

"A Customer First Company" March 2011

Welcome to the March 2011 Edition of "On the Move"

RideFinders NuRide Program Reaches 1000 Members!

Let's celebrate! RideFinders NuRide program reached the 1000 member mark in February. *NuRide is a commuter rewards program where you can earn rewards for carpooling, vanpooling, biking, walking, telecommuting, and taking public transportation.* RideFinders would like to thank all NuRiders for their participation and commitment to helping the environment. Please encourage your family, friends and co-workers to sign up for this free rewards program for taking greener trips. If you would like more information about NuRide and how you can participate visit RideFinders at <u>www.ridefinders.com</u>

Local Earth Day Events



Mark your calendars because Earth Day is April 22, 2011. Below is a list of some local Earth Day activities. If you know of any other activities occurring in our community please email <u>owilliams@ridek2k.com</u>.

Saturday April 16, 1- 4PM Three Lakes

Park - Henrico County's Earth Day Celebration. Enjoy entertainment by OminOtagO and the Tucker High School Jazz band. Activities include educational booths, recycling games, the Henrico County Bookmobile, arts and crafts, face painting, and more. The Wildlife Center of Virginia will be on-site with live animals and will educate you on animal rescue. Three Lakes Nature Center will also feature hands-on activities as well as displays. For information contact: Jeannie Murray, 501-5121. This event is free.

Saturday, April 23, 10:00 am at Hull Street between the river and Fourth Street -

Richmond Earth Day Celebration Renew your commitment to Mother Earth at this annual Richmond celebration featuring music, food, art, vendors, alternative transportation, environmental education, games, and activities. Call 804-646-0954 for details.

<u>Sunday, May 1, 2:00 pm 9025</u> <u>Washington Henry Dr. Mechanicsville, VA</u> <u>23116</u> -

Earth Day Festival in Hanover County. Come celebrate the Earth at Washington Henry Elementary School! There will be hands on demonstrations for composting and repotting plants, a petting zoo, a concert band, horse rides, carnival games, and more. Bring bucks for the basket raffles, and win a plant in the plant walk! Lots to do for all ages, the first 250 people will receive a WHES t-shirt reusable bag!

Let Us Toot Your Horn!



Each month we would like to highlight K&K members and vanpools that have had a positive impact on others. Recently, we received the following comment via email from Chris Pierce, Coordinator of Van #26:

"This group of folks are all team players. They are always courteous to each other and step-up to help each other all the time. They truly set the standard for Van Commuters! I am grateful to ride each day with them!"

If you want to highlight something or someone on your van, email Melanie at <u>mholden@ridek2k.com</u>

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PST Transportation Now Available!

Are you in need of a high quality, competitively priced transportation for hire? If so, call 804-677-2571 and book your reservation today.

A "Yellow Light" For March Driver Complaints

Below are complaints we received this month from angry motorists. The appropriate van coordinator is always immediately notified of complaints when we receive them. This listing is intended as an alert, not an accusation. However, we take all complaints seriously and ask that you as drivers keep in mind that you are responsible for your safety as well as the safety of others in the van and on the road with you.



Van 011 - caller claimed van was traveling at excessive speeds.

Van 026 - caller claimed driver was weaving in and out of traffic and driving at excessive speeds.

K&K Connection March Birthdays

Kennon Artis Nick Blend Valerie Craighead Martin Mitchell Chris McNeil (Feb) Crystal Nevers William Roberts Samuel Scott Marian Smith

If we missed your birthday, or if you have an upcoming birthday please email <u>owilliams@ridek2k.com</u>

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15th Annual Omega Scholarship Open Golf Tournament

Attention all Golfers! Cecil Shorte (Van #20) would like to encourage and invite you to participate in The Omega Scholarship Open. The purpose of the tournament is to raise proceeds to benefit the Phi Phi & Upsilon Nu chapters of Omega Phi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Scholarship Fund. Each year they award over \$15,000 in scholarships to local college bound students. This year's tournament will be held at **Hunting Hawk Golf Club in Glen Allen, VA on Saturday, June** 11th at 1:30 PM.

In year's past, this tournament has hosted 90 – 110 golfers including children from the First Tee Program who are provided scholarships and participate free of charge. Portions of your fees & donations are tax deductible as defined by IRS rules regarding donations to tax-exempt organizations. If you are interested in participating in this tournament or would like to learn more about sponsorship opportunities contact Cecil Shorte at:

cecil.shorte@associates.dhs.gov

Don't Let Spring Fever Impact Your Driving

It's finally springtime! Unfortunately many people think it's safer to drive in spring than in winter months. However, that can lead to some disastrous driving mistakes. When driving this spring keep in mind the following:

- 1. Thawing conditions can lead to major potholes.
- 2. Spring is a time for rains and heavy flooding, which can lead to accidents.
- 3. When approaching a puddle, slow down because it may be deeper than you expect.

Many drivers aren't as careful as they are when there's snow on the ground. Drive at reasonable speeds and don't assume that just because it's warmer, that the roads are safer.

Welcome To K&K Connections...

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Erin Gabor and all the members of MV001! ©