



# "A Customer First Company"

## December 2014

### Welcome to the December 2014 Edition of "On the Move"

#### Happy Holidays & Happy New Year

During this season, we take time to reflect upon the good things we have... like you our K&K Family.



We appreciate serving you and hope that you had a wonderful holiday and that the coming year will bring you happiness and success.

#### Low Gas Prices May Not Stick Around Very Long

Virginia drivers can expect to see a 5 cents-per-gallon increase in the cost of gas starting on January 1, 2015.

Last year, under former Governor Bob McDonnell, a \$6 billion transportation funding package was passed. The increase in wholesale gas prices will help to pay for this package.

Originally, the transportation package relied on passage of a federal bill that would allow Virginia to collect sales taxes from out-of-state online merchants. However, this bill has been held up in the House of Representatives.

Source: <http://wtop.com/travel/2014/12/virginia-drivers-set-see-gas-prices-go/>

#### New I-95 Express Lane Tolling

Starting Monday, December 29, 2014 tolling will begin on I-95 Express lanes in Northern VA. Your old E-Z Pass will work but if you have less than three people in the car, you still must pay a toll based on the traffic conditions at the time.



Those using the new Flex Pass can put it in two modes to gain the full benefit of using the express lanes. If the Flex Pass is in HOV mode you can get a toll-free trip on the Express Lanes.

State Troopers are now equipped with new readers that help officers enforce the HOV rules.

State Police will begin enforcing state law regarding HOV-3 lanes, with no breaks for first-time offenders. Drivers must pay a \$125 fine for their first offense, but won't receive any demerit points on their driving record. This fine jumps to \$250 and three demerit points for a second offense occurring within 5 years of the first. For a third offense within five years of the first, the fine is \$500 and three demerit points. For four or more offenses within five years of the first offense, the fine tops out at \$1,000 and three demerit points. The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) recently released a reminder of the changing rules that will go into effect when the 95 Express Lanes open in December. All drivers will need an E-ZPass® or E-ZPass® FlexSM to use the Express Lanes.

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## Richmond Area New Year's Eve Events

Looking for things to do this New Year's Eve? Here are a couple of local events:



**Noon Year's Eve:** Party with countdown to noon, bouncy ball drop, hands-on science projects and more, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Science Museum of Virginia, 2500 W. Broad Street \$10-\$11

**RVA New Year's Eve:** Party like it's almost 2015, with a 50-foot video ball and tower light show, music, interactive entertainment and more, beginning at 7PM on Brown's Island, Tredgar and South Seventh streets. Free event

**New Year's Eve Family Frolic:** Music by the Ululating Mummies, "rolling in the New Year" hillside tumble, crafts and more, 2-5 p.m. indoors and out at Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, 1800 Lakeside Ave. Included in garden admission of \$7-\$11. 262-9887.

**Ha-Ha-Happy New Year:** ComedySportz in two times the laughs with an all-ages improv show at 7PM with other time zone countdown, milk-and-Twinkie toast, games and more (\$16 in advance, \$20 at door); ComedySportz match at 10PM features party hats, noisemakers and champagne toast at midnight (\$18 in advance, \$22 at door) at ComedySportz Improv Theatre, 8906-H W. Broad St.

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## Tips That Will Enhance the Time You Use Commuting in 2015

Ever wonder how you can use the time you have during your commute to benefit you personally? Here are a couple of tips that will enhance your commuting time:

- Don't be idle during your commute. Put an audiobook on your iPod, listen to a podcast, or learn a new language. If you're not driving take time to read.
- Create mental lists - Mental lists are great because they help you prioritize and better prepare you for your responsibilities.
- Practice your hobbies - Whether knitting or writing, your commute to work can be a great place to practice your hobbies.
- Pay bills - Taking care of bills during your commute will free up your time at home for more pleasant things.

## K&K Connection December Birthdays

We would like to wish everyone born in December a special HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Keith Trent	Onika Williams
Tira Alston	Dave Bell
Kineka Berry	Jessica Carter
Betinna Fields	Joyce Gouge
Mark Hammon	Eric Hines
Guilliam Hurte	Earl James
Michael Jarrells	Margaret Johnson
Wally Lumpkins	Bina Mehta
Barbara Morgan	Tia Murphy
Ellen Pittenger	Jennifer Piver-Renna
Dominique Salter	Martin Sanchez
Jastar Singh	Dana Trotter
Shawn Wade	Wilhelmina Wadley
Cosmos Williamson	

If we missed your birthday please let us know by emailing [owilliams@ridek2k.com](mailto:owilliams@ridek2k.com). Thank you!

## Welcome To K&K Connections

We would like to say a BIG welcome to all of our new riders for the month of December. We are so very happy you have decided to join us!