, 1985	A new "Fast Pass" for BART Express Bus riders which can be used in place of paying cash fare. Available from BART's Passenger Service Office or AC Transit customer service center.
July 3, 1985	BART and its two major unions, Amalgamated Transit Union Division 1555 and United Public Employees (UPE) Local 790, announced that the tentative agreement reached June 30, has now been fully ratified.
July 11, 1985	The first of 36 Bay Area Teleguides terminals will be placed in service during a "kick-off" ceremony. Terminals are located at the train platform level of BART stations.

July 12, 1985	BART announced that BART's new C-Cars will be assembled at the former Soule Steel fabrication plant located at 3377 Western Avenue, Union City, CA.
August 8, 1985	BART announced that beginning on September 9, 1985, a six-month test program, which adds one hour of service on the existing Richmond/Daly City and the Fremont/Daly City lines, will start.
August 20, 1985	Groundbreaking ceremony to mark the beginning of construction of BART's Hillcrest Satellite Park/Ride lot, located at Hillcrest Avenue and Sunset, just off Highway 4 in Antioch.
September 11, 1985	HAPPY THIRTEENTH BIRTHDAY BART! BART now operates 43 trains on 71 miles of track to 34 stations, and carries about 215,000 riders daily. BART statisticians estimate that sometime this past July, the 500 millionth passenger went through BART's fare gates.
September 26, 1985	The BART Board of Directors adopted a new fare schedule, which will raise the transit system's fares by an overall average of about 30 percent, effective January 1, 1986.
October 31, 1985	BART Board of Directors approved the sale of \$145 million in sales tax revenue bonds to refund the District's 1982 revenue bonds and generate additional funds for vital capital projects.
January 1, 1986	BART's new fare increase goes into effect at 6 a.m. Part of the money generated by the fare increase will help fund additional improvements to system access and other improvements.
January 15, 1986	The system records a 3 percent rise in patronage with major gains recorded for off-peak ridership.
January 29, 1986	BART honors pioneer Marvin Lewis, a man instrumental in forming the original Bay Area Transit Commission in the late 40's.
January 30, 1986	BART Directors and representatives of the U.S. Navy held a lease signing ceremony for property on the U.S. Naval Weapons Station. The property will eventually be the site of the future North Concord/Martinez BART Station and will now be developed as a 538-space park/ride facility.
February 3, 1986	Work commenced in the BART tunnel between Lafayette and Walnut Creek BART stations for the installation of a wet standpipe system, which is a water line with fire hose connections for fire-fighting purposes.
March 17, 1986	The first new main line track to be added to the BART system since the system was originally built will become operational. The new line will be known as the KE Line and will improve BART's reliability during the morning and afternoon commute periods.
March 25, 1986	Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) signed a full funding agreement for the Daly City Turnback project.
	BART's car cleaning project, which began in 1985, has been completed. The entire BART fleet of 440 cars has gone through the process and is now in service.
April 25, 1986	BART Board of Directors awarded three contracts totaling nearly \$5.5 million for the refurbishing of the 143 escalators at the 34 BART stations.
May 8, 1986	BART's new transit vehicle, the C-Car, went on display at the 12th Street/City Center BART Station. The display of new cars will take place on the KE Track, which is located on he second level of the station.
June 9, 1986	At the Orinda BART Station the new parking control has been installed, which requires the use of a daily parking token for cars parked in the station's parking lot. The parking control has been installed in an effort to deter casual car poolers from parking in the station

	lot.
July 23, 1986	A new 513-space BART park/ride facility on Bailey Road at Highway 4 in Pittsburg opened. A new weekday Express Bus service offering six departures to and from the lot at the Concord BART Station during the morning and afternoon commute period.
July 30, 1986	Firehardening program on all transit vehicles completed, making BART cars the most fire- safe vehicle in the country.
August 12, 1986	The last girder of Daly City Turnback goes into place. The turnback will enable trains to run at closer headways. The project, consisting of 23 separate construction contracts, will be completed in 1988.
September 11, 1986	HAPPY FOURTEENTH BIRTHDAY BART! Since 1972, BART has carried over 570 million passengers and traveled more than 7.5 billion miles without one passenger fatality. The Capacity Expansion Program, comprised of eight major projectswill increase capacity by 85 percent.
September 16, 1986	BART sells \$65 million in bonds to be used to pay for 60 of the District's new C-Cars designed by BART engineers.
November 3, 1986	BART adds two extra trains to the morning and afternoon peak commute service, bringing the number of trains in service to forty-five. One train operates on the San Francisco/Fremont line and the other on the San Francisco/Concord line. Trains on the Richmond/Daly City line will be longer as part of increasing the capacity of the BART commute service.
November 20, 1986	BART Directors agreed to join with the two bay area cities in alternative electrical energy studies, which could result in the reduction of BART's electrical power costs.
December 5, 1986	A \$1,550,000 contract was awarded by the BART Directors for the construction of a platform edge warning system in all BART stations. The materials to be used are bright yellow rubber tactile tiles.
December 18, 1986	The BART Board of Directors gave approval of a 64-seat configuration for the C-Car, rather than the original design, which called for 68 seats. The change was made in order to provide more space for wheelchair bound patrons.
January 22, 1987	BART and AC Transit introduced the new AC/BART PLUS Ticket. These tickets are in eight denominations ranging between \$20 and \$53 and are good for semi-monthly periods (first through the 15th, and the 16th through the end of the month). Discounts will vary from 6.25 percent to 18 percent on the use of BART and an even substantial discount on the AC fare.
March 2, 1987	BART offered a week of "free" rides on BART Express buses to encourage the use of the park and ride lots in eastern and northern Contra Costa County.
March 27, 1987	BART Directors authorized expansion of station parking lots at Lafayette and Orinda. Cost for construction of 232 new spaces at Orinda and 313 at Lafayette Station is expected to be between \$1 million and \$1.5 million. Nearly \$375,000 of this cost is expected to come from federal station and local funds. BART to seek a \$1.2 million grant from CALTRANS to fund the construction of a 1,200-space parking expansion project at Pleasant Hill Station.
April 20, 1987	Parking controls at the Lafayette BART Station go into effect in order to discourage casual carpoolers use of the station parking lot. The new parking control consists of placing a free parking token into a slot box located inside the station paid area. The token is put into a slot, the number of which corresponds to a parking space number in the station parking lot.
April 21, 1987	BART plays host to the first symposium to investigate the feasibility of raising private sector capital through public and private joint venture to supplement the funds public

	transit agencies would normally expect to receive from federal, state and local sources.
May 24, 1987	BART provides very early morning train service to the Embarcadero BART Station for the 50th Anniversary of the Golden Gate Bridge from three stations - Rockridge, MacArthur, and West Oakland - in the east bay. Ten car trains arrived every 15 minutes, beginning at 3:06 a.m. and continued until 7:56 a.m. Trains started arriving every 20 minutes beginning at 9 a.m. when regular Sunday service began. Patronage for this Sunday was recorded at 116,082, which meant that approximately 66,000 extra trips were taken on BART by those going to the Golden Gate Bridge celebration.
June 23, 1987	BART realized a savings of more than \$50 million on its contract to purchase 150 new cars. This savings, as well as certain cost under-runs brought the cost of the total C-Car contract down to \$228 million.
June 25, 1987	BART adopted a \$172 million operating budget for the fiscal year of 1987/88, which represents about a \$2.6 million reduction in operating costs from the year previous. The newly adopted budget did, however, show a deficit totaling \$4.4 million. The district expects to recover about 50% of this budget from operating revenues.
June 26, 1987	BART received an \$8 million grant from the Urban Mass Transportation Administration for the planned new Wayside Train Control System.
July 4, 1987	BART began an experimental three-month program called "Family Fare". Under this plan a family of three, one adult and two children between the ages of five and seventeen, would ride as a group for only one full BART fare. "The Family" was required to enter at the same station and exit as a group, from the same station.
July 15, 1987	BART carried a record number of patrons to the Oakland Coliseum for the All Star baseball game and celebration.
August 2, 1987	The installation of the first of the new nine panel public transit information centers was completed at the 12th Street/City Center BART Station. Plans call for the installation of the transit information centers at 24 more locations, which are focal points of interface between various public transit operation.
August 3, 1987 fourth	New ticket booths opened in three San Francisco BART StationsEmbarcadero, Montgomery and Civic Center, where the AC/BART Plus and high value discount tickets will be sold. This is to make buying these discount tickets more convenient. A ticket booth will open up at the 12th Street/City Center BART Station on August 12,
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August 20, 1987	Food vendors begin operating at selected BART stations under a new vendor permit program.
September 1, 1987	BART's new "super bonus" tickets, which offer \$35 worth of BART rides for \$30, went on sale. The new tickets will remain on sale until December 31, 1987. The "More BART For Your Buck" campaign went underway with support from newspapers and radio ads, plus news releases. Tickets are available only at the "Ticket-To-Go" outlets or at the ticket booths located at the Civic Center, Montgomery Street, Embarcadero and the Oakland 12th Street/Civic Center BART Stations.
September 11, 1987.	HAPPY 15th BIRTHDAY BART! Ceremonies were held at the Lake Merritt Administration Building in downtown Oakland, where winners in two separate BART anniversary contests were awarded prizes. Winner of the BART employee's anniversary theme contest was Barbara Bell, a transit vehicle mechanic at the Hayward Shops, whose theme "A 15 Year Salute - To The #1 Commute", took first prize. Ray Shilling of Castro Valley was the winner of the BART passenger trip to Acapulco contest. Over 616 million passengers have been carried by BART during its first 15 years of service and these passengers have traveled more than 8 billion passenger miles, without a train accident-related passenger fatality.

September 17 & 18, 1987	BART service was geared up to carry the expected large number of people expected to come to San Francisco for the first visit of Pope John Paul. The crowds were not as large as expected. The event did generate approximately 10% additional passengers over the normal patronage. Recorded trips on BART for Thursday, September 17, 1987 was 216,092.
September 24, 1987.	The BART Board of Directors today authorized negotiations with San Mateo County and the San Mateo Transit Authority for the construction of a station in the vicinity of Colma, 1/2 mile south of Daly City.
October 22, 1987	The BART Board of Directors awarded C. Overaa & Co. of Richmond, a \$3.7 million contract to build the maintenance shops at the Daly City Yard. This will provide a service, inspection, and pre-maintenance preparation facility for the maintenance of transit vehicles, which will eventually be operated out of the Daly City Yard.
October 29, 1987	BART and the Regional Transit Association officially dedicated the regional public information display panels and the new cashier/ticket booths now installed at various BART stations throughout the system. The ticket booth project is funded by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission Multi-Operator Pass Project.
November 17, 1987	The first production version of BART's new C-Cars was delivered to the test track at BART's Hayward maintenance yard.
December 10, 1987	BART President John Glenn dedicated the first of BART's new C-Cars in a special ribbon cutting ceremony held at the 12th Street City Center BART Station.
December 18, 1987	BART Board of Directors approved a contract for designing and constructing a parking structure, which will add 1,200 parking spaces at the Pleasant Hill Station.
February 22, 1988	BART and the County Connection, Contra Costa County's transit service, will begin a six- month demonstration project designed to determine if free transfers or added service can increase ridership on two of the County Connection bus routes serving BART.
March 10, 1988	The BART Board of Directors was presented a "Meritorious Honor Award" from the American Institute in Taiwan, an agency established as part of the United States Government's "Taiwan Relations Act" of 1979. The award is inscribed with the words, "For its contributions to the Export of American Transit Technology".
March 28, 1988	First revenue run of BART's C-Car from Fremont Station to San Francisco/Daly City, making stops at each station on the route.
April 8, 1988	BART Director Barclay Simpson joined with the other local officials in celebrating the reconstruction of the Lafayette BART Station parking. These added 313 parking spaces will bring the number of parking spaces to 1,446.
July 11, 1988	BART General Manager Keith Bernard announced that Governor George Deukmejian has appointed a fact find board to review the issues in the dispute between BART and two union representing about 1,700 employees.
July 18, 1988	After receiving the report from the fact find panel, Governor Deukmejian called a 60-day cooling off period to permit negotiations to continue without a disruption to service.
August 23, 1988	The parcel of land, south of I-580 near the corner of Airway Blvd. and Kittyhawk Rd., was acquired by BART from Dunn Properties Corporation at a price of \$5.15 million and is a possible site of a BART station serving western Livermore.
September 11, 1988.	HAPPY SIXTEENTH BIRTHDAY BART!
September 22, 1988.	BART Board of Directors approved and ratified a three-year collective bargaining agreement between the District and the Amalgamated Transit Workers Union (ATU),

Division 1555, and authorized BART's General Manager Keith Bernard to execute the contract.

- **September 29, 1988.** The BART Board of Directors approved and ratified a three-year collective bargaining agreement between the District and the United Public Employees (UPE), Division 790, and authorized BART's General Manager Keith Bernard to execute the contract.
- October 7, 1988.... The California Transportation Commission (CTC) gave a firm commitment to fund bay a fixed guideway systems, which will insure that BART will be eligible for a grant totaling \$79.9 million with which to fund a portion of the planned rail extension to West Pittsburg from Concord, with a station at North Concord/Martinez; to Warms Springs from Fremont with a station at Irvington; the Dublin/Pleasanton area with a stop at Castro Valley from Bayfair Station, and the extension to San Francisco International Airport from Daly City with stops at Colma, Tanforan, and So. San Francisco.
- October 18, 1988... BART set a new ridership record, when 240,373 trips were made on BART. Of these trips, 33,362 were made to and from the Oakland Coliseum another record was set when 34 percent of the paid attendance rode BART to the playoff games.
- November 4, 1988...
 BART Board of Directors authorized General Manager to negotiate a contract for General Engineering and construction management of its planned extensions with Bay Area Transit Consultants (BATC) a joint venture of Bechtel Civil, Inc., Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Quade and Douglas; Don Todd Associates; and John Warren and Assoc. The extensions include 7.8 miles from BART's Concord Station to North Concord and West Pittsburg in Contra Costa County; 12.8 miles from BART Bayfair to Castro Valley/Dublin and 5.4 miles from Fremont to Irvington and Warm Springs in southern Alameda county; and 7.1 miles from Daly City to the vicinity of the San Francisco Airport.
- November 26, 1988.. BART will now take you to Marine World Africa USA. Just ride Vallejo Transit's "BARTLink" from the El Cerrito Del Norte BART Station for direct service to Marine World Africa USA.
- November 27, 1988.. BART will offer special service during limited hours every Sunday until Christmas.
- **December 1, 1988...** BART President Arlo Hale Smith to head up the BART board's special committee to recruit a new general manager. A new general manager would replace BART's current general manager, Keith Bernard, who resigned last month, effective sometime in early 1989.
- **December 9, 1988...** First train in revenue service was stored on the trackway of the new Daly City Turnback. Building BART's \$146.7 million Daly City Turnback and Yard, the largest construction project undertaken since completion of the original system, is a critical element of BART's capacity expansion program.
- **December 19, 1988..** BART and the San Francisco Centre officially dedicate the opening of the new Powell Street Station entrance into the San Francisco City Shopping Mall featuring Nordstrom.
- **December 23, 1988..** BART will host its Tenth Annual Safe Holidays program at (13) stations in an effort to promote riding BART and other public transit as a safe alternative to driving the bay area's crowded highways on those two evenings.
- December 30, 1988.. BART to run until 2 a.m. on New Years Eve.
- January 11, 1989.. BART conducted a special press tour and briefing on the new Integrated Control System (ICS). The tour was designed to show how the new control system will provide the added capacity to support the running of 74 trains rather than the 55-train limit of the present Central Train Control Computer System.
- January 15, 1989.. Laidlaw Transit will provide BART's Express Bus service, a private transit company headquartered in Southern California. The new contract signifies the first time BART has contracted with a private company to provide its Express Bus service. BART's Board of

Directors last June awarded the contract to Laidlaw Transit after the company under-bid a number of other private bus operators as well as AC Transit, which has held the Express Bus contract since 1974. The 11 BART Express Bus routes provide feeder service from outlying regions of Alameda and Contra Costa counties to BART's El Cerrito Del Norte, Concord, Walnut Creek, Bayfair and Hayward stations. Laidlaw Transit will provide the service using new Gillig buses that can accommodate up to 42 passengers, including two locations for wheelchairs. All buses used on the BART Express Bus routes will be wheelchair lift-equipped and feature programmable electronic destination signs, fare boxes that accept \$1 bills as well as coins, digital fare displays, tinted glass and an air ride suspension system. The buses are six inches wider than current Gillig models on the road, with the extra space apparent in the aisle.

January 31, 1989.. BART Controller/Treasurer, William F. Goelz announced that is planning to retire, effective March 31.

- **February 9, 1989..** The BART Board of Directors voted to retain the executive search firm of Korn/Ferry, with offices in San Francisco and other metropolitan areas, to assist in the selection of a new BART general manager. Thirty-six executive recruitment firms submitted proposals.
- February 28, 1989.
 BART and the Regional Transit Association (RTA), in partnership with KPIX gave away 25 "Super Passes" to transit riders to urged commuters to use public transportation. Winners will be able to "Beat the Back-Up" by using their Super Pass on any of the RTA transit systems, which include, BART, AC Transit, San Francisco Muni, SamTrans, Golden Gate Transit, County Connection and Santa Clara County Transit. The Super Pass will be honored for one year. BART station agents gave away 10,000 free "stress cards" beginning with the morning commute at BART's 12th Street and 19th Street stations in downtown Oakland, and at the Embarcadero, Montgomery, Powell and Civic Center stations in San Francisco.
- March 14, 1989....A group of about 40 students from the Living Skills Center for the Blind, and the
Orientation Center for the Blind met at the 19th Street BART station for an orientation
tour of BART. An "out-of-service" three-car BART train will be used for the training
session, which will take place on Platform #3 (KE track), located on the second level of
19th Street Station.
- April 5, 1989....BART's Board of Directors announced a major step forward in the system's extension
program with approval to executive an agreement for general engineering and construction
management with Bay Area Transit Consultants (BATC) a joint venture. The BATC
consortium consists of Bechtel Civil, Inc. of San Francisco, and J. Warren and Associates of
Oakland. The total estimated cost for the GEC services on preliminary engineering and
associated activities are \$17.839 million.
- April 19, 1989...BART retained comedian Henny Youngman to service as celebrity spokesman in print.
and broadcast media ads urging people to "Take Your BART, Please!"
- April 27, 1989... BART Board of Directors held a public hearing to receive public comment on a proposed increase in the value of high-value BART ticket. BART plans to increase the amount of high-value ticket from the current \$30 for \$32 worth of rides to \$40 for \$42 worth of rides.
- May 5, 1989.....The public was invited to come and join in the festivities of lively ethnic music, song,
dance and military band music at the plaza above BART's Lake Merritt station in Oakland
to celebrate Cinco de Mayo.
- May 6, 1989.....BART Police offered their "Ident-A-Kid" fingerprinting program to children at Fremont
BART Station. The service will also be offered on May 20 at Concord Station; June 3
at El Cerrito Plaza Station; and June 10 at 16th Street Station from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. free
of charge. East Bay Bicycle Coalition conducted free bicycle safety inspections at
Rockridge BART Station from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in conjunction with their Bicycle Safety

Inspection Day.

May 10, 1989	BART Director Mike Bernick of San Francisco called for the formation meeting of the North Bay BART Advisory Committee for an extension of the BART rail system into Marin County. Nearly 30 years ago when the BART district was being formed, Marin County was one of five member counties. Marin County withdrew from the district after an engineering study concluded that a second deck on the Golden Gate Bridge for BART trains was not feasible.
May 19, 1989	BART announced that it is sponsoring a major "work place" survey to be conducted at select employment centers in downtown San Francisco in early June. This information will helpful in planning future service levels, and in short- and long-term marketing decisions, noting that the growing commute problem has consistently been the number one concern of Bay Area residents for a number of years.
May 21, 1989	BART provided special early morning train service from 12 BART stations for runners going to the Bay to Breakers race in San Francisco. About 25,820 trips were made by "Bay to Breakers" runners and rooters. These trips represented an increase of about 3 percent over total trips generated in 1988 for the same event. A group of BART employees participated in the race as the "BART Centipede".
May 22, 1989	Magic 61 AM Radio broadcasted live from BART's Walnut Creek Station from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m Magic 61's morning man, Carter B. Smith greeted passengers from his mobile studio.
May 23, 1989	BART Board of Directors designated Frank J. Wilson of Medford, New Jersey, to be BART's new general manager. Wilson succeeded BART's former general manager, Keith Bernard, who resigned this past year, departing on April 30, 1989.
June 1, 1989	BART Board of Directors Vice-President Nello Bianco of Contra Costa County announced that BART, in cooperation with local governments, school districts and various local agencies, will provide summer employment worksites for teenager from its tri-county service area again this year. This is BART's sixth year that the program has been offered to offset the high unemployment rate among disadvantaged youth in the BART service area.
June 12, 1989	The world's smallest folding bicycle was demonstrated at various BART stations in an effort to deal with the parking and traffic hassles. Bicycling to your nearest BART station may be the answer to your commute problems. With a Dahon folding bicycle, you can take your bike on BART with no time or permit restrictions. Thirty-four Dahon folding bicycles were given away, one name was drawn from each station.
June 15, 1989	BART Board of Directors held a public hearing on the transit District's Preliminary 1989/90 Budget.
June 19, 1989	The first of three public meetings was held for the Dublin/Pleasanton BART rail extension. The proposed project includes new station sites in Castro Valley and West Dublin/Pleasanton. The on-going studies will also evaluate an East Dublin/Pleasanton Station. Eventually, the BART line is expected to go to Livermore.
June 22, 1989	Magic 61 AM Radio broadcasted live from BART's San Leandro Station from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m Magic 61's morning man, Carter B. Smith greeted passengers from his mobile studio.
June 24, 1989	BART began providing daily Express Bus service between the Hayward BART Station and the Alameda county Fair in Pleasanton. The "Fairgrounds Special" shuttle was in service every day of the fair from 9:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.
June 26, 1989	First day on the job for BART's new General Manager, Frank J. Wilson.
June 26, 1989	BART Express buses began operating a new non-stop bus service from the Hacienda Park

	& Ride to the BART Bayfair Station during commute hours. The new route is called the "UX", with the "X" standing for "express" service.
June 26, 1989	Vallejo Transit's "BARTLink" from the El Cerrito Del Norte BART Station to Marine World Africa USA extended its service to include weekdays to its already scheduled Saturday service. After arriving by BART at El Cerrito Del Norte Station, those going on to Marine World board a Vallejo Transit "80" bus, the "BARTLink", and pay the driver three dollars for a round-trip on the bus.
June 27, 1989	Chief Transportation Officer, William B. Fleisher and his staff introduced to BART's Engineering and Operations Committee a new concept in providing passenger information video, "Train Information Monitors". The monitors will be located at the concourse and platform level of the stations, and will inform passengers of the location of trains in and around their station. The monitors will display a colored "blip" for each train that will move through a given part of the current system. The train "blips" are color coded to correspond with color designated for each line on the system maps displayed in each station, and in BART brochures. Total estimated cost of the train information monitors if expanded to all 34 stations is one million dollars. The cost per station is approximately \$30,000.00.
June 29, 1989	BART Board of Directors approved the operating budget for the coming fiscal year, 1989/90, which begins on July 1. The new budget, totaling \$179,684,142, is about 3 percent higher than the revised budget for the last fiscal year, which totaled \$174,579,479.
June 29, 1989	Alvan Teragawachi was named the new Controller-Treasurer for BART. A committee was established to interview and to recommend the person to be appointed for BART's new Controller-Treasurer. This committee consisted of three BART Directors, Margaret K. Pryor, Oakland; Mike Bernick, San Francisco; and Nello Bianco, Vice-President of the BART Board, El Sobrante.
July 1, 1989	BART's "Family Plan" fare program available for the third year in a row, through the last weekend in September.
August 30, 1989	BART Director, Mike Bernick, who chairs the special Marin Liaison Committee, held a press briefing in the BART Board Room at BART Headquarters on the feasibility for extending a BART type rail system to Novato in Marin County.
August 1989	BART saw an all time record high for average weekday patronage, as well as total boarding the month of August 1989. The average weekday patronage on BART during August reached 219,246. This surpasses the previous record set during April 1985 by 2,961, when the average weekday ridership was 216,285.
September 1, 1989	For the ninth year in a row, BART Board of Directors has lowered the BART property tax rate for the fiscal year, which began on July 1, 1989.
September 11, 1989	HAPPY BIRTHDAY BART! BART marked its 17th year of revenue service. Total trips on BART for the FY1988/89 reached 60,457,004, which are about one million trips above what was anticipated for the fiscal year.
September 15, 1989	BART reached a milestone in the Dublin/Pleasanton Extension project with the release of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). Plans call for the extension to run from the Bayfair BART Station in San Leandro to West Dublin/Pleasanton with two stations, one in Castro Valley, and one to serve Dublin/Pleasanton.
September 16, 1989	BART's Transbay Tube, one of this century's engineering marvels, celebrated 15 years in service. To celebrate the 15 years of Transbay tube service, BART sold special commemorative tickets with two dollars worth of rides, which was the selling price.
September 19, 1989	Joshihiro Kyotani, President of Japan's Technova Inc. visited BART's Administration building in Oakland. Kyotani helped develop Maglev, the tubular magnetic "railway" system, which utilizes the principle of the mutual attraction and repulsion of magnets to

propel, levitate and align the "railway" vehicle. As the vehicle is propelled forward it
passes over coils for levitation laid on the ground. These coils, as they receive current from a substation, become electromagnets and react with electromagnets on the vehicle to keep it suspended above the coils.
BART General Manager, Frank Wilson, unveiled his plan for restructuring the transit's system's organization.
BART Director Erlene DeMarcus announced today that over 27,000 residents of Pleasanton, Livermore and Dublin will have the opportunity to ride BART Express buses free between the Hacienda Park & Ride and BART trains during the month of October. The promotion was to introduce local residents to the Hacienda Park & Ride lot at the corner of Chabot Drive and Owens Drive in Pleasanton, was well as to offer potential riders a no-cost way to try the new "UX" non-stop bus service between the Park & Ride and BART's Bayfair Station.
BART auctioned off items, which were left on BART trains, in BART stations and parking lots. Only items that have been unclaimed for at least 90 days are auctioned.
A new record for BART daily ridership was set today when 247,712 trips were made on BART. More than 30 percent of the paid attendance set at 49,400 at the first of the 1989 World Series Playoff games, or 14,957 baseball fans rode BART to the Oakland Coliseum.
BART Director John Glenn announced that BART will conduct a public meeting on the Warm Springs BART Extension. Here, public comments will be solicited about the scope of the environmental issues to be studied.
Reconstruction began on a parking lot project at the Walnut Creek Station that will create 255 additional parking spaces. When the work is completed, the Walnut Creek
will have 1,518 parking spaces.
"Batter Up" rang through out the Oakland Coliseum Stadium to signal the start of the 1989 World Series when the "1989 Trans-Bay World Series" got underway between the Oakland A's and the San Francisco Giants. BART's maintenance crew hung World Series Banners at the Montgomery Street BART Station. These banners were designed and developed by BART's Documentation Dept.
BART General Manager, Frank Wilson announced that three new top managers have joined BART's reorganization to fill three newly created positions. Deputy General Manager, filled by John Haley, Jr., at a salary of \$92,000 annually plus relocation expenses. Assistant General Manager of Operation filled by James T. Gallagher, at a salary of \$90,000 annually plus relocation expense. Executive Manager of District Relations and Public Services, filled by Brigid Hynes-Cherin, at an annual salary of \$86,000. Also Ralph Weule, who was Department Manager of Safety, has assumed the post of Executive Manager of Safety and Investigations at an annual salary of \$80,000.
7.1 EARTHQUAKE ROCKS THE SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA!
At a little after 5:04, an earthquake centered near Santa Cruz struck the Bay Area and inflicted death and destruction over a wide area. BART's facilities came through the temblor practically unscathed, but the earthquake collapsed a portion of the Cypress freeway in Oakland and knocked down a portion of the upper roadway on the Bay Bridge. In San Francisco portions of other freeways and ramps were closed until their structural integrity could be investigated. The earthquake, which measured 7.1 on the Richter scale, the sharpest jolt to hit the Bay Area since 1906, in just a few devastating seconds placed squarely on BART's shoulders the prime responsibility for moving commuters back and forth across the Bay.

lift parking restrictions on city streets adjacent to BART stations. BART worked with local communities and businesses to secure additional parking at satellite lots. If the lots were not within walking distance of a BART station they will be served by connecting bus service to the nearest BART station.

