

WOMEN on Wheels

HELPFUL SAFETY TIPS



TIRE CARE TIPS

The salesman was amazed when I told him the exact size and type of new tires I wanted. He thought women only knew when it was time to buy gas.

If I had told him that I also knew when to rotate the tires and how to read the tire wear gauge indicator, he would have probably gone into shock.

Deciding what type of tire to buy for the car is like deciding what to wear. You won't wear sneakers with a cocktail dress. And you shouldn't mix the types of tires (cross bias, bias belted, radial). Most manufacturers recommend that you buy the same type of tire that came with the car. However, a reputable dealer will be able to recommend other types such as radials, if your driving routine demands them.

The owner's manual is still the best reference source for information on tire buying and care.

But there are simple tests you can give the tires periodically. Such as checking the tires for uneven wear before driving. This will indicate whether the tires are in balance or if you need an alignment job.

Every third gas stop, check the tires' air pressure. Kicking the tires is as dependable as thumping a watermelon.

Remember, your car rides on only four small patches of rubber in contact with the road, so give them the care they need and deserve.

Get Car Ready For Trip

When planning a vacation trip by car, the first thing to consider is getting your vehicle in top condition.

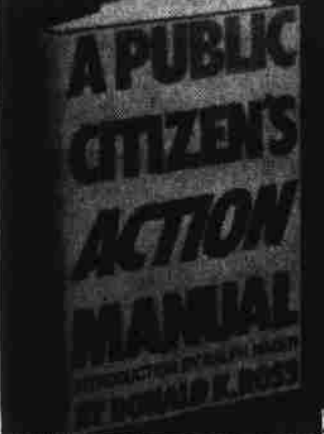
Sustained high speed driving on freeways places different demands on the car than does running errands around town. A little preparation will pay dividends in pleasure. Plymouth engineers suggest the following:

Never start a long trip with badly worn tires. If you can't afford good tires, you can't afford the trip. Keep the tires at the pressure specified in the operator's manual or on the sidewall of the tires; be sure they are balanced and that the wheels are properly aligned.

Get the headlights adjusted to provide maximum "down the road" visibility for turn-pike driving, and be sure that all other lights are working properly.

REAL ESTATE TAXES TOO HIGH?

NEW YORK (ED) — Many homeowners are learning what they can do to protect themselves against inequitable property assessment and taxes. The key word is investigation. With the right sleuthing any homeowner can find out if he is being dealt with fairly or not.



How to start? Author Donald K. Ross, director of Ralph Nader's Washington, D.C. Citizens Action Group lists in a PUBLIC CITIZEN'S ACTION MANUAL (Grossman, \$1.95 paper; \$5.95 cloth), a consumer guidebook edited and sponsored by Mr. Nader, three checkpoints for insuring fair property assessment: 1) Check to see if your house is overassessed in comparison to your neighbors (or conversely). 2) Find out if your neighborhood is overassessed in comparison with another neighborhood. 3) Check to see if you and homeowners with similar property are being overassessed in comparison to people who hold other types of property. If there is a disparity on any of the above three points, you could well be paying too much assessment tax. It's worth the sleuthing!

A PUBLIC CITIZEN'S ACTION MANUAL tells you how to conduct other kinds of investigations. From supermarket price comparisons to getting dangerous toys off merchants' shelves, it's good to know that with the right procedure an individual can take effective action to protect himself, his family and ultimately his community.

1040 U.S. Individual Income Tax Return Taxpayers Ask IRS

This column of questions and answers on federal tax matters is provided by the local office of the U.S. Internal Revenue Service and is published as a public service to taxpayers. The column answers questions most frequently asked by taxpayers.

Q. My daughter was married in August. Can I still claim her as a dependent for 1973?

A. Yes, under the following circumstances: 1) if she does not file a joint return with her husband for 1973; 2) if you furnish more than one-half of her total support for 1973; and 3) if she has gross income of less than \$750 for the year. The \$750 rule doesn't apply if she is under 19 at the end of the year or a full-time student during some part of each of five months of 1973.

Q. Next January, I plan to give my nephew a new car as a wedding gift. The car is valued at more than \$3,000, and I know I'll have to file a federal gift tax return. If I make the gift in January, will I have a whole year before I have to file a return?

A. No. A federal gift tax return (Form 709) is due by the 15th day of the second month following the close of the calendar quarter in which a gift is made. Thus, in the case of a gift made in January, February or March of 1974, a return is due by May 15, 1974.

Q. Are there any limits on how much interest I can deduct on a loan to purchase investment property?

A. Yes, but the limitation generally would not affect the average taxpayer. For tax years beginning after 1971, there is a limit of \$25,000 (\$12,500 for married persons filing separate returns) on the deduction of interest paid on a loan to purchase or carry property held for investment. For more details, see IRS Publication 550, "Tax Information on Investment Income and Expenses." It's available free from your nearest Internal Revenue office.

