## The Some Times Newsletter

## 6 Ways You Could Be Killing Your Car

Ignoring The Check Engine Light - Ignoring a check engine light can result in serious trouble & costly repairs.

Failing to Change Fluids & Filters - Checking fluid levels regularly, along with the filters, helps ensure your vehicle runs dependably & extends vehicle life.

<u>Neglecting Your Tires -</u> Underinflated tires wear out more quickly resulting in needing to be replaced sooner and, also can negatively impact safety, gas mileage and performance. <u>Not Following a Service Schedule -</u> Routine inspections & timely repairs will help your car run efficiently & will help avoid expensive repairs.

Keeping a Dirty car - Allowing your car to go too long without a wash leads to buildup of damaging chemicals and dirt which increases the potential for rust from road grime and interferes with proper visibility needed for safe driving.

Being a Severe Driver - you can drive smart and improve fuel economy by observing the speed limit; avoiding aggressive driving, including quick starts and stops; not hauling unnecessary items; and keeping your vehicle properly tuned.

If you have any questions about any of the above or anything else about your vehicle please give us a call 541-476-9646.



### Thank You to Our Military!

We're honoring those serving our country (Active Duty or Veterans)

Come in with your military ID and receive 10% off Labor on ANY Service or Repair! (This Offer Will Never Expire! Thank You for Your sacrifice and commitment in serving.) Thank you for your service!

#### A Solemn Tradition: Memorial Day

Memorial Day began in the 19th century as "Decoration Day," when citizens were encouraged to decorate the graves of soldiers who'd died in the Civil War. After World War I, Decoration Day expanded to include ceremonies honoring the dead in all of America's wars.

Decoration Day officially became Memorial Day in 1967. In 1968 the Uniform Holidays Act established it as one of three holidays (including Veteran's Day and George Washington's birthday, now called Presidents Day) to be celebrated on a Monday to create a convenient three-day weekend. Memorial Day is now observed on the last Monday in May.

Wearing poppies is a popular Memorial Day tradition. This custom is generally credited to Moina Michael, a former teacher at the University of Georgia, who was working for the YMCA Overseas War Secretaries at the end of World War I.

She was inspired by reading the poem "In Flanders Fields," by Canadian poet and doctor John McCrae. The poem's opening lines read:

In Flanders Fields, the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row . . .

During the Overseas War Secretaries' annual conference held in New York City in 1918, shortly before the signing

of the armistice that ended the war, grateful delegates gave Michael \$10 in recognition of her help with the conference. She spent the money on 25 red silk poppies to hand out to participants (or she may have used the money on materials to make the poppies herself).

The poppy became a national symbol of remembrance, and two years later the American Legion adopted it at its own conference. Poppies have symbolized the day ever since.



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#### 15 Car Cleaning Tips

So, your car has seen better days. The upholstery is looking a bit worn, and the once shiny windows are now... well, not so shiny. Sure, you could take your car to a professional cleaner—or you could save your money and spruce things up yourself. Here's a list of top car-cleaning hacks.

- 1. Before any scrubbing or wiping, start by cleaning out your car of any trash, loose change or other items you have stored in it.
- 2. Use a firm bristled toothbrush and an all-purpose cleaner for cleaning crevices.

3. For even tougher spots that require a little more elbow grease, use a flat head screwdriver with a cloth

- over it to clean out small crevices.

  4. Use a foam paint brush to clean
- dust out of vents.

  5. For hard to clean scuffs, a magic
- eraser is your best friend.

  6. To get pet hair off seats, spray
- seats lightly with water and then use a plastic squeegee to scrape away the hair.
- 7. Use a small handheld vacuum to clean up debris throughout the car.
- 8. To clean upholstery and floor mats, make a simple solution of laundry detergent and water to spray on and then scrub.
- 9. For hard to get out stains in upholstery, use a scrubber attachment on your power drill.
- 10. Clean your pedals using a different brush that you won't use elsewhere to clean. Think of all the stuff you've tracked in the car!
- 11. After scrubbing out cup holders, use silicone cupcake liners in them to help keep them clean.
- 12. Clean your windows using vinegar and newspaper.
- 13. Make a DIY air freshener by soaking a clothespin in some essential oils and clipping to your vent.
- 14. Help keep your car clean by having a cleaning kit with wet wipes and microfiber cloths in the glove compartment or center console.
- 15. Avoid trash building up by having a reusable cereal container or tote bag in the car to use as a trash can.