Thousands of commuters switched to BART to get to and from work breaking records for weekday patronage. BART had placed 60 additional cars in service and scheduled trains at more frequent intervals throughout the day. To ease congestion at BART ticking vending machines, BART personnel sold \$5 and \$10 tickets from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m., Monday through Friday at the Fremont, Bayfair, San Leandro, MacArthur, Concord, Rockridge, El Cerrito Del Norte, Richmond, Daly City BART Stations, and at Embarcadero, Montgomery and Powell Street Stations between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m.

- November 15, 1989.... BART's Transbay Tube reached a record high of 228,480.
- November 16, 1989.... BART's patronage reached a new record high of 357,135.
- November 17, 1989.... Bay Bridge re-opened for the first time after the October 17 earthquake.
- November 30, 1989.... BART patronage is averaging close to 260,000 a day, on weekdays, since the opening of the Bay Bridge.
- **December 3, 1989....** BART's around the clock "owl" service was discontinued as of regular Sunday service at 9 a.m.
- **December 4, 1989.....** BART instituted the "Early Bird" service to provide half-hour service on two BART lines every weekday from 4 a.m. until the start of the morning commute. In addition, the District provided full four-route evening commute service until 7 p.m. instead of 8 p.m., which was instituted as part of the special post-quake service.
- **December 4, 1989....** New Mission Police Koban opens with HUGH community celebration. Supervisor Jim Gonzalez today unveiled the final plans for the official opening of the Mission Police Koban (mini-police station) to be held on Friday, December 15, at 12 noon at BART's 16th & Mission Plaza in San Francisco. The \$35,000 price tag for the custom-designed Koban has been totally funded by a grassroots campaign comprised of over 800 individuals, Latino families, merchants and corporate donors. The Mission Police Koban also marks the first time the staffing will be shared by the San Francisco Police Dept., BART Police and U.C.S.F. Police Dept., seven days a week, from 12 noon to 8 p.m.
- **December 7, 1989...** Nello Bianco, veteran BART Director of El Sobrante was elected president of the BART Board of Directors. Erlene DeMarcus of Pleasanton to be Vice-President.
- **December 7, 1989...** Representatives of the San Mateo County Transit District presented a \$10,000,000 check to BART as the initial payment on the cost of the Colma extension, the first element of the BART extension to the San Francisco Airport.
- **December 8, 1989...** BART's General Manager, Frank Wilson announced that effective immediately the Transit District will take over the final completion work for the Integrated Control System (ICS) project. Total cost for the project was \$40 million with \$20.2 million going to Logica.
- **December 9, 1989...** BART's Shopper's Special will again provide direct service between Richmond-Daly City and Fremont-Daly City on Sundays through December 17 and on December 24. Eight additional trains on these Sundays provide direct service into San Francisco in the morning and back to the East Bay in the afternoon.
- **December 10, 1989..** BART began Sunday train service at 8 a.m., instead of 9 a.m., on two of its lines. This new service will continue at least though March 26.
- **December 11, 1989..** BART President Nello Bianco announced the chairpersons and membership of the standing committees of the Board of Directors. Director Joe Fitzpatrick, Lafayette, will chair the Administration Committee, with Directors Arlo Hale Smith, San Francisco, as Vice-

Chairperson and Margaret K. Pryor, Oakland, as a member. Director Smith will serve as Chairperson of the Engineering and Operations Committee, with Directors Michael Bernick, San Francisco, as Vice-Chairperson and Sue Hone, Berkeley as a member. Director Pryor has been named Chairperson of the Public Affairs, Access and Legislation Committee, with Directors Wilfred T. Ussery, San Francisco, will serve as Vice-Chairperson and John Glenn, Fremont, as a member.

- **December 12, 1989...** President Bianco will chair the formation of the Santa Clara County Liaison Group and will be assisted by Directors Margaret K. Pryor, Oakland; Michael Bernick, San Francisco; and Arlo Hale Smith, San Francisco; with Vice-President Erlene DeMarcus, Pleasanton, serving as alternate. It is Bianco's intention to combine the activities of the former Fremont to San Jose Corridor Study Liaison with those of the Santa Clara County Liaison Group.
- **December 16, 1989...** BART conducted a major test of the newly completed Daly City Turnback, which is part of an overall program to increase passenger capacity on the BART system, making is possible to operate more trains during peak weekday service. BART expects to increase the level of peak commute service early next year.
- **December 19, 1989...** BART Board of Directors today authorized the general manager to implement a comprehensive drug program, which not only complies with new federal guidelines but also offers a balanced approach, which emphasizes the Transit District's commitment to the safety of both the public and to its employees. It offers incentives for employees with substance abuse problems to voluntarily seek help through a comprehensive Employee Assistance Program, including treatment, provides a comprehensive education and training program for supervisors in the identification and detection of abuse; and provides education for all employees for drug/alcohol abuse.
- **December 20, 1989...** BART's Lost and Found office will be open on Wednesday and Fridays only, from 12 noon to 6 p.m. This change in hours is necessary because of the large number of items being lost on BART trains, in BART stations and parking lots.
- **December 22, 1989...** BART held its 11th annual Christmas Safe Holidays program. Volunteers from local community groups served free coffee, cookies and doughnuts at selected BART stations in an effort to promote riding BART as a safe alternative to driving. Local television and radio stations provide public service announcements in support of the program.
- December 29, 1989... BART held its 11th annual New Years Eve Safe Holidays program.
- **December 31, 1989...** BART extended service until 2 a.m., New Year's day morning. Normal closing is at 12 midnight.
- January 5, 1990..... Nello Bianco, BART President and BART Director Sue Hone held a groundbreaking ceremony at the El Cerrito BART Station, which will signal the beginning of construction of a new four level parking structure. When completed in the spring of 1991, the new parking facility will provide a total of about 1,300 parking spaces or 900 additional parking spaces at this station. The contract was awarded to C. Overaa Construction of Richmond at a cost of about \$9 million.
- January 5, 1990..... BART Board President Nello Bianco announced that he and General Manager Frank Wilson have signed the first two of three international "cross-border lease" agreements with a major Swedish company for the financing of transit cars that will ultimately bring the Transit District approximately \$3 million.
- January 5, 1990.... BART Director Erlene DeMarcus announced that BART had reached a major milestone with the completion of the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) on the Dublin/Pleasanton Extension (DPX) and is now available. The report, costing approximately \$600,000 was begun in January, 1989.
- January 11, 1990... BART Board of Directors authorized a demonstration program, which will extend the use of the AC/BART Plus MUNI ticket until June 30, 1990. Under this program the use of the AC/BART Plus MUNI ticket can be used on AC Transit, BART and the San

	Francisco MUNI, as it was used on an emergency basis following the October earthquake.
January 20, 1990	BART conducted a six-hour saturation test of the Daly City Turnback by operating 51 trains on all four lines of the BART system. The Daly City Turnback is a key element of BART's overall plan to increase passenger capacity by operating more trains during the peak weekday service.
January 29, 1990	All BARTPOOL (carpool) parking restrictions shall be enforced through the BART system. The BARTPOOL (carpool) program offers designated close-in carpool parking spaces for vehicles carrying at least two or BART patrons. In order to park in the reserved carpool parking area, each BARTPOOL participant must have a proper permit and must use BART to reach his/her destination. BARTPOOL designated parking spaces will be at the Concord, Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek, Lafayette, El Cerrito Del Norte, Daly City, Fremont and Hayward BART Stations. Violators will be issued a citation.
February 8, 1990.	The BART Board of Directors today unanimously adopted the Final Environmental Impact Report and a recommended three-station project for the long awaited Dublin/Pleasanton extension. Board Vice-President Erlene DeMarcus, who represents Castro Valley, Dublin and Pleasanton areas said the three station sites are located at: I-580 at Redwood
Road	in Castro Valley; West Dublin/Pleasanton, west of I-580/680 interchange; and East Dublin/Pleasanton, near the planned I-580/Hacienda Drive interchange. The 12-mile extension project is estimated to cost about \$514 million.
February 12, 1990	BART officials announced that it will be continuing its special "Early Bird" service, which begins at 4 a.m. weekday mornings on two lines, Richmond-Fremont and Concord-Daly City.
February 17, 1990	"BART STOPS WHERE YOU SHOP" is the slogan of the BART promotion to encourage the use of BART for shopping trips. As part of this program, 20,000 designer shopping bags which carry a stylized version of the "ba" BART logo, was given away, one to a customer, while they lasted, at all BART stations.
February 19, 1990	BART General Manager Frank Wilson called a special meeting with officials from the San Mateo County Transit District (SAMTRANS) in an effort to finalize the BART/San Mateo San Francisco Airport Extension agreement. The total amount to come to BART under the principles of agreement signed by both agencies in June 1988 will be \$200 million. (A \$10 million check was presented to BART in December in anticipation of the final agreement, which is in a special escrow account.)
February 20, 1990	BART Board President Nello Bianco testified before the State Senate Transportation Committee in Sacramento that it is imperative the Transit District now begin a process to purchase additional rail cars to serve planned extensions.
March 1, 1990	BART officials and the San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans) signed the comprehensive agreement that will signal the start of the project to extent BART from the present Daly City BART Station to the San Francisco International Airport (SFO).
March 21, 1990	BART's Assistant General Manager of Operations, James Gallagher, conducted a press briefing on BART's vehicle inspection and maintenance procedures and programs at BART's Hayward Shops.
March 25, 1990	BART conducted a major multi-casualty drill, which involved eleven local agencies, including medical, fire and police services of the Contra Costa County communities served by BART. The scenario of the drill was that a BART train has struck an automobile, which has crashed through a maintenance gate and has stalled on the BART system mainline track. The two forward set of wheels of the BART lead car are derailed and there is extensive damage to the train operator's cab.
March 28, 1990	BART's General Manager, Frank Wilson, conducted a press briefing to cover the elements of the agreement signed on March 27 with the City of Dublin concerning certain traffic improvement plans having to do with the building of a BART station in the City of Dublin

	as part of BART's Dublin/Pleasanton Extension (DPX).
April 2, 1990	BART officials announced that BART Police will begin a concentrated program to enforce the law prohibiting eating or drinking on trains or in the paid area of the stations. Tickets will be issued for violation of the no eating or drinking policy on BART, which may result in a fine of up to \$250.
April 2, 1990	BART's table ticket sales were discontinued at eight BART Stations. This ticket sales program was initiated as a post-earthquake activity to relieve what was expected to be very heavy use of the BART ticket vending machines in the stations.
April 8, 1990	The San Francisco Giants baseball team took BART for their "work trip" to get them to the Oakland Coliseum for the last of the 1990 pre-season game against the Oakland Athletics. The special Giants three-car BART train departed the Daly City BART Station at 9:30 a.m. to take the team, their families, and members of the Giants organization to the Oakland Coliseum.
April 19, 1990	BART held a mock trial of the automobile with a judge, jury, prosecution and defense, and a real automobile for "Alternative Transportation Day" as part of the Earth Day week celebration.
April 23, 1990	The "DX1" BART Express Bus route between the Hacienda Business Park in Pleasanton and the Walnut Creek BART Station via Highway 680, was streamlined and starting earlier on weekdays.
April 28, 1990	BART held its semi-annual "Lost and Found Auction" on the plaza above the Lake Merritt BART Station. These are items that are found on BART trains, in BART stations and parking lots. BART collected \$6800, which goes into BART's General Fund.
May 1, 1990	Safeway Stores began selling high-value and discount BART tickets as the newest member of the transit system's "Tickets-To-Go" program. Safeway will start with 111 stores selling BART tickets. BART's "Tickets-To-Go" program started in December 1983.
May 4, 1990	BART celebrated Cinco de Mayo for the eighth consecutive year with lively ethnic music, song and dance above BART's Lake Merritt station in Oakland.
May 10, 1990	BART Board of Directors took a major step forward with the Dublin/Pleasanton extension by giving the go-ahead for the first phase of the project's final design. Also approved was the go-ahead for the final systems design for the entire extension program.
May 11, 1990	BART Director Joe Fitzpatrick announced the building of a new parking structure at the Pleasant Hill Station. When completed it will accommodate 1350 cars. The contract also calls for building an additional 200 spaces adjacent to the structure.
May 14, 1990	BART Director John Glenn announced the release of the Draft Environmental Impact Report for the Warm Springs extension. The proposed Extension is defined as a 5.4- mile, two-station extension with one station located in the Irvington District and one station located in the Warm Springs District of Fremont.
May 16, 1990	BART held a public "scoping" session on the Rockridge BART Station Improvement Project. The project will include a new parking structure, which would add 425 new BART parking spaces, 17,900 square feet of retail space, 42,600 square feet of professional office space and 30 housing units.
May 20, 1990	BART provided special early morning train service from 12 BART stations for runners going to the Bay to Breakers race in San Francisco.
May 24, 1990	BART General Manager, Frank J. Wilson, announced that he had authorized the start-up of the final design work on the West Dublin BART Station, as final design work proceeds on the Dublin/Pleasanton extension project.

May 25, 1990	The Rapid Transit Association (RTA) of the San Francisco Bay Area sponsored its Seventy Annual Transit Business Opportunities Seminar.
May 30, 1990	A group of 40 students from the California School for the Blind, Living Skills Center for the Blind, and the Orientation Center for the Blind met at the 19th Street Station for an orientation tour of BART.
June 6, 1990	In order to accommodate those planning to attend the performances of "The Ring" at the San Francisco Opera House in San Francisco, BART will run one extra train. This train will depart the Civic Center BART Station in San Francisco at 12:30 a.m. on each night the opera is performed (June 8-29).
June 23, 1990	Beginning today and through July 8, BART will provide daily Express Bus service between the Hayward BART Station and the Alameda County Fair in Pleasanton.
June 28, 1990	BART Board of Directors adopted a \$208.2 million, no deficit, no fare increase, operating budget for the coming fiscal year. The new budget proposes to increase BART train service by about 10 percent, with 51 trains, peak hour service to begin something during the first quarter of the new budget year, and 52 train, peak hour service in February 1991.
June 30, 1990	Nelson Mandela, Deputy President of the African National Congress attended a rally at the Oakland Coliseum in Oakland. BART increased the normal Saturday capacity of its system by nearly 100 percent.
	More than 70.5 million trips were made on the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) system during the fiscal year, which ended June 30, 1990. This new record of annual ridership represents an increase of 16.7 percent over the previous year, when about 60.5 million trips were made.
July 1, 1990	BART's special "Family Fare" program began for the fourth year, and will be available each weekend through September.
July 9, 1990	Work began on the roadway entrances to the Fremont BART Station. The project will involve mobilization and traffic control, asphalt and concrete removal, excavation, grading and compacting subgrade, driveway and bus pad construction, asphalt concrete construction, repairs and rehabilitation work, and other miscellaneous roadwork.
July 13, 1990	Nello Bianco, BART Board President announced that Sunday service is now being provided on the BART Express Bus Route "J", which serves the El Cerrito Del Norte BART Station.
July 15, 1990	Lucky stores began selling high-value and discount BART tickets as the newest member of the transit system's "Ticket-To-Go" program.
July 16, 1990	Work began on the roadway entrances to the Union City BART Station. The project will involve mobilization and traffic control, asphalt and concrete removal, excavation, grading and compacting subgrade, driveway and bus pad construction, asphalt concrete construction, repairs and rehabilitation work, and other miscellaneous roadwork.
July 17, 1990	BART sold \$179,730,000 in sales tax revenue bonds, the purpose of which was to refund outstanding sales tax revenue bonds that had been issued by BART in 1985. According to A.R. Teragawachi, BART's Controller/Treasurer, the primary purpose of the bond sale was to reduce the amount of interest payable by BART on its outstanding debt.
July 18, 1990	A groundbreaking ceremony was held at the site of the new West Livermore BART Park & Ride Lot. Erlene DeMarcus, Vice-President of the BART Board of Directors hosted the ceremony, which many local and regional dignitaries attended. The lot will accommodate 153 cars and will use 2.1 acres of the 53.5 acres BART had acquired in this area for future use as a BART station site and other facilities.

July 23, 1990	A groundbreaking ceremony was held at the Pleasant Hill BART Station. BART Director Joe Fitzpatrick and other Contra Costa County and Bay Area Dignitaries were in attendance. The start of work on the 1,500 space automobile parking structure will increase the number of parking spaces by 1,200, bring the total number of parking spaces available to 3,000.
July 24, 1990	Blue Ribbon Panel report was presented to BART's Board's Engineering and Operations Committee. The panel was to review and assess the current status of the CCS project, which has been designed to ultimately replace the current control system, installed before the system first opened in 1972.
August 9, 1990	BART held a public hearing in order to receive public comment on a proposal to implement a parking control system at the Rockridge, Orinda and Lafayette BART Stations based on payment off 25 cents in numbered slot coin boxes in the paid area of the stations. The parking control would be effective Monday through Friday, except holidays, from 3 a.m. to 11 a.m. The control system is being proposed to cut down on use of station parking by non-patrons who take up spaces BART riders could otherwise use.
August 10, 1990 and	A demonstration was held for the news media of how the new high value automatic ticket vending machines will work. BART completed the installation of 182 modified and retrofitted ticket vending machines that will accept \$10 and \$20 bills as well as \$1 \$5 bills and coins.
August 23, 1990	BART Board of Directors lowered the BART property tax rate for the tenth year in a row for the fiscal year, which began on July 1. The property tax rate in the three BART counties for the present fiscal year 1990/91 has been sent at 2.50 cents (.0250) percent) per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of property. This represents a reduction of .69 cents (.0069 percent) from the 1989/90 fiscal rate of 3.19 cents (.0319 percent) per one hundred dollars in assessed valuation of real properties.
September 4, 1990	BART General Manager Frank J. Wilson announced that BART would now accept delivery of the remaining ten "C" cars which he had ordered stopped last January as a result of a contract dispute with the new car's French manufacturer, Soferval.
September 18, 1990	BART operated three extra trains during the morning and evening commute hours as its contribution to "BEAT THE BACKUP" day.
September 24, 1990	BART "kicked-off" the start of a pilot recycling program at the El Cerrito Del Norte BART Station. The recycling bins will also be located at the El Cerrito Plaza Station.
	BART Board President Nello Bianco announced the appointment of an ad hoc committee oard to initiate discussions with the Port of Oakland Commission on direct rail to the Oakland International Airport.
October 9, 1990	More than 25 percent of the paid attendance, set at 40,029, at the third game of the 1990 World Series playoff games, or 10,800 baseball fans rode BART to the Oakland Coliseum. A new record for BART daily ridership was set when 271,512 trips were made on BART.
October 10, 1990	A public scoping meeting was held in Walnut Creek to review plans and discuss the potential impact on the environment of a parking structure and bus transit center at the Walnut Creek BART Station.
October 11, 1990	A public scoping meeting was held in Union City to review plans and discuss the potential impact on the environment of a parking structure and bus transit center at the Union City BART Station.
October 15, 1990	A public scoping meeting was held in Oakland to review plans and discuss the potential impact on the environment of a parking structure and bus transit center at the Fruitvale BART Station.

- October 16, 1990.... A public scoping meeting was held in Concord to review plans and discuss the potential impact on the environment of a parking structure and bus transit center at the Concord BART Stations.
- **November 2, 1990....** BART's official grand opening ceremony for the Dublin/Pleasanton Extension (DPX) Field Office was held in Pleasanton.
- November 14, 1990... A dedication ceremony was held at the site of the new West Livermore BART Park & Ride lot. This will accommodate 153 cars and will use 2.1 acres of the 53.5 acres BART has acquired for a future BART station site and other facilities.
- **November 25, 1990...** Beginning today and every Sunday until Christmas, BART will run limited direct service from Richmond to San Francisco and Fremont to San Francisco. Also a special "Express" train direct to San Francisco on the Richmond line and one on the Fremont line in additional to the "Shopper's Special".
- November 30, 1990...The first gift, newspaper, magazine and sundry "City-X-Press" stores opened for business
at the Embarcadero Station. Nine City-X-Press stores will be placed in various
BART stations by February, 1991. Under the contract, Host International will operate the
stores as a concessionaire. In additional to selling newspapers, etc., the stores
will be selling the high-value blue BART tickets for \$30, which has \$32 worth of BART
rides. Also available will green tickets for senior citizens and the red tickets used by children
ages 5-12 and handicapped persons.
- **December 3, 1990....** BART General Manager, Frank J. Wilson reported that a major earthquake drill held was held this morning by the transit district, and in his view, it was a major success.
- **December 4, 1990....** Beginning today at the San Leandro BART Station, BART Police conducted the first in series of six "crime prevention" demonstrations. These programs will provide BART Patrons and others with the means to "fight back" and help lower the crime rate on the BART system. Available at the programs will be information about such programs as "B.A.A.T.", BART Against Auto Theft; "P.A.C.", Patrons Against Crime; and, the BART Police Canines.
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- **December 21, 1990....** BART held its 12th annual Christmas Safe Holiday program at 12 BART stations. Volunteers from local community groups served free coffee, cookies and doughnuts in an effort to promote riding BART as a safe alternative to driving.
- December 28, 1990.... BART held its 12th annual New Year's Eve Safe Holiday program at 12 BART stations.
- **December 31, 1990....** BART extended service until 3 a.m. New Year's Day in order to accommodate late night celebrants.
- January 14, 1991..... BART General Manager Frank J. Wilson held a press briefing to announce that the transit district and Soferval, the French manufacturer of the systems 150 new C-Cars, have signed an agreement that will eliminate a \$128 million claim again BART, and result in BART netting some \$3 million in cash.
- January 24, 1991..... BART Board of Directors held a public hearing to solicit public comment on a proposal to set aside parking for casual carpoolers at the Orinda and Lafayette BART Station and charge them not less than \$2.60 per day.
- **January 26, 1991....** The Office of Crime Prevention of the BART Police Dept. held a "Crime Prevention Day" at the Bayfair BART Station.
- **February 1, 1991.....** BART Chief of Police Harold Taylor announced the appointment of Kevin J. Sharp, Sr. as the new BART Deputy Chief of Police.

- **February 15, 1991....** BART General Manager Frank J. Wilson held a press briefing to praise the FBI, IRS and BART Police for their thorough investigation, which has resulted in today's announced indictments of two former BART employees.
- March 15, 1991...... BART Board President Erlene DeMarcus and BART Director Sue Hone announced the beginning of a recycling program at BART's Berkeley Station in partnership with the City of Berkeley.
- March 18, 1991..... BART announced the beginning of the transit system's planned station and facilities rehabilitation program.
- March 31, 1991...... BART announced that the transit District's two major Unions, United Public Employees Local 790 and Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1555 broke off labor negotiations aimed at an early settlement, rejecting a three (3) year wage and benefit package increase totaling \$29 million.
- April 1, 1991...... BART hosted a public ceremony to launch the new "BARTPlus" multi-transit ticket. The new BARTPlus commute ticket will offer for the first time, a single ticket good on nine systems -- BART, AC Transit, SamTrans, SF MUNI, Santa Clara County Transit, County Connection, BART Express Buses, Union City Transit, and the Dumbarton Bridge Connection.
- April 6, 1991...... BART held a public auction of items found on trains, in stations and parking lots, which BART collected \$7,057.
- April 15, 1991...... BART and Caltrans have signed an agreement, whereby, Caltrans will reimburse BART for the cost of projects that have been defined as part of an overall interim program in relieving traffic problems caused by the destruction of the Cypress Structure during the October 1989 earthquake. The program has an estimated cost of \$755,000, and is designed to improve the transit bus access to the Bayfair Station.
- May 3, 1991..... BART celebrated Cinco de Mayo at BART headquarters with a host of special quest speakers, entertainment and refreshments.
- May 11, 1991...... BART held an auction of over 130 bicycles found on the system.
- May 19, 1991.....BART again provided special early morning train service from 12 BART stations for
runners going to the Bay to Breakers race in San Francisco.
- May 23, 1991.....BART General Manager Frank J. Wilson announced the approval from the California
Transportation Commission (CTC) on a breakthrough-financing plan that will allow BART
to surge ahead with two of its planned extension. The CTC's action commits \$133 million;
\$35 million for North Concord/West Pittsburg extension in Contra Costa County, and
\$98 million for the Dublin/Pleasanton extension in Alameda County.
- May 30, 1991...... BART conducted an orientation tour for a group of students from the California School for the Blind, the Orientation Center for the Blind, East Bay Skills Center, and the Oakland School District at the 19th Street BART Station. The student, along with their instructors, received familiarization training on the layout of a BART station, fare collection equipment, train operations at stations, revenue train layout and station wayside equipment, from BART's safety, station operations and train operations staff.
- June 20, 1991...... BART Board of Directors adopted a \$219.9 million operating budget, which represents a increase of \$11.7 million or about 5.6 percent over the current operating budget. TheBART Board of Directors awarded the first contract for the Pittsburg/Antioch Extension to P&M Pipeline. The contract is for approximately \$87,000, and calls for construction of a new 8-inch diameter sewer line.
- June 28, 1991..... BART and its two major unions continue in round-the-clock negotiations in order to prevent a work stoppage on Sunday, June 30, 1991, at midnight, which would result in

	major traffic and travel problems throughout the Bay Area.
June 30, 1991	BART General Manager Frank J. Wilson announced that he has asked the Governor to call for a 60-day cooling off period in order to avoid the threatened strike by union employees.
July 4, 1991	BART kicked off, for the fifth year, its special "Family Fare" program. Under the program, two children up through the age of 12 years may ride BART free when a person using a full-fare BART ticket accompanies them. The plan will be offered on weekends during the months of July, August and September.
July 8, 1991	BART in cooperation with local governments, school districts, non-profit agencies, union and other various local associates provided summer employment worksites for from the three counties of the BART District.
July 12, 1991	BART held a dedication ceremony of the new four-story parking garage at the El Cerrito Del Norte BART Station. The 850-space garage is the first multi-story BART parking structure built in the East Bay, and symbolizes the transit district's plans to expand, extend and enhance the system in the 1990s.
	BART Executive Manager of Labor Relations Larry Williams announced that the transit system's two major unions broke off negotiations this afternoon after only one hour of talks.
July 16, 1991	BART General Manager Frank J. Wilson called on the transit system's two major unions to come back to the bargaining table today, to meet with the District negotiators and not leave until an agreement is hammered out.
July 17, 1991	The Treasurer of the United States, Ms. Catalina Vasquez Villalpando, toured the headquarters of the Bay Area Rapid Transit District. Mrs. Villalpando addressed the staff, then boarded a BART train for a ride on the system.
July 18, 1991	BART General Manager Frank J. Wilson announced that a grant in the amount of \$11.5 million was awarded from the Federal Urban Mass Transportation Administration for the engineering and design of the San Francisco Airport extension project.
July 25, 1991	BART Board of Directors awarded a \$427,333 contract for the paving of a gravel lot located near the Daly City BART Station at St. Charles Avenue. The new paved lot will accommodated 280 automobiles.
August 14, 1991	BART unveiled its new information kiosks. The kiosks are triangular in shape with information display areas on all three sides and have plastic holders for eighteen brochures and pamphlets about BART, and space for special information from BART's Police Department. The kiosks will be in all 34 stations.
August 27, 1991	BART Director Nello Bianco announced that the district will enter into a unique partnership with the City of Martinez for a proposed new intermodal transit system to be located downtown. The proposal calls for a new updated facility that would include large bus bays for improved bus/train connections, and as many as 600 parking spaces.
September 3, 1991	BART General Manager Frank J. Wilson announced that BART managers and union negotiators reached a tentative agreement for a new three-year labor pack.
September 11, 1991	HAPPY NINETEENTH BIRTHDAY BART!!!! Since the system opened on September 11, 1972, BART has a carried a total of 891,174,500 passengers over 11.5 billion passenger miles, with an average daily ridership of 250,000.
September 24, 1991	BART provided extra service for "Beat the Backup" day to help encourage more commuters to leave their cars and hop-a-board the Transit system's trains. BART also operated special direct train between Concord and Fremont in both the morning and evening commute periods, and extended direct service in the evening between San

Francisco, Fremont and Richmond until 9 p.m.