Q. I'm a building contractor. I gave my teen-age son a summer job as a laborer. Can I deduct the wages I paid him as a business expense?

A. Reasonable wages paid by a father to his minor child for personal services actually rendered as a bona fide employee in the course of a trade or business are deductible as a business expense. Wages paid to a child under 21 employed by a parent are subject to income tax withholding but not social security or federal unemployment taxes.

Q. Can you deduct contributions to foreign charities?

A) No. However, you may deduct contributions to a U.S. organization that transfers funds to a charitable foreign organization if the U.S. organization controls the use of the funds or if the foreign charity is merely an administrative arm of the U.S. organization. Also, contributions made directly to certain Canadian charities are deductible. The organization itself can tell you whether it qualifies.

Q. Can a foster child qualify as a dependent?

A) Yes. A foster child may qualify as your dependent if your home is his principal residence, he is a member of your household for the entire year and the other dependency tests are met, including your furnishing more than half of the child's total support.

Q) I'm a salesman. Every year, I give each of my customers a little present. Can I deduct these business gifts on my income tax return?

A) Expenses for business gifts made to an individual are deductible only to the extent that the total business gifts during the year to that individual do not exceed \$25. Not subject to this \$25 rule are general business gifts to individuals of identical items costing you \$4 or less, on which your name is clearly and permanently imprinted.

Q) What are the rules for deducting prepaid interest?

A) In general, most individual taxpayers who pay interest in advance for a period extending more than 12 months beyond the end of their current tax year must deduct this amount proportionately over the tax years involved. Interest paid in advance for a period not in excess of 12 months following the end of the tax year may be deducted in the year paid if the deduction does not cause a material distortion of income.

TARGET PRICES Under the 1973 Farm Bill, the following "target" prices have been set for the producer: wheat, \$2.05 per bushel; corn, \$1.38 per bushel; cotton, 38 cents a pound. Each of these is well below the upper price ranges of these commodities during 1973.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- France
- Turns out
- Change
- Thought
- Unit
- Gazed
- Toward
- Near
- Anxious
- Possessive pronoun
- Places
- Foot-like part
- Dirk
- Multitude
- Emitted vapor
- Post
- Couch
- Began
- Fight
- Youngsters
- Also
- True
- Grande
- Expiate
- Yes: Span

DOWN

- Middle
- Hail
- Jumbled type
- Being
- Strike again
- Woods
- Imitator
- Free of
- Half an em
- Seat
- Cook
- Gave
- Indian
- Bother
- Escapes
- Performers
- Kinds
- Eras
- Confined person
- Fruit
- Flies
- Less risky
- Cavity
- Goddess of dawn
- Existences
- Thong
- Worked
- Access
- Savors
- Medley's
- Assault
- Affirm
- Wriggling
- Consumed
- Poem
- Thus
- On top

Answers to Puzzle

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- PLACES
- FOOT-LIKE PART
- DIRK
- MULTITUDE
- EMITTED VAPOR
- POST
- COUCH
- BEGAN
- FIGHT
- YOUNGSTERS
- ALSO
- TRUE
- GRANDE
- EXPIATE
- YES: SPAN

DOWN

- MIDDLE
- HAIL
- JUMBLED TYPE
- BEING
- STRIKE AGAIN
- WOODS
- IMITATOR
- FREE OF
- HALF AN EM
- SEAT
- COOK
- GAVE
- INDIAN
- BOOTHER
- ESCAPES
- PERFORMERS
- KINDS
- ERAS
- CONFINED PERSON
- FRUIT
- FLIES
- LESS RISKY
- CAVITY
- GODDESS OF DAWN
- EXISTENCES
- THONG
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THAT'S A FACT

THE LONG WALK COL. RUSSEL FARNUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE WALKED FROM ST. LOUIS, MO. TO ST. PETERSBURG, FLA. IN 1925. FROM ALASKA, HE CROSSED THE FROZEN BERING STRAITS TO SIBERIA.

WALTHAZARD! THAT'S YOU IF YOU DON'T BALT AWAY SOME OF YOUR SALARY SAVINGS PLAN WHERE YOU WORK, AND THEY'LL SET ASIDE A SPECIFIED AMOUNT FROM YOUR PAYCHECK IF YOU CAN'T TRUST YOURSELF. TRUST U.S. SAVINGS BONDS!

DON'T BOTHER TO COUNT... BUT IF YOU'RE AT ALL INTERESTED, THERE ARE 25,344,000 BUBBLES CONTAINED IN A POUND OF SOAP!

PUGGY BY H.T. ELMO

THEY SHOWED US A WONDERFUL TRAVEL MOVIE IN SCHOOL!

ALL ABOUT SPAIN AND PORTUGAL!

