

Commuter News & Notes

A Newsletter for Members of the MVTMA

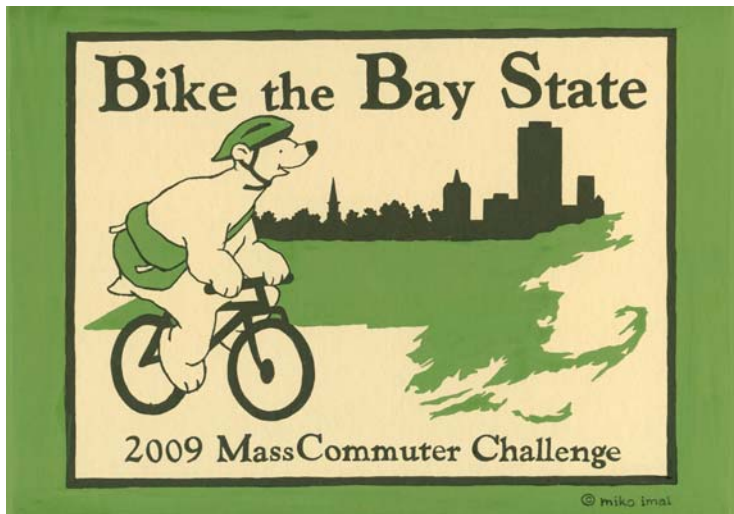
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Plans for Bike to Work 2009 Are Underway



Bike To Work Week 2009 will be here before you know it. This annual event is always a huge success and this year is no different. If you're thinking about biking to work, the time is right and it's a great opportunity to learn more about the sport and meet great people. Plus, it's great for you, the environment, and your company.

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TMA Announces NEW Green to Work Program

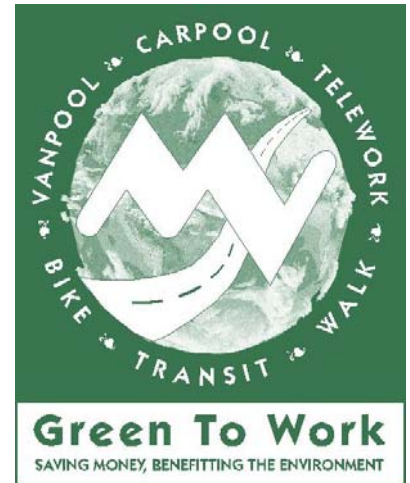
Earn **\$GREEN\$** for **GREENing** Your Commute. **Green to Work** is a new incentive program that let's you choose a variety of alternative commute modes for traveling to work – Mix it up! **Carpool** one day, use **public transit** the next, and **Bike** to work the next day! Flexibility is the key to this program. You choose when it's convenient for you to travel to work using an alternative commute mode during a 3-month period.

Need help planning your alternative commute? We have resources to help you form a carpool, identify your public transportation options or we can help you find the alternative that's right for you!

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Green to Work (continued from Page 1)

Join our **Green to Work Program**. Carpool, vanpool, Bike, Walk, Public Transit or Telework – **Green to Work** saves you money! Commute using an alternative mode at least 24 times during a three-month period and earn a gift card of your choice – \$25, \$50, \$75 – the more you use an alternative mode, the more you earn. For more details and to register for **Green to Work** go to: www.MerrimackValleyTMA.com/greentowork.htm



Green to Work Statistics (3/31/09 – 3/31/09)

Seventy-five people signed up for the new Green to Work program from 24 different companies during the TMA’s kick-off promotion. Employees began logging their commutes starting March 1st. Below is a sampling of TMA member employee results during March.

TRAVEL MODE	TRIPS LOGGED	TOTAL DISTANCE
Biking	31	305 miles
Carpool Driver	34	2465 miles
Carpool Passenger	68	4715 miles
Personal Car	133	7821 miles
Walking	13	20 miles
Telework	55	273 miles

And the winner is...

Congratulations to Gregg Evans, Philips winner of the \$100 **Green to Work** Gift Card Raffle



Merrimack Valley TMA – Spring Calendar of Events

April 2009

Bike to Work Registration: **April 13, 2009 - April 30, 2009**
 Register online at www.MerrimackValleyTMA.com for the MassCommute Commuter Challenge

Wednesday, April 8, 2009
Merrimack Valley TMA Roundtable
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM
 Putnam Investments
 7 Shattuck Road
 Andover, MA

Tuesday, April 21, 2009
Explore Your Options Earth Day Event
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
 Philips
 3000 Minuteman Road
 Andover, MA

May 2009

Wednesday, May 6, 2009
Philips Fitness Fair
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
 Philips
 3000 Minuteman Road
 Andover, MA

June 2009

Thursday, June 11, 2009
BtW 2009 Bike Bash Breakfast
7:00 AM - 9:00 AM
 At the Fountain Plaza
 200 Minuteman Road
 Andover, MA

Thursday, June 25, 2009
Merrimack Valley TMA Board Meeting
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
 Hewlett-Packard Corp.
 165 Dascomb Road
 Andover, MA

Bike Week Events: May 11, 2009 – May 15, 2009

Monday, May 11, 2009
SHATTUCK ROAD AREA
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM
 Putnam Investments
 7 Shattuck Road
 Andover, MA

Tuesday, May 12, 2009
SHAWSHEEN AREA
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM
 Brickstone Square
 Plaza between 100/200 Brickstone Square
 Andover, MA

Wednesday, May 13, 2009
NORTH ANDOVER AREA
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM
 RCG East Mill
 21 High Street
 North Andover, MA

Wednesday, May 13, 2009
DASCOMB ROAD AREA
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM
 VICOR
 25 Frontage Road
 Andover, MA

Thursday, May 14, 2009
MINUTEMAN ROAD AREA
6:30 AM - 9:00 AM
 Philips
 1776 Road Gate
 Andover, MA

Friday, May 15, 2009
FEDERAL STREET AREA
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM
 VICOR
 400 Federal Street
 Andover, MA

Bike to Work 2009 details:

- **Register on-line @ www.Merrimackvalleytma.com**
Monday, April 13, 2009 through Thursday, April 30, 2009
- **Bike to Work Week 2009 Area-wide Events**
Monday, May 11, 2009 – Friday, May 15, 2009

Any questions please contact; AlmarroneTMA@yahoo.com or call me at 603-702-2156

This year we will have a "**Bike Bash Breakfast**". Participants will receive T-Shirts. Raffles, awards, and bike shop vendors will also highlight the Bike Bash. In order to participate in the Bike Bash, employees need to sign-in at one of the Bike to Work locations listed above during Bike Week. A light breakfast will be waiting at each location to welcome the bikers.

The Bike to Work **Bike Bash Breakfast 2009 is Thursday, June 11, 2009**
7:00 – 9:00 AM at 200 Minuteman Rd. Andover, MA

JOIN US!

April 8, 2009 / 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Putnam Investments, 7 Shattuck Road, Andover, MA

Merrimack Valley TMA Roundtable

Transportation Reform and Funding in the Commonwealth

Featuring Senator Susan Tucker and Representative Barry Finegold

Merrimack Valley TMA

c/o Northeast Transit Planning & Management Corp.

28 Brook Road

Marblehead, MA 01945