



"A Customer First Company" May 2008 Edition

Welcome to the May Edition of "On The Move"

K&K Goes To See the LAKERS!

On Sunday, February 3rd K & K Connections, LLC went to see the Lakers vs. Wizards game in Washington, DC. The van left the Richmond area around 10:00AM. This was an exciting event. Despite Wizards All-Star Caron Butler, they were unable to defeat Kobe Bryant and the Lakers as they lost 103-91.



Christmas Continues in Spring

Below is a letter, from Lorraine Meredith, giving an update on the Christmas Share Project. Lorraine has done an outstanding job with this project and we are happy to hear of the family's progress.

Dear Supporters of K & K Share Project,

Hello everyone! The purpose of this letter is to update you on the progress that has been made by our adopted family and to talk with you about how we can continue to help them into a self sufficient life.



Since November when we all first became involved with this family so many obstacles have been overcome and so much progress has been achieved. This family has gone from living in a one room motel room to a small house and that has given them the ability to cook regular meals in a real kitchen. They now all can sleep in regular beds and have some space for the children to play. This may sound trivial but these small steps forward have meant a lot to this family.



Most recently they were having great difficulty with transportation. They have an old minivan that is barely making up and down the road the five miles to work. It is using a quart of oil a day (2 local auto parts stores have been so kind and donated cases of oil) and smokes and shakes terribly. I made several calls and found a Ford garage that was happy to look at the van pro bono and said if it could be fixed reasonably they would also do that pro bono. To make a long story shorter, it was not repairable. The general manager of this dealership was impressed by the personality and attitude of the parents and decided that they would go the extra mile and try to obtain a used vehicle to replace their vehicle. It took some time for an appropriate vehicle to come in on a trade, but just yesterday they called that one is now available and will be donated to



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Several people have been working with the father on employment applications. Employment is one of the keys to a better future and self sufficiency. I have great hope that once better employment is secured this family will be on the road to self sufficiency. Part of the issue they deal with is that in their current occupations there is no consistency in weekly hours. One week the father and /or mother may be scheduled for 20 hours and the next week maybe 30. My point is that it has been very difficult to budget and meet the very basic needs with the current employment situation.

With this background in mind this is the current state of affairs. With their current income they have been able to keep current with their rent, pay for most of their gasoline and pay for most of the diapers and necessities they need on a monthly basis for their children. Where they fall short is for their utility bills (electric and telephone), some gasoline, some diapers and car insurance. In all honestly, they have been driving for quite some time without insurance and I have explained that this cannot continue. Firstly, the dealership has to have proof of insurance to register the vehicle and secondly, it is risky and illegal. I have called for several quotes and gotten a very reasonable quote that requires \$150 to start the policy and then monthly payment of approx. \$40.

I have used all the funds that have been contributed thus far for the initial move (first & last month rent and security deposit) and some necessities that were needed. Many of you have been very generous and helped with utility bills, clothing for the children and various other items. The bottom line is that this family will need help for quite some time with the items I discussed earlier. I firmly believe that they will eventually be self sufficient but it will take time, determination on their part and some outside help.

Funds are needed to assist with the initial cost of obtaining car insurance, baby diapers, partial assistance for utilities and partial assistance for gasoline. Your continued support is always appreciated. If anyone has any questions feel free to call me or email me.

Thanks again for all the support and for being such a great bunch of people!

Lorraine

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We Would Like to Send a Very Special Birthday Greeting To:

Eric Morris	Mike Bernard
David Wagner	David Adams
Kim Smith	Jairline Samuel
Cheryl Grant	Bessetta Parker
Calvin Grant	Raul Roman-Beltran
Nelson Washington	Shelly Austin

*If we missed your name please let us know.

Welcome To the K&K Family!

K&K Connections, LLC would like to welcome the following riders to the K&K Family. We are excited to have you with us!

Nelson Washington	Francis Rioux
Kevin B. Dent	Ramesh Appathurai
Lori Lothery	Lisa Hicks
Lae Vongphakdy	Iris Carey

*If we missed your name please let us know. We thank all of you who have decided to join us!

K&K Connections, LLC Safety Corner

Sometimes we need a quick reminder of how to be safe at the gas pump. Below is some information to refresh our memory when it comes to safety at service station

TURN OFF YOUR VEHICLE ENGINE.

DO NOT SMOKE, LIGHT MATCHES OR LIGHTERS WHILE REFUELING AT THE PUMP OR WHEN USING PETROL ANYWHERE ELSE.

DO NOT USE YOUR MOBILE PHONE (OR ANY OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICE) - TURN IT OFF AND LEAVE IT INSIDE THE VEHICLE

DO NOT RE-ENTER YOUR VEHICLE DURING REFUELING

IN THE UNLIKELY EVENT A STATIC-CAUSED FIRE OCCURS WHEN REFUELING, LEAVE THE NOZZLE IN THE FILL PIPE AND BACK AWAY FROM THE VEHICLE. NOTIFY THE STATION ATTENDANT IMMEDIATELY.

WHEN DISPENSING PETROL INTO A CONTAINER, USE ONLY AN APPROVED PORTABLE CONTAINER AND PLACE IT ON THE GROUND WHEN REFUELING TO AVOID A POSSIBLE STATIC ELECTRICITY IGNITION OF FUEL VAPOURS. CONTAINERS SHOULD NEVER BE FILLED WHILE INSIDE A VEHICLE OR ITS BOOT, THE BED OF A UTILITY TRUCK OR THE FLOOR OF A TRAILER.

Information from Australian Institute of Petroleum
<http://www.aip.com.au/industry/safety.htm>

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