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## Have you heard the word on the street?

[Become a WOBO Member today!](#)

## Bike to Work Day is Around the Corner!

May is a special month for bicyclists: it's Bike to Work Month and the host of Bike to Work Day! This year's theme for Bike to Work Day (May 9) is Everybody Bikes. The theme underscores one of the reasons Bike to Work Day is so special - it's a day when people, from political leaders to average citizens, try a bicycle commute on for size. As boosters of people-powered transportation, our job is to make Bike to Work Day so fun and so convenient that people participating in Bike to Work Day for the first time start bicycling regularly, helping to clean the air, reduce traffic, and be a part of a healthier city.

You can help make this Bike to Work Day another one for the record books. Join WOBO at one of three Energizer Stations between 7-9am : one at 27th and Broadway with a healthy living theme, one on Lakeshore themed parklets, and one in Frank Ogawa Plaza with a photo op!

You can also help lead or participate in rides with our City Council Members, starting all over Oakland and ending up at City Hall. If you'd like to volunteer, please join us from 6-7pm on the second floor of 436 14th St next Thursday, April 25! If you can't make the meeting but would like to volunteer, please email [ChrisA@wobo.org](mailto:ChrisA@wobo.org).

Let's make May a Bike to Work Month to remember!

Jonathan Bair  
WOBO Board President

## 40th St. Parklet Party a Success!

Fans of the 40<sup>th</sup> Street Parklet and local passerby came together on March 23<sup>rd</sup> to share the improved public space. Many thanks to the WOBO members who stopped by to enjoy the good company and activities co-sponsored by WOBO, Manifesto Bikes and Subrosa Coffee. WOBO volunteers and board members chatted with attendees about the nature of parklets and this year's effort to support a city council resolution to enable parklet approvals beyond the current pilot group. Amongst the visitors were neighbors, Oakland Yellow Jackets riders and District 1 Council Member Dan Kalb. Visitors were lucky to have



Above, WOBO Board Member discusses our

tasty food options. Fist of Flour made their dough get air before throwing it into their wood-fired oven. The *El Taco Bike* Master dished up savory salsa vehicles in style before rolling down Webster in on his leg-powered food stand. Thanks to those who came out to make this day a success!

Contact Chris at [chrisa@wobo.org](mailto:chrisa@wobo.org) for more information on the parklets campaign.

*Parklets campaign with one of the many event attendees!*



On Saturday, April 13, [Oakland Urban Paths](#) extending the celebration of Parklets by taking a walk of Oakland's major parklets. The above photo was taken at the Farley's East Parklet.



## Local spotlight: Bicycle Trails Council of the East Bay

"BTCEB has been a leader in encouraging low-impact environmentally friendly riding, volunteer trail work participation, cooperation among different trail user groups, and grass roots advocacy. Of course we also love to ride bikes and have fun!" See its website for more information:

<http://www.btceb.org/>.

## Upcoming Events

Safety Class & Brown Bag Lunch (taught by EBBC)

Tuesday, April 16, 12-1pm, Alameda County Transportation Commission, 1333 Broadway, 3rd Floor, Conference Room A.

Oakland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (meeting

agenda: <http://www2.oaklandnet.com/oakca1/groups/pwa/documents/agenda/oak039259.pdf>)

Thursday, April 18, 5:30 - 7:30pm, City Hall Hearing Room 4, 2nd Floor

Laney College Earth Expo (stop by WOBO's table!)

Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 11am-2pm Bella Vista Park (near Park Blvd)

**WOBO Bike to Work Day Volunteer Meeting**

Thursday, April 25, 6-7 pm, 436 14<sup>th</sup> St, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Conference Room

Latham Square Project Review by City Council

Tuesday, April 30, 5:30pm, City Hall Council Chambers, 3rd Floor

Oakland Urban Paths walk along the MLK Shoreline

Check website for updates: [oaklandurbanpaths.org](http://oaklandurbanpaths.org)

Bike To Work Day Pancake Breakfast, raffle and co-mingling with Council members

Thursday, May 9, 7-9am, City Hall, Frank Ogawa Plaza

Bike To Work Day Happy Hour

Thursday, May 9, 5-8:30pm, 9th and Washington in Old Oakland

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