



South Florida Regional Transportation Authority

800 NW 33rd Street
Pompano Beach, Florida 33064
954-942-RAIL (7245)
1-888-GO-SFRTA (467-3782)
www.sfrta.fl.gov

GOVERNING BOARD

- Commissioner Steven L. Abrams, Chair
- Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro, Vice Chair
- James A. Cummings
- Frank Frione
- Marie Horenburger
- Nick Inamdar
- Commissioner Kristin Jacobs
- James A. Scott
- James A. Wolfe, P.E.

INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Jack Stephens



954-357-8400
www.broward.org/bct



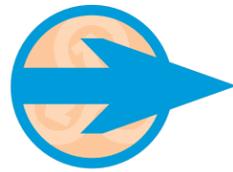
305-770-3131
www.miamidade.gov/transit



1-877-930-4287
www.palmtran.org



1-800-TRI-RAIL (874-7245)
www.tri-rail.com



South Florida Festivals



Lake Worth Street Painting Festival

The SFRTA is proud to partner with what is known as the largest street painting event in the world. The 20th Annual Lake Worth Street Painting Festival is back to bring the public some of the greatest art-on-asphalt executed

live by artists in Downtown Lake Worth. The outdoor art event features food, musical entertainment and street performers that thousands of spectators have come to enjoy.

Free shuttle service from Tri-Rail's Lake Worth Station will be available throughout the event, between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, February 22 and 23, to the event's usual location along Lake and Lucerne Avenues in Downtown Lake Worth. Visit www.streetpaintingfestivalinc.org for more information.

Renaissance Festival

Don't miss the 22nd annual Florida Renaissance Festival February 8 – March 16 at Quiet Waters Park in Deerfield Beach and March 29 – April 13 at Cauley Square in Miami. This outdoor theatrical festival returns with a host of activities for adults and children of all ages, including stage shows, medieval horse jousting,

live music, arts and crafts, food fit for a king and more.

The festival takes place from 10 a.m. to sunset on Saturdays and Sundays, as well as on President's Day at the Deerfield Beach venue. The Cauley Square time goes from 11 a.m. to sunset, Saturdays and Sundays only. For tickets and additional information, please visit www.ren-fest.com or call 954-776-1642.

Calle Ocho Music Festival

Miami is gearing up for the biggest street party in the world, the one and only Calle Ocho. Annually attracting millions of attendees for an all-day party of Latin music and culture, Calle Ocho acts as the grand finale for Carnival Miami, a 35-year old Miami tradition.

Calle Ocho takes place on Sunday, March 9, 2014, from 10 a.m to 7 p.m., along SW 8th Street. For more information, visit www.carnavalmiami.com or call 305-644-8888.

Saluting Tri-Rail's 25th Anniversary Sponsors



Gannett Fleming, a Conductor Level sponsor of Tri-Rail's Transportation, Today & Tomorrow Luncheon, is a global infrastructure firm that provides planning, design, technology, and construction management services for a diverse range of markets and disciplines. The firm has been connecting people and places for nearly a century, with a reputation for the smart planning and innovative design of public transportation systems across the state and across the nation. A visionary company, the firm is regarded among the top engineering firms in the U.S., especially in the fields of rail, bus, and automated guideway transit. Gannett Fleming is committed to moving south Florida forward with dynamic solutions for bus rapid transit, bus facilities, transit stations, multimodal, light rail, commuter rail, maintenance facilities, people movers, and systems design and integration.

Across a global network of 60 offices, more than 2,000 highly qualified individuals are united in a passion to deliver excellence to every client and every project, every day. Founded in 1915, Gannett Fleming embraces sustainability and innovation in its projects and internal activities, achieving results while being responsible stewards of the environment. The firm's culture of service, ingenuity, and responsiveness empowers them to fulfill a key mission: make their clients successful.

Gannett Fleming is consistently ranked in the top 10 percent on Engineering News-Record's Top 500 Design Firms list.