- October 9, 1991..... In a joint news conference, BART and San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans) announced a new accelerated schedule for beginning construction on the Colma Station Extension project, the first leg of the San Francisco Airport Extension.
- October 10, 1991..... BART held a public meeting on the West Contra Costa Extension Alignment Study (WCCX) to present the results of an initial evaluation and screening of potential routes and possible station locations for the future extension of BART in West Contra Costa County from Richmond to Crockett.
- October 14, 1991..... BART began a 90-day test of an electronic parking control system at the Rockridge Station. The purpose of the is program is to insure that parking spaces at the Rockridge Station are being used by BART patrons.
- October 19, 1991..... An \$18 million project, the "Wayside Train Control/System Performance Modification" (WTCSPM) began to modify electronic equipment along the trackway between the Daly City and Balboa Park Station. It will allow nearly double the number of trains now operating on the system at one time, and will provide improved overall service.
- October 24, 1991..... A "mini" press conference was held to provide a preview and advance information on BART's extension groundbreakings planned for Friday, October 25. A fifty-foot balloon announcing, "BART Will Be Coming Soon To A City Near You."
- October 25, 1991..... The first phase of BART's \$2.6 billion extension program began officially today with simultaneous groundbreaking ceremonies for the East Dublin/Pleasanton and the West Pittsburg extensions. BART's total extension program will add 33 miles and 10 stations to the existing 71.5-mile, 34 -station system, increasing the existing system by 46%.
- October 27, 1991..... BART held a major multicasualty drill, which involved nine other agencies including, medical, fire and police services in San Francisco. The drill took place at the Balboa Park BART Station.
- **November 15, 1991....** BART Director John Glenn announced that BART has completed a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) on the proposed BART extension to Warm Springs.
- November 21, 1991.... BART's Board of Directors honored two individuals from the disabled community at its regular meeting. Rodne Stribling, who died in September, was honored posthumously for his work as Chairperson of the BART Accessibility Task Force in 1991, his leadership in implementing the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Also honored was Mike Cole for his contributions to accessible transportation and his work as Vice-Chairperson of the BART Accessibility Task Force from 1989 to 1991.
- **December 1, 1991.....** It worked so well in past years...we are going to do it again this year! BART's "Shopper Specials"--direct trains between San Francisco and stations on the Richmond, Fremont and Concord lines on Sundays during the holiday season.
- **December 6, 1991.....** BART Director Wilfred T. Ussery of San Francisco was elected President of the BART Board of Directors and BART Director Nello Bianco of El Sobrante was elected Board Vice-President.
- **December 12, 1991....** A public hearing was held in the BART Board Room where public comment was received on the Draft Paratransit Service Plan in response to the American With Disabilities Act (ADA). The draft plan addresses the provision of paratransit services in Alameda, Contra Costa and San Francisco Counties.
- **December 13, 1991.....** BART held a special dedication ceremony to officially inaugurate the new Intermodal Transit Facility at the Bayfair BART Station. The newly complete bus facility will accommodate 15 buses at one time, which are 11 more than the station could handle previously. The project cost about \$860,000 and was financed in part by Federal Highway Act funds made available to BART through the California Department of Transportation, as part of their Cypress

Structure Traffic Mitigation Program which is designed to improve the accessibility of public transit and relieve congestion along the 880-980 corridor.

- December 17, 1991.... BART Board President Wilfred Ussery and General Manager Frank J. Wilson headed for Dallas, Texas to participate in the signing of the new federal highway and transit bill by President George Bush. The new bill, which was recently passed by Congress, authorizes \$568 million for BART's San Francisco Airport extension, and the Tasman Light Rail project in Santa Clara County, and \$12.6 million for parking at BART's East Dublin/Pleasanton Station.
- **December 19, 1991....** BART Board President Wil Ussery announced that the transit District has just received authority from the Federal Transit Administration formerly the Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA) for an additional \$50 million to construct the Colma Station and parking structure.
- **December 20, 1991....** BART Board President Wil Ussery announced the appointment of BART Directors to standing and special committees for the coming years. Director John Glenn of Fremont will serve as Chairperson of the Administration Committee with Director Joe Fitzpatrick of Lafayette as Vice-Chairperson, and Director Margaret K. Pryor of Oakland is the third member of the committee. Director Erlene DeMarcus of Pleasanton will serve, as Chairperson of the Engineering and Operations Committee with Director Sue Hone of Berkeley as Vice Chairperson, and Director Michael Bernick of San Francisco is the third member. Director Hone as Chairperson with Director Glenn as Vice-Chairperson and Director James Fang of San Francisco as a member. A "New Technology Committee" of which Ussery is Chairperson and Director Bernick is a member. The second new committee, the "Salary Review Committee" will be chaired by Director Hone with Director Fitzpatrick as Vice-Chairperson and President Ussery as a member.
- December 20, 1991....BART held it's "Thirteenth Annual Safe Holidays" program at twelve stations in an effort
to promote riding BART and other public transit as a safe alternative to driving the
Area's crowded highways.
- **December 23, 1991.....** BART introduced a brand new commuter information display system at the Embarcadero Station. The new state-of-the-art video system is being installed at no cost to BART by MetroVision of North American Inc. to provide enhanced passenger information and offer up-to-date news, weather and sports both local and national, and advertising.
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- January 7, 1992..... The BART Board's Engineering and Operations Committee received a status report on the transit system's planned purchase of 50 new transit vehicles with options for the purchase of up to 200 more.

Kicking off BART's 20th Anniversary year, a commemorative ticket is being placed in the vending machines located in all BART stations.

- January 13, 1992.... A reward of \$5,000 was offered by the BART Police Department for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the suspect(s) responsible for the shooting of Gracie Blankinship at the Coliseum BART Station on Sunday, January 5.
- **January 23, 1992.....** BART approved a new program (to be consistent with the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA) to provide transit service to people with disabilities who cannot use existing rail or express bus service. The new law requires that each public transit agency, regardless of whether it receives federal money, provide comparable paratransit services to disabled persons who cannot use fixed route services.
- January 24, 1992..... BART Director Sue Hone was elected Regional Representative for Region VI of the American Public Transit Association's (APTA). This committee has the primary responsibility of providing assistance to public transit policy makers in matters concerning

	national transit policy and guidelines through the planning and presenting of seminars and literature to assist them in making timely and informed decisions.
February 1, 1992	A new era of coordination between Bay Area transit systems begun, when the new Premium BART Plus Program began. Under this program the new multiple-use transit tickets will be good on Golden Gate Transit's ferry service to Sausalito and Larkspur, Vallejo Transit, Dumbarton Express, Benicia Transit, AC Transit (except Transbay), SamTrans, Santa Clara County Transit long-haul services, San Francisco MUNI, and BART Express buses, as well as all of the other systems that participate in the BART Plus program.
February 5, 1992	BART inaugurated its new system-wide newspaper-recycling program at the Powell Street Station. BART is sponsoring the recycling program in conjunction with the San Francisco Chronicle and the San Francisco Examiner. Total cost of the bins for all stations was \$25,000.
February 10, 1992	The metered parking program at the Rockridge BART Station was once again activated. The purpose of this program is to insure that parking spaces at the Rockridge are being used by BART patrons.
March 17, 1992	BART Board of Directors voted to buy 80 new C-Cars from Morrison Knudsen Corporation (MK) in the amount of \$141.6 million. Selection of MK to build the new cars was recommended to the board by BART staff who determined the MK was the best qualified bidder in terms of superior technical rating, lowest price and highest overall
evaluation score.	
March 20, 1992	BART in participation with Contra Costa County, PG& E, Oak Knoll U.S. Naval Hospital, Oakland, The University of California School System held a Job Expo, "BART Means Business" at the Pauley Ballroom, University of California, Berkeley.
April 14 & 16, 1992	BART held a pre-construction open house on the Colma Station Extension. BART engineers, planners and community relation's staff were on hand to discuss the project and respond to inquiries and suggestions. Project graphics and a scale model of the Colma Station were on display for public viewing.
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June 4, 1992	For the sixth year, BART offered its special "Family Fare" program each weekend through September, including the Labor Day holiday on Monday, September 7. Under the program, two children up through the age of 12 years may ride BART free when a person using a full- fare BART ticket accompanies them.
June 15, 1992	Demolition of vacant houses adjacent to the existing BART tracks in San Lorenzo began, as work proceeds on the BART Dublin/Pleasanton Extension.
June 22, 1992	BART trains began operating on a whole new schedule, providing faster service and more convenient train-to-train transfers during evening and Sunday, when only two lines are operating. The new schedule will reduce travel time by about 10 percent, and waiting time for evening and Sunday transfers by about one-third.
June 23, 1992	BART General Manager Frank J. Wilson renewed his agency's pledge to set aside \$4 million as revenue to be shared with fourteen bus systems to provide feeder bus service to BART stations.
July 20, 1992	Construction of a new intermodal bus transfer facility at the El Cerrito Del Norte BART Station. The project is designed to increase the number of bus loading stops and improve automobile circulation as well as, pedestrian access to the station. This will be an eight- month project and construction will be accomplished in four phases.
July 23, 1992	The Supervising Engineer of the State Public Utilities Commission has written BART to give assurances that "CPUC staff is satisfied that safety was not compromised by the new revenue service schedules that went into effect on June 22, 1992.
August 20, 1992	BART secured \$168 million in critical funds from the state of California following more than a year and a half of hot pursuit to complete Fund Transfer Agreements. The funding agreements are between BART and Caltrans derived from propositions 108 and 116.
August 8, 1992	BART auctioned 58 used District vehicles, including eight used vans, three used station wagons, thirty-six used trucks and eleven used sedans.
September 1, 1992	Start up work on the Pittsburg/Antioch Extension (PAX) along the Port Chicago Highway is set for early September. BART Director Joe Fitzpatrick announced the start up today in a mailing to approximately 2,400 residents and businesses in the North Concord area.
September 11, 1992	BART celebrated two decades of service to the people of the Bay Area with a giant cake cutting ceremony held in Justin Herman Plaza in San Francisco. The event was capped off with items being placed in to a BART time capsule, and the cutting of the cake. BART has carried almost one billion passengers more than 12 billion passenger's miles.
September 13, 1992	BART conducted an extensive and dramatic "Multi-casualty Drill" inside the Transbay Tube. The drill, involving 10 public agencies, stimulated a fire in an immobile train under the Bay. This was the first evacuation drill BART has conducted inside the Transbay Tube since 1983.
September 15, 1992	Director Mike Bernick called together five of the leading experts in the country to present their view and analysis on an alternative sources of power that could lower BART's staggering yearly electricity bill, decrease the United States' dependence on foreign oil, improve the economyand prove environmentally safe, sound and sufficient. BART spends more than \$21 million on power each year.
September 17, 1992	Construction on the critical beginning segment of BART's Dublin/Pleasanton Extension (DPX) started along Elgin Street, Kent Court and Lynn Court in San Lorenzo.
September 20, 1992	BART offered early morning service to accommodate travelers during the scheduled four- hour Oakland/San Francisco Bay Bridge closure and the participants in the across the Bay Bridge."
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September 25, 1992	Construction of 5.5 miles of trackway from East Castro Valley Blvd. to Foothill Rd. in

	Dublin began this week in the median of I-580. Earlier this year, two bridges were completed in the median of I-580 over Eden Canyon and Schaefer Ranch Roads to accommodate this trackway contract.
October 1, 1992	BART Board of Directors announced the appointment of Christine Apple to the position of District Secretary, make her the first women to ever hold that position in the District's history.
October 1992	Demolition or removal of seven vacant residences and businesses and the former Castro Valley School District began to prepare an area for the new 1,200 space Castro Valley BART station parking area.
	Construction of 5.5 miles of trackway from East Castro Valley Blvd. to Foothill Rd. in Dublin is beginning this week in the median of I-580, which will eventually carry the new BART tracks over the Dublin Canyon Hills, a vital link in the Dublin/Pleasanton Extension.
October 8, 1992	BART was awarded three Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grants totaling more than \$1 million that will help the transit district develop innovative 21st Century technologies that could greatly improve service for its patrons and enhance its taxpayer's investment.
October 15, 1992	BART Board President Wil Ussery announced that the transit system is the recipient of a \$200,000 grant from the Federal Transportation Authority (FTA) for the purpose of determining the feasibility and establishment of a new class of public/private sector partnerships.
October 24, 1992	Construction begins on the new 1,225 parking space, four level parking structure at the Hayward BART Station. This facility will create about 900 additional parking spaces and schedule to be opened in April 1994.
October 27, 1992	BART's Police Department conducted a series of crime prevention demonstrations in conjunction with National Crime Prevention Month at various BART stations.
October 29, 1992	BART and PG&E officially launched a joint "Electric Vehicle Demonstration Project" at the Lafayette BART Station. The project entails the daily use of an electric-powered van that will deliver PG&E employees to the Lafayette BART Station. During the day, while the employees are at work, a state-of-the-art vehicle charging system that will be installed at the Lafayette station will charge the Electric Van.
November 14, 1992	Construction began on the new Concord Station Parking Garage. The new four-level, 900 space parking structure, which includes 300 existing parking spaces, is expected to be completed by spring of 1994, at a cost of approximately \$10,000.00
November 19, 1992	BART held a public hearing for the purpose of soliciting public comments on the BART Coordinated Paratransit Service Plan in response to the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA). Under the Act, BART is required to provide paratransit service to those consumers within 3/4 miles of a BART station or bus stop and is unable to use BART's accessible fixed route (rail and bus) service.
	A public hearing was held for the purpose of soliciting public comment on the proposed ticket pricing for the one-year TransLink demonstration project beginning in January 1993. TransLink is a project between BART and the Contra Costa County Transit Authority (CCCTA) to demonstrate the effectiveness of multi-operator, stored value tickets and ticket reading equipment on board CCCTA and BART Express buses.
November 29, 1992	BART's "Shopper Specials"direct trains between San Francisco and station on the Richmond and Fremont linesoffer a great alternative to the time, expense and energy spent driving around in holiday traffic. BART offered this special service during limited hours beginning today and every Sunday until Christmas. As an added service, BART offered a special "Express" trains direct to San Francisco on the Richmond line and one on the Fremont line in addition to the "Shopper's Special".

December 1, 1992	Beginning today, the parking control system at BART's Rockridge Station will be in effect. For the past two weeks the new parking control system has been operating under a grace period to allow for familiarization with the program before citations are issued.
December 2, 1992	Judge Thelton E. Henderson, Chief Judge of the United Station District Court for the Northern District of California has upheld BART's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise(DBE) Program for the BART extension construction contracts in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties. Judge Henderson issued a ruling, which permits BART to apply, with some modifications, its DBE program to construction contract. The federal government does not
fund these contracts.	
December 4, 1992	The latest contract on the Dublin/Pleasanton Extension (DPX) was awarded at nearly \$700,000 under the engineer's original estimate cost. This is the sixth completed contract to be awarded at less than the originally estimated cost.
	Three new BART Directors were sworn in today. Sherman Lewis of Hayward will represent District 5; Roy Nakadegawa of Berkeley will represent District 3; and, Dan Richard of Orinda will represent District 1.
December 8, 1992	Veteran BART Director Nello Bianco of El Sobrante made history today when he was elected for the fifth time by his colleagues on the Board to serve as President of the Board of Directors. Director Margaret K. Pryor of Oakland was elected Vice-President.
December 9, 1992	BART Board President Nello Bianco appointed committee members. Director Michael Bernick of San Francisco as Chair of BART's Public Affairs, Access and Legislation Committee and Director Sherman Lewis as Vice-Chair and Director John Glenn as its member. BART Board President Nello Bianco appointed Director James Fang of San Francisco to head up the Board's critical Oversight Committee. The committee will oversee the private consultant's review of BART's Cash Handling procedures. Director's Fang, Bianco and Board Vice-President Margaret K. Pryor will personally inspect BART's Cash Handling Building.
December 10, 1992	The community was invited to the Grand Opening of BART's Pittsburg/Antioch Extension (PAX) Community Center. Newly elected BART Board Director Dan Richard hosted the open house, which featured information displays and demonstrations providing guests with opportunities to meet and discuss the extension with architects, engineers and community relation's staff.
	BART Board President Nello Bianco named Director James Fang of San Francisco to chair BART's Engineering and Operation Committee with Director Michael Bernick of San Francisco as Vice-Chair and newly elected Director Dan Richard as a member.
December 14, 1992	BART Board President Nello Bianco appointed Director Dan Richard as Chair of BART's Administration Committee and newly elected Director Roy Nakadegawa as Vice-Chair and Wil Ussery as its member.
December 18, 1992	BART General Manager, Frank J. Wilson held a press conference on last nights (December 17) derailment just south of the 12th Street/City Center BART Station.
December 22, 1992	BART General Manager was pleased to announce the reopening of the closed line through downtown Oakland for full normal service beginning tomorrow. A special team of investigators assembled at BART's request found that there were several contributing factors, which caused the derailment.
December 23, 1992	BART Police will be feeding 50 needy families around the bay area over the next few days with delivery of all kinds of food donated and paid for with donations of cash by BART employees. Employees at BART's maintenance shops traditionally adopt needy families and provide food and toys.
December 31, 1992	BART trains will be in operation until 3 a.m The late train service is being offered to

	reduce the number of automobiles on the highways and to accommodate late night celebrants.
January 14, 1993	BART invites the general public to attend special Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. birthday celebration at BART Headquarters.
February 11, 1993	BART Board of Directors awards contract to build the Colma Station and extend BART farther into San Mateo County. Dillingham Construction, Inc., of Pleasanton, was awarded the contract for \$36.8 million.
March 1, 1993	The bus portion of the "BART Plus"ticket, which is good on BART and acts as a flash pass on nine bus systems, which is currently priced at \$10, increased by \$4. Each ticket is good for a half-month period, from either the first of the month to the 15th, or from the 16th through the end of the month.
March 19, 1993	BART officially opened the Colma Station Extension (CSX) Community Service Center with a community-wide Grand Opening celebration, co-hosted by SamTrans, and attended by residents from the surrounding area, including Colma, Daly City, and Broadmoor.
April 2, 1993	BART held a special kick-off event for BART's new Super Owl and Double Sunday Service at the Powell Street Station. The new expanded service will include BART's "Super Owl", which will extend service on Friday and Saturday nights from midnight to 2 a.m., and "Double Header" Sunday Service special Express BART trains that will operate between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. from the MacArthur, downtown Oakland and downtown San Francisco BART stations.
April 8, 1993	Representatives of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service (IRS) distributed tax forms and made available general information about the income tax filing procedures and assisted with other information at the Embarcadero and Montgomery Street BART Station during the month of April.
April 15, 1993	BART awarded the contract to construct the five-level, 1,400-space parking structure on the Colma Station Extension in San Mateo County. A contract for \$32.4 million was awarded to the joint venture of Morse Diesel International of New York, and Bomel of Orange, California.
April 22, 1993	BART General Manager Frank J. Wilson advised the Transit District's Board of Directors that a proposal agreement had been reached with the Alameda County Transportation Authority (ACTA), which will bring a total of \$230 million to the funding mix for the Dublin/Pleasanton Extension.
May 5, 1993	BART invites the general public to celebrate Cinco de Mayo at BART Headquarters.
May 12, 1993	BART conducts an orientation tour for the visually impaired and other persons with disabilities at the 19th Street BART Station as part of its on-gong program of making the system as accessible as possible for people with disabilities.
May 16, 1993	BART provides special early morning train service from all East Bay station and San Francisco beginning at about 6 a.m. for the Bay to Breakers race in San Francisco.
May 17, 1993	BART kicks off "Try Transit Week". A national program, which is being done in conjunction with the American Public Transit Association in order to give recognition to the many benefits of using public transit.
May 21, 1993	BART was awarded \$22.5 million from the Federal Transportation Administration (FTA) to begin work on the San Francisco Airport Extension.
June 15, 1993	BART held its annual automobile auction, which included thirty (30) used vans, nine (9) used trucks and sixteen (16) used sedans.

June 30, 1993..... BART adopts a balanced operating budget for Fiscal Year 1994. The new fiscal operating

	budget calls for expenditures totaling \$220.4 million, a \$3.9 million cut from the preliminary budget that was submitted to the Board in March.
July 7, 1993	BART was awarded the funds it needs to put 30 Electric Vehicles (Evs) on the road next spring. The Bay Area Air Quality Management District granted BART \$700,000 in AB434 funds - the highest grant possible - to fund BART's Electric Vehicle Station Car program. The award is the largest in the nation ever given by an Air Quality board for electric car implementation.
July 8, 1993	BART and SamTrans hold a joint Public Scoping Meeting to hear public and agency comments on the alternatives presented for study and the social, economic and environmental impacts to be considered in the BART to the San Francisco Airport (SFO) Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR).
	One hundred and fifty-three young people began working part-time jobs at BART, as part of the transit district's 8-10 week "Summer Youth Employment Program."
July 29, 1993	BART unveils the first 20 of 122 giant girders for the aerial structure connecting the existing BART system to the Concord Station for the Pittsburg/Antioch Extension.
July 30, 1993	BART awards contract for the Castro Valley Station and parking lot to Walsh Pacific Company of Monterey for \$20.6 million.
September 11, 1993	BART - 21 YEARS OLD AND GROWINGHAPPY BIRTHDAY BART!
September 21, 1993	BART opens a second community service center for BART's Dublin/Pleasanton Extension. The Center is located at 6500 Dublin Blvd., Suite C, and will be open every Tuesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
September 21, 1993	BART released the final report on the transit system's December 17, 1993 derailment of a train in a downtown Oakland Tunnel.
September 24, 1993	BART and Southern Pacific Lines hosted a special mid-day commuter rail excursion train from Kirkham Street in West Oakland to Brentwood and back to Kirkham Station to demonstrate potential "Fast Trak" service.
September 26, 1993	BART provided special early morning train service, beginning at 5 a.m., from all East Bay and San Francisco stations to the 12th Street/City Center Station in downtown Oakland for the "Lifespan - The Run Across the Bay Bridge" race.
September 28, 1993	BART purchased a 14.9-acre site in the Hacienda Business Park in Livermore for \$7,150,000 from the Prudential Insurance Company of America. The property will be a vital part of the East Dublin/Pleasanton Station, providing about 1200 parking spaces for BART passengers using the new station.
October 19, 1993	BART received high marks on its report card from the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) Triennial Audit of the Transit district's overall performance. The audit is conducted every three years on a rotating basis for all of the Bay Area's Transit operators. BART was favorably rated in all five of the key performance indicators, reducing operating costs, increasing passenger loads and improving employee productivity. The audit also cited top performance in such areas as increased ridership, on-time performance, improved employee productivity, reduced costs due to operating efficiency and well-structured goals and objectives.
November 5, 1993	BART's tailtrack subway structure completed on the Colma Station Extension. The \$3.5 million structure will house the BART tailtrack until work begins on the extension to SFO. It will be connected to the new station by a bridge.
November 17, 1993	BART awards contract to Consolidated Landscape Services to construct the long-awaited 92-space Brentwood Park and Ride. The contract amount awarded was \$452,555,
eighty	percent federally funded and the balance of local funding contributed by BART.

