



# "A Customer First Company"

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### Welcome to the May 2020 Edition of "On the Move"

#### Join RideFinders and Get Rewarded

Did you know that you can get rewarded from RideFinders as K&K rider? Simply go to <https://ridefinders.agilemile.com/>.



Source: <https://www.pikist.com/free-photo-smnug>

On this site you can record your walk, bike, telework, carpool, vanpool, or transit trips and earn rewards from companies such as Jiffy Lube, Subway, Books a Million, and Papa Johns Pizza.

Source: <https://ridefinders.agilemile.com/>

#### How Staying Home Might Be Affecting Your Vehicle

When a vehicle sits idle for an extended period of time issues can occur that can catch you off guard. Problems such as stale fuel, rusty brakes, and dead batteries can impact your vehicle's performance.

The AAA Roadside Assistance Center has seen an increase in calls requesting help with dead batteries in Virginia and Maryland.

Even as a vehicle sits the electrical systems are still pulling power from the battery. This can impact your vehicle's performance when you try to start it again after it has been sitting for a while.

In April 2020, AAA experienced an approximate 30% increase in battery calls in Virginia and Maryland as compared to this same time last year.

Since many people are working more from home, they may not be experiencing the wear and tear on their vehicles and they may be enjoying lower gas prices, however this makes it easy to forget other aspects of maintenance for their vehicles.

Along with battery issues people will need to check the conditions of their tires before hitting the road again. This includes checking your tire pressures and giving your tires a visual inspection to check for flat spots or other damage.

There are ways to check if your battery is weak. Signs of a weak battery may include clicking sounds when attempting to start the vehicle; the engine turning over slowly; dim interior lighting or warning lights popping up on the dashboard.

AAA suggest you take the following steps if your vehicle has to sit for a while.

- Drive your vehicle at least once a week to ensure the battery stays properly charged. If you can't drive your car, invest in a battery tender to make sure your battery maintains its charge when not in use.
- Try to keep gas levels close to full. Having a full tank will make sure there is less space for air in your tank and will minimize condensation.

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- Continue to check oil, brake fluid, automatic transmission fluid, power steering fluid, and windshield washer fluid.
- Regularly check the tire pressure to ensure you are keeping it filled to the manufacturer's specifications.



Source: needpix.com

- Use safe products in order to keep your vehicle clean. The EPA has released a list of cleaning products that will kill the COVID-19 virus on surfaces inside of your vehicle. Make sure you choose products that will not discolor or damage your upholstery.

Finally, one last tip is to make sure you keep your vehicle insured properly. Even if you don't plan on using it for a while, keeping up to date insurance can protect you against incurring additional cost if something happens to your vehicle while it is parked.

Source: <https://midatlantic.aaa.com/public-affairs/press-release/?id=4a53f77e-15c3-4143-884d-24e7a740a11d>

### Drivers Urged to Remember Safe Driving Habits

Over the past couple of months there has been an increase in excessive speeding and reckless driving. As more cars begin to hit the road there has been concern over the continuation of these unsafe driving habits.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) plans to begin a new ad campaign that will remind drivers to slow down and practice safer driving habits.

As coronavirus restrictions are lifted and more drivers hit the road the NHTSA is pouring millions of dollars into this campaign which will air in several localities and will encourage drivers to refrain from any reckless habits they may have picked up during the pandemic.

Source: <https://wtop.com/dc-transit/2020/05/safety-leaders-urge-safe-driving-as-restrictions-ease-and-more-drivers-take-to-road-again/>

### K&K Connection May Birthdays

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

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|------------------------|----------------|
| Pamela Trent           | K.J. Trent     |
| Ashley Bacon-Ward      | David Capaz    |
| Teresa Barbour         | Brandon Bonds  |
| Michael Bernard        | Ronnie Clark   |
| Rochelle Brown-Sumpter | Samuel Giles   |
| Fredrick Jackson       | Todd Halacy    |
| Mark Murdoch-Kitt      | Dominic Hardy  |
| Timothy Niemczyk       | Robert Hewitt  |
| Patricia Richardson    | Chuck Meas     |
| Charlene Rhodes        | Eric Morris    |
| Minor Muncy, III       | Nakiya Pitts   |
| Nelson Washington      | Melissa Myers  |
| Theresa Wood           | Leon Wells     |
| Stacee Ogburn          | Asad Quasem    |
| Tony Simuel, Jr.       | Brock Reggi    |
| Delenis Rhodes         | Jason Zorn     |
| Jerome Rogers          | David Schlagel |
| Gretchen Smith         |                |
| Timothy Snyder         |                |

### Welcome to K&K Connections

We would like to say a BIG welcome to all our new riders. We are so privileged that you have decided to make K&K your vanpool company of choice.