>>> FEBRUARY 2014

THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY - A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN BROWARD, MIAMI-DADE & PALM BEACH COUNTIES

A Farewell Message from Joe Giulietti



Dear Friends,
Our 15-year, 72-mile journey together has come to a close. After much personal and professional reflection, I have accepted the position of President of Metro-North in New York City, which is the system that runs into Grand Central Terminal from points north.

This was truly a very difficult decision to make. We have been through so much together, including some very difficult times during the Double Track Corridor Improvement Program. We've survived delayed trains, suspended signals and major delays from safety incidents, but you are still loyal passengers and Tri-Rail's ridership continues to flourish.

For me, returning to Metro-North is like going back home because I worked there for 15 years before joining Tri-Rail and that experience was instrumental

in making me the executive director I have become. I know that I leave the SFRTA and Tri-Rail stronger than ever. The future is bright, with expansion and new service on the horizon. Our new locomotives will soon be in service; The Wave, Fort Lauderdale's modern streetcar will begin construction shortly, and passenger service on the FEC corridor is now more a reality than just a vision.

I have truly enjoyed getting to know many of you. I even enjoyed the calls when you complained about issues because I learned something from every conversation. I have enjoyed meeting you at our meet and greets and I can tell you that you are left in good hands. The SFRTA has a strong, devoted senior management team that has been together for more than a decade and the Interim Executive Director, Jack Stephens has managed one of the largest transit systems in the nation, the Metropolitan Atlanta Regional Transportation Authority.

There are many people I need to thank. First and foremost, you. Without our passengers, we would cease to exist. I also want to thank the Governing Board of the SFRTA for its continuous support, the Florida Department of Transportation, the Federal Transit

Administration, the Federal Railroad Administration and the Commissions of Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties for their consistent funding.

I will not say goodbye, because South Florida will always be my home. I'm just going to say we will meet again on the train in the future.



Joseph Szabo, FRA Administrator, tours the Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport Station at Dania Beach with departing SFRTA Executive Director Joseph Giulietti.

EL ADIOS DE JOE

Queridos amigos,
Nuestro viaje de quince años y 72 millas ha concluido. Tras una amplia reflexión personal y profesional, he aceptado el puesto de Presidente de Metro-North en la Ciudad de Nueva York, que es el sistema

que conduce a Grand Central Terminal desde puntos de ubicación norte.

Esta fue una decisión muy difícil. Hemos transitado juntos muchos momentos, incluidos tiempos muy difíciles durante el programa de mejora de corredores de doble vía. Hemos superado demoras en los trenes, señales suspendidas y mayores retrasos por incidentes de seguridad, pero aun así ustedes continúan siendo pasajeros leales y el pasaje de Tri-Rail continúa creciendo con fuerza.

En lo que concierne a mi persona, regresar a Metro-North es como regresar a casa. Trabajé allí por 15 años antes de unirme a Tri-Rail y aquella experiencia fue clave para convertirme en el director ejecutivo que soy. Sé que dejo la SFRTA y Tri-Rail en un estado más sólido que nunca.

El futuro es brillante, con expansión y un nuevo servicio en el horizonte. Nuestras nuevas locomotoras pronto estarán en servicio; en breve se comenzará la construcción del tranvía moderno 'The Wave' de Fort Lauderdale, y el servicio a los pasajeros en el corredor FEC al presente es más una realidad que solo una visión.

Realmente he disfrutado llegar a conocer a muchos de ustedes. Incluso disfruté las llamadas

(Continúa en la siguiente página)

por reclamos concernientes a problemas ya que aprendí algo de cada conversación. Disfruté de haberlos encontrado en nuestras reuniones comunitarias y puedo afirmar que quedan en buenas manos tras mi partida. La SFRTA cuenta con un equipo de alta gerencia sólido y comprometido, que ha permanecido unido por más de una década. El Director ejecutivo interino, Jack Stephens, ha dirigido uno de los sistemas de tránsito más grandes del país, Metropolitan Atlanta Regional Transportation Authority (Autoridad de Transporte Regional del Área Metropolitana de Atlanta).