When and	completed, BART riders will be able to park at the lot and hop a BART Express Bus connect to BART at the Concord Station.
December 17, 1993	BART awards contract to place tracks along the 14-mile Dublin/Pleasanton Extension route. The contract was awarded to California Contracting/A.S. Tadros, a joint venture. for \$13.9 million. This "follow-on" contract will begin in January to lay track over completed trackway and aerial structuresinitially in Castro Valleybut eventually over the entire length of Alameda County's newest rail extension.
December 19, 1993	BART sponsors "Take Our Sons to Work Day". BART employees brought their sons to work to give them a close, behind the scenes look at what it takes to keep BART operating day in and day out.
December 22, 1993	Veteran BART Director Margaret K. Pryor of Oakland, was elected president of the transit system's board of directors for 1994. Mike Bernick of San Francisco was named vice president.
January 13, 1994	BART General Manager, Frank J. Wilson nominated to become the Commission of the Department of Transportation for the State of New Jersey.
January 14, 1994	BART Board approves new name for West Pittsburg Station. From here on it will be called the Pittsburg/Bay Point Station. The new station will be build in the Highway 4 median at the intersection of Bailey Road, which is in Bay Point. The parking lot will be in Pittsburg.
	World Wall for peace at the Fruitvale BART Station. Students from St. Elizabeth's High School in Oakland carried 3600 tiles that were painted for the Fruitvale portion of the "World Wall for Peace". Tiles were also painted by Golden State Warriors, BART Directors, staff and a series of tiles showing herself releasing a dove were painted by celebrity Whoopi Goldberg. The artist/coordinator and founder of the wall is Carolyna Marks.
	In observance of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, BART extends an invitation to the general public to attend a special "Returning To The Dream of Martin Luther King" celebration at BART.
February 10, 1994	Board approves a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between BART, the San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans), Santa Clara County Transit District (SCCTD), and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) to pave the way toward assuring access to sufficient Federal funding to complete both BART's San Francisco Airport Extension and Santa Clara County's Tasman Light Rail Extension. The funding will come from the Federal Transportation Administration (FTA). The Intermodal Surface Transportation and Efficiency Act (ISTEA) earmarked \$568 million for the two Bay Area projects through FY1997.
February 11, 1994	Alameda County Superior Court throws out a lawsuit brought against BART by Cubic, a San Diego company that manufactures Automatic Fare Collection equipment. The lawsuit, which had been filed in October 1993, sought an order to stop BART from awarding a \$7.9 million contract to Scheidt and Bachmann, for the purchase of new Automatic Fare Collection equipment, which will be installed in BART's new extension stations. Cubic's bid for the contact came in at \$14.7 million or twice the amount of the successful bidder.
February 23, 1994	The White House announced the award of \$19.5 million in Defense Conversion funds to an alliance of BART, Hughes Aircraft and Morrison Knudsen Corp. to develop and Advanced Automatic Train Control System (AATC). The new system will nearly double the current number of passengers BART can carry during the congestion morning and evening commutes and eliminate the need for a second, multi-billion Transbay tube.
	The last girder for the aerial trackway, which will carry BART toward East County, was set on BART's Pittsburg/Antioch Extension. The 75-foot reinforced concrete behemoth was hoisted into place, marking the last of 122 girders on the aerial structure, which extends one-mile from the existing Concord Station platform, through downtown and up

the median of Port Chicago Highway to High School Avenue. February 28, 1994.. A new electronic parking control systems begins at the El Cerrito Del Norte BART Station. The purpose of the program is to insure that parking spaces at the station are being used by BART patrons. March 21, 1994..... BART opens its brand spanking new operations control center. The Operations Control Center (OCC) is located in a large room underneath the Lake Merritt Administration building and replaced the old "central control room" which make history when the system first opened in 1972. BART board selected Richard A. White of San Francisco to be BART's new General March 24, 1994..... Manager. April 6, 1994..... BART General Manager Richard A. White announced the appointment of Dorothy W. Dugger to fill the transit district's Deputy General Manager position. Ms. Dugger will b the first woman in BART's history to hold the Deputy General Manager's position, which was vacated when White was named to be the transit, system's new General Manager. A preliminary report by the American Public Transit Association "Peer Review" panel April 28, 1994..... found that the transit system's Police Department was overall a high quality operation. More than 400 daughters of BART employees participated BART's second annual "Take Our Daughters To Work Day". May 17, 1994..... BART reached an agreement with several of the food vendors it had brought suit against this past January, to implement the Board's action taken in September 1993 to eliminate the sale of food on BART property as of January 1, 1994. The agreement will allow the food vendors to do business on BART property for five years, beginning May 16, 1994. May 23, 1994..... Deborah S. Wetter named Executive Manager of External Affairs. She replaces Dorothy W. Dugger, who was named Deputy General Manager in April. June 1, 1994..... BART introduces "Customer Connections" at various BART stations. The program is designed to put BART staff directly into personal contact with BART passengers, by answering questions, handling problems and listen to customer concerns about BART. BART releases results of a recently completed market research conducted for BART, which surveyed 1,001 Bay Area registered voters in four counties on their use and perceptions of BART service, Bay Area traffic congestion, current travel modes to and from the San Francisco Airport (SFO), and whether or not the planned BART SFO extension should to, or outside the airport. June 2, 1994..... BART's System Safety and Transportation Departments conducted an orientation tour for the visually and other persons with disabilities at the 19th Street BART Station. June 4, 1994..... BART held a special "Open House" at the Hayward Yard and Shop. June 8, 1994..... BART, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and AC Transit have ratified an agreement which will result in some \$651 million -- \$200 million in BART-generated revenue and \$450 million in federal and regional dollars -- being made available toward funding the much needed rehabilitation of BART's transit cars and other physical facilities over the next six years. Additionally, the six-year package provides additional operating assistance to AC Transit to pay the cost of passenger transfers between AC Transit and BART. June 14, 1994..... BART welcomes Brazilian art exhibit, Arte no Metro, from the Sao Paulo Metro Company, at the Powell Street BART Station. Arte no Metro displays the artwork of prominent Brazilian artists that appear in eighteen of the Sao Paulo Metro Company's underground rail stations.

June 23, 1994	BART honors the BART team who won top honors in the maintenance category of the second annual "International Rail Rodeo" held in Sacramento on June 11.
June 30, 1994	The District and Local 1555 of the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) and United Public Employees, Local 790 (UPE) agreed to a continuation of the current contract beyond June 30 until a final contract offer is presented to the union membership for a vote.
July 6, 1994	A ribbon cutting ceremony was held to commemorate the opening of the new multi-story parking garage at the Hayward BART Station. The parking garage will increase parking capacity at the Hayward Station by slightly over 70 percent with a net increase of 878 new parking spaces, bringing the total number of parking spaces at the Hayward Station to 1939.
July 7, 1994	BART announced that BART employees represented by Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1555, and Service Employees International Union, Local 790 have voted to reject the contract offer submitted on behalf of the BART Board of Directors.
July 10, 1994	BART and their two largest unions, SEIU, Local 790 and ATU, Local 155 will announce a tentative agreement with ends the labor negotiations, which have been going on since May and resolve a threatened work stoppage.
July 17, 1994 a cooli	BART Board asked Governor Pete Wilson to intervene to avoid a strip at 12:01 a.m., Monday, July 18, 1994, called by Local 790 of the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) and Local 1555 of the Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU). The Board asked that ing-off period be continued until August 19, 1994.
July 22, 1994	Governor Pete Wilson asked the State Attorney General's Office to seek a court injunction establishing a 30-day cooling-off period to avert a BART strike with Local 790, Service Employees International Union (SEIU), and Local 1555, Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU).
July 28, 1994	As part of its on-going program of making the system as accessible as possible for persons with disabilities, BART established an outside telephone number, 510/834-LIFT, for information on the status of the District's station elevators.
August 4, 1994	Contra Costa County Superior Judge Minney issued a 60-day injunction heading off a strike by nearly 2,000 members of BART's two major unions, Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 1555, and Service Employees International Union, Local 790. The injunction will expire at midnight on Tuesday, September 20. A temporary restraining order blocking a strike or lockout had been in force since Sunday, July 24.
August 25, 1994	For the second year in a row, BART lowered the BART property tax rate for the new fiscal year, which began on July 1, 1994. The rate will be reduced from 2.40 cents (.0240 percent) to 2.35 cents (.0235) percent for \$100 assessed valuation of property.
August 27, 1994	A ribbon cutting ceremony was held to commemorate the opening of the new multi-story parking garage at the Concord BART Station. The parking garage will increase parking capacity slightly over 30 percent with a net increase of 543 new parking spaces, bring the total number of parking spaces to 2858.
	"Be coolBARTPOOL!" More than 200 parking spaces at the Concord station are being set aside for BART customers who want to take advantage of BARTPOOL. Under the pilot program, cars with two or more BART customers in them will be allowed to park in a reserved parking area close to the station.
August 31, 1994	BART welcomes the first of its new generation of transit cars at the system's maintenance facility in Hayward. The new transit car, called the C2, is designed to be used as a lead D trailing car on a train or as a mid-train car, which offers maximum operating flexibility. The new car, which was manufactured by Morrison-Knudson Corporation, is the first of an 80-car order under a \$141 million contract.

September 6, 1994	The new parking structure at the Walnut Creek BART station opens to the public. The new parking garage will increase capacity by slightly over 50 percent with a net increase of 885 new parking spaces, bring the total number of parking spaces to 2403.
September 14, 1994.	BART holds Castro Valley Station construction site tour.
September 16, 1994.	Transbay Tube celebrates 20th anniversary of its Grand Opening with an anniversary party and special Tube Tour. The once in a lifetime tour of the tube, deep in the depths of San Francisco Bay, was held between 2 a.m. and 4 a.m. Saturday, September 17.
September 17, 1994.	BART held auction of 29 used District vehicles.
September 20, 1994.	BART and representatives of Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 790 and Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) Local 1555 announce that a Tentative Agreement has been reached.
	BART and SamTrans open the SFO Community Service Center in the Tanforan Shopping Center located on El Camino Real and Sneath Lane in San Bruno. The center is being opened so that all interested people have direct access to information about proposed plans for extending BART to the airport as well as a way to sharing their comments about the project.
October 12, 1994	BART welcomed the West Berkeley Business Association's 'Electric Shuttle" to the world of Electric Commuting. The new electric bus will bring employees of the West Berkeley business community to and from the BART Ashby and North Berkeley stations.
October 26, 1994	Nearly 14,000 fans used BART trains to get to the Oakland Coliseum for the Rolling Stones concert. Ridership on the system for the day totaled 281,000.
October 27, 1994	BART's Board received a proposed revision to the transit system's 1995 fiscal year budget from General Manager Richard A. White which calls for further belt tightening and budget balancing actions to reduce an \$8 million deficit by \$4.1 million.
October 28, 1994	BART and SamTrans hold a joint inspection tour of the Colma Station Extension. The \$170 million project, with 25 percent of the costs being underwritten by SamTrans, is extending BART service 1.6 miles south of the Daly City Station.
November 1, 1994	State Transportation Director James Van Loben Sels, BART, MFS Network Technologies President and Chief Executive Officer Kevin P. Moersch, and Pitney Bowes Vice President of Credit and Operations Michale J. Leyh to sign the contract that will make BART a vital link in the fiber optics Information Superhighway.
November 2, 1994	BART in conjunction with Gateway Project joined together to kickoff the "Choosing Peace" campaign with the appearance of the "Quilt of Tears" at the Richmond BART Station.
November 30, 1994	BART secures the trackway and substations along the Pittsburg/Antioch Extension from the Concord Station up Port Chicago Highway to Highway 4, in order to energize the third rail, which carries 1,000-volts of DC current, and the substations along the extension. Beginning in December, BART will conduct a long period of system testing in advance of start up service next year to the new North Concord/Martinez Station.
December 1, 1994	BART in partnership with the Alameda, Contra Costa and San Francisco Food Banks, kicked off its holiday food drive.
December 5, 1994	BART resumes its customer outreach program "Customer Connections" at the Richmond BART Station.
	A public hearing was held on a proposal to modify the discount for TransLink tickets now offered as part of a just completed demonstration project. The proposal calls for ng the discount only to users transferring from Bus to BART, doubling the bus I discount to \$0.50 and eliminating the 6.25% discount now give at point of

purchase.

December 14, 1994	BART resumes its customer outreach program "Customer Connections: at the Coliseum BART Station.
	BART in conjunction with Chevron and Gateway Project joined together to welcome the "Choosing Peace" campaign to San Francisco with the appearance of the "Quilt of Tears" at the Powell Street BART Station.
December 15, 1994	BART Director Michael Bernick of San Francisco was elected President of the transit system's Board of Directors for 1995, and Dan Richard of Orinda was elected Vice President.
December 19, 1994	BART will hold a month-long program consisting of two public hearings (one morning, one evening), a series of community meetings and meetings with customers at several BART stations as part of a public outreach program inviting public comment and public input in finding new sources of revenue for BART, including the increase in BART fares - the first in nine years the institution of parking fees, and any reduction in discounts.
December 23, 1994	BART hosted its "Safe Holiday" program, offering free coffee, hot chocolate and cookies to holiday travelers at the Powell Street, MacArthur, Concord, El Cerrito Del Norte and Hayward Stations, in an effort to promote riding BART and other public transit system as a safe alternative to driving the Bay Area's crowded highways.
December 30, 1994	BART hosted its "Safe Holiday" program at the Powell Street, MacArthur, Concord, El Cerrito Del Norte and Hayward BART Stations.
December 31, 1994	BART provided late night train service, until 3 a.m., as part of the over-all community effort to reduce the number of automobiles on the highways and to accommodate late night celebrants.
January 6, 1995	BART held a special "Customer Connections" at the Union City BART Station as part of an extensive outreach program on a potential fare increase.
January 26, 1995	The BART Board of Directors approved the transit district's first fare increase in nine years, voting to raise fares in order to meet long-term finance needs and improve the system. The new fares will go into effect on April 1, 1995. The package will raise fares 15 percent this years, 13 percent in April 1996, and 11.4 percent in April 1997.
February 1, 1995	BART, SamTrans and the City of South San Francisco held an informal, drop-in Open House for the BART/San Francisco Airport Extension project.
February 2, 1995	BART, the City of Oakland, and the Citizens Planning Committee, a coalition made up of 15 neighborhood organizations held a Town Hall meeting to present three alternative concepts for development at BART's MacArthur Station in Oakland.
February 13, 1995	Inaugural run of BART's new C2 cars.
February 14, 1995	BART in conjunction with Gateway Project, American Zoetrope, Chevron, Landmark Theaters and Patrick Media Group welcome the "Quilt of Tears" to the Coliseum BART Station.
February 15, 1995	BART, SamTrans and the Federal Transportation Authority (FTA) held the first of three public hearings to take testimony regarding the BART/SFO Extension Draft environmental Impact Report/Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIR/SDEIS).
February 24, 1995	BART received a \$2.4 million interim dividend check from Argonaut, the workmen's compensation carrier for its impressive construction safety record on the Extensions Program, nearly half the national average rate for lost time due to injuries on the job.
February 28, 1995	A plan for development at BART's El Cerrito Plaza Station in El Cerrito was presented

	at a community meeting to invite public comment about the proposed development of a housing, retail and parking project at the station.
March 9, 1995	BART choose AEG Transportation Systems Inc. to rehabilitate BART's aging fleet of 439 original transit cars at a cost of \$330 million - making it the largest single contract in the transit district's history.
March 28, 1995	The "Quilt of Tears", the moving memorial to young victims of violent crimes, will be on display at the Concord Station.
March 30, 1995	BART in conjunction with Sandia National Laboratories will work together to develop "active noise cancellation techniques," a defense technology developed for the military in making BART cars quieter.
March 31, 1995	BART hosted a family-oriented Grand Opening celebration of its new Brentwood Park & Ride in Eastern Contra Costa County. The Brentwood P&R lot has space for more than 90 vehicles and is served by the BART Express PE and P2X buses to Pittsburg, Bay Point and the Concord BART Station, and locally by Tri-Delta Transit.
April 1, 1995	BART's first fare increase in more than nine years went into effect. Fares throughout the 71.5-mile, 34-station system, including fares on BART Express buses, increased approximately 15 percent.
April 4, 1995	A preliminary operating budget of \$249.8 million for fiscal year 1996 was presented to BART's Administration Committee.
April 7, 1995	BART joined forces with the Richmond Redevelopment Agency in conjunction with Americorp participants, girl scouts and neighborhood associations to place plants along Nevin Avenue walkways serving the Richmond station. This is the first in a series of improvements planned for the Richmond Station area.
April 13, 1995	BART honored three BART employees who were singled out for helping in the apprehension of two people vandalizing BART cars and a third who had been banned by court order from entering BART property.
April 17, 1995	BART and the United States Postal Service joined together to offer "tax relief" to customers. BART riders were offered the convenience of mailing their tax returns, ready for mailing, from thirteen BART stations during the morning and evening commute.
April 18, 1995	BART approves the award of a \$13.7 million contract to Conco Cement Company of Concord, California for the construction of parking facilities to serve the new East Dublin/Pleasanton Station.
April 19, 1995	BART held a grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony to commemorate the opening of the new San Francisco BART Police Station at the Powell Street BART Station. This is the first of the police department's zone facilities to open, with additional facilities to be constructed at the El Cerrito Del Norte, Bayfair and Walnut Creek Stations.
April 27, 1995	More than 250 daughters of BART employees were on hand with their parents for the third annual "Take Our Daughters to Work Day."
April 28, 1995	BART adopts of an extension route into the San Francisco International Airport. The routed adopted by the BART Board, called Alternative VI, is one of seven alternatives identified in the Draft Environmental Impact Report. It would extend the BART line a total of eight miles, from Colma south to a station in Hickey, South San Francisco, then to a station at Tanforan, and continue on to San Bruno. South of San Bruno the line would turn east, going under Highway 101, then south into the San Francisco Airport with a station under the planned new International Terminal. From the International Terminal the line would continue south and then curve in a westerly direction back underneath Highway 101 to Millbrae Avenue where an intermodal BART/CalTrain Station would be built.

May 8, 1995	In anticipation of issuing a new series of revenue bonds, BART received an upgraded rating from single A+ to double AA-, from Standard & Poor's Rating Group, a AA rating from the Fitch Investors Service, and Maintained an A1 rating from Moody's Investors Service.
	Investors had nearly \$500 million at the ready to buy the bonds. From BART, \$135 million was snapped up in a demand market of more than three times the supply.
May 15, 1995	"Try Transit" week begins. A national program to give recognition to the many benefits of public transit.
May 21, 1995	BART provided early morning special service from all East Bay station and San Francisco, beginning at 6 a.m., for the world famous Bay to Breakers race in San Francisco.
May 25, 1995	BART and MFS Network Technologies Inc. announced that MCImetro, a subsidiary of MCI, is the first company to sign on BART's fiber optic cable network, which is expected to begin installation this summer. Under an agreement between all three parties, MCImetro will gain access to the fiber-optic conduit system created under a unique public/private initiative established by BART and MFS Network Technologies Inc.
June 1, 1995	BART energizes the third rail for the Colma Station Extension from School Street in Daly City through the tailtrack located adjacent to the Italian Cemetery in Colma. The Colma Station Extension will add 1.6 miles of track south of the Daly City Station in San Mateo County.
June 15, 1995	The long planned extension of the BART system to the San Francisco International Airport is now facing serious threats due to the interference of special interest lobbying in Washington D.C. A letter was sent to each of the 18 member airlines calling for a halt to the airlines lobbying campaign against Federal funding for the BART airport extension. BART is seeking \$22.6 million in Federal assistance for the coming fiscal year to continue work on the BART/SFO Extension project.
June 21, 1995	BART receives approval of \$10 million in Federal funding by the House Appropriations Sub-Committee on Transportation for the planned extension to the San Francisco International Airport.
July 10, 1995	"Cure for Congestion" - BART begins direct train service between Concord and Bayfair. BART, with funding from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), is launching the program to help alleviate traffic during the remainder of the I-680/24 freeway reconstruction at the thoroughly congested interchange in Walnut Creek.
July 24, 1995	BART adds two stops to its special weekday train service around the I-680/24 bottleneck. The two special five-car trains from Concord that originally terminated at the Bayfair BART Station will now continue to the Hayward and South Hayward BART Stations.
July 27, 1995	BART held the first of two public hearings on the East Bay Paratransit Consortium's Proposed Paratransit Fare Structure. The second public hearing will be held by AC Transit on Wednesday, August 2 at 6 p.m.
July 31, 1995	BART releases its Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) for public review. The SRTP is a ten-year blueprint and financial forecast for the transit district, it covers the period of 1995 to the year 2005.
August 12, 1995	BART, AC Transit and the Oakland Coliseum teamed up to welcome the "Oakland Raiders" home. BART and AC Transit presented customers with a "blitz" of transit options and services that will make getting to and from the games as easy as possible.
September 11, 1995	HAPPY BIRTHDAY BART! BART celebrates 23 years of revenue service.

October 3, 1995	"Customer Connections" at the Fremont BART Station.
October 5, 1995	BART held a news conference to announce the December 16, 1995 opening date for the new North Concord/Martinez Station, the first new station to open in the BART system since the Embarcadero Station opened for passenger service in 1976.
October 16, 1995	BART's new train schedule goes into effect. The new schedules will add five trains, increasing the number of trains during peak hours to 50 from 45 and increasing the frequency of trains operating through the Transbay Tube to as little as 2.5 minutes from three minutes. All train arrival and departure times throughout the system will change by a couple of minutes.
	Senate Bill 184, which was signed into law by the Governor this week, amends the Public Utilities Code and will require Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E) to distribute power from BART's other supplier, Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) to multiple access points around the system. Power purchased from WAPA is now brought to the system only through the Union City Sub-station.
October 24, 1995	BART in conjunction with CALSTART, PG&E and Sybase were joined in a ribbon cutting ceremony by their Majesties King Harald V and Queen Sonja of Norway to welcome the arrival from Norway of the new electric station cars at the Ashby BART Station in Berkeley.
November 1, 1995	BART in conjunction with the City of Berkeley held a ceremony at the North Berkeley BART Station to honor participants of the RESPECT Program. The RESPECT program (Racial & Ethnic Sharing Providing Empowerment To Our Community Today) is an innovative approach to providing a safer community for Berkeley residents.
November 2, 1995	BART in conjunction with Larkin Street Youth Center joined together to present "Putting the Pieces Together", a 580 sq. ft. mural, at the Powell Street BART Station. The exhibit consists of ninety-six individual and collaborative tile mosaics, which reflect experience, thoughts and dreams of over 300 homeless and runaway youths.
November 7, 1995	BART held a public hearing concerning the termination of BART's participation of the TransLink Demonstration Project.
November 16, 1995	BART launched a student poster contest in conjunction with the December 16 opening of the North Concord/Martinez Station. The contest is to all students, kindergarten through 12th grade, in the neighboring Mt. Diablo Unified and Martinez School Districts.
November 19, 1995	BART in conjunction with the Oakland Raiders gave away special commemorative BART/Oakland Raiders calendars to five thousand lucky fans at the Oakland Coliseum BART Station.
November 30, 1995	Puerto Rican Secretary of Transportation and Public Works Carlos I. Pesquera and a retinue of officials toured the BART facilities as part of the secretary's five-day tour of major U.S. transit systems.
December 2, 1995	BART dedicates the new Colma Station marking the first step in connecting BART with the San Francisco International Airport. The Colma Station is not scheduled to open for revenue service until early 1996.
December 15, 1995	BART held a gala celebration to mark the pre-opening of the systems brand new North Concord/Martinez Station. The North Concord/Martinez station is the first leg of the Pittsburg/Antioch Extension. It provides 2,000 parking spaces and a transit center for bus connections.
December 16, 1995	First day of revenue service at the new North Concord/Martinez BART Station.
December 21, 1995	BART announces Saturday, February 24, will be the first day of revenue service for the

	new Colma Station in San Mateo County. Built at a cost of \$170 million, the Colma Station extends BART service 1.6 miles southward from the Daly City Station. The state-of-the-art intermodal Colma Station will feature connecting bus service provided by SamTrans and parking in a five-level, 1,400 space-parking garage.
	BART Board of Directors elect Dan Richard of Orinda as President of the BART Board for 1996, and Margaret K. Pryor of Oakland as Vice-President.
	BART Police Department kicked-off its 16th Annual Holiday Food Drive to help families and people in battered women's shelters.
January 29, 1996	BART and AC Transit initiated a new paratransit service to meet the needs of approximately 20,000 East Bay residents with disabilities who are unable to independently use the two systems directly.
February 8, 1996	BART Board voted to fully support the proposed new downtown San Francisco ballpark in China Basin.
February 23, 1996	BART and the San Mateo County Transit District (SamTrans) jointly celebrated the pre-opening the new BART Colma Station in San Mateo County, which is the first step in linking BART to the San Francisco International Airport. The station opens for regular customer service on February 24.
February 24, 1996	BART's new Colma Station and SamTrans Transit Center opens for revenue service with a "Community Celebration". The three-track, two-platform station is the second largest of BART's 36 stations. A five-story, 1,400 space parking garage adjoining the station was built above a BART maintenance yard while the yard was in daily service a first for construction in California.
March 5, 1996	The last of the 80 new C2-model transit vehicles that BART ordered were welcomed in a ceremony at the Hayward BART Yard Test Track. The new cars give BART a fleet of 669 transit vehicles, including 439 of the original BART cars and 150 C-model cars that were built by the French firm SOFERVAL.
March 13, 1996	 BART, SamTrans, and San Francisco airport officials jointly lauded the announcement made by the White House in Washington D.C. today that the Clinton administration has named the BART San Francisco airport Extension as one of the top priority transit projects in the nation. Estimated to cost approximately \$1.1 billion, the federal share of approximately 70% of the project cost will be about \$710 million exclusive of finance costs, with the remaining costs shared by SamTrans, the State of California and the San Francisco International airport for that portion of the line inside the airport property.
March 30, 1996	BART tracks between the North Concord/Martinez and Pittsburg/Bay Point BART Stations were electrified as BART began testing the automatic train control and propulsion power systems on the tracks between the two stations.
April 13, 1996	BART energizes the third rail from the Bayfair Station to the Eden Canyon road off-ramp of Interstate 580 in Castro Valley and begins a period of major systems testing in advance of start up service later this year for the entire extension.
April 27, 1996	BART opens new police satellite facility at the Walnut Creek BART Station. The new police facility will serve BART patrons on the Concord line. It was constructed as part of BART's overall program to enhance security for its patrons.
April 29, 1996	California Governor Pete Wilson sends letter to Congressman Frank Wolf, chairman of the House Transportation Appropriations subcommittee, naming a BART extension to the San Francisco International Airport as one of three transportation projects that represent California's top priorities for Federal appropriations in the up coming year.
May 2, 1996	BART engineers demonstrate trains operating under the Advanced automatic Train Control

	(AATC) system. AATC converts the U.S. military's radio position locating technology, which was successfully used during the Persian Gulf conflict in tracking equipment and troops, to pinpointing a speeding BART train to within 15 feet of its location including inside the 3.6-mile Transbay Tube.
May 9, 1996	BART enters into a 20-year agreement with Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) for the purchase of power at potential savings of \$9 million annually.
May 31, 1996	BART's General Manager, Richard A. White resigns effective July 26 to become the new GM of Washington Metro.
June 6, 1996	BART receives approval of \$35 million in new rail starts funding for the Bay Area by the House appropriations Sub-committee on Transportation, which means that the proposed BART Extension to the San Francisco International Airport can move forward on schedule this year.
June 10, 1996	BART and AC Transit begin new across-the -Bay paratransit service.
June 18, 1996	BART Board of Directors certified the final Environmental Impact Report for the BART extension to San Francisco International airport and adopted as a project Alternate VI, with aerial tracks over Highway 101 and into a station at the airport and a joint BART/CalTrain station in Millbrae.
June 26, 1996	BART began a seven-year program to thoroughly upgrade its entire original fleet of rail cars through a \$330 million contract with Adtranz.
June 27, 1996	BART releases the District's draft Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) or 10-year plan for public review, as required by the Federal Transit Administration (FT) to be eligible for future grant applications.
	BART approves a balanced \$269.1 million operating budget for the fiscal year that begins July 1.
	BART Board of Directors approved a \$500 limit on campaign contributions for this coming November elections.
July 1, 1996	BART and AC Transit expand the East Bay paratransit service to encompass eligible riders within a three-quarter mile radius of every AC Transit bus route between Albany and South Hayward.
July 19, 1996	BART postpones starting up the planned new Pittsburg/bay Point service until late this year, and Dublin/Pleasanton service until next year due to technical problems with integrating new BART extensions into the 25-year old core system, and the resulting need to concentrate on improving service levels.
July 24, 1996	BART in partnership with Wells Fargo Bank will now make is possible for transit system's riders to use their credit and ATM cards to purchase BART regular, and BART Plus tickets through new Credit/Debit vendors or "CAT" (Charge a Ticket) machines.
August 1, 1996	California Governor Pete Wilson signed legislation naming BART to manage the Capital corridor trains. Under the terms of the bill, BART will assume management responsibilities for the first three years. Amtrak will continue to operate the trains.
August 8, 1996	BART appointed Willie B. Kennedy to will the BART District Seat 7 recently vacated by former BART Director Wilfred Ussery.
August 14, 1996	BART announces appointed of Thomas E. Margro as General Manager of the District.
September 3, 1996	BART received the "Record of Decision" (ROD) from the Federal Transit Administration, which represents completion of the federal environmental process for the extension to the San Francisco International Airport project.

