

## Country Music Fest at Progressive Field June 11

If you're a county music fan, you'll want to take RTA to Progressive Field on Saturday, June 11, for a 4 p.m. music festival. Watch 10 country artists, including Brad Paisley, Blake Shelton and Jerrod Niemann.

As part of the "H2O II Wetter and Wilder Tour", the show will feature an interactive "Water World" area, with activities including slip n' slides, dunk tanks, fishing simulators, and race car simulators.

So park for free at a rail station, ride the Rapid to Tower City, and take the Walkway to Progressive Field.

## Ride RTA to Shaker Hts. festival on June 18-19

RTA is the easiest way to attend the second annual Arts and Music Festival, sponsored by the City of Shaker Heights, the Shaker Arts Council and the Ohio Designer Craftsmen. Hours are 10 a.m.-10 p.m. on Saturday, June 18, and 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. on Sunday, June 19.

More than 5,000 persons attended last year.

Just ride the Blue Line to the festival site at Farnsleigh Road and Van Aken Boulevard. For details, go to <http://bit.ly/SHArtsMusicFestival>.

## Pride in Cleveland

- The new \$25-million African Elephant Crossing at the Metroparks Zoo is the first animal exhibition in the nation to be certified for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED).
- The Cleveland Aquarium being planned for the Powerhouse will feature the nation's longest sea tube.

## For Your Safety

### RTA's Code of Conduct ensures safety for riders

To ensure a safe comfortable trip for everyone, riders are asked to follow RTA's Code of Conduct.

- Do not threaten harm to any other passenger or operator.
- Do not insult, taunt, fight with or challenge any other passenger or operator.
- Do not swear or use profane language while on vehicles or in facilities.
- Let all passengers move freely.
- Pay your fare and retain proof-of-payment on designated vehicles along Euclid Avenue, and in designated trains and station areas on the Red Line.
- Use a private earphone when playing sound equipment. If other passengers can hear your music, turn down the volume.
- Do not smoke, drink or eat on vehicles or in facilities.
- Do not write, draw or otherwise mark on any vehicle or facility.
- Obey all posted signs and operator warnings.

Remember, misconduct on public transit is a crime. Transit Police have full enforcement authority, up to and including arrest.



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# Rider's Digest



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## New timetables set for routes June 12

Summer service changes take effect on Sunday, June 12. New timetables will be needed for some routes. All are minor modifications.

Bus riders need to pick up new timetables for the #9, #14, #15, #35, #46, #49, #55, #75, #76, #79A/B, #246, #251/451 and #263.

There are minor schedule changes to two trolley routes. The first B-Line trip will leave RTA's Main Office at 6:52 a.m. The last trip will leave at 7:02 p.m. The first E-Line trip will leave the Stephanie Tubbs Jones Transit Center at 6:39 a.m., and the last trip will leave at 7:01 p.m. Because of the 10-minute frequency, no new timetables are needed.

Service on three routes that carry mostly school children – #751, #752 and #761 – will be discontinued until August.

As of June 12, riders on the #46 route in the Westlake Industrial Park need to be aware that afternoon trips to the Ranney-Clemens intersection will now follow the same direction in the afternoon as they do in the morning. This affects the point where some riders will board the bus.

Timetables are available on-line at the Maps and Schedules page at [rideRTA.com](http://rideRTA.com), or at Google Transit. After June 5, they can be picked up at the RTA Main Office, 1240 W. Sixth St., or the Tower City Customer Service Center. Or, call 216-621-9500.

## Cleveland woman tapped as she boards HealthLine

Kionte Watkins, 26, of Cleveland, won a free pass for one year on RTA. She was tapped as the 10-millionth rider on RTA's award-winning HealthLine.

An Outreach Specialist for two years at the Empowerment Center of Greater Cleveland, Watkins helps low-income individuals better their situations through education and problem-solving.

"I just started taking RTA a month ago to save money on gas and parking and I really love it," she says. "I transfer to the HealthLine on Public Square every morning. It takes me to the Empowerment Center at Euclid Avenue and East 30th Street. It is convenient for me, and now it is REALLY going to save me money!"

Watkins also received several entertainment prizes, including tickets to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and the Zoo.

The 10-Millionth Rider promotion celebrates the many successes of the HealthLine, which began service in October 2008. Ridership is up 58 percent and redevelopment projects have sprung up along the route, creating billions of dollars of economic growth in Cleveland.

The project has also won several prestigious national awards.

### RTA wins safety award

The American Public Transportation Association has selected RTA for a top transit honor. For the second year in a row, RTA won the Gold award for bus safety. This award is based on 24 months without a bus-pedestrian accident, because of increased prevention measures implemented by RTA.

## Euclid Beach theme at July 4 family event

The spirit of Euclid Beach Park will come alive on Monday, July 4, at the Settler's Landing Station on the Waterfront Line.

For the seventh year, RTA will host a Family Fest as part of Cleveland's major fireworks celebration. Items from the former Euclid Beach amusement park will be present.

The event features a 12-piece Sousa band. Refreshments will be sold.

The festival runs from 7 p.m. until dusk. Families are encouraged to park free at an RTA Rapid Station, ride the Rapid to Tower City, and then take Waterfront Line to the Settlers Landing Station. Bring a blanket, and grab a spot on the hillside for a great view of the fireworks. The fireworks, launched from the mouth of the Cuyahoga River, are expected to start around 9:30 p.m.

RTA service makes travel to and from the Flats fast and convenient. Plan to come early, as a large crowd is expected.

Customers are encouraged to buy an All-Day Pass -- \$5 for adults and \$2.50 for each accompanying child, age 6-12, up to three children. Up to three children younger than age 6 can ride free. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

### Join RTA for Safety Day

The RTA Community Bus will be at Safety Day at the Metroparks Zoo, from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. on Wednesday, June 22. RTA staff will be on hand to pass out safety literature, and answer questions.

Most displays will be in or near the Palava Hut Pavilion, located just inside the main entrance. The Greater Cleveland Safety Council has sponsored the event for 26 years. The mission of the Council is to help make Cleveland a safe place to live and work. For more information, call 216-621-0062.

## Ride RTA, get half-price fare at Metroparks Zoo

If you're headed to the Metroparks Zoo this summer to see the new African Elephant Crossing, riding RTA is your best bet.

From now through Labor Day, the Zoo extends half-price admission to persons who ride the #20, #35 or #51 to the grounds. Be sure to ask the bus driver for a courtesy pass – each person needs one – and show it at the Box Office when you buy your tickets.

Each bus route lets you off at Pearl Road and Wildlife Way. Then walk one-half mile to the Zoo's main entrance.

The Zoo is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. On summer weekends, it is open 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

Admission is free on Mondays for residents of Cuyahoga County and Hinckley Township. An ID card is required. Because the July 4 holiday falls on a Monday, the free day has been moved to Tuesday, July 5.

Visit [clevmetzoo.com](http://clevmetzoo.com) or call 216-661-6500.

### Waterfront Line operates on weekends and July 4

RTA's Waterfront Line is ideal this summer, if you plan on seeing the Great Lakes Science Center, the Rock-N-Roll Hall of Fame, the Goodtime III, Voinovich Park or the July 4 fireworks.

Service operates on Saturdays, Sundays and days when there is Sunday/holiday service, such as Monday, July 4.

Each day, the first train leaves Tower City for the Waterfront Line at 9:05 a.m. The last train leaves the South Harbor Station at 6:36 p.m., and continues into service on the Blue and Green lines.

On July 4, service will be extended until 30 minutes after the fireworks end.