DID YOU LEARN ANYTHING INTERESTING?

I SURE DID!

PUGGY

AM! IT'S WONDERFUL... OUT IN THE OPEN COUNTRY!

HOW QUIET AND PEACEFUL EVERYTHING MOVES GO SLOW!

NO CARS TO DUCK!

THE FIZZLE FAMILY By H.T. ELMO

MY WIFE'S ACTING COOL TOWARD ME LATELY, FRED!

WHY NOT SHOW MORE AFFECTION, FIZZLE? SHE WILL APPRECIATE IT!

DARLING! MY GREAT LOVE FOR YOU INCREASETH BY DAY!

TRY INCREASING MY WEEKLY ALLOWANCE!!

I'M A LITTLE HUNGRY! I'LL GO DOWN FOR A SNACK BEFORE I GO TO SLEEP!

ARE YOU THE SMART ALEC WHO PUT THE SCALE IN THE REFRIGERATOR?

Bible Published for Blacks Only



Just two years ago a new concept in Bible translation was introduced. It was the Living Bible, a contemporary, modern version of the scripture that reads "a lot like your daily newspaper," according to one reviewer.

The New Testament of the Living Bible has now been published in an edition especially for the Black reader in a volume called Soul Food. It is a vinylized paperback edition, generously illustrated with actual "today style" photographs, and is available nearly anywhere books are sold at \$1.95 per copy.

The popularity of the Living Bible and its understandable style of paraphrasing the scriptures has been proven by sales of over 12-million copies since publication. The publisher, Tyndale House of Wheaton, Illinois, is currently shipping over 12-thousand copies of the Living Bible per day, to book retailers throughout the nation. "Publishers Weekly" magazine, the barometer of the publishing industry, rated the Living Bible as the best-selling book of 1972 in the non-fiction category. The book outsold the fiction best seller, Jonathan Livingston Seagull, during 1972.

It is the New Testament of this same best selling Living Bible that comprises the text of the recently published Soul Food. Each different book in the New Testament is preceded with a brief example of how the theme of that book relates to life in today's world by Twentieth Century people. In addition to the introduction, there are pictures at the first of each chapter of Black people in actual life situations that illustrate the ideas and thoughts in the following book of the Bible.

According to the publisher, Soul Food is the first New Testament that makes the scriptures more comprehensible to, and fits the specific needs of, the Black society in this nation.

Tan Topics



YOU'VE ALWAYS TREATED ME LIKE ONE OF THE FAMILY — AND I'M SICK OF IT!

How to win a HARD LUCK award

AT CONCLUSION OF THE RECENT MACKLE ANTIQUE AUTO TOUR AT MARCO ISLAND, ON FLORIDA'S GULF COAST, RICK PARKER OF NEARBY NAPLES RECEIVED THE HARD LUCK TROPHY BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.



PARKER, WHO HAD WORKED ABOUT 800 HOURS IN THE PAST THREE YEARS TO RESTORE HIS 1927 NASH, HAD TURNED DOWN AN OFFER OF \$2,500 FOR THE CAR JUST A WEEK BEFORE.

HAVING ONLY TO DRIVE 16 MILES TO REACH THE STARTING POINT OF THE TOUR, MR. PARKER WAS JUST A MILE FROM THE MARCO ISLAND BRIDGE WHEN HIS CAR BEGAN OVERHEATING — BACKFIRED AND BURNED UP COMPLETELY. PHILOSOPHICALLY, PARKER SAID "I NEVER LIKED THAT DAMN CAR ANYWAY!"

OH, BOY! FEELING SORRY FOR HIM, SOMEONE LOANED PARKER ANOTHER ANTIQUE CAR TO DRIVE ON THE TOUR. EVERYTHING WENT FINE — EXCEPT HE RAN OUT OF GAS!

TELL ME...

IS IT TRUE THAT MUSIC CAN CHARM SNAKES?

WOULD A SUBMARINE CRUISING 60 FEET BELOW THE SURFACE BE AFFECTED BY A TERRIFIC STORM?

THIS IS A FALLACY... SINCE SNAKES CANNOT HEAR!

NO... BECAUSE A STORM AFFECTS MERELY THE SURFACE OF THE OCEAN!

WHO ORIGINATED CHEESE?

THE ANCIENT EGYPTIANS WERE THE FIRST TO MAKE CHEESE... MORE THAN 3000 YEARS AGO!

WHAT BODY OF WATER CONTAINS THE MOST MINERALS?

THE DEAD SEA HAS MORE SOLID MATTER THAN ANY OTHER BODY OF WATER! ABOUT 25% IS SOLID MATTER... MOSTLY COMMON SALT!

ARE MULES AND HORSES... CATTLE?

YES! CATTLE SIGNIFIES NOT ONLY COWS BUT ALSO SHEEP, ASSES, SWINE AND GOATS!