### Wise Words To Share On Mother's Day

Looking for something profound to put on your Mother's Day card? Try some of these pithy sayings:

Dorothy C. Fisher: "A mother is not a person to lean on but a person to make leaning unnecessary."

Mark Twain: "My mother had a great deal of trouble with me, but I think she enjoyed it."

Anna Quindlen: "The world is full of women blindsided by the unceasing demands of motherhood, still flabbergasted by how a job can be terrific and torturous." Marilyn French: "To nourish children and raise them against odds is any time, any place, more valuable than to fix bolts in cars or design nuclear weapons."

Joan Rivers: "My mother could make anybody feel guilty, she used to get letters of apology from people she didn't even know."

Dorothy Parker: "The best way to keep children home is to make the home atmosphere pleasant, and let the air out of the tires."

Diana, Princess of Wales: "A mother's arms are more comforting than anyone else's."



## Happy Mother's Day!! There's just nobody like Mom.

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#### Jolene's Corner

Olives--People either like them or hate them. I really like them. According to the Cleveland Clinic, here are 7 reasons why olives are healthy for you. 1. May improve your heart health by potentially bumping up your good cholesterol and decreasing high blood pressure. 2. Provides you with healthy fats. 3. Boosts the fiber in your diet. 4. Gives you a healthy dose of vitamin E. 5. Makes you feel full after snacking. 6. Could reduce your risk of cancer. 7. Helps manage your blood sugar levels. As always, use in moderation. One serving is about 1/4 cup. I found this recipe in a Frugal Gourmet cookbook. It is so different from any other soup recipe. I hope you give it a try and it may surprise you. That is if you like olives.

#### **Green Olive Soup**

2 cups pitted green olives. I use the pimento stuffed variety.

6 tablespoon olive oil, halved

1/2 medium yellow onion, peeled and sliced

2 cloves garlic, crushed

1 quart chicken stock

1 cup whipping cream

6 tablespoons flour with 3 tablespoons olive oil to make a roux

Black pepper freshly ground, to taste. (No salt will be necessary due to the olives)

4 shots of Tabasco

1/3 cup dry sherry



Soak the olives in cold water for 1 hour. (Do not skip this step if you do the soup will be too salty to eat). Heat a small fry pan, add 3 Tablespoons of olive oil, then sprinkle the flour over the top. Whisk together and cook for 2 minutes stirring constantly. Remove from heat. Drain and coarsely chop the olives. Heat a 4 quart stock pot and add the oil, onion and garlic, along with 2/3rds of the olives. Sauté until the onions are transparent. Puree this mixture in a food processor along with 1 cup of the stock. Place this mixture back in the 4 quart stockpot and add the remaining stock. Stir. Simmer for 20 minutes and add the cream, Whisk in the roux and simmer, stirring constantly, until thickened. Add pepper to taste and the remaining chopped olives, Tabasco, and dry sherry. Heat to serving temperature and serve. This can be garnished with sliced pimento-stuffed green olives and garlic-bread croutons. Enjoy

Hint: I use my food processor to coarsely chop the olives.

"The only thing that stands between you and your dream is the will to try and the belief that it is actually possible."

- Joel Brown



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### Memorial Day

All of us here at STAR Automotive are grateful for the freedoms we enjoy in our country. We know that this freedom comes at a cost. Thank you to all of the military service men & women that have made the ultimate sacrifice to protect our freedom and preserve our rights, and thank you to all of those that have served or are currently serving Paul in the military.

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## Stop in during the month of May and enter our drawing for a day at the spa on us!

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