Existen numerosas personas a las que necesito agradecer. Primero y principal, a ustedes. Sin nuestros pasajeros, dejaríamos de existir. Asimismo, deseo agradecer a la Junta Directiva de la SFRTA por su constante apoyo, al Departamento de Transporte de Florida, la Administración Federal de Tránsito, la Administración Federal de Ferrocarriles y a las Comisiones de los condados de Broward, Miami-Dade y Palm Beach por su consistente financiación.

No diré adiós, ya que el Sur de Florida siempre será mi hogar. Simplemente diré que nos volveremos a encontrar en el tren en el futuro.

MWEN KITE NOU JOE

Chè Zanmi, Vwayaj nou t ap fè sou 15 ane ak sou yon distans 72 mil rive nan yon pwen final. Apre refleksyon anpil moun ak pwofesyonèl, mwen aksepte pòs Prezidan Metro-North nan Vil New York, ki se sistèm ki fonksyone nan Grand Central Terminal apati pwen nò yo.

Sa a se te yon dezizyon ki te difisil anpil pou mwen pran. Nou te fè anpil eksperyans ansanm, tankou kèk moman ki te difisil anpil pandan Pwogram Amelyorasyon Koridò Doub Chemennfè a. Nou te siviv tren ki te an reta, nou te sispann pano siyal, ak gwo reta nan ensidan sekirite, men ou toujou se pasaje fidèl epi sèvis transpò nan Tri-Rail ak kontinye fè pwogrè.

Pou mwen, retounen nan Metro-North te tankou mwen retounen lakay mwen. Mwen te travay isit la pandan 15 zan anvan mwen te antre nan Tri-Rail, epi eksperyans sa a te enpòtan anpil nan fè mwen vin direktè egzekitif mwen vin ye a. Mwen konnen m ap kite SERTA ak Tri-Rail pi fò pase jamè. Avni an briyan, avèk agrandisman ak nouvo sèvis ki pral vini an. Nouvo lokomotiv nou yo pral an sèvis nan yon ti tan; tramwe modèn 'The Wave', Fort Lauderdale pral kòmanse konstwixyon nan yon ti tan, epi sèvis pasaje nan koridò FEC se plis yon reyalyte kounye a pase sèlman yon vizyon.

Mwen te vrèman renmen konnen anpil nan nou. Mwen te renmen koutfil yo lè ou te plenyen sou pwoblèm yo paske mwen te aprann yon bagay nan chak konvèsasyon. Mwen te renmen rankontre ou nan reyinyon nou yo ak salitasyon nou yo, epi mwen kapab di ou w ap tonbe nan bon men apre mwen ale. SFRTA gen yon ekip solid anplwaye direksyon ki te ansanm pandan plis pase yon deseni epi Direktè Egzekitif Pwovizwa a, Jack Stephens, te jere youn nan pi gwo sistèm transpò komen nan nasyon an, Administrasyon Transpò Rejyonal Atlanta Metwopoliten (Metropolitan Atlanta Regional Transportation Authority).

Gen anpil moun mwen bezwen di mèsi. Toudabò, oumenm. San pasaje nou yo, nou ta sispann egziste. Mwen vle di mèsi tou pou Konsèy Administrasyon SFRTA pou sipò li kontinye bay, Depatman Transpò Florida (Florida Department of Transportation) Administrasyon Federal Transpò Komen (Transit Administration), Administrasyon Federal Chemennfè (Federal Railroad Administration) ak Komisyon Konte Broward, Miami-Dade ak Palm Beach pou finansman yo toujou bay.

Pwen pa pral di orevwa, paske South Florida ap toujou kay mwen. Mwen sèlman pral di n ap rankontre ankò nan tren an pivevan.

