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Merrimack Valley Transportation Management Association (MVTMA)



Car-Free Week for 2011

Great Job to all employees who participated in the MVTMA's Car-Free Week / Fall Promotion - thank you for alternatively commuting!

Below are some overall state-wide statistics:

- 2,035 individuals and 470 businesses in Massachusetts celebrated Massachusetts Car-Free Week
- Participants tracked a total of 38,391 miles.
- Cost approximately saved = \$40,253 in car ownership fees.
- Reduced gasoline consumption = 1,891 gallons.
- 17.52 tons of CO2 were prevented from entering our environment.

Special thanks to all the MVTMA member company employees for participating and contributing to Car-Free Week.

MVTMA Statistics

- 118 individuals; 12 companies; and 6 alternative modes of transportation used by employees
- Participants tracked a total of 7,616 miles.
- Approximate cost saved = \$1,298.18 in car ownership fees.
- Reduced gasoline consumption = 346 gallons.
- 8,848.52 Pounds of CO2 were prevented from entering our environment.

Congratulations to Car-Free Week grand prize winner Dorin Iorga—Enterasys Networks (pictured at top right), who received a \$250 Amazon gift card and to MVTMA raffle winner Claire Waldman—Philips (pictured at right), who received a \$100 Amazon gift card.



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Hanover Company Sheds Light on Proposed 40B Residential Housing Project at Shattuck Road

David Hall, Development Partner—The Hanover Company, was the keynote speaker at an informational session regarding the proposed 40B residential housing project at Shattuck Road. Merrimack Valley TMA member Staybridge Suites generously donated their conference room to host this event which was well attended by representative from TMA member companies.

The Hanover Company is proposing the construction of a high-end apartment community at 40 Shattuck Road under the state's Comprehensive Permit Act, also known as "40B". The Comprehensive Permit Act enables the local Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) to approve affordable housing developments under flexible rules and at least 20-25 % of the units must have long-term affordability restrictions. The Hanover project will include 5 apartment buildings, a pool, fitness center, and a club house.

This was a great opportunity for TMA member companies to voice their comments, concerns, and/or support for this project. The Merrimack Valley TMA continues to keep our members informed about all projects that impact our member communities. Please go to www.merrimackvalleytma.com for more information.

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MVTMA Calendar of Events

**Wednesday,
October 19, 2011**
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM

**MVTMA Informational Session: 40B Residential
Housing Project at Shattuck Road**

Speaker: David Hall, Development Partner
The Hanover Company

Staybridge Suites
4 Tech Drive, Andover, MA

**Thursday,
November 3, 2011**
9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

MVTMA ANNUAL MUNICIPAL ROUNDTABLE MEETING

Speakers: Andover Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski and
Planning Director Paul Materazzo

Putnam Investments
7 Shattuck Road,
Andover, MA

**Tuesday,
November 15, 2011**
12:00 PM – 1:30 PM

MVTMA Cycling Committee Meeting

Philips
3000 Minuteman Road
Building 1, Room 113 A
Andover, MA

**Thursday,
December 15, 2011**
9:15 AM – 10:30 AM

MVTMA Board Meeting

Eisai Research Institute
4 Corporate Drive
Andover, MA

December 1-16 2011

MVTMA Holiday Promotion

**Sign-up for NuRide, Log Your
Commute & Holiday Shop-
ping Trips, Win Prizes**

More Details Coming Soon!



ALL 14 BRIDGE SUPERSTRUCTURES COMPLETE!

This historic project replaced 14 bridges in Medford in just 10 weekends between June and August, 2011.

Between now and the end-of-the year MassDOT will be performing some associated

work, such as barrier installation, final paving, and lane striping, that will occur during off-peak and overnight hours on I-93 Northbound and Southbound. **Please go to www.merrimackvalleytma.com for Fast 14 traffic updates.**

MVTMA Recent Green to Work Award Recipients and Raffle Winners
Thanks for participating in our Green to Work Program—and the winners are...

Bob Banta—Philips
Kimberly Desjardins—Putnam Investments
Michelle McDonald—Putnam Investment
Miriam Boucher—Drager Medical
Karen Bedard—Enterasys Networks
Jack Alexander—Hewlett Packard

Janice Metoyer—Putnam Investments
Steve Flaherty—Enterasys Networks
Teresa Schmidt—Philips
Kathleen Datta—Drager Medical
Denise Masson—Hewlett Packard
Cynthia Marie Drover—Philips



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Your company is a member of the MVTMA. All services are free to MVTMA member employees. More information is available at www.merrimackvalleytma.com or call 603.702.2156

About the MVTMA—The Merrimack Valley TMA is a non-profit organization of 85 businesses, employers, property owners, developers, institutions, organizations, and municipalities employing more than 10,000 commuters who are working together to address employee transportation issues in the Merrimack Valley communities of Andover, Haverhill, Lawrence, Methuen, and North Andover.

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