

The Some Times Newsletter

Just In Case - It's Safer On The School Bus

The Insurance Corporation of British Columbia says children are safer riding the bus than being driven to and from school by parents. If you must drive your kids, these tips may be helpful:

- Keep to the low speed limits established for school zones.
- Obey the "No Stopping" and "No Parking" regulations posted near the school.
- Keep children in the back seat rather than up front.
- Use the proper safety seats for very young children.
- Don't be distracted by your children's artwork or papers while driving. Tell them that you will be able to give them your full attention once you get home.



We love our clients

September is **Healthy Aging Month**, a national health initiative developed to help individuals think more positively about growing older. So why not do the same for your car? It's a lot like you...

⇒ **Go by the book** – Get regular check-ups and make necessary "repairs" promptly.

⇒ **Use the right stuff** – Only put in what meets specifications; not doing so could result in damage leading to expensive repairs or worse...

⇒ **Know what to look for** – Problems can arise at any time and for inexplicable reasons. Know the warning signs.

⇒ **Keep it clean** – Do I really need to say more?

⇒ **Seek out quality people** – People you can develop a relationship with and trust; people that will get to know you, take care of you, and stand behind everything they do.

So you see, your car is a lot like you...

Zach N. Service Advisor

Years in this industry: 10 years

Year started at STAR Automotive: 2/2025

What do you specialize in, proficient at or prefer to work on: Commitment to serving and building lasting relationships.

ASE Trainings: Currently continued online Service Advisor Training.

Hobbies: Circle dirt track racing, Oregon Duck Football. Also being a father to my wonderful children.

Amazing Fact!

"In 1965, a car mechanic needed to understand 5,000 pages of service manuals to fix any automobile on the road. Today, with the advent of high-tech electronics, that same mechanic must be able to decipher 465,000 pages of technical text ... the equivalent of 250 big city phone books."



-Elizabeth Dole

U.S. Secretary of Labor (1989-1990)



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ABOUT SEPTEMBER...

- ✓ As the 9th month of the year, September marks the beginning of autumn in the northern hemisphere (and the start of spring in the southern). Traditionally considered the month that marks transitions between seasons, it is often one of the most temperate weather-wise.
- ✓ The name September comes from the Latin 'septum', meaning seven, since it was the seventh month of the Roman calendar, which began with March.
- ✓ There are 30 days in the month of September, which starts on the same day of the week as December each year but does not end on the same day of the week as any other month in the year.
- ✓ September has 3 birth flowers... the Forget-Me-Not, the Morning Glory, & the Aster. Forget-Me-Nots represent love & memories, asters represent love as well, & the Morning Glory represents unrequited love.
- ✓ The birthstone for the month is the Sapphire



What language is that? English? Really?

Let's face it—English is a crazy language. There is no egg in eggplant, no ham in hamburger, and neither pine nor apple in pineapple. For more examples of how the language of Shakespeare, Dickens, and David Mamet can confound even the smartest minds, consider these double meanings of common words:

- The bandage was wound around the wound.
- The dump was so full it had to refuse more refuse.
- The soldier decided to desert his unit in the desert.
- There is no time like the present to present the birthday boy with his present.
- The musical fisherman painted a bass on his bass guitar.
- The farm was used to produce produce.
- When the hunter fired his shotgun, the white dove dove into the bushes.
- I did not object to the object on the mantel.
- Jim was too close to close the door.
- The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
- The artist shed a tear at the tear in her painting.
- The scientist had to subject the subject to a series of tests.

Get Children To And From School Safely

September brings the start of a new school year and the sight of children nationwide walking to school in the morning and back home in the afternoon. If you're concerned about their safety (and that's only natural), follow these tips for making sure your children know how to navigate the streets without trouble:

Choose the right route. Have your child use the most direct route to and from school. Look for intersections with stoplights and well-defined crosswalks, as well as adult crossing guards.

Walk it yourself. For the first week or so, walk with your younger children to be sure they know where and how to cross the street. Tell them to avoid shortcuts, abandoned houses, and anything else that might hide them from sight.

Dress children for visibility. Brightly colored coats and clothing will make your children more visible to drivers.

Discuss safety. Teach children not to talk to strangers or accept rides or gifts from anyone they don't know. Be sure they understand what traffic signals mean and the importance of paying attention to what's happening around them.

Check their knowledge. Be sure small children know their own address and home phone number, as well as contact information for another trusted adult.

Keep the lights on. Be sure to leave your porch or outdoor lights on in fall and winter afternoons when darkness comes early.



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- Not Valid On Oil Change -

Jolene's Corner

I was going to have a vegetarian recipe this month. However when I made it was awful. It came out too watery and had no flavor. So I trashed it and will try again with my own spin on it. Since I had volunteered to make dinner for a member of our church who needed a nourishing meal I thought about Cornish Game Hens. Here is the recipe. It is easy and yummy!

Roasted Cornish Game Hens

2 whole Cornish Hens
 2 spring of rosemary
 4 spring of thyme or 10 sage leaves (or both it is your choice)
 1 large onion cut in quarters
 1 large lemon sliced
 2 Tablespoon Olive Oil

Dry Rub:

1 teaspoon salt
 1 teaspoon pepper
 1 Tablespoon Italian seasoning
 1-1 1/2 teaspoon smoked paprika
 1 teaspoon garlic powder



Combine all the dry rub ingredients together in a small bowl.

Remove hens from the package, rinse inside and out with cold water then pat dry with paper towels (this is important) and generously season with the dry rub on all sides and also the inside.

Preheat the oven to 425°F.

In a toasting pan add the rosemary, thyme or sage or both, garlic, onion, and half the lemon slices. Place the hens in the roasting pan over the herbs and onions and drizzle the olive oil over the hens. Do not cover the pan. This will give you crispy hens.

Place the roasting pan into the preheated oven and bake for 50-60 minutes or until an instant-read thermometer inserted into the thickest part of the breast registers 165°F.

Remove the hens from the oven and let them rest for 20 minutes.

Garnish with additional thyme, lemon slices and rosemary and serve over mashed potatoes.

Enjoy!

Hint: I used small mini potatoes you find in a bag in the produce section. I took a few and used some olive oil to coat and then used some of the dry rub and roasted them in the same roasting pan as the hens.

Thanks for the kind words!

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Susie

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Many are looking for ways to offset paying more for food, energy and... There are **new** 'players' in the repair business, they are the "we can do it cheaper" **supposed repair shops, some even use "Discount" --- in their name, meant to imply they are cheaper than everyone else.**

We at STAR Automotive DON'T believe in cheap. We've been here for 50 years and know that **Cheap is NOT** what's best when it comes to maintaining and repairing something as critical as what you rely on to safely get your family to and from where they need to go!

It's simply not an option to have a loved one waiting for you while you're stuck with a broken-down vehicle on the side of the road.

We understand how critical it is for you to be able to get to where you need to go, getting the kids to school or practice or... at any time of the day, in any kind of weather!

You may be seeing some trends in the repair business from 'repair people/shops' that are 'claiming' to do it (repair your car) for a lot less money-- **"cheaper."**

At STAR Automotive we believe in good "value" when it comes to repairing your car. What we mean by that is: A quality repair using quality parts, performed by skilled technicians, with a **great warranty (in writing)** at a **fair price!**

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PS In many cases you will find our prices to be very competitive, but we **WILL NOT** skimp on quality and service (even if we're offering a promotional price), **AND** we'll continue to stand behind our work just like we always have!