TRI-RAIL'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION IN PICTURES



RAIL FUN DAY

Nearly 2,000 people were in attendance at Tri-Rail's "Rail Fun Day" on January 25 at the Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport at Dania Beach Station. This free day of fun featured arts and crafts by South Florida Parenting, interactive games from the Miami Marlins, giveaways from City County Credit Union, food samples from Pollo Tropical, Winn Dixie and Dunkin' Donuts, food trucks and more. Event-goers were also able to witness Tri-Rail's "South Florida's Kids Got Talent" singing competition. Tri-Rail carried more than 7,000 riders on Rail Fun Day, resulting in the second highest Saturday ridership since March 2013.



Jack Stephens, SFRTA/Tri-Rail Interim Executive Director; Commissioner Steven L. Abrams, SFRTA Board Chair; Jade Master, Tri-Rail's South Florida's Kids Got Talent Winner; Joe Giulietti, past SFRTA/Tri-Rail Executive Director.



Billy the Marlin cheers on the contestants during Tri-Rail's South Florida's Kids Got Talent competition.



Tri-Rail staff members celebrate the commuter rail system's 25th anniversary in style.



Tri-Rail's mascot, Conductor George Green, greets families at Rail Fun Day.



Dancer's Gallery takes center stage, performing to a selection of top 40s hits and more.



Families enjoy a ride on a trackless train during another successful Rail Fun Day event.

TRANSPORTATION TODAY & TOMORROW LUNCHEON

South Florida Regional Transportation Authority presented the "Transportation Today & Tomorrow" luncheon on January 17, featuring guest speaker Therese McMillan, deputy administrator of the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Transit Administration and special guest host Jen Herrera, WPLG 10 News Anchor. This event brought together nearly 300 elected officials, business leaders and transportation advocates to celebrate Tri-Rail's 25th anniversary. Conductor Level Event sponsors included Gannett Fleming, HDR and Veolia Transportation.

Conductor Level Sponsors



Engineer Level Sponsors



Commissioner Kristin Jacobs and Broward County Mayor Barbara Sharief.



Fred Wise, accepting a Growth and Funding Partner recognition plaque on behalf of FDOT, presented by Broward County Commissioner Kristin Jacobs.



SFRTA Chair, Commissioner Steve Abrams presented a thank you token to the luncheon guest speaker, FTA Deputy Administrator Therese McMillan.



(Top) Fred Wise, Don Saunders, Dave Thomas, Joe Giulietti, Becky Giulietti, Commissioner Abrams and Dr Yvette Taylor. (Bottom) Ron Hartman, Therese McMillan, Will Suero and David Vozzolo.



Past Board Member Ed Kennedy with wife Beverly Kennedy.



Past Executive Director Joseph "Joe" Giulietti with past Governing Board members Wendy Larsen (left) and Broward County Property Appraiser, Lori Parrish (right).



Ralph Marrinson (left) was presented with a special Outstanding Business Leadership and Award by Joe Giulietti.



(Left to right) Commissioner Barreiro presented Rick Chesser and Jim Cummings with a special award for their work on the Segment 5 Double Tracking Corridor Improvement Project.



Event host Jen Herrera, WPLG 10 News Anchor



Interim Executive Director Jack Stephens, Marlene Avalo and Miami-Dade County Commissioner and SFRTA Vice Chair, Bruno Barreiro.



(Left to right) Commissioner Barreiro presented Rick Chesser and Jim Cummings with a special award for their work on the Segment 5 Double Tracking Corridor Improvement Project.

Tri-Rail celebrated its 25th anniversary with great fanfare, welcoming elected officials, transportation industry leaders and the community to participate in this major milestone. The commuter rail system's "Rail Fun Day" community celebration, "Transportation Today & Tomorrow" luncheon and Rider Appreciation Day showcased the great success Tri-Rail has made in connecting all of South Florida.