



"A Customer First Company" November 2014

Welcome to the November 2014 Edition of "On the Move"

Happy Thanksgiving

At K&K we have a lot to be thankful for and this includes you. It is our prayer that this past year leaves you with plenty to be thankful for as we look forward to a plentiful New Year to come.



We hope you will be blessed with a Happy Thanksgiving holiday.

IRS Commuter Tax Benefit Limits for 2015

On Thursday, October 30, 2014, the Internal Revenue Service announced no changes to monthly limits on the value of qualified transportation fringe benefits that an employer can provide its employees without being included in taxable income.

The transit/vanpool monthly limit remains at \$130/month. The parking limit is \$250/month. The IRS bulletin is available at Revenue Procedure 2014-61

You can read the full IRS release here:
<http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-drop/rp-14-61.pdf>

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New Rules on I-95 Will Affect Travelers Who Use the HOV Lane

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.



The I-95/395 HOV lanes are being converted to tolled express lanes for 29 miles between Route 610 in Stafford County and Edsall Road in Fairfax County. Drivers are advised to understand how to use the Express Lanes now and get an E-ZPass so that they can benefit when the Lanes open.

Here's what carpoolers need to know about the 95 Express Lanes:

Carpools need an E-ZPass Flex. Carpools with three or more people can travel toll-free on the Express Lanes with an E-ZPass Flex set to HOV mode. E-ZPass Flex works like a standard E-ZPass but allows carpoolers to switch between HOV and toll-paying modes. The switchable E-ZPass Flex lets the Express Lanes operator know which vehicles are HOV-3+ so that they aren't charged a toll.

Drivers can get an E-ZPass or E-ZPass Flex at more than 75 Northern Virginia retail locations including Wegmans, select Giant Food Stores, or at one of the E-ZPass Customer Service Centers, the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles; online or by calling Virginia E-ZPass at (877) 762-7824. Visit www.ezpassva.com or call the Customer Service Center for more information - (877) 762-7824.

The 95 Express Lanes are being delivered through a public-private partnership between VDOT and Transurban with Fluor-Lane 95, LLC constructing the Express Lanes. For more information on how I-95 drivers can use the 95 Express Lanes please visit www.95ExpressLanes.com.



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Tips for Driving this Thanksgiving Holiday

According to a recent finding from the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board, Tuesday afternoon is worse than Wednesday to leave for Thanksgiving. In addition, AAA Mid-Atlantic says that this coming holiday -- always the heaviest weekend of the year for travel -- will see the most travelers since 2007.



Approximately 1,138,300 people in the Washington metro area will travel 50 miles or more for Thanksgiving this year, according to AAA.

"The reason Tuesday is worse, maybe people think Wednesday is going to be worse and so they try and get on the road early and in so doing, create a second rush hour," says Ben Hampton, transportation planner at TPB.

Here are a couple of tips if you find yourself traveling this Thanksgiving holiday:

- Avoid traveling on Wednesday. Generally, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving is the worst traffic day.
- If you have to leave Wednesday, do so outside of the busiest time, which typically falls between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. It is better to leave before 2 p.m. or after 7 p.m. Wednesday.
- Drive on Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving Day usually has the least amount traffic.
- Use mapping resources. The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) has issued an interactive Travel-Trend Map for Thanksgiving. This map shows more congested roads in the state and uses data from recent years, broken down in 30-minute intervals.
- Travel home Sunday. Traffic can be up to 40 percent worse on Saturday.

Information taken from:
<http://wtop.com/1390/3746634/Expect-heaviest-Thanksgiving-traffic-since-2007>

K&K Connection November Birthdays

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

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| Solomon Blevins | Barbee Broadnax |
| Erin Garbor | Walter Gary |
| Alex Guzman | Joel Harrison |
| Qiyenda Hil | Michael Hobson |
| Charmane Johnson | Larranda Johnson |
| Malinda Joyner | Kendall Manion |
| Lewis Norfolk | Cindy Norris |
| Pernell Owens | Hardik Patel |
| Lester Pearson | Bill Pedler |
| Victoria Perry | Herbert Sanderson |
| Dejuana Scott | Michael Sebastian |
| Leo Sharp | Marlise Skinner |
| Donald Unmussig | Jennifer Washington |
| Melvin Washington | Donna Webb |
| Vera Willard | |

If we missed your birthday please let us know by emailing 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 November. We are so very happy you have decided to join us!

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