September 12, 1996.. BART approves two important contracts, one to replace 19 escalators in several San Francisco stations, and the other to generally refurbish several other station son both sides of the bay as part of the transit district's overall program to make the 24-year-old system like brand new. September 23, 1996.. BART offers a new multi-ride or high-value ticket worth \$48 at a selling price of \$45. This is in additional to the current discount ticket, which is valued at \$32 and can be purchased for \$30. September 26, 1996.. BART approves a Pre-Qualified Bidders List for the \$1.2 billion San Francisco International Airport project. This will same precious time in awarding the various contracts to consultants competing for work on the extension. BART will add a new feature in 20 of its stations - tactile information signs - to accommodate persons with sight impairment, and to meet the Federal American with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements. October 1, 1996..... BART begins "Bikes on BART" demonstration program. Bike permits will not be required and cyclists may board the rear portion of all cars except the lead car. The demonstration project runs through March 31, 1997. BART announced that its new Pittsburg/Bay Point Station will open at 6 a.m. on December October 3, 1996..... 7, 1996, four months earlier than originally anticipated. October 26, 1996.... BART opens its second BART police zone facility at the El Cerrito Del Norte Station. October 31, 1996... BART Board approves historical agreement between BART and the San Francisco International Airport (SFIA). The San Francisco airport commission approved the agreement yesterday, and it commits the airport to allocate up to \$200 million for construction of the BART extension on airport property. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) approved the airport's allocation plan on October 18, for all eligible project costs. BART commemorates the last stage of completion of its new bus-to-bus and bus-to-BART November 1, 1996... intermodal facility. the new bus-to-train facility will increase the bus bays from nine to twelve, improve access, and add new customer seating, landscaping and lighting. November 2, 1996... BART opens its third BART police zone facility at the Bayfair BART Station. November 21, 1996.. BART and AC Transit begin new East Bay paratransit service. November 25, 1996.. The San Francisco Board of Supervisors' approves an agreement with BART committing up to \$200 million in airport funds toward a BART station at San Francisco International Airport "represents the final local step in securing the necessary federal funding for the airport extension project. December 7, 1996.... Official opening of the new Pittsburg/Bay Point Station. The opening completes a 7.8-mile segment of the Pittsburg/Antioch Extension from the Concord Station. December 11, 1996.. BART names Bill Fleisher, a 30-year transportation veteran to the new post of Managing Director for Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Board for which BART will serve as managing agency in accordance with recently enacted state legislation. January 30, 1997..... BART invites public to an Open House on the BART Millbrae Intermodal Station. The Millbrae facility is one of four stations along the proposed 8.7-mile extension of BART to the San Francisco International Airport. February 13, 1997.... BART Board President Margaret K. Pryor announced that the U.S. Department of Transportation has refuted Airline Industry claims that funding from the San Francisco Airport for the BART/SFO Extension Project will constitute an illegal revenue diversion, and further, has affirmed the administration's strong support for the long awaited airport

	extension. The letter affirmed that the cost-sharing agreement between BART and the airport, which will contribute up to \$200 million to the project, adheres to federal law.
February 25, 1997	BART kicks-off its new program to declare war on graffiti and vandalism with the creation of a special TAG team made up of undercover police officers. Graffiti and vandalism costs the taxpayer-owners of the system \$1.6 million annually.
March 18, 1997	BART announces May 10 the official opening for the Dublin/Pleasanton and Castro Valley BART Stations.
March 20, 1997	BART joins the City of San Francisco, the San Francisco Airport Commission, United Airlines, and the Air Transport Association (ATA) in signing the terms of an agreement that will pave the way for BART to receive a Full Funding Grant Agreement for the BART/SFO Extension Project.
April 1, 1997	BART fare increase, the last of a three-phase increase that was first put into effect in 1995 following a nine-year period of no increases. The fares are scheduled to increase by 11.4 percent.
April 10, 1997	BART Board of Directors approved the final lease agreement with the San Francisco International Airport for the construction of that portion of the BART/SFO Extension on airport property.
May 5, 1997	BART discontinues direct service between the North Concord/Martinez and South Hayward BART Stations under a two-year agreement with Caltrans as part of Caltrans "Cure for Congestion" program for the I-680/Highway 24 interchange.
May 9, 1997	BART officials and elected representatives including keynote speaker U.S Congresswoman Ellen Tauscher celebrated the opening of the new Castro Valley and Dublin/Pleasanton Stations. (The stations officially open on Saturday, May 10).
May 10, 1997	BART's new Dublin/Pleasanton line officially opened for passenger service at 6 a.m. with the first train departing the Dublin/Pleasanton Station at 6:03 a.m. A community celebration was held at both the Castro Valley and Dublin/Pleasanton Stations featuring entertainment, raffles, giveaways and tours.
May 12, 1997	BART provided special early morning train service from all East Bay stations and San Francisco stations to the Embarcadero Station for the Bay-to-Breakers Race beginning at 6 a.m. from all 39 stations.
May 13, 1997	BART Board's Administration Committee considers discount fares for teenagers.
May 14, 1997	BART's System Safety and Transportation Department conducted an orientation tour for the visually impaired and other persons with disabilities at the 19th Street BART Station.
May 23, 1997	Under BART's recently launched "Zero Tolerance" fight against graffiti and vandalism on the transit system, its police have arrested 65 suspects. In addition to arrests, BART has collected \$1,363 in restitution for damages to property from parents of juvenile offenders.
June 19, 1997	BART Board announced the appointment of Scott L. Schroeder as Controller-Treasurer. Schroeder, BART's Assistant Treasurer, replaces Alvan R. Teragawachi, who retires from the District on June 30.
June 24, 1997	The BART Extension to San Francisco International Airport received its full, \$54.8 million FY98 appropriation from the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation along with language directing the Federal Transportation Administration to issue BART the long-awaited \$750 million Full Funding Grant Agreement by July 1.
June 27, 1997	The BART Board released the District's draft Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) and Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for public review. Required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the plans provide an analysis of operating and capital funding needs,

priorities, and funding strategies through FY2008.

- June 28, 1997 BART officials formally requested the Governor to call for a 60-day cooling off period in the face of a threatened strike by BART's three major unions.
- July 2, 1997..... A press conference was held in San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown's office as a follow up to the announcement yesterday of the Full Funding Grant Agreement for the BART/SFO Extension Project.
- July 7, 1997..... Governor Wilson calls for cooling off period in BART contracts negotiations. The cooling off period, which takes effect immediately, allows both BART and the unions additional time to reach a final agreement. During this time period, BART employees are prohibited from taking any strike action.
- July 11, 1997..... San Francisco Superior Court Judge Raymond Williamson dismissed a suit brought against BART and SamTrans that would have rescinded the BART and SamTrans Board of Directors approvals of the Environmental Impact Report, decertified the EIR and ordered a new EIR be drafted. The suit was brought by COST - the "Coalition for a One-Stop Terminal" - the Train Riders Association and Peninsula Rail 2000.
- July 24, 1997.....The American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) named BART a National Historic
Mechanical Engineering Landmark.
- August 20, 1997.... From July 1 through September 30, every time a BART or BARTPlus ticket is purchased from one of BART's special Charge-A-Ticket (CAT) machines, Visa U.S.A. will make a donation to Project 180, an organization committed to empowering and turning around the lives of the homeless.
- August 21, 1997....BART and the BART Police Officers Association (BPOA/SEIU Local 1008) reached a
preliminary agreement on a new labor contract.
- August 28, 1997....BART Board of Directors ratified a new four-year labor agreement with the BART Police
Officers Association (BPOA/SEIU Local 1008).
- September 1, 1997... Federal Transit Administrator Gordon J. Linton, BART officials, state and congressional representatives, county and city officials and members of the Spanish Speaking Unity council unveiled final plans for the Fruitvale Transit Village at the Fruitvale BART Station.
- September 5, 1997... BART officials say they will not grant unwarranted concessions to a Colma cemetery that has sued over the BART extension to San Francisco International Airport.
- September 7, 1997... A strike by BART employees has forced the shutdown of the BART system
- September 11, 1997... Happy 25th Birthday BART. (Celebration is postponed due to labor negotiations).
- September 15,1997.... BART train service resumes after an eight-day shut down.
- September 30, 1997... BART Board unanimously ratifies new four-year agreements with four unions.
- October 7, 1997...... Congressional Appropriations Committee in Washington. D.C. approved \$30.4 million in appropriations from the 1998 fiscal year budget for the BART extension to the San Francisco International Airport.
- October 9, 1997...... BART signs Memoranda of Understanding to implement environmental mitigation measures with six cemeteries belonging to the Coalition of Colma Cemeteries as a first step toward securing the necessary right-of-way for the BART/SFO Extension project.
- **November 3, 1997....** BART in conjunction with its local partners, SamTrans and the San Francisco International Airport (SFIA) officially marked the start of work with a ceremonial groundbreaking.
- December 18, 1997.... BART Board elected Director James Fang of San Francisco as President and Director Joel

Keller of Antioch as Vice President of the BART Board of Directors.

BART Board of Directors awarded a \$19.7 million contract to renovate 99 escalators at 26 original BART stations.

- **December 19, 1997....** BART demonstrated one of the Emergency 9-1-1 call boxes that will be installed in all BART Station parking lots and Park & Ride lots.
- **December 30, 1997....** Harlem globetrotters Orlando Antigua became the first person in the history of the world to dribble a basketball (on carpet) across the bottom of the San Francisco Bay inside a BART train traveling at 80 mph through BART 's Transbay Tube.
- January 26, 1998..... BART and officials of Cypress Lawn Cemetery sign a Memorandum of Understanding to implement environmental and mitigation measure that represent another significant step toward advancing the BART extension to SFIA.
- **February 10, 1998....** BART awards two major contracts for 90 percent of construction for the BART/SFIA Extension project.
- March 2, 1998...... BART participated in a public meeting to unveil design improvements at the 16th Street BART Station.
- March 12, 1998...... BART announced that investors recently snapped up approximately \$350 million in revenue bonds issued by the transit district, saving more than \$16 million in interest over the next 22 years. The savings will be achieved from refinancing portions of bonds issued in 1990, 1991 and 1995 at higher rates.
- April 3, 1998...... BART celebrates the future of regional transit with a community kickoff for the BART extension to the San Francisco International Airport. The event marked the recent award of \$70.5 million contract to the join venture of Swerdrup/Conco for construction of the Millbrae Intermodal Station and a \$526.5 million contract to the joint venture of Tutor/Saliba/Slattery for construction of the mainline from Colma to Millbrae. The two contracts account for 90 percent of all BART construction for the SFO Extension project.
- April 9, 1998...... BART enters into exclusive negotiations with La Salle Partners, a Chicago-based developer, on a proposal to develop a West Dublin/Pleasanton Station with private sector funding.
- April 13, 1998......BART announced that Pacific Gas and Electric Co. (PG&E) have completed work raising high-voltage power lines to allow for construction of the aerial guideways that will one day carry BART trains over US Highway 101 to a new station at San Francisco International Airport.
- April 17, 1998...... BART celebrated 25 years of service to the people of the Bay Area with a commemorative event held at the MetroCenter Auditorium. The event was capped off with the unveiling of five new traveling displays entitled: Buggy to BART; Early Construction; BART Events & Services; Current Project; and, BART's Future. The displays will be available for viewing by the public at various BART stations.
- **April 21, 1998.....** BART held a ribbon-cutting ceremony to mark the completion of the first major housing project on BART property. The project includes the construction of 96 units of affordable housing, the renovation of the historic Strobridge House, a three story Victorian, into three senior apartments, and a BART Police zoned facility.
- April 24, 1998...... BART completes the installation of 225 9-1-1 Emergency Call Boxes at 29 BART Station parking lots and Park & Ride lots.
- May 6, 1998.....BART's System Safety and Transportation Departments held an orientation tour for the
visually impaired and other persons with disabilities at the 19th Street BART Station.
- May 14, 1998.....BART approves a six-month pilot program offering teenage students reduced BART fares.
Students between the ages of 13 and 18 who are enrolled full-time in junior high or high

	school will be allowed to purchase \$33 tickets for \$25 a 25 percent discount off the full BART fare.
June 7, 1998	BART urged Muni to accept its offer to extend the BART/ Muni Fast Pass beyond the June 30 expiration date so that BART and Muni can continue the effort to work out a new agreement.
June 22, 1998	BART releases the District's draft Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) and Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for public review.
June 24, 1998	The Metropolitan Transportation Commission agreed to join BART and the California Transportation Commission in a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that will provide \$57.5 million in additional state funding for the BART extension to the San Francisco International Airport.
June 25, 1998	BART Board of Directors approved a balanced, \$300.3 million operating budget for the fiscal year that begins July 1.
July 1, 1998	BART's new "Bike-Friendly" policies go into effect. The new policies include increasing the hours bicycles are allowed on BART trains during the morning and evening commutes. Management of the Capitol Corridor intercity train service was officially transferred from Caltrans to the regional Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority (CCJPA).
July 9, 1998	BART receives first "Report Card" on electric vehicles giving the program high marks. Ninety-four daily commuters using 40 electric-powered Station Cars reduced "drive alone" car trips in conventional, internal combustion automobiles from 45 percent to 3 percent.
	BART seeks bids for construction of the subway station at Tanforan Park Shopping Center in San Bruno, one of four stops planned on the BART extension to San Francisco International Airport.
July 20, 1998	The first of four public workshops on Capitol Corridor Train Service under the sponsorship of the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority (CCJPA).
July 30, 1998	As part of the BART extension to SFO, BART and the San Mateo County Flood Control District begin undertaking improvements to Colma Creek, which carries storm water runoff from the city's western hills to San Francisco Bay. More than \$10 million worth of work will be done over the next two years, most of it paid for by BART.
August 10, 1998	An additional 109 parking spaces became available for all-day parking at the Castro Valley BART Station, when a portion of "Mid-day Parking" at the station was converted.
August 13, 1998	Congresswoman Ellen Tauscher (D-Danville), a member of the House Committee on Transportation and infrastructure, tours the BART extension to the San Francisco International Airport.
August 17, 1998	A BART contractor begins demolition work to the Millbrae Gardens area, where four apartment buildings at the West End of Garden Lane will be razed to clear the way for construction of BART facilities.
August 27, 1998	BART lowered the transit district's property tax by 24 percent for the current fiscal year to 1.668 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation from 2.2. cents.
	BART approves a \$1.8 million payment to the San Francisco Muni to help defray the cost of providing feeder's service to BART.
September 2, 1998	BART hosts the first in a series of Community Open Forums to discuss plans for the transit district in the coming millennium. The first forum focused on issues affecting Oakland, including the BART-Oakland International Airport Connector, Fruitvale Transit Village, and improvements to the Coliseum Station, Capitol Corridor Intercity Rail Service, Systemwide Renovation, and improved security and accessibility to the 95-mile, 39-station system.

- September 13, 1998..... BART conducts a multicasualty drill, which involved medical, fire and police from Berkeley. The drill took place in the Berkeley Underground, between the North Berkeley and Berkeley BART Stations.
- **October 1, 1998......** BART hosted the third in a series of Community Open Forums. The forum focused on issues affecting southern Alameda County and BART customers who travel through the area, including a BART extension to Warm Springs, Union City Station Study, current and projected BART ridership figures, the BART extension to San Francisco International Airport, security at BART stations, parking, and BART's Systemwide Renovation Program, including the original fleet of BART cars, elevators and escalators, station interiors, rest rooms and landscaping.
- October 5, 1998...... BART dedicates recently completed 40-foot clock tower, which was donated by the Bank of Fremont in memory of the former BART Director George M. Silliman. Mr. Silliman, who was President of the BART Board when the system first opened in 1972, passed away last year.
- October 11, 1998..... BART in Concord hosted the fourth in a series of Community Open Forums. The forum focused on BART initiatives, including service improvements, the BART extension to the San Francisco International Airport, parking, and BART's Systemwide Renovation Program.
- October 19 1998..... BART hosted the fifth in a series of Community Open Forums. The forum focused on the District's existing and planned programs, particularly those that affect central and north Oakland and Berkeley, including service improvements, a possible Transit Village at the MacArthur BART Station, current and project BART ridership figures, and BART's Systemwide Renovation Program.
- October 21, 1998... Congress appropriates \$40 million for BART-SFO Extension.
- October 22, 1998..... BART in conjunction with the Oakland Police Department kicked-off a new evening escort program at the Rockridge BART Station.
- October 27, 1998..... Representatives from BART 's Procurement Department and the Office of Civic Rights held a vendor faire ADoing Business With BART@ at the MetroCenter in Oakland.
- November 12, 1998... BART in cooperation with Alameda County Community Food Drive, Contra Costa Food Bank, San Francisco Food Bank Second Harvest Food Bank of San Mateo, the Grocery Outlet and the Oakland A's kick-off second annual food drive.
- January 14, 1999.... BART unveiled the first of its completely renovated transit cars at a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the 12th Street BART Station in Oakland.
- January 15, 1999..... BART held a public celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 's birthday at the MetroCenter in Oakland.
- January 18, 1999..... BART provided special commemorative AFreedom Trains@ in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 's birthday. Passengers on the BART AFreedom Trains@ disembarked at the Montgomery Street BART Station to join the Reverend Cecil Williams who led the march down Market Street to attend the annual King holiday rally at the Bill Graham Civic Auditorium.
- **January 19, 1999.....** BART held an open house to commemorate the grand opening of BART's newest Police facility, located at the Castro Valley BART Station.

February 8, 1999	Brand new AAll about BART@ brochures, containing the systems revised train schedules available at all BART stations.
February 9, 1999	BART Board of Directors approved a \$198.5 million supplemental financial plan that will help the critical BART/San Francisco Airport Extension meet cash flow requirements.
February 11, 1999	BART hosts vendor faire ADoing Business With BART.@
	Community leaders and elected officials gathered for the dedication of Huntington Avenue, a new city street built to make way for future construction of the BART subway and station in San Bruno. BART's San Bruno Station is part of the BART extension to the San Francisco International Airport.
February 12, 1999	General Manager, Thomas Margro announced the appointment of James R. Van Epps to fill the post of Executive Manager of the West Bay Extensions.
March 3, 1999	BART in conjunction with the Hayward Police Department kicked-off a new ambassador and youth education programs with a ceremony at Hayward City Hall.
March 8, 1999	BART begins Phase I construction of the new bus intermodal facility at the Fremont BART Station.
March 17, 1999	BART carries 300,838 riders the first time in BART's 26-year history that it has topped the 300,000 barrier, excluding the month following the Loma Prieta Earthquake.
April 5, 1999	BART joined forces with the American Red Cross at the Powell Street BART Station to kick off a series of Earthquake Preparedness classes in BART stations in conjunction with Earthquake Preparedness Month.
May 13, 1999 BART j	ioins the National Transparent Optical Network Consortium (NTONC) to help develop the next iteration of the Interne – an all-optic system that will use light to transmit data across the country and around the world.
June 1, 1999	BART wins lawsuit filed by COST (Coalition for a one-stop terminal), et al., which challenged the Environmental Impact Report for the BART/SFO Extension Project.
June 8, 1999	Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) announced that full funding for BART \$84 million for further expansion to San Francisco International Airport – has been included in the House <i>appropriation for transportation, w that was approved by the House Appropriations</i> Committee.
June 16, 1999	BART awards a construction contract for the new BART station in San Bruno to the joint venture of Tutor-Saliba/Slattery in the amount of \$45,020,000.
June 22, 1999	BART releases its draft fiscal year 2000 Short Range Transit Plan (SRTP) and Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for public review.
June 27, 1999	BART carries a record number of passengers (152,834), nearly double the 80,000 passengers it would expect to carry on a sunny Sunday in June.
September 1, 1999	State Legislature approves Assemblyman Lou Papan's bill (AB 670) that will allow BART and other transit agencies in the Bay Area to purchase property near their stations for development as "transit villages."
September 8, 1999	Construction work for the BART extension to San Francisco International Airport began in Burlingame with the removal of trees and vegetation along the east side of Caltrain tracks, south of the Trousdale Canal.
September 13, 1999	Community leaders and elected officials held kickoff ceremony for construction of the

BART San Bruno station at Tanforan Park Shopping Center, one of four new stops on the BART extension to San Francisco International Airport.

- October 7, 1999..... BART temporarily discontinued accepting \$20 bills in its older ticket vending machines located in the system's original 34 stations. This is being done as a result of fraudulent purchase of tickets.
- October 12, 1999..... California Governor Gray Davis signs the "Transit Village" legislation authorized by Assemblyman Lou Papan (D-Millbrae) that will allow BART and three other transit agencies in the Bay Area to purchase property near their stations for development as "transit villages."
- October 21, 1999.... The American Public Transit Association (APTA) named BART's Internet web site, WWW.bart.gov, and the best transit agency web site in the United States and Canada.
- October 27, 1999.... BART in conjunction with The Bicycle-Friendly Berkeley Coalition (BFBC), Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) and the City of Berkeley kicked off its new "Bikestation" demonstration program.
- October 28, 1999... BART and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) hosted a public scoping meeting open house to provide information and to invite public comment on the scope of the environmental analysis of a proposed connector between BART's Oakland Coliseum Station and the Oakland Airport.
- **November 8, 1999....** BART held the first segment of the Land Use Management and Transportation Forum entitled "Where do We Grow from Here?" The forum took a hard look at the concept of transit-oriented development, and future BART extensions, with perspectives from leaders representing a broad section of the Bay Area.
- **November 18, 1999...** A study conducted by the Sedway Group, a San Francisco-based real estate and urban economics firm, estimated that during its 27 years of operation and prior construction years, BART has not only put billions of dollars into the community in capital and operating expenses, it has been a factor in attracting billions of dollars in development as well.

BART awards construction contract to the joint venture of Tutor/Saliba/Slattery for the new BART station in South San Francisco in the amount of \$47,760,000.

- November 30, 1999... BART in conjunction with KISS-FM Radio kicks off "One Warm Coat."
- **December 15, 1999....** Special BART Millennium Flash Pass goes on sale. The pass will sell for \$5.00 and be good for unlimited trips beginning at 6 p.m. New Years Eve, Friday, December 31 until 6 p.m. New Years Day, Saturday, January 1, 2000.
- **December 16, 1999....** BART Board of Directors choose fellow Director Tom Blalock of Fremont as President of the Board for the coming year, and Director Willie B. Kennedy of San Francisco as Vice President.
- **December 31, 1999.....** BART will operate round-the-clock service for the Millennium Eve from 4 a.m. Friday, December 31, to midnight Saturday, Jan. 1. All five train lines will be in service from 4 a.m., Dec. 31 to about 4 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 1, when BART will change to three-line service through the end of service at midnight Saturday.
- January 13, 2000..... The Reverend Cecil Williams, Glide Memorial Church, San Francisco was the featured speaker at BART's Martin Luther King Jr. birthday event.
- **January 14, 2000....** BART began replacing bill validators, which accept \$20 bills in all of its IBM ticket machines in its original 34 stations. BART temporarily discontinued acceptance in the older vending machines in early October of last year (due to fraudulent purchase of tickets).
- **February 1 & 2, 2000..** BART weekday ridership reached a record 322,685 passengers on Tuesday, February 1 and 326,000 on Wednesday, February 2.

- February 7, 2000..... BART celebrates its first annual Chinese New Year above the Lake Merritt Station in Oakland.
- **February 18, 2000....** Congresswoman Ellen O. Tauscher (Contra Costa and Alameda Counties) tours the construction site for the San Francisco International Airport (SFIA) Project.
- February 25, 2000.... Ticket machines in all BART stations are once again accepting \$20 bills.
- March 14, 2000...... BART, KTVU/Fox 2 and the California Job Journal host the East Bay Diversity Job Fair at the Oakland Convention Center in Oakland.
- March 21, 2000..... BART begins a new era in purchasing BART tickets through Webvan, "the world's first fullservice online grocery and drugstore." Webvan will sell high value BART blue tickets (\$32 and \$48) and discounted BART red and green tickets.
- April 12, 2000...... BART and Richmond breakground for Transit Village. The transit village, to built on 16 acres, will encompass the development of a mixed-use pedestrian oriented village that integrates living, working, retail and cultural activities with a multi-modal transit station.
- May 5, 2000...... BART hosts its annual Cinco de Mayo celebration on the plaza on at BART Headquarters.
- May 9, 2000..... BART and a host of employers sponsored a Job Expo in downtown San Francisco aimed at "Putting Your Career on the Fast Track."
- May 12, 2000...... Community leaders and elected officials gathered for a ceremonial kickoff of construction for the BART South San Francisco Station. The kickoff marks the start of work on the last of four new stations being built as part of the BART extension to the San Francisco International Airport.
- May 17, 2000..... The House Appropriations Committee for Transportation approves \$80 million for the BART/San Francisco International Airport Extension project. This is one of the highest appropriations for new rail projects in the country and is the amount that was in President Clinton's budget for the coming Federal fiscal year 2001, which begins in October.
- May 18, 2000...... BART sponsored a Welfare to Work workshop at the Calvin Simmons Ballroom of the Oakland Marriott Hotel. The first step in determining BART's role in the challenge of getting people who are no entering the work force between home, child care and their place of employment or training.
- May 21, 2000...... BART provides special early morning service to Bay-to-Breakers race from 39 stations.
- May 23, 2000...... Officials from Alameda County, BART and the City of Dublin celebrated the availability of 427 additional parking spaces at a ribbon cutting ceremony at DeMarcus Blvd. In Dublin (the Dublin side of the BART station).
- June 6, 2000..... Professional artists with experience in creating large-scale public art are being sought to produce artwork for the new stations on the BART San Francisco Airport Extension, now under construction.
- June 7, 2000...... BART introduces three new services at the Fremont Station.

Talking Signs – Visually impaired passengers with hand-held receivers can intercept audible voice messages that help them find the location of station agent booths, escalators and elevators, bus stops and restrooms. This is the first permanent installation of this system in a BART station and is designed to improve the mobility and access to people who are visually impaired.

Bus Intermodal Facility – Efficient and seamless bus-to-BART and BART-to-bus transfers for passengers using AC Transit and Santa Clara Valley Transit buses. Includes improved

bus berth areas, new paving, shelters, signing, lighting, landscaping and ADA upgrades.

Hertz "Station Car" Program – Monthly car rental with guaranteed BART parking, available only at the Fremont Station. Makes more efficient use of the existing parking spaces by allowing one space to be used by multiple drivers.

