

"A Customer First Company" October 2010



Welcome to the October 2010 Edition of "On the Move"

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 – Possible Subsidy Changes in 2011

Commuters are on edge as they await any news on whether the current \$230 commuter subsidy, extended to federal employees, will be extended in 2011. Commuters felt a sense of relief back in March 2009 when the tax exempt transit benefit statutory limit set at \$120 per month nearly doubled to \$230 per month.



However, this limit was not permanent. The language of the legislation indicated the increase would end on December 31, 2010. Unless Congress acts before then to keep the \$230 limit it will revert back to it's previous limit of \$120. As of this month there has been no indication from Congress that the \$230 limit will continue.

Information take from the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy October TIP Newsletter,
http://www.washingtonexaminer.com/local/Transit-officials-see-renewal-of-_230-transit-benefit-89290742.html

Please Help Out! A Fellow K&K Member Needs Federal Leave Donations

For years Lorraine Meredith has been a part of the K&K Family both as a rider and van coordinator. She has been instrumental in spear heading K&K's Christmas Share projects and have assisted many commuters over the years. Now she is in need of help from the ridership. She is requesting leave donations from federal employees for medical leave she is required to take this December. If anyone can help Lorraine please email her at lkm@obpa.usda.gov. Thank you!

NuRide Challenge Extended!

We are extending the NuRide Challenge first proposed during the month of September. NuRide is an online service that rewards commuters for taking a "Greener" commute such as carpooling, vanpooling, mass transit, telecommuting, walking, or biking. This is a free benefit now available to K&K's riders. Participating members can not only earn points for their vanpool commute but can also earn points here around town by just biking to a friends house, walking to the movies, really anywhere you choose to use a greener commute.

Signing up is easy. Simply visit NuRide at www.ridefinders.com. Next take your commute and record your trips on the NuRide website and earn points that can be redeemed for restaurant coupons, retailer discounts, and ticket promotions. Get a head start on RideFinder's NuRide vanpool challenge for K&K Connections. Feel free to visit this link to learn more about how you can "earn green" while "going green" www.ridefinders.com

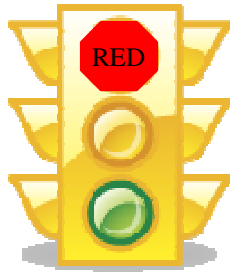
The challenge involves which van is the first to achieve 100% percent "active" participation in NuRide. The prizes that each winning vanpool member receives can range from movie tickets to giftcards. Together we can make a difference in our environment. For additional information contact Melanie at mholden@ridek2k.com or visit the NuRide link above.



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A "Red Light" For Driver Complaints

As a way to keep all of you informed of safety issues concerning driving behaviors each month we would like to rate our safety performance based on driver complaints. Once again we have noticed an increase of complaints from other motorists.



Below you will find complaints either called into our main line or emailed to us from a motorist. Please take these complaints seriously. As a driver you are responsible for your safety, your van member's safety, and the safety of others sharing the road with you. Please take time to get home not just on time but alive.

Tips on Securing Parked Vehicles

Two members of Van 10 recently had their vehicles broken into in Henrico County. Below is a list of tips you can use to ensure your vehicle and our vans are not an easy target for criminals.

1. Always lock all doors and close windows
2. Park in a well-lighted area
3. Don't leave any valuables in the car – hiding things under blankets is a sign that you have something of value in a car.
4. Never hide spare keys in or around the car
5. Get a locking gas cap – this helps prevent fuel siphoning and vandalism.
6. Don't lock your glove box, and don't keep valuables in it - a locked globe box can be an invitation for an annoyed petty thief to tear your dashboard up to get it open.

Anytime there is a break in or even evidence of an unsuccessful break in, please notify the police. Henrico county (804- 501-5000) commented to one of our riders that they will only monitor a lot if breakins are reported.

K&K Welcomes Van – MV014

We would like to welcome MV014 to the K&K Family. Below is the route information for this van. If you have any questions about this route or know someone that may be interested in joining have them contact Melanie at mholden@ridek2k.com

Route: Richmond to McLean, VA
 Coordinator: Teena Pankey-Dowdy
 Morning Route:
 Depart Walmart (4:15 AM)
 Arrive (6:15 AM) Freddie Mac - 8000 Jones Branch Rd., Mclean, VA. 22102

Afternoon Route:
 Depart: Freddie Mac (3:00 PM)
 Arrive Walmart (5:00 PM)

K&K Connection October Birthdays

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| Carolyn Bogen | Suzanne McNeish-Bond |
| Darlene Boggs | Michael Juhasz |
| Kevin Dent | Rahel Joseph |
| Shirelle Harris | |

We apologize for any birthdates we may have missed. If you have an upcoming birthday in November, we would love to recognize you.

Please send your birthdates to owilliams@ridek2k.com

Welcome To K&K Connections

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all new riders who have joined the K&K family in the month of September. Please forgive us and let us know if we missed your name.

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| Jovan Cooper | Rhuna Holley |
| Darlene Gore | Adrian Marinez |
| Debra Winfield | Mona Peterson |
| Angelique Dickerson | Janice Spellman |
| Jimmy Candearia | Kenneth Redmond |
| Jeannie Johnson | Doris Willsey |
| Marcos Silva | Manjula Kundavaram |

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