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Bike to Work Day

Hacienda hosting workshop before premier cycling event

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The Hacienda Owners Association will host a lunchtime commuter workshop at its office this Wednesday in advance of Pleasanton's and the Bay Area's annual Bike to Work Day on May 14.

The one-hour interactive classroom course, funded by the Alameda County Transportation Commission, will focus on bike commuting basics, rights and responsibilities, route planning, crash prevention and required equipment.

The workshop is free, but pre-registration is requested by calling (510) 845-7466, Ext. 2 or online at https://bikeeastbay.org.

Bike to Work Day, a premier bicycling event, will take place throughout Northern California with special events occurring in all nine Bay Area counties. In Pleasanton, "Energizer" stations will be set up with Hacienda hosting one at the East Dublin/Pleasanton BART station in conjunction with Alameda County Public Works.

Cyclists will receive free T-shirts, a Cycling Commute Companion and a canvas tote bag filled with cycling gear. Participating cyclists can also receive a free bike safety check courtesy of Dublin Cyclery.

Cyclists who fill out a Bike to Work Day registration card will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win raffle prizes donated by local merchants.

The Energizer Station will be open 6:30-9 a.m. in the plaza area just outside the station's turnstiles.

The East Dublin/Pleasanton BART station sits in the middle of I-580 and is easily accessed by Owens Drive from Pleasanton and by Dublin Boulevard from Dublin.

To register, sign on to www.youcanbikethere.com/user/register.