- June 22, 2000...... For the fourth time, BART Maintainers have captured First Place in the American Public Transit Association's International Rail Rodeo held June 10-15 in St. Louis, Missouri. Top honors had previously gone to BART Maintainers in 1998, 1997 and 1994.
- June 24, 2000...... Secretary of Transportation Rodney E. Slater, San Francisco Willie Brown and BART Board Vice President marked the release of \$63.7 million in federal funding for the BART San Francisco Airport Extension. The money is part of a \$750 million federal grant for the BART extension, the Bay Area's biggest transit project.
- June 28, 2000...... BART in conjunction with St. John's Educational Thresholds Center (SJETC)/Urban ArtWORKS joined together to present "The Youth Voices Mural Project", a mosaic tiledmural, which will be on display at the 16th Street Station.
- July 5, 2000...... The new \$5 and \$10 U.S. Treasury bills are now accepted in all BART stations.
- **July 19, 2000......** BART hit an all time record high in ridership for a single regular weekday when about 353,000 used the system.
- August 2, 2000.....BART officials, San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown and State Assemblymember Kevin
Shelly joined together for a press conference announcing \$6 million in state funding for
Phase I of the Balboa Park BART Station Expansion Project.
- August 31, 2000...... BART General Manager expressed grave concern over an action to be contemplated by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), on Thursday, September 7, which would make BART service subject to rolling blackouts by PG&E. PG&E impose the blackouts when electricity demand threatens to exceed supply.
- October 3, 2000...... BART saw an all time record for single day when ridership reached 366,800 beating the post Loma Prieta Earthquake record of 357,000. BART attributed the over-the-top number, in part, to a strong general growth trend the system has been experiencing this year, coupled with the Oakland A's/Yankees playoff game at the Oakland Coliseum.
- October 4, 2000..... BART posted its second all-time, all-time record for riders carried in a single day with 376,000 passenger's trips. BART again, attributed the record high passenger trips to the Oakland A's and San Francisco Giant's playoff games.
- October 6, 2000..... The United States Senate and House of Representatives approved an \$80 million appropriation for the BART/SFO Extension project for the federal fiscal year 2001, which begins this October.
- October 11, 2000..... BART and Hertz Corporation formally inaugurate a new station car program and cut the ribbon for Hertz's just completed program office. The car program is designed to enhance access to the Fremont BART Station by offering vehicles, which can be shared by commuters coming from home to BART and from BART to work.
- **November 2, 2000....** BART, the City of Oakland and community leaders announce plans for a new transit village for the MacArthur BART Station after seven years of community task force studies and a new redevelopment area.
- **November 7, 2000....** BART installs new bike racks in the paid area of the 16th Street Station under a new pilot program. The new racks will accommodate 40 bicycles and will be evaluated by BART over the next year.

- **November 9, 2000....** BART Director Tom Radulovich hosts a community meeting to discuss the feasibility of a BART station and pocket track (train storage track) at 30th and Mission Streets in San Francisco.
- November 16, 2000... BART appoints new Chief of Police, effective December 1. BART Police Commander Gary Gee, 55, will fill the position held by Chief Harold Taylor who has held the position since 1979.
- **December 7, 2000....** BART announced that construction of BART's \$1.5 billion extension to the San Francisco International Airport is now more than 70 percent complete on the main line, with the portion going into the airport over 90 percent complete.
- **December 14, 2000....** BART, Oakland Mayor Jerry Brown, officials from the City of Oakland and AC Transit introduced a new, special "outer space" discount for that taking AC Transit's Line 53 with direct service to Chabot Space and Science Center. Additionally, AC Transit unveiled its new "Space Shuttle to the Stars."
- **December 15, 2000....** BART's special "New Year's Eve Flash Passes Beyond Millennium" go on sale. The colorful passes allow unlimited rides on BART between 6 p.m., Sunday, Dec. 31, and 4 a.m., Monday, Jan. 1. The passes cost \$5 each.
- January 2001.... PG&E officials have assured BART that the transit district will **not** be subject to "rotating outages" and will continue to receive electricity to power its trains and stations in the event PG&E is directed by the Independent System Operator to begin rotating outages.
- January 11, 2001..... BART hosted a public celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday.

Customers give BART high marks in BART's latest biennial "Customer Satisfaction Study." Seventy-eight percent of the passengers surveyed are "satisfied" or "very satisfied" with the service BART provides, a four-point increase since BART's 1998 survey.

- January 15, 2001.... BART provided special commemorative "Freedom Trains" in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday and provided special Martin Luther King, Jr. commemorative flash passes, which were distributed free through churches, schools and community organizations.
- January 21, 2001..... SamTrans BX Express weekend bus service between BART's Colma Station and the San Francisco International Airport was expanded from 8:30 p.m. to 11:30 p.m.
- **January 25, 2001....** To make better use of the parking facilities in the BART system, and prepare for the opening of the BART extension to SFO, BART officials approved proposed parking policies. The vote only signals the Board's desire to address customer needs and to provide new services for BART riders. No parking changes will be made at this time.
- **February 27, 2001....** BART celebrates Chinese New Year the year of the Serpent 4678.
- April 3, 2001..... The state Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) issued an order exempting BART from rolling power outages because of BART's crucial roll as a Bay Area Transportation provider.
- May 4, 2001..... BART hosts annual Cinco de Mayo celebration at BART Headquarters.
- May 17, 2001..... BART doubles the number of bicycles that can be accommodated at BART stations. The \$194,039 project entails installing more than 400 new bicycle racks at 26 stations.
- May 24, 2001...... BART releases the District's Draft of its ten-year "Short Range Transit Plan" (SRTP) and "Capital Improvement Program" (CIP) for review by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the general public.
- **June 5, 2001.....** BART breaks ground for reconstruction of the southwest plaza of the 16th Street station.
- June 13, 2001...... BART introduced BART QuickPlanner for Palm OS handheld devices. BART customers

	can easily check BART schedules and other information, any time – anywhere. The QuickPlanner may be downloaded free from BART's web site.
	BART launched its newly designed web site at <u>http://www.bart.gov</u> .
June 30, 2001	Contracts with the five unions, which represent over 3,000 transit district employees, expired at midnight.
	Talks breakdown between BART and its two largest Union's, SEIU 790 and ATU 1555. SEIU 790 and ATU 1555 contact Governor. BART service will operate according to normal schedule as a result of the Governor's decision to begin the fact-finding process associated with a 60-day cooling off period.
July 12, 2001	The U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee approved the full \$80.6 million FY02 appropriation for work on the BART extension to San Francisco International Airport.
July 19, 2001	BART, Amtrak and the City of Richmond held a ribbon-cutting ceremony marking completion of the joint BART-Amtrak cross platform at the Richmond BART Station.
July 21, 2001	BART held a birthday party of sorts for Stephany Ann-Marie Ehler, who was born aboard a BART train on July 21, 1996. As the first and only baby ever born aboard a BART train, Stephany was awarded free, lifetime privileges to ride BART.
July 30, 2001	BART requested that Governor Davis call for a 60-day cooling off period for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME Local 3993) in order to remove continued threats of a strike by that union.
August 7, 2001	BART issued a temporary restraining order (TRO) barring the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) from striking or from a lockout. In court the judge issued the TRO until Wednesday, August 22, at which time a hearing will be held by the court to determine whether or not to issue an injunction for the reminder of the 60 days.
August 7, 8 & 9, 2001	BART Board of Directors held three public workshops for the public to give input and comment regarding the redistricting of BART election districts.
August 31, 2001	BART offers a new wage and benefits package of more than 20 percent over the next four years.
September 11, 2001	Happy 29 th Birthday BART!
	In response to today's tragic events in New York, BART took appropriate steps to ensure passenger and employee safety, providing additional security measures on trains and stations, as well as strategic locations. There were adjustments in train service, including elimination of direct service from Fremont to Daly City and from Richmond to Daly City Restrooms were closed in all stations and BART began extensive inspection all trains and platforms.
September 19, 2001	BART Board ratifies new agreement with its two largest unions, Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU) Local 1555, representing over 800 train operators and station agents, and Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 790, representing over 1700 maintenance, clerical and professional personnel.
Oct. 2 – Nov. 9, 2001	BART held a series of Job Fairs in nine different communities to fill approximately 160 jobs that will be opening up next year.
October 8, 2001	BART gives its best and final offer to AFSCME Union Leadership in advance of the expiration of the October 15 cooling-off period instituted by Governor Gray Davis.
October 9, 2001	BART adds additional security measure on the transit system in response to the national heightened security alert.

- October 21, 2001.... BART in conjunction with the City of Oakland held an event to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of the Oakland/Berkeley Hills Firestorm.
- October 23, 2001..... BART and the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center held the second community meeting regarding a study underway to determine the feasibility of a BART station and pocket trains at 30th and Mission Streets in San Francisco.
- October 31, 2001...... BART ratifies new agreement with its smallest union, American Federation of State, City and Municipal Employees Local 3993, representing 238 supervisory and professional personnel.
- **November 7, 2001....** BART and Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) jointly announced that an historic tentative agreement has been reached between the two agencies' negotiating teams for extending the BART line to San Jose/Santa Clara.
- **November 8, 2001....** BART's System Safety and Transportation Departments conduct an orientation tour for the visually impaired at the 19th Street station in Oakland.
- **November 13, 2001...** BART Board of Directors voted to approve an agreement with the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA), which will serve as the foundation for building and operating a BART line to San Jose/Santa Clara.
- **Nov. 27 Dec. 10.....** BART in conjunction with KISS-FM Radio sponsor "One Warm Coat" drive at BART stations.
- Nov. 27 Dec. 21..... BART in conjunction with KYLD-Wild 94.9 Radio sponsor "Donate-A-Toy" drives at BART stations.
- **December 10, 2001....** BART once again to offer special "New Year's Eve Flash Passes" which will allow unlimited rides on BART from 6 p.m., Monday, December 31 to 3 a.m., Tuesday, January 1 at a cost of \$5.00 each.
- **December 18, 2001....** BART uncrates the first "Work of Art" for the new San Bruno Station, a large stained glass window.
- **December 20, 2001....** BART Board of Directors chose BART Board Vice President Joel Keller, from Antioch, as President of the Board for the coming year, and Director Peter Snyder, of Dublin, as Vice President.

BART introduces a new marketing campaign, "Tiny Tickets" to encourage its customers to donate the unused portion of their BART tickets to various non-profit charitable organizations.

- January 3, 2002..... BART completes installation of its new "Bill to Bill" Changer at all of its 29 stations. The Bill Changers converts a \$20 dollar bill and a \$10 dollar bill into \$5s.
- January 8, 2002.... BART celebrates Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday with featured speaker motion picture and television actor Danny Glover.
- **January 18, 2002....** BART, Lawrence Livermore Laboratory, Chabot Las Positas Community College District and the Economic Development Alliance for Business held a special presentation of a simulator program, TOTS (BART Train Operator Training Simulator), aimed at virtual reality training for BART train operators.
- **February 16, 2002....** BART extension to SFO receives the first delivery of bulk electrical power from PG&E. The third rail was turned on from Colma to San Bruno, energizing the third rail, which runs along side of the running rails and will supply the trains with electric power for operation.
- March 28, 2002..... BART approves the long-awaited BART link to Oakland International Airport via an automated elevated (ATG) system with two additional stops along the 3.2-mile link, and also

	certified the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIRS).
April 11, 2002	BART approves a \$26.5 million change order to the Line, Trackwork and Systems contract, and the largest of five construction contracts for the BART-SFO Extension. The change order represents approximately 5% of the contract value of \$530 million.
	BART enters into a partnership with the City of Richmond and a private developer to create a transit village at the Richmond BART-Amtrak Station. The \$100 million project will create 231 for sale townhouses and live-work units, 21,000 square feet of retail space, a 30,000-square-foot cultural center, a police sub-station, an intermodal facility for buses and taxis, and a five-story parking garage that will accommodate 800 vehicles, an 18 percent increase from the current parking lot capacity of 680 vehicles.
April 15, 2002	BART receives a special award by John H.Dalrymple, Commissioner of the Wage and Investment (W&I) Operation Division of the IRS for its outstanding cooperation and service to the public for the past 20 years.
April 25, 2002	BART's 10-year, \$1.2 billion Systemwide Renovation Program is 80 percent complete.
	BART approves a contract to build a four-level parking structure to service the Fruitvale station as part of the Fruitvale Transit Village project. C.Overaa Construction of Richmond, California won the contract at a bid price of \$7,795,000.
May 9, 2002	BART presents a Preliminary Operating Budget of \$439.9 million for fiscal year 2003, which has a shortfall of \$28.1 million to Board.
May 13, 2002BART u	inveils a new work of art for its 'Bikestation' at the Embarcadero station. Entitled "Spin" the colorful 50-foot mural by Bay Area artist Robert Ellison evokes a biking theme.
May 16, 2002	BART receives \$74.9 million from the federal government for construction of the \$1.5 extension to the San Francisco Airport. The funds are the latest installment of the \$750 million Full Funding Grant Agreement that was approved in 1997. To date BART has received \$371.2 million of the grant.
May 24, 2002	BART announces work on the BART extension to San Francisco International Airport and Millbrae is more than 95 % complete in a ceremony at which U.S. Secretary of Transportation Norman Mineta announced BART's receipt of \$74.9 million, the latest installment.
June 3, 2002	BART announced the findings of a year and one-half study aimed at helping the transit system prepare for a major earthquake. The study recommended that BART adopt an aggressive systemwide retrofit program to strengthen elevated structures, the Transbay Tube, stations and equipment. The cost of the new systemwide retrofit program is estimated at \$1.1billion.
June 25, 2002	BART voted to move forward to seek voter approval in November for a General Obligation (GO) Bond issue to fund a critical seismic retrofit program. If approved by the voters, the GO Bonds would raise \$1.050 billion and be issued in series increments, as needed, over the next 10 years. The bonds would be guaranteed by a property tax assessment over approximately 40 years.
June 27, 2002	BART adopts the transit system's budget for fiscal year 2002, which calls for a total expenditure of \$432,401,000. It includes \$363,175,000 for operating expenses, \$59,227,000 earmarked for debt service, supporting the system renovation program, and "\$10 million for capital improvements.
July 8, 2002	Public is invited to come and watch local artists at work as they complete a colorful, 72- foot mural on a BART support wall in North Berkeley.
July 29, 2002	BART officials, Congressman Tom Lantos, project partners, and invited federal

	representatives rode "The First BART Test Train" into the San Francisco International Airport BART Station.
August 22, 2002	BART approves a long-term parking plan to accommodate East Bay customers traveling to San Francisco International Airport, in anticipation of the BART-SFO extension opening, targeted for January 2003.
	BART adopts a new fare schedule to the San Francisco International Airport from the transit system's service areas.
August 26, 2002	BART holds press briefing to introduce and Information Program aimed at BART riders to enhance system security.
August 29, 2002	BART kicks off security awareness campaign. The centerpiece of the awareness campaign is a series of posters, slated to appear in the system's transit cars and stations, calling on riders to be BART's partners in helping to keep the system safe and secure.
September 11, 2002	Happy 30 th Birthday BART! Almost two billion passengers, more than 22 billion miles
September 12, 2002	In a modest cake-cutting ceremony held during this morning's regular Board of Directors meeting, BART Directors, several former directors, staff and the first (and only) baby born on a BART trains, six-year old Stephany Ann Marie Ehler, cut a birthday cake.
	AT&T Wireless delivers wireless reception to four downtown San Francisco BART stations, Embarcadero, Montgomery Street, Powell Street and Civic Center.
September 18, 2002	BART celebrated the return to service of the last of the 439 original, 30-year-old BART cars that had been undergoing complete renovation since 1998. Car number 712, renamed to 1712 to show that is has been renovated, has returned serving patrons on the Richmond Line. Each of the original cars had logged more than a million miles of service.
September 26, 2002	BART's \$1.2 billion 10-year system-wide renovation, begun in 1995, is 90 percent completed in the seventh year of the program.
October 15, 2002	BART unveiled the first of the transit system's new ticket vending machines and new fare gates, part of the AFC Modernization Program, at the Concord station.
October 29, 2002	Congressman Tom Lantos and State Assemblyman Lou Papan joined BART in unveiling its new, state-of-the-art equipment at the improved and expanded Daly City Shop and Maintenance Yard. The new equipment includes two car lifts, wheel-truing machine, transfer tracks and car turnout, car washing facility.
November 7, 2002	BART begins accepting reservations for its month Reserved Paid Parking program. Passengers will have guaranteed parking close to the station entrance Monday through Friday until 10 a.m. The monthly fee for the guaranteed parking will be \$63.
November 12, 2002	BART kicks off its new Monthly Reserved Paid Parking program at the Lake Merritt BART Station.
December 7, 2003	BART unveils commissioned murals of artists Christine Stone and Gordon Heuther at the new San Bruno BART Station. The new San Bruno BART Station is part of the \$1.5 billion dollar, four station, 8.7-mile BART-SFO Extension project.
December 19, 2002	BART Director Pete Snyder of Dublin was named b his fellow directors to take the helm of the transit system's board of directors for 2003. James Fang of San Francisco was named Vice President.
December 31, 2002	BART provides a special "New Year's Eve Flash Pass" that allows unlimited rides on BART over the holiday evening at a cost of \$5.00 each.

January 17, 2003	BART begins soliciting letters of interest and biographical information from people who are interested in filling the BART Board of Directors seat for District 7. Director Willie B. Kennedy, who has represented District 7 since her appointment in 1996, is resigning from the board effective January 31, 2003.
February 5, 2003	BART is pleased to announce the earmark of \$170 million for BART to SFO in President Bush's proposed 2004 federal budget. The 8.7-mile BART-SFO project is now 98 percent complete.
February 13, 2003	BART releases the results of its latest Customer Satisfaction Survey which gave the system it highest rating since 1996. Four out of five customers surveyed said they were satisfied with the services provided by BART and 90 percent said they would recommend BART to a friend or out-of-town guest. More than 5,000 customers were surveyed last fall.
February 18, 2003	BART releases its draft fiscal year 2003 Short Range Transit Plan and Capital Improvement Program (SRTP/CIP) for public review and comment.
February 20, 2003	BART announced the appointment of Lynette Sweet of San Francisco to fill the seat for District 7 on the transit system's board, vacated by Willie B. Kennedy who resigned, effective January 31.
February 26, 2003	San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown officially swore Lynette Sweet of San Francisco, who was named by the BART board to fill the seat vacated by Willie B. Kennedy, into office.
February 27, 2003	Habitat for Humanity San Francisco (HHSF) was given the go ahead by BART to purchase excess properties from the transit district for the purpose of building low-income housing.
March 1, 2003	BART, SamTrans and the City of South San Francisco unveil sixteen large-scale murals designed by artists Jeff Northam and Rufus Seder at the new South San Francisco BART Station. The new station is part of the \$1.5 billion dollar, four station, 8.7-mile BART-SFO Extension project.
March 27, 2003	BART's System Safety, Transportation and Customer Access Departments conduct an orientation tour for the visually impaired at the 19 th Street BART station in Oakland.
April 10, 2003	BART unveils balanced preliminary fiscal year 2004 operating budget.
	BART announced that the transit system's 10-year Systemwide Renovation Program is 93 percent complete just 7 ½ years after it began, resulting in improved productivity and reduced maintenance requirements.
April 17, 2003	BART announces service to SFO will commence on June 22, 2003. Joining BART Board President Pete Snyder, BART Directors James Fang and Dan Richard were San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown, San Mateo County Supervisor Mike Nevin, SamTrans Board Vice Chair Mary Janney, San Francisco Chamber of Commerce Board Chairman Jim Wunderman and other members of "Friends of BART to SFO."
April 29, 2003	BART, SamTrans and the City of Millbrae host art unveiling and open house at the new Millbrae BART station. Life-size bronze sculptures created by Scott Donahue and terrazzo benches created by Donna Billick were unveiled. A BART train and one of Caltrain's new "Baby Bullet's" were on hand for the event.
May 17, 2003BART,	the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, Mission Housing Development Corporation, Urban Ecology and the Mission Community celebrate the completion of the 16 th Street BART Plaza Renovation Program.
May 22, 2003	BART Board of Directors adopted a balanced budget of \$460.7 million for fiscal 2004, which begins July 1.

BART Board of Directors hold two public hearings on proposed fare increases and fiscal year 2004 budget.

- May 27, 2003.... BART begins accepting reservations for its new SFO line Paid Parking Program.
- May 30, 2003.....BART officials, Alameda County Supervisor Scott Haggerty and Colorado Railcar officials provide private showing of the Colorado Railcar, a diesel multiple unit (DMU) and example of the rail technology currently being studied by BART for possible service to Livermore from the existing Dublin/Pleasanton BART station.
- **June 10, 2003....** BART officials, community representatives, city officials, Michael Winter, Director of the Federal Transit Administration Office of Civil Rights in Washington, D.C. and formerly of the Center of Independent Living in Berkeley celebrate the completion of two new elevators, which are in compliance with the ADA, installation of new fare gates and the unveiling of two new murals by artist Mark Adams.
- June 19, 2003.... BART conducts a media preview tour of the SFO and Millbrae stations, and intermodal link to Caltrain and SamTrans.
- **June 20, 2003...** Gala reception at the new SFO station with dignitaries, elected officials and a special award unveiling from the American Public Works Association recognizing BART as one of the "The Top Ten Public Works Projects of the 20th Century."
- **June 21, 2003....** Formal opening ceremonies at the SFO station with numerous elected officials and dignitaries attending.

BART offers free rides on its new San Francisco Airport Line.

- June 22, 2003.... BART officially opens new line to the San Francisco International Airport. The line includes the South San Francisco Station, located on El Camino Real between Costco and Kaiser Hospital; the San Bruno Station, located at the Tanforan Shopping Center; and the Millbrae station, located on Millbrae Avenue between Highway 101 and El Camino.
- **June 25, 2003....** BART holds an emergency response drill at its Orinda Station. The purpose of the drill is to test and hone emergency preparedness, internal and external notifications, response time, and general communication with other agencies. This is the third such drill conducted in 2003.
- July 11, 2003....BART officials and the City of Oakland dedicate new works of art at the entrances to the 12thStreet City Center station. A 17-foot long by 4.5 foot wide steel transit oriented streetscape
sculpture created by artist Diana Pumpelly Bates.
- September 1, 2003.... BART Plus tickets will no longer be accepted on AC Transit buses. AC Transit's Board of Directors adopted a number of fare changes, which included the elimination of AC Transit's participation in the BART Plus Program.

September 11, 2003... Happy 31st Birthday BART!

- September 25, 2003.... BART of Board of Directors approve moving ahead with the TransLink (Smart Card) program which will provide a single universal fare instrument, good for travel on the region's major transit systems.
- October 1, 2003.... BART's ridership reached about 352,000, the highest for a single day in almost three years. A part of the ridership boost is directly attributable to the September 30 12-inning playoff game between the Oakland A's and the Boston Red Sox. BART carried almost 18,000 fans to the game or a little more than a third of the total attendance at the Oakland Coliseum.
- October 9, 2003..... BART's \$1.2 billion system-wide renovation program is now about 95 percent done with over 150 projects completed.
- October 16, 2003.... BART officials held a modest ribbon cutting at the Embarcadero station to underscore the arrival and installation of the new state-of-the-art Ticket Vending Machines (TVMs) in the

transit system's downtown San Francisco stations.

- October 22, 2003..... BART and City CarShare launch a new location (Ashby BART station) for its car sharing transportation program, and to introduce a brand new hybrid vehicle to the public. CarShare now operates out of BART's Rockridge and Glen Park stations.
- October 23, 2003.... BART Board of Directors temporarily slashed parking fees by more than 50 percent at its new South San Francisco, San Bruno and Millbrae Stations as part of a move to encourage commuters, airport travelers and downtown visitors to enjoy the convenience of riding BART to their destination and avoid the stress of battling traffic. The new half-price will take affect December 1, 2003.
- October 26, 2003.... BART held an emergency response drill at its Bay Fair station. This is the fourth drill BART had conducted this year (2003).
- October 31, 2003.... BART extended service for Halloween night by providing two additional trains from its 16th Street station in San Francisco to the East Bay only after regular scheduled service was ended.

BART received the annual San Francisco Beautiful Award for its renovation of the 16th Street station southwest plaza. The project began in June 2001and included new granite paving, new and improved lighting, benches and public art by local Mission Community artists. Funding for the project, which cost \$4.1 million, came from a federal "Transportation for Livable Communities" grant from the MTC, BART and San Francisco sales tax proceeds through SFCTA.

- November 17, 2003.... Bikes are now allowed on all reverse commute or southbound trains traveling from the Civic Center BART station in San Francisco to Millbrae/SFO stations, except from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., and northbound from Millbrae/SFO to Civic Center, except during the period of 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.
- **December 1, 2003....** BART in conjunction with KISS-FM Radio sponsored a "One Warm Coat" drive at 10 BART stations. New coats and coats in good condition are placed in barrels to benefit homeless people throughout the Bay Area.
- **December 4, 2003....** ING DIRECT, a direct bank, offered free rides during the morning commute (from 4 a.m. to 9 a.m.) as part of a special "Ride and Save" promotional event to introduce ING DIRECT to the Bay Area.
- **December 18, 2003....** BART Board of Directors elect Director James Fang of San Francisco as President of the Board and Director Dan Richard of Walnut Creek as Vice President of the Board for 2004.
- **December 22, 2003....** BART officials announce that effective February 9, the transit district will modify its service schedule, primarily affecting service along the new San Francisco Airport line, in an effort to tailor service to market demand.
- **December 26, 2003....** BART completed the installation of its brand new ticket vending machines (TVMs), which are now in all of the system's 43 stations. The new state-of-the-art ticket vending equipment is one of the major components of BART's \$1.2 billion renovation program and includes 572 faregates, 162 addfare machines and 299 TVMs.
- **December 31, 2003....** BART will again sell special New Year's Eve Flash Passes that will allow unlimited rides on BART from 6 p.m., Wednesday, December 31 to 3 a.m., Thursday, January 1. The passes cost \$5 each.
- January 12, 2004..... BART held a public celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday. Keynote speaker for the event was Jonathan Eubanks, Documentary and Fine Art Photographer with provided by the Skyline High School choir.
- January 19, 2004.... BART provided special commemorative "Freedom Trains" in celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday along with a special commemorative flash pass.

- **February 9, 2004....** BART service changes go into effect, primarily effecting service along the new San Francisco Airport line, and reinstating timed train meets in the East bay.
- February 9, 2004....BART increases the stored-value of its red, green and high-value tickets. The new senior
(green) and youth/disabled (red) discount ticket increases in value from \$16 to \$24 and sell
for \$6. The 75% discount remains unchanged. The new \$64 high-value regular blue ticket
will be added to the existing \$32 and \$48 high-value tickets. The 6.25% discount will remain
the same.
- **February 10, 2004....** BART brings in the year 4702 Chinese New Year celebration at its headquarters with dancing lions, karate chops, colorful costumes and the harmonic beat of tradition Chinese music and singing.
- **February 17, 2004....** BART honors BART police officers, other law enforcement agencies, BART employees and citizens whose selfless acts of heroism have contributed to BART safety.
- March 1, 2004....BART expands its long term parking program to include all East Bay stations where parking
is provided, and to lower the cost from \$7.00 to \$5.00 per day.
- March 4, 2004.....BART releases the District's Draft Fiscal Year 2005 Short Range Transit Plan and Capital
Improvement Program (SRTP/CIP) for public review.
- March 26, 2004.... BART, the Oakland Fire Department and the San Francisco Fire Department holds emergency drill in the Transbay Tube to hone emergency preparedness skills.
- April 1, 2004...... BART unveils "The BARTMobile" at the Kaiser Convention Center in downtown Oakland.
- April 5, 2004......BART and SamTrans suspend monthly-unreserved parking fees at the South San Francisco,
San Bruno and Millbrae BART stations.
- April 16, 2004.... BART provided a rare opportunity for the media to see, stand next to, touch and videotape the inside of the Transbay Tube to better understand the urgent need to retrofit the Tube for an earthquake.
- April 28, 2004....BART hosts public scoping meeting/open house to gather comments on the proposed
Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Warm Springs Extension project.
- May 4, 2004.....BART Director Lynette Sweet hosts a job fair seminar in San Francisco to show job seekers how to cut through the red tape in the application process for positions that open up at BART.
- May 5, 2004.....BART and the Fruitvale Transit Village celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the Fruitvale BART station in Oakland.
- May 13, 2004.....BART and SamTrans reach agreement to resolve recent issues involving service levels and operating costs.
- May 16, 2004.....BART provides special service to the Bay-to-Breakers race in San Francisco.
- May 26, 2004....BART unveils latest "Eyes & Ears" anti-terrorism awareness campaign to alert daily
passengers to look out for and report unattended bags as well as suspicious behavior.
- May 27, 2004.... BART Board adopts balanced budget for fiscal year 2005 with a fare increase or service cuts.
- June 10, 2004..... BART Board puts \$980 million earthquake safety bond measure on November ballot. Bond money would strengthen Transbay Tube, stations and elevated tracks.
- June 16, 2004..... BART, MTC and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District kick-off its "Spare the

Air" Campaign by offering free rides during the morning commute on the first five times the Air District declares a Spare the Air day. For the first time in BART's 32-year history, BART will cover up its famous silver coating and blue strips on several BART cars and outfit them with a fresh summer look – a giant, sky blue sign that reads, "Spare the Air, Ride BART." July 1, 2004.... A new \$3 bridge toll takes effect on all the Bay Area's toll bridges except the Golden Gate Bridge, which will generate more than \$300 million for BART improvement projects. July 12, 2004..... BART Police Chief Gary Gee announces the promotion of Lt. Maria Jose White to the position of Patrol Bureau Commander - the second highest post in the BART Police department. July 20, 2004.... BART begins enhancing the security around key stations and other sensitive areas in anticipation of the upcoming Democratic and Republican conventions. MTC Board voted to allocate \$11 million from toll bridge revenues during the next two July 29, 2004..... fiscal years as a down payment to strengthen BART's 3.6-mile Transbay Tube. BART turns on the first of many high-tech, ground-motion sensors that will instantly August 19, 2004.... know whether it's safe to move trains after a massive earthquake. August 23, 2004.... BART named #1 transit system in America by the American Public Transportation Association (APTA) in the category of providing 30 million annual passenger trips or more. August 25, 2004.... BART thanks up to 100,000 or its riders for helping make BART the #1 Transit System in America by holding a Peet's Coffee and Tea "Gift Card Give-Away" event during the morning commute. Spare the Air Day – approximately 16,000 more people used BART. September 7, 2004.... September 8, 2004.... Spare the Air Day September 13, 2004.... BART begins new modified service by providing additional direct service for customers traveling from the East Bay to SFO and will increase the frequency of service to Millbrae during peak commute periods. Transbay Tube 30th Birthday. Celebration including a cake cutting ceremony and a September 16, 2004.... media tour aboard a boat that took them to a barge floating above the Tube where experts will show reporters the unique equipment crews are about to use in the process of strengthening the Tube. September 22, 2004.... BART receives an annual MTC Merit Award for its Tiny Tickets program. The program is a partnership between BART and the East Bay Community Foundation to put BART tickets with small remaining values to work improving the quality of life for Bay Area residents. BART conducts an orientation tour for the visually impaired at the 19th Street BART September 23, 2004.... station in Oakland. BART releases report (Sedway Group Report) showing the significant contributions the October 1, 2004..... transit system has made to both the quality of life and the business climate in the Bay Area since trains made their first trip through the Transbay Tube 30 years ago. October 31, 2004.... For the first time, BART offers "Halloween" flash passes that will allow unlimited rides on BART over the holiday evening. BART extends train service by providing two additional trains from its 16th Street station

November 2, 2004	Election Day! Bay Area voters overwhelmingly voted to pass Measure AA, a \$980 million general obligation property tax bond measure. The program will strengthen BART's critical underwater Transbay Tube, stations and elevated tracks so they can withstand a major earthquake in the Bay Area. U.S. Geological Survey scientists predict a 62% chance of at least one 6.7 magnitude or greater earthquake striking the Bay Area between now and the year 2032. BART will first use the revenues from Measure AA to speed up the work that's already underway to strengthen the Transbay Tube. The tube work should take 4-years to complete and the rest of the system should be done in 10-years. The Measure AA bonds will be repaid from a tax levied on property in the BART District. The annual cost to the average property owner is estimated to range between \$4.85-\$12.79 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation, with an estimated average of \$7.04 per \$100,000 of assessed valuation (a home's assessed value is typically less than its market value). For a home assessed at \$400,000 the tax would average \$28 per year.
November 17, 2004	BART officially opens the nation's second largest bike station at the Fruitvale BART station. The new bike station has over 230 spaces, and provides customers with repair services and bicycle retail, including helmets, lights, locks and other bicycle accessories.
December 13, 2004	BART will once again sell the special "New Year's Eve Flash Pass" that will allow unlimited rides on BART on New Year's Eve. The special flash pass will allow unlimited rides on BART from 6 p.m. Friday, December 31, 2004 to 3 a.m., Saturday, January 1, 2005.
December 16, 2004	BART Director Joel Keller named new Board President for 2005 and Director Carole Ward Allen as Vice President. This is the second time Keller has served as President.
	Three new members join BART Board of Directors. Former Mayor of Walnut Creek Gail Murray, former BART safety manager Zoyd Luce of Dublin and former BART executive staff assistant Bob Franklin.
January 7, 2005	BART holds news conference at its SFO station in regards to Tsunami Relief. The goal is to provide enough bottled water to fill a BART train (20 tons), enough for more than 34,000 tsunami victims, and fly it to some of the hardest-hit areas. Singapore Airlines is donating cargo space to transport water. Project Concern International, Singapore Airlines, Safeway Inc.'s Northern California Division, Grant and Smith, LLP, Wells Fargo Bank and BART are organizing the effort, but it's the generous donations of Bay Area residents that will make the Bay Area Tsunami Relief train a reality.
January 8, 2005	BART helps Oakland students in their space camp quest. Students are preparing for the National Engineers Week Future Camp regional competition. BART engineers, consultants and BART Director Lynette Sweet gave students tips on improving their designs and presentations.
January 11, 2005	BART holds public celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. birthday. Keynote speaker for the event was Gregg Edmonds, East Bay Bureau Chief of KGO Radio.
January 13, 2005	BART received high marks! According to a new customer satisfaction survey, an unprecedented 93% of BART riders say they would recommend BART to a friend. Almost nine out of ten riders say they are satisfied with BART service.
January 14, 2005	BART rolls out special "Freedom Trains" for Martin Luther King Jr. day. Free commemorative flash pass also part of the tribute. The flash passes are good for BART rides to and from a special event in San Francisco celebrating the legacy of the civil rights leader.
January 17, 2005	Donations to "Bay Area Tsunami Relief Train" far and away exceed goal. The fund collected \$15,500 in four days. That's nearly eight times the amount needed. Because

	people contributed more than what was needed to buy 10 tons of water at cost from Safeway, Project Concern International has agreed that it will use 100% of the additional donations toward its tsunami relief efforts.
January 22, 2005	Four teams of students mentored by BART engineers joined their counterparts from 29 other schools in Northern California Future City Regional competition at San Francisco's Fort Mason Center. The winning team will head to Washington, D.C. next month for the national competition.
January 25, 2005	The students from Edna Brewer Middle School, their teacher and their BART mentor will travel the nation's capital for the National Engineer's Week Future city Competition February 19-25. They earned the trip by taking the top prize at the Northern California regional competition held in San Francisco on January 22.
January 28, 2005	Members of the media were on hand to meet the winning students from the Edna Brewer Middle School, where they showed their model to their seventh and eighth grade classmates. The BART-sponsored youngsters used computers to design and then build a detailed scale model of a city in the future they call "Solagua," a combination of sun and water, the power sources of their city.
February 17, 2005	BART celebrates Chinese New Year in style. This was the sixth annual Chinese New Year public celebration held at the Lake Merritt Station Plaza in Oakland, which included lion dancers, musicians and Lung Fu demonstrations.
February 25, 2005	The public can now see how its contributions to the "Bay Area Tsunami Relief Train" are helping tsunami victims in a series of inspiring photographs taken last week in Banda Aceh, Indonesia. The photos are available to the media and public to download at <u>www.bart.gov</u> .
February 28, 2005	BART was selected once again to manage the Capitol Corridor intercity rail service for a five-year term. The 16 member Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority Board represents eight counties along the 170-mile rail corridor serving Placer, Sacramento, Yolo, Solano, Contra Costa, Alameda, San Francisco and Santa Clara counties.
March 4, 2005	BART has increased safety for blind and visually impaired riders by adding directional tiles at train platforms in all 43 stations. The tiles guide passengers to train doors for boarding.
March 31, 2005	BART Director Bob Franking and AC Transit Director Dennis Hayashi host public forum to interact with their Central Alameda County constituents to talk about future transit oriented developments, bus fare proposals, new late-night service on the weekends and the TransLink project.
April 1, 2005	BART releases \$523.1 FY06 Preliminary Budget that contains the fourth consecutive year of belt-tightening cuts. However, the budget emphasizes there will be no cuts to service frequency. Still, despite eliminating 115.5 positions and cutting expenses by \$13 million, the budget carries a \$30 million shortfall. The budget cites skyrocketing health care and benefit costs as a major contributor to increasing expenses. Over the last four years, BART has slashed expenses by \$60 million and cut 418 operating positions. However, only 15 people have actually been laid off because of careful efforts to reduce positions through attrition and offering targeted lay off incentive packages.
April 5, 2005	BART releases Draft Environmental Impact Study for Warm Springs Extension. A public hearing is scheduled for April 12, 2005 to gather comments on the DEIS.
April 14, 2005	BART General Manager Tom Margro presented BART Board with annual operating budget containing belt-tightening cuts. FY06 preliminary budget cuts expenses, but has \$30m deficit that still needs to be solved.
April 23, 2005	BART engineers show about 40 Bay Area Girl Scouts what will happen to BART's elevated tracks during an earthquake during a hands-on seminar in Oakland. The

	engineers placed models of both non-retrofitted and retrofitted tracks on "shake tables," which simulate earthquakes.
April 27, 2005	BART Director Lynette Sweet received the "2005 Public Official of the Year" award for taking dozens of reporters on a 2 a.m. tour of BART's Transbay Tube and spending countless evenings and weekends talking to community groups about BART's seismic safety problems and what engineering can do to fix them.
April 28, 2005	BART holds a public hearing in the BART Board Room for public comments on both the fiscal year 2006 Preliminary Operating Budget and proposals to generate revenues to help reduce the \$30 million deficit projected for fiscal year 2006.
May 5, 2005	BART held Cinco de Mayo celebration at its Fruitvale BART station in Oakland. The public was invited for Mexican music, dance and munchies.
May 9, 2005	BART begins celebrating Asian Pacific American Heritage Month by launching a new ridership-building campaign targeting the Bay Area Asian community. The campaign involves the distribution of special postcards that offer discounts to popular destinations near the BART line.
	Two BART unions (ATU & SEIU) presented the transit district with a three-year wage and benefit package proposal that would increase the District's cost for pay and benefits by more that 30% over their current contract. Contracts expire June 30, 2005.
May 19, 2005	BART host energizer stations for "Bike to Work Day." The energizer stations offer beverages, snacks and, in some cases, "Bike to Work" t-shirts. BART encourages its riders to use bicycles to get to and from stations. Free secure bike parking is available at the Fruitvale, Embarcadero and Berkeley stations. Other stations feature bike lockers.
May 25, 2005 BART r	nanagement calls for a state mediator to help swiftly conclude contract talks with the leaders of BART's two biggest unions, SEIU and ATU. BART management says at this point, the union leaders are making proposals that would essentially double the District's four-year, \$200 million deficit.
May 26, 2005BART I	Board passes interim FY06 budget with \$24 million deficit. Budget preserves train service and safety levels, establishes parking fees, eliminates positions and freezes top managers' salaries.
May 27, 2005BART 1	aunches major summer travel SFO ad campaign. The goal is to add to the growing number of people who have discovered that the train to plan connection saves time and money, not to mention the wear and tear on travelers' nerves.
June 1, 2005	BART begins repaying project at the San Leandro and Fremont BART stations. When completed, the project will provide 200 new parking spaces.
June 7, 2005	The American Society of Civic Engineers has awarded its prestigious 2004 Outstanding Civic Engineering Transportation Project in the State of California to BART and HNTB Corporation for the BART extension to the San Francisco International Airport.
June 17, 2005	With the June 30, 2005 expiration of BART's five union contracts approaching and to comply with the Brown Act, which requires the District to notify the public no less than 24 hours in advanced of a special meeting, BART has scheduled numerous closed session Board meetings to take place between now and the end of June.
June 20, 2005	BART unveils its new "Spare the Air" cars. This is the second year BART has teamed up with MTC and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District to encourage people to use public transit on days when air pollution could reach dangerous levels. Free morning commutes will be offered on the first five non-holiday weekdays that are declared "Spare the Air" days.
June 23, 2005	BART announces it will make all 32 of its parking lots available for carpoolers in the

	event BART unions choose to go on strike after labor contracts expire at midnight June 30, 2005.
June 29, 2005	BART presented a newly revised formal contract proposal to its unions.
July 6, 2005	After five days of nonstop negotiations, BART reaches a tentative agreement with union leaders, which averts a strike and addresses the transit district's \$100 million, four-year deficit without burdening riders with any additional costs.
July 7, 2005	15 minutes after terrorists attack the London Underground; BART increases security measures to reassure BART customers that the system is safe and secure. Later, U.S. Representative Tom Lantos holds a press conference to discuss security at BART and to push for more homeland security funds for Bay Area public transit systems.
July 11, 2005	BART launches a fun new BART ticket that resembles baseball cards and announces that more than 1.5 million collectors' tickets will be available throughout the 2005 baseball season, including one that features all-time home run king, Barry Bonds.
July 19 & 20, 2005	BART officials host public meetings to gather input on a proposed service extension into East Contra Costa County.
July 26, 2005	The Bay Area Air Quality Management District (BAAQMD) declares the first of five non-holiday weekday Spare the Air/Free Transit days this summer to prevent unhealthy levels of smog. Bay Area drivers are urged to use public transit instead of driving. BART offers free rides between 4:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. to help fight air pollution.
August 9, 2005	BART unveils a new anti-terrorism campaign that simply and directly asks customers to be the "eyes and ears" of BART by reporting suspicious behavior.
August 31, 2005	BART solicits residents to apply to serve on the new Earthquake Safety Program Citizens Oversight Committee. The Committee is required by the voter-approved Measure AA that passed on November 2, 2004.
September 11, 2005	On the fourth anniversary of the 9/11 tragedy, BART demonstrates its new special BART Police Tactical and Inspection Teams that will be used to recognize and respond to acts of terrorism.
September 12, 2005	At the request of SamTrans, BART agrees to reroute direct service to the San Francisco International Airport (SFO) from the Pittsburg/Bay Point and Richmond stations and replace those routes with direct service to SFO on the Dublin/Pleasanton Line.
September 14, 2005	BART holds an open forum on the Environmental Assessment of BART's \$1.3 billion Earthquake Safety Program.
September 22, 2005	BART increases service on the peninsula lines by doubling both the length and the number of trains serving Colma Station during the peak-commute hours. The Dublin/Pleasanton trains will go from four to eight cars in length. The Richmond line will now terminate in Colma instead of Daly City.
September 30, 2005	BART announces that September ridership was up 4% compared with September 2004.
October 1, 2005	BART beefs up service to get people across the Bay during Caltrans' planned Bay Bridge lane and on-ramp closures. Caltrans shut down portions of the bridge to do earthquake retrofit construction.
October 7, 2005	BART teams up with the American Red Cross, Wells Fargo and Grant & Smith LLP to ask riders to donate cash or BART tickets in safes located at several downtown San Francisco stations to Hurricane Katrina survivors who have relocated to the Bay Area. BART collects a total of \$6,132.33 in donations.

October 10, 2005	September's increase in ridership prompts BART to lengthen commute trains to accommodate more riders. During the rush period, trains will vary from six to ten cars, with longer trains serving the highest demand areas and times.
October 12, 2005	BART officials join San Francisco dignitaries for a ceremonial groundbreaking ceremony to renovate the northeast plaza of the 16th Street/Mission Station.
October 12, 2005	In another technological breakthrough, BART is the first major transit agency in the nation to offer downloadable schedules and maps for the Apple iPod, the popular portable music player. The "BART QuickPlanner for Apple iPod" allows a customer to look up train schedules, view a system map and obtain general station information.
October 15, 2005	For the first time this millennium, BART runs trains around the clock to make sure Bay Area residents and workers can travel between the East Bay and San Francisco while Caltrans shuts down all eastbound lanes on the Bay Bridge.
October 31, 2005	No treats for Lake Merritt Station drivers this Halloween. BART starts charging \$1.00/day for those who wish to park at the Lake Merritt Station, which is the first of ten East Bay stations where BART will charge weekday parking fees between the hours of 4:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
November 2, 2005	BART pays tribute to civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks by making a systemwide announcement to observe a moment of silence in her honor. Rosa Parks died on October 24, 2005 at the age of 92. BART joined hundreds of transit agencies nationwide that paid tribute to Parks following her funeral today in Detroit.
November 14, 2005	Inspired by national efforts to help Hurricane Katrina victims, 74 BART employees forge together to help survivors and collect a whopping \$62,656.71. BART hands over a ceremonial check to the Red Cross.
November 18, 2005	A year after voter approved Measure AA passed to help fund BART's \$1.3 billion earthquake retrofit program, BART launches its first annual "Earthquake Media Progress Report Card." that announces the first construction project, which is set to begin in 2007, will be to retrofit the Transbay Tube.
November 23, 2005	BART Police Department launches a special deployment of undercover officers during the holiday shopping season to protect the safety of BART customers who use the system to shop or get to the airports.
November 30, 2005	In response to dwindling sales of the \$32 "high value" ticket, BART discontinues this offer. Customers commented that they prefer the \$48 and \$64 high value tickets because they are more convenient.
December 1, 2005	The Board passes a resolution establishing December 1 as "National Transit Tribute to Rosa Parks Day." This day marks the 50th anniversary of Rosa Parks arrest when she refused to give up her seat in a "whites only" section of a Montgomery, Alabama bus.
December 5, 2005	BART releases the District's Draft Fiscal Year 2006 (FY06) Ten-Year Plan that analyzes operating and capital funding needs, priorities and funding strategies through Fiscal Year 2015. The public is invited to comment.
December 13, 2005	In an end-of-year thank you event, cheery BART employees welcome morning commuters with \$500,000 worth of "Thank You Certificates." The certificates were donated by the Northern California Independent Booksellers Association.
December 15, 2005	The BART Board of Directors unanimously elect two African-American women to BART's most powerful posts making BART the first major transit agency in U.S. history to be led by two Black women. BART Director Carole Ward Allen, Ed. D. is elected to BART Board President and Director Lynette Sweet is elected to Vice President.
December 31, 2005	To help make Bay Area streets safer, BART stays open until approximately 3:00 a.m. on

	New Year's Eve night/New Year's morning, which is a full three hours later than normal. Those who purchased the \$6.00 "New Year's Eve Flash Passes" get unlimited rides on BART from 6:00 p.m. December 31 to end of service 3:00 a.m. January 1, 2006.
December 27, 2005	The SFO Station sets a new Christmas week ridership record. Almost 50,000 more riders use BART between December 21 and December 27. That's about 1,500 or 3.2% more riders than the same period in 2006.
January 1, 2006	BART adds a 10-cent surchange and implements the first of four inflation-based fare increases: fares go up 3.7 percent. In addition, BART increases its Red and Green discount tickets by \$3.00, yet it remains among the most generous transit discount offer in the nation.
January 3, 2006	FSN Bay Area and BART team up to produce 1 million Golden State Warriors-themed BART tickets highlighting select Warrior players. The collectors' tickets will be available until the end of March.
January 7, 2006	BART invites seventh and eighth grade students in Richmond, Oakland and San Francisco to its Preliminary 2005 Regional Future City competition. Students compete by making intricate tabletop modes of their vision for the city of the future.
January 11, 2006	BART invites the public to its annual celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday. The event is held from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the BART Headquarters at 300 Lakeside Drive in Oakland.
January 17, 2006	City of Walnut Creek Police Department credit BART Police Officer Jason Ledford and his explosive-detecting dog Andy, a BART K9 police dog, for helping to arrest a man suspected of possessing explosives in his garage.
January 20, 2006	BART releases the final FY06 Ten-Year Plan, which provides a long-term perspective for the current year and lays out the District's approach to capital investment and funding strategies.
February 7, 2006]In a playful twist of words, BART features its BART Police Canine Team at its annual Lunar New Year festivities celebrating the "Year of the Dog." BART teams up with the Alameda County Board of Supervisors and the Asian Community Collaborative to highlight Asian culture at the Oakland event.
February 21, 2006	BART ridership grows even faster than the District's planners anticipate so BART adds more cars to some rush hour trains serving downtown San Francisco and Oakland stations as well as those cities' airports.
March 3, 2006	BART Police Swat team completes special training conducted by Aaron Cohen, a former member of the Israel Defense Forces Special Forces Counterterrorism Unit. Cohen trained the team in the latest techniques of close quarters battle, high-risk entry, terrorist interdiction, intelligence gathering, hostage rescue and undercover tactical deployment.
March 9, 2006	Sparks from a metal BART train wheel ignite debris in a tunnel between the Embarcadero and Montgomery stations causing a fire that shuts down morning service for nearly two hours. A panicked passenger in a train near the tunnel opens a car door to self-evacuate and others follow. The train operator immediately calls the control room to turn off power to the third rail and BART orders a full evacuation of the train. BART sets up a bus bridge between Oakland and San Francisco until service is restored.
March 20, 2006	BART applauds five regional bus systems as they launch "The All Nighter," an all night bus service that's run by SamTrans, SF Muni, AC Transit, Wheels and County Connection. BART customers can take BART from one of 30 cities in the evening and use the All Nighter busses to return to those stations after regular train service ends around midnight.
March 24, 2006	BART experiences a service disruption between Hayward and Fremont stations due to a

	fire at a power substation near the South Hayward Station. The fire does not affect the rest of the BART system.
	lest of the DART system.
March 28, 2006	BART's new train control software suffers a glitch causing the system to shut down for 30 minutes and experience residual delays during the morning commute.
March 29, 2006	BART, along with the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the BAAQMD, receives a major award for its role in the Spare the Air/Free Morning Commute campaign. The California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance bestows the Pat Brown Environmental Award to all three entities for helping to reduce air pollution in the Bay Area.
March 29, 2006	Once again, BART's train control network crashes and 35,000 evening commuters are left stranded from 5:27 p.m. to 6:38 p.m. BART sets up a bus bridge from the Transbay Terminal to West Oakland Station to accommodate transbay travelers. BART issues a public apology for the technical snafu.
March 30, 2006	BART officials announce a thorough investigation of the activities that led to the service problems experienced this week. Chief Spokesperson Linton Johnson publicly states that BART accepts responsibility for the crashing computers that froze trains and stranded customers on March 28 and 29. He apologizes again for the inconvenience.
April 18, 2006	BART provides special transbay service for Bay Area residents wishing to attend the 1906 Centennial Anniversary of the San Francisco earthquake memorial ceremony at Lotta's Fountain in downtown San Francisco. The agency opened the West Oakland Station at 4:00 a.m. and ran one early Centennial train from West Oakland to Powell Street Station.
April 13, 2006	As part of the Earthquake Safety Program initiatives, BART Board awards a \$9.7 million contract to the construction firm Condon Johnson and Associates, Inc. to strengthen the Transbay Tube.
April 24, 2006	Good news for San Francisco and Oakland drivers: SustainLane, an environmental living internet directory, announces that BART is a major reason why residents of those cities are the best-prepared to weather an oil crisis. San Francisco is third best in the nation and Oakland is 10th best.
May 1, 2006	BART comes to the rescue of I-80 drivers by running longer trains on the Richmond Line to accommodate those who wish to avoid the area around I-80 and Pinole Valley Road where an early morning mudslide shutdown many freeway lanes.
May 3, 2006	Former BART headquarters at Lake Merritt Station is deemed "at risk" in the event of a major earthquake. BART holds a public comment hearing on the "Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration" required to move forward on dismantling the building.
May 2, 2006	BART Operations announce that in April 2006, BART customers enjoyed a nearly 96% passenger on-time record. This is the highest on-time performance in 16 months. BART's smooth April operations follow the poor on-time performance demonstrated in March resulting from a string of computer problems.
May 14, 2006	For the first time in BART's history, BART wraps train cars. A vivid blue "Spare the Air-Ride BART" message adorns seven cars reminding the public of the connection between riding BART and preventing air pollution.
June 3 & 4, 2006	Thousands of passengers take advantage of BART's 24-hour service this weekend when Caltrans shut down the eastbound lanes of the Bay Bridge. BART announced that 177,680 people rode BART on Saturday and 132,740 rode on Sunday.
June 6, 2006	BART files an \$80 million lawsuit against General Electric for reneging on a contract to install a new communications network that would upgrade the system from a cable-based

	technology to a wireless one. The new system was aimed to permit 30% more trains to run through the Transbay Tube, allowing 6,000 more riders per hour to travel between San Francisco and the East Bay.
June 8, 2006	On this "Dump the Pump" day, BART uses a 65-foot long gas tanker as a dramatic visual to demonstrate the 202,000 gallons of gas BART riders save on gas each day. Customers also save between \$5,000 and \$10,000 a year by ditching their cars for public transit.
	Thanks to MTC, unexpected sales tax revenue and internal cost-saving measures, the BART Board passes a balanced \$557.3 million FY07 Operating Budget designed to continue BART's 95% average passenger on-time performance, fund running longer trains, improve car and station cleanliness and enhance security measures.
June 13, 2006	BART invites public comment for the 24th Street/Mission Plaza redesign project.
June 22, 2006	BART has the highest Spare the Air/Free Transit ridership ever. The free rides, which were co-sponsored by MTC and BAAQMD, inspired 33,000 more people to leave their cars at home and use BART instead preventing 700 tons of greenhouse gas emissions and harmful air pollutants from spewing into the air.
June 15, 2006	BART announces its lawsuit against General Electric. Officials alleges that the GE Transportation Systems simply walked away from its obligations after BART spent \$23 million dollars in wireless equipment and millions more on installing what now is deemed an incomplete communications system.
June 23, 2006	A consecutive Spare the Air day is called and again BART offers free rides. Approximately 16,000 more people rode BART instead of driving.
June 26, 2006	This is the third Spare the Air day of the summer.
June 29, 2006	BART celebrates the third anniversary of service to its San Francisco International Airport Station by announcing a new \$300,000 ridership growth campaign designed to increase the station's already growing ridership. The campaign won't cost taxpayers a dime because BART and the airport are trading ad space.
July 8, 2006	The BART Police Department's bomb-sniffing dog team adds three new canine members bringing the dog team to ten members. These new dogs are different from the rest of the canine team in that the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has certified them to detect explosives through the National Explosive Detection Canine Team Program.
July 11, 2006	Since 9/11, the federal government has been giving mass transit just a small fraction of the huge amounts of money it's been directing toward the airlines. BART officials urge the U.S. Senate to increase transit security funding in the 2007 fiscal year by at least \$50 million when it votes on the Homeland Security Appropriations Bill later this week.
July 17, 2006	BAAQMD declares this date as the fifth Spare the Air/Free Transit day resulting in 26,000 more people choosing BART instead of driving.
July 19, 2006	U.S. Representative Ellen Tauscher (Walnut Creek-D) announces that a dramatically large pool of money of nearly \$3.4 billion is now available for transit security grants through the Department of Transportation. This enables BART to vie for a portion of this funding to better protect BART riders from a terrorist attack.
July 19, 2006	BART reports that 26,000 more people rode BART to take advantage of the 5th Spare the Air/Free Transit day and help prevent air pollution.
July 21, 2006	BAAQMD declares July 21 the sixth and last Spare the Air/Free Transit day of 2006. For six weekdays (June 23, 23 and 26 and July 17, 20 and 21), BART offered free rides. Altogether, BART ridership on those six Spare the Air days rose 8%.
August 5, 2006	BART launches a "Kids Ride Free on Saturday" campaign offering free rides to adult-

	accompanied children every Saturday in August. The family-friendly campaign is generously sponsored by San Francisco-based Viz Media.
August 23, 2006	Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger grants BART \$2.9 million to make riders more secure against terrorist attacks.
September 5, 2006	For the second time in 2006, BART kept people moving over the Labor Day weekend when Caltrans closed the Bay Bridge for earthquake retrofit work. BART trains run 24 hours a day from the start of service Friday through 5:59 a.m. on Tuesday.
September 6, 2006	BART sets another weekend ridership record. A total of 539,400 passengers took BART over the Labor Day weekend. That's 61,800 or 13% more passengers than BART anticipated.
September 11, 2006	BART marks the fifth anniversary of the tragic 9/11 terrorist attack by a moment of silence at 5:46 a.m. (PST), the moment the first plane hit the World Trade Center.
September 20, 2006	BART holds a ribbon cutting celebration, showing off the \$1.2 million in improvements at Powell Street Station including added fare gates and a new entryway that goes directly into the lower floor of the new Westfield San Francisco Centre shopping mall.
September 25, 2006	BART teams up with Jamba Juice to thank morning customers for choosing to ride BART. To get in the Jamba-spirit, Chief Spokesperson Linton Johnson dons a banana suit and helps give away 50,000 Jamba Juice "jambacards" during BART's rider appreciation event held at six stations. The jambacards are preloaded with values ranging from \$1, \$3, \$5 and up to \$300.
September 29, 2006	BART and its project partners make history when they break ground at the site of the new BART station in West Dublin/Pleasanton. The plans for the new station include 1,200 parking spaces, a world-class hotel, housing, retail and office space.
October 7, 2006	BART experiences the highest ridership it's ever had for a Saturday in its 34-year history when 229,314 people rode BART to attend Fleet Week in San Francisco and the Cal Bears game in Berkeley as well as other recreational activities. BART also hit a 98% on-time performance record.
October 12, 2006	BART's first-in-the-nation trip planning tool for Apple iPods, which has earned the praise of tens of thousands of BART riders, win a prestigious award from the American Public Transportation Association (APTA).
October 15, 2006	Two days before the 17th anniversary of the Loma Prieta earthquake, BART officials unveils a new Transbay Tube earthquake retrofit plan.
October 20, 2006	To accommodate busy Alameda County voters, the county Registrar of Voters Office partnered with BART to set up a temporary polling place with its Mobile Voting Unit. The mobile voting program was the first of its kind in the Bay Area.
October 24, 2006	BART'S Warm Springs Extension Project received an important green light: the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) signed the Record of Decision on this date. The FTA's signature allows BART to resume acquiring right of way and qualifies BART to receive state-administered federal funding for the project, which extends BART 5.4 miles from the existing Fremont Station to the Warm Springs district of Fremont. The Warm Springs Extension is a necessary step if BART is to reach San Jose.
October 27, 2006	BART and its project partners break ground on a new parking garage structure at Dublin/Pleasanton Station. The 1,513-space garage is the keystone to creating a transit- oriented community that will ultimately include 1,800 homes, a village green, retail shops, a hotel and 1.7 million square feet of office space.
November 7, 2006	California voters approve Proposition 1B, the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006. This act provides funding to public

transportation agencies like BART to enhance service, modernize and improve their systems. November 23, 2006... BART announces at today's Board meeting that it has laid smooth-surfaced, plastic composite flooring in 25 of its 669 passenger cars as a pilot program to determine whether to replace worn carpet with the composite material. Plastic floors are easy to clean, cost less and last four times longer than carpet. BART will make its final decision of what flooring to use based on customer feedback. November 29, 2006... BART sets ridership records over the Thanksgiving weekend to both of its stations servicing the San Francisco International and Oakland airports. During the six-day travel period, 46,000 customers used the SFO Station and 28,600 riders used the Coliseum/Oakland Airport Station, achieving ridership increases of more than 5% compared with last year. December 21, 2006... For the second year in a row, the BART Board of Directors unanimously elect two women to BART's most powerful posts: Board President Lynette Sweet and Vice President Gail Murray. BART announces SFO ridership record for Christmas week. SFO ridership jumped 29% January 2, 2007... compared with 2003, its first year of service. Almost 52,000 people used BART's trainto-plane connection with San Francisco International Airport (SFO) during the 2006 Christmas holiday travel period. Eleven BART-backed teams of young engineering students-many of whom are from January 2, 2007... underserved East Bay schools-are headed to the "Future City" Regional Competitions. The young competitors were mentored by BART engineers who volunteered their time at several Bay Area middle schools to help prepare for the contest. February 23, 2007... A substation fire knocks out power between the San Leandro and Fruitvale stations for about two hours, causing a train to lose power on the elevated tracks near the Coliseum/Oakland Airport Station. BART Police and Oakland firefighters successfully evacuate 220 passengers. February 28, 2007... BART, the City of San Leandro, Alameda County, AC Transit and Bayfair Center invite the public to a community meeting to learn about the new "Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design" concept planned for the Bay Fair Station. March 7, 2007... Lunar New Year's celebrations brings BART Saturday record ridership numbers: 229,583 people use BART to attend the Chinese New Year Parade in San Francisco. April 2, 2007..... BARTtv News, a new technological communications platform is launched on www.bart.gov. The first BARTty news story highlights the installation of a prototype bicycle ramp at the 16th Street/Mission Station. April 10, 2007... Thomas E. Margro, BART's longest serving General Manager, resigns. Margro served 10 years and 10 months. BART hosts a public meeting to gather comments on the proposed earthquake retrofit April 25, 2007... project to strengthen elevated tracks along the Concord, Richmond, Daly City and Fremont lines. April 29, 2007... A burning tanker truck carrying 8,600 gallons of gasoline melts the MacArthur Maze and once again BART moves into action to keep Bay Area residents moving between San Francisco and the East Bay. BART, along with all the other regional transit systems, announces that it will offer free transit and run longer trains on Monday, April 30, 2007. April 30, 2007... Although BART will no longer offer free rides as repairs to the MacArthur Maze are being made, the system will run longer trains to accommodate the hundred of thousands of people who need to travel between San Francisco and the East Bay.

May 8, 2007	BART announces that it carried 2,133,000 million riders in the week that the MacArthur Maze was in repair while meeting or beating its 94% passenger on-time standard. This is the highest ridership week in BART's nearly 35-year years of service.
May 25, 2007	BART sustains high ridership in the wake of the MacArther Maze meltdown. In the immediate weeks following the accident, BART carried an average of 9,274 more riders, which is an increase of nearly 3%. Average weekday ridership is usually 346,300.
June 4, 2007	BART celebrates milestone anniversary. Fifty years ago, on June 4, 1957, the California State Legislature and then Governor Goodwin Knight established the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District.
June 13, 2007	Construction crews start their work in the middle of I-580 to begin construction on the newest station on the system, closing a connecting ramp to I-680 for three nights.
June 13, 2007	BART carries a record 381,200 passengers, easily surpassing the mark set just over six weeks ago when on Tuesday, May 1, 2007, BART carried 375,200.
June 14, 2007	BART Board approves a \$627.4 million FY08 operating budget. This budget is aimed to augment service, make stations and cars cleaner, reduce headways to 15 minutes, raise the on-time performance standard and enhance BART's award-winning website.
	BART Board honors this year's Scripps National Spelling Bee champ, 13-year-old Evan O'Dorney and his father, BART Train Operator Michael O'Dorney.
June 21, 2007	On the second annual "Dump the Pump" day, BART officials join new BART customers as they hand out 1,000 free \$5 BART tickets to recruit others to dump the pump and ride BART instead.
June 22, 2007	10,200 more riders took BART than predicted during national "Dump the Pump Day." BART had estimated 340,400 riders would ride BART on June 21, but there were actually 350,600 pump dumpers.
June 24, 2007	BART's Airport/Long Term Parking program at peninsula station goes into effect. The \$6 per day parking option is now available at the Colma, South San Francisco, San Bruno and Millbrae BART parking lots.
June 25, 2007	The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender PRIDE parade and a Giants versus the New York Yankees game drew so many people to BART that the agency experienced its highest ridership for a Sunday in its nearly 35 years of train service. The final numbers show that 195,700 people rode BART June 24, 2007, setting a Sunday ridership record.
June 27, 2007	BART carries its 100 millionth passenger of Fiscal Year 2007. This is the first time BART has carried 100 million passengers in a fiscal year.
July 12, 2007	BART slightly adjusts train departures and arrivals at the Dublin/Pleasanton Station to accommodate the construction crews that are building the new station at West Dublin/Pleasanton. It's necessary to "single track" trains in that area so crews have room to build the station.
July 30, 2007	For two days, BART crews finish up reconfiguring lanes on I-580 to create more construction room as they build the new station.

August 11, 2007	BART announces that it will temporarily close the Dublin/Pleasanton Station for two consecutive weekends so construction crews who are working on the new station can have access to the tracks. BART provides a free shuttle service between the Dublin/Pleasanton and Castro Valley stations.
August 23, 2007	After a nationwide search, the BART Board of Directors make history today by appointing Dorothy Dugger to the agency's top spot. Dorothy Dugger is the eighth general manager and the first woman to be at the helm of BART.
August 29, 2007	BAAQMD issues the first Spare the Air day of 2007. BART offers free rides from the start of service until 1:00 p.m., motivating 6,700 more riders to use BART. By riding BART instead of driving, they prevented 294,800 pounds of greenhouse gases and air contaminants from polluting the air.
August 30, 2007	BART once again offers free rides on the second Spare the Air day of the season.
September 4, 2007	BART announces that three of four ridership records are smashed when it stayed open for 24 hours a day for three days during Caltrans' Labor Day weekend Bay Bridge closure. On Friday, September 1, the weekday record broke as 389,400 used the system. Then on Saturday, September 2, the Saturday ridership record toppled when 278,000 customers chose BART. On Sunday, September 3, 208,700 people used BART.
September 10, 2007	BART officials go to Sacramento to celebrate 35 years of train service and 50 years of history as a District. California Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger joins other elected officials in the congratulatory event.
September 14, 2007	BART seeks interested applicants to participate on its Earthquake Safety Program Citizens' Oversight Committee. The current committee's term expires on February 2008 and a new committee must be in place by January 2008.
October 29, 2007	Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's Office of Homeland Security hands BART officials a giant mock check symbolizing the \$5.4 million Proposition 1B funds allocated to enhance BART security.
November 13, 2007	BART, Union City and AC Transit officials broke ground on a massive construction project that will transform the Union City BART Station into a multimodal system, which will include a solar-powered bus canopy.
November 23, 2007	BART Police launches its enhanced holiday season security program to protect BART customers who use the system to do their holiday shopping and to get to the airports.
November 29, 2007	BART passengers set new ridership and parking permit records during the six-day Thanksgiving holiday travel period. BART predicted there would be 50,000 riders riding BART to SFO. Instead 56,900 passengers, a whopping 24% from last year, opted to use BART this Thanksgiving weekend. Parking permit sales went up 113%.
December 14, 2007	BART starts its sales of a special "New Year's Eve Flash Pass," which enables revelers to get unlimited rides on BART from 6:00 p.m. December 31 through 3:00 a.m. January 1, 2008.
	Shoppers are the main reason why this day is the highest ridership day in its 35-year history. 384,800 riders took BART, with 36,900 people using Powell Street Station, a 30% jump from last Friday.
December 16, 2007	To accommodate expected holiday travelers, BART doubles the number of Airport/Long Term parking spaces during the Christmas travel season. From December 21 to January 6, 2008, a total of 1,640 spaces are made available. The cost is a mere \$5 per day for East Bay spaces and \$6 per day for spots at peninsula stations.
December 20, 2007	BART Board elects Board Member Gail Murray to President and member Thomas

Blalock to serve as Vice President.

- **December 22, 2007...** Kaiser Permanente gives families the gift of free rides on BART by sponsoring a one-day "Kids Ride Free" promotion.
- **December 28, 2007...** For the fourth year in a row, BART passengers have broken ridership records to San Francisco International Airport (SFO) during the Christmas travel season. Between December 21st and December 27th, 62,400 people used BART's SFO train-to-plane connection. That's a 20% increase compared with the same period last year, when 52,000 customers connected to the airport.
- January 22, 2008... BART Board votes unanimously to select Matthew Burrows as the District's General Counsel. He is the fourth General Counsel and the first African-American appointed to this position.
- January 24, 2008... BART Board votes unanimously in favor of the installation of 198 electronic "Bikelink" bike lockers that improves bike security, allows more renters per locker and costs just pennies to rent per hour.
- January 30, 2008... BART announces its first-in-the-nation technological trial that allows a select group of participants to pay fares or order food at Jack-in-the-Box restaurants with a specially-equipped Sprint phone.
- **January 31, 2008...** Tully's partners with BART to hand out \$500,000 worth of Tully's coffee coupons to thank morning riders for riding BART. This is the first of three "thank you" giveaways set for this year.
- March 7, 2008... Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger pays a personal visit to BART to announce the millions of dollars public transit will receive from the voter approved Prop 1B funds. The state allocates \$24 million to BART to strengthen the Transbay Tube.
- March 14, 2008... BART invites public comment on eBART, the East Contra Contra extension that proposed to extend BART 10 miles east to Antioch using Diesel Multiple Units instead of the traditional BART trains.
- March 27, 2008... BART Board approves a \$2.7 million contract to double its efforts to replace worn out seats on up to 300 cars.
- April 1, 2008...BART begins charging higher fines for parking poachers. Depending on the violation,
penalties go up between \$5 and \$15.
- April 9, 2008 ... Riders taking BART to and from the Olympic Torch Relay event and the Giants game result in record ridership. 391,900 riders rode BART—2,500 more riders than the previous high recorded on August 31, 2007.
- April 21, 2008... BART officials highlight another example of BART's green initiatives by showcasing its recycled plastic railroad tie replacement program. The 40,000 recycled plastic tracks are made of used tires, old milk cartons and the equivalent of 1.1 million discarded grocery bags.
- April 22, 2008... BART and Tully's reward riders for taking BART and protecting the environment by handing out \$500,000 worth of coffee coupons to early morning customers. This is the second of three giveaways planned this year.
- May 4, 2008...Nestle Nesquik co-sponsors a "Kids Ride Free" promotion. BART distributes 24,000Kids Ride Free passes directly to several underserved elementary schools in West Contra
Costa, San Francisco and Oakland to help promote the one-day event.

May 10, 2008	BART suffers significant damage as an electrical fire roars through the Hayward Maintenance Yard and Tower, disrupting service on the Fremont Line for eight weeks.
May 13, 2008	BART offers real-time train info on flat screens in cafes and other small businesses, as well as text messages and email alerts to passengers.
May 23, 2008	BART holds a ribbon-cutting ceremony to unveil the new, 1500 space Dublin parking structure.
May 29, 2008	BART teams-up with the Contra Costa County Public Library system to set up a novel automated book-lending machine at the Pittsburg/Bay Point Station. The vending-like device holds 400 books that can be checked out for free by anyone with a valid Contra Costa County library card.
June 18, 2008	BART hosts a scoping meeting to invite public input on a BART extension to Livermore.
June 19, 2008	Environmentally aware and cost-conscious riders break all Spare the Air ridership records as 394,400 customers choose to ride BART on the sole Spare the Air/Free Transit day scheduled for 2008.
June 26, 2008	BART to San Francisco International Airport (SFO) ridership soars past a major milestone. The number of customers who used the SFO Station in May averaged 10,700, which is 65% higher than during July 2003—the year the station opened.
June 29, 2008	The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender PRIDE parade and a Giants versus the A's game broke two records: the highest Sunday and the highest ridership week ever. 224,500 people rode BART on Sunday and 2,317,800 customers choose BART between Monday, June 23 and Sunday, June 29.
July 10, 2008	An award of \$3.8 million is contracted to SunEdison LLC, a firm that will install solar panels in one of Orinda Station's parking lots. BART projects it will shave \$3.4 million of its energy costs over the next 20 years by implementing this sustainable initiative.
July 14, 2008	Service to Union City and Fremont stations resumes after BART's restoration efforts to the fire-damaged Hayward Maintenance Yard conclude—a full month earlier than what BART projected.
July 15, 2008	BART moves along with its "Crime Prevention though Environmental Design" plan by hosting another community meeting in San Leandro.
July 17, 2008	BART and its partners break ground of a new transit-oriented development at the Pleasant Hill Station that will turn the station into a multi-million dollar transit village.
August 14, 2008	BART introduces new policy for Segway and other Electronic Personal Assistive Mobility Devices that requires riders to obtain a free permit and follow certain guidelines that are available at www.bart.gov.
August 15, 2008	BART Board sends letter urging State of California lawmakers to preserve transit funding, especially in an era of record ridership and increasing demand.
August 28, 2008	BART Board awards a \$4.9 million contract to William P. Young Construction Inc. of San Leandro to strengthen the columns that hold up Rockridge Station and its elevated tracks. BART announces that the \$1.3 billion Earthquake Safety Program is on-time and on-budget.
September 19, 2008	BART begins to accept public comment on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the eBART project, which proposed to extend BART 10 miles east to Antioch.
September 23, 2008	Early morning BART riders were treated with \$500,000 worth of coffee coupons that

	were generously donated by Tully's Coffee. This is the third and final BART and Tully's sponsored rider "Thank You Day" of the year.
October 1, 2008	Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger signs into law Senate Bill 375, a bill that fights global warming by establishing guidelines for California cities to build communities around transit systems like BART.
October 13, 2008	A long gunman shoots and kills Joshua Ligons of Hayward and injures a 77-year old man at the Hayward Station.
October 14, 2008	A tragic accident kills BART Structures Inspector James R. Strickland, who was struck by a train as he inspected the tracks between Pleasant Hill and Concord stations. Strickland had been with the BART family since September 10, 2001. He is the fifth employee to die on the job in BART's 36 years of operation.
October 14, 2008	BART enhances the "EZ Rider" card with a parking payment option at 15 stations that allows riders to pay for parking with a swipe of their card.
October 19, 2008	BART police detectives arrest Kentwan Hawkins in Stockton. Hawkins is suspected in the shooting death of 18-year old Joshua Ligons and the injury to a 77-year old bystander that occurred on Monday, October 13.
October 22, 2008	BART responds as another fiery tanker truck traffic accident on I-880 closes a portion of the freeway near 16th Avenue in Oakland. BART adjusts train lengths to accommodate the 8% increase of commuters using stations south of Lake Merritt between the start of service and 10:00 a.m.
October 29, 2008	BART promotes the new "BikeLink" electronic bike locker system by giving out \$5 BART tickets to the first 100 people who buy a new BikeLink smartcard. The smartcard is used to operate the 202 electronic bike lockers.
October 30, 2008	BART and PG&E announce a green partnership that includes an energy-efficient makeover to upgrade 2000 old lighting fixtures at the 16th and 24th Streets/Mission stations. The upgrades can conserve 1.6 million kilowatt-hours annually, saving BART more than \$2.1 million in electricity costs over the life of the fixtures.
November 19, 2008	BART nearly doubles parking spaces for Thanksgiving weekend holiday travelers by offering 1360 total Airport/Long-Term parking spots. Travelers who park at BART can save between \$12.00 and \$36.00 over three days.
November 21, 2008	At about 7:00 a.m., Hayward resident Jessica Bennett gives birth to a baby girl at the top of the escalator in the San Leandro Station. Station Agent Alex Leiva and BART Police Officer Dennis Dutra helped ease Ms. Bennett before Alameda County Paramedic Jason Matthews arrives to deliver little Jade Thomas. Both mother and baby are whisked away to Eden Hospital and given a clean bill of health. This was the third birth on the BART system.
December 2, 2008	BART announces that passengers using SFO Station during Thanksgiving weekend set another Thanksgiving record. 62,600 customers, 10% more than the same period last year, went in and out of SFO Station.
December 12, 2008	Riders get a sweet surprise as BART and Ghirardelli workers hand out \$1 million worth of Ghirardelli giveaways to thank early morning BART riders for doing their part to unclog highways, curb global warming and prevent pollution.
December 15, 2008	BART offers the special \$6 "New Year's Eve Flash Pass" that enables customers to get unlimited BART rides from 6:00 p.m. on New Year's Eve to 3:00 a.m. New Year's morning.
December 17, 2008	BART nearly doubles parking spaces for Christmas holiday travelers by offering 1360 total Airport/Long-Term parking spots. The costs remain \$5 per day in the East Bay and

\$6 per day for peninsula parking spaces.

December 18, 2008... BART Board elects long-time BART Board member Thomas Blalock to President and the Board's longest serving member James Fang to Vice President.

December 29, 2008... BART passengers once again break Christmas week ridership records as 78,700 people brave inclement weather to use BART to get to SFO. That's a 26% increase over 2007 and 97% leap compared with Christmas week of 2003, the year when the station first opened.

January 1, 2009... At around 2:00 a.m., seven BART Police officers respond to a report of an altercation on a train at Fruitvale Station, which result in the officer involved shooting death of Oscar Grant. BART Police immediately begins their investigation into this tragedy. BART offers its condolences to the Grant family during a news conference.

January 4, 2009... BART holds a news conference to offer condolences to Oscar Grant's family, encourage witnesses to the incident to come forward and ask for the public's patience as the BART police investigation continues.

January 7, 2009... Johannes Mehserle, the BART officer involved in the New Year's Day shooting tragedy at the Fruitvale Station resigns. The BART Board and General Manager Dorothy Dugger offer their condolences to the Grant family and announce Mehserle's resignation in a public statement. The BART Board hears seven hours of public comment on the shooting.

January 9, 2009... Dorothy Dugger and BART Police Chief Gary Gee holds a press conference to update the public on the investigation into the death of Oscar Grant, express BART's deepest sympathies to the Grant family, answer some of the questions heard at the January 8, Board of Director's meeting and to update the public of what BART is doing next.

January 10, 2009... State of California Attorney General announces that he will send an observer to the Alameda County District Attorney's office as it investigates the New Year's Day officer involved shooting. General Manager Dorothy Dugger states that BART is committed to an effective and thorough investigation in full cooperation with the District Attorney and Attorney General.

January 11, 2009... BART holds a meeting with community leaders and elected officials to listen to concerns about the tragic shooting.

January 12, 2009... At a specially-called meeting, the BART Board unanimously approved the creation of the BART Police Department Review Committee that will provide additional oversight of the BART Police Department and the review of major police incidents.

January 14, 2009... BART issues a public statement that former BART Police Officer Johannes Mehserle was arrested. The arrest warrant was issued by the Alameda County District Attorney's office after the BART Police Department conducted a thorough investigation and turned over the report on Monday, January 12 to Alameda County District Attorney Thomas Orloff.

January 24, 2009... BART issues statement in response to KTVU TV 2 reports that another officer used excessive force in the New Year's Day incident. Director Carole Ward Allen states that BART does not tolerate police misconduct. General Manager Dorothy Dugger directs BART Police Chief Gary Gee to conduct a rigorous internal affairs investigation and reiterates to the public that this is an ongoing investigation.

January 29, 2009... BART announces that it will turn over its internal affairs investigation to an independent, third party to investigate the actions of all the other officers who were involved in the events leading to the shooting death of Oscar Grant.

January 31, 2009... Approximate 125 BART employees volunteer to spend this morning sprucing up downtown Oakland by sweeping, painting, pulling weeds and picking up trash in the area

most damaged by recent protests.

- **February 2, 2009...** BART posts its response on bart.gov to the hundreds of letters and emails about the New Year's day shooting.
- **February 2, 2009...** The daily parking fee at Daly City and Colma stations will be increases by \$1. The new daily parking fee at Daly City Station will be \$3 while the new Colma Station parking fee will be \$2. In addition, BART begins charging a \$1 daily parking fee at Millbrae, San Bruno and South San Francisco stations.
- **February 3, 2009...** A manually-operated, slow-moving train sideswipes a computer-operated train in the Oakland Wye track area, which causes the lead cars on both to derail. Approximately 300 passengers are successfully evacuated and there are about 13 reported minor injuries.
- **February 9, 2009...** BART moves forward with subway section of Fremont extension by seeking proposals to build the Fremont Central Park Subway.
- **February 11, 2009...** BART announces that it has turned over its internal affairs investigation to the Oaklandbased law firm of Meyers Nave. Meyers Nave is an independent, third party that will investigate the actions of all the officers present during the events leading up to the shooting death of Oscar Grant.
- **February 19, 2009...** BART teams up with the County of Alameda, the Asian Community Collaborative and the Oakland Asian Cultural Center to co-sponsor the 8th annual Lunar New Year Celebration in Oakland.
- **February 20, 2009...** BART Police have a suspect in custody following what investigators believe to be an armed robbery gone bad at the Fruitvale Station in which the robbery victim ended up using the suspect's own knife to stab and kill one of his two assailants. BART Police continue to ask for the public's help in the ongoing investigation.
- March 11, 2009...BART announces that it will begin strengthening 22 columns of elevated structures at the
West Oakland Station as part of its Earthquake Safety Program.
- March 19, 2009... BART is retaining outside experts in law enforcement and civil rights to conduct a comprehensive review of its Police Department. With input from the BART Board of Directors and the public, the agency has finalized the scope of work for this review, which it will use to hire these outside experts. This review will identify any changes that BART should make, as well as identify best practices in progressive policing that BART should adopt.
- March 25, 2009... BART begins a pilot program to test LED light-emitting diode lights that will one day replace the light fixtures currently in BART cars, which use the same technology that was around when BART began service in 1972. The LED lights last longer, can save up to 50 percent in energy costs and are noticeably brighter.
- March 26, 2009... The BART Board vote to increase the amount BART will pay Meyers Nave law firm to conduct an independent internal affairs investigation into the fatal shooting of Oscar Grant by a former BART police officer. The Board voted to amend the agreement to cover services up to \$250,000. The initial \$99,000 agreement with Meyers Nave was based upon estimates for interviewing about 40 witnesses identified in the criminal investigation into the shooting. However, because the internal affairs probe spans a wider range, including a review of events leading up to the shooting, the breadth the investigation is greater than anticipated.