

Unforgettable holiday gifts soothe, pamper

The holiday season is one of the most hectic times of the year. You can make it less frantic for family and friends if you choose gifts that are both useful and luxurious. Personal care items, cosmetics and skin and body care products that pamper and soothe after a stress-filled day will be appreciated and remembered forever.

• Colognes and perfumes are popular items at holiday time. Those that are elegantly bottled and packaged always make an impact on the lucky recipient.

• One generous gift that will be used often (and which will bring hours of relaxation and pleasure to the whole family) is the EpiSage™ Waterbrush Massager, which is easily installed and turns a home bathroom into a private beauty spa. It serves as a fixed or hand held shower and has three rotating brushes that help to deep clean skin, massage aching muscles, minimize the appearance of cellulite, and remove flaky skin.

The deluxe version includes the whole shower unit, an extra set of soft brushes for sensitive areas, and three EpiSage™ body care products.

• Women of any age appreciate fine cosmetics and skin care items, particularly during the winter holiday season, when cold air, overheated rooms and long hours can drain skin of its vitality. Department store cosmetic counters carry a wide range of eye shadows and lipsticks in the new muted colors that are so popular this season.

Get a pretty canvas tote in a woody color, line it with colored tissue paper, and fill it full of new makeup items. You can also add a compact facial sauna, such as the EpiSauna Ultra™, which restores moisture to winter-parched skin, relaxes tense facial muscles, and prepares the complexion for treatment products. It comes complete with three new skin care products that work with the gentle steam mist to cleanse, clarify and moisturize the skin. (Call 1-800-444-5347 for the store nearest you.) A wonderful combi-



FORMER "DALLAS" STAR DEBORAH SHELTON enjoys showering with the EpiSage™ Ultra Waterbrush Massager. nation gift like this will be remembered throughout the year.

packs also feel great on sore muscles, and wherever heat therapy is desired.)

• A fashionable new winter jacket or coat will make loved ones forget about the cold weather. Anything from a sporty Italian leather jacket to a fluffy down coat in a wild color will warm a special someone's heart. As a thoughtful surprise, tuck an EpiHeat™ Instant Heat Pack in each pocket to keep her hands warm. (These versatile non-electric heat

Unusual little gifts that make good grooming easier are always treasured. Consider a tiny pair of scissors and a miniature comb to keep moustaches and beards neat, a pump of one of the new tooth whiteners such as EpiSmile™ and a pack of mint-flavored dental floss, or a pearl-handled nail buffer with a small jar of buffing cream.



THANKSGIVING TURKEY—An elegant Thanksgiving dinner designed by Sarah Leah Chase for the Butterball Turkey Talk-ins. Pictured clockwise are: a roasted Butterball turkey with wild rice, sausage and oyster stuffing, cherry and turkey giblet gravy, and maple glazed brussels sprouts and chestnuts.

Consumer Watch Vehicle Safety Affects Insurance Rates

By Esther Peterson

(N1) - Small utility vehicles, or 4x4's, are becoming increasingly popular on the road today. Many consumers, though, are not familiar with the dangers and higher insurance costs of these vehicles.

Before you purchase a utility vehicle or a small pick-up truck — the second most dangerous type of vehicle — you may want to look at the facts. Larger cars offer better protection for you and your family, and can be insured at a lower cost.

The cost of your auto insurance is affected directly by how safe your vehicle is. The safer the vehicle, the lower the insurance rate.

The occupant death rate in single-vehicle rollovers is about 25 times as high for small utility vehicles as for large cars, according to the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

The government is considering new safety standards, but utility vehicles currently are exempt from:

- Regulations that specify the crush resistance of the roof and resistance to side impacts.
- Mandatory head restraints (although many models have them).
- Eye-level brake lights.
- Automatic safety belts.
- Standards for bumper protection.

The minimal safety standards for these vehicles mean more accidents, expensive repair costs and higher insurance rates.

A car's ability to protect occupants in a crash depends on its size, weight and design. Passengers of small cars and utility vehicles are injured more often and more severely than occupants of large cars.

A smaller vehicle transfers the crash impact to a greater degree to the occupants because it doesn't have the mass to absorb the crash.

The death rate from accidents in small vehicles is double that of larger cars, regardless of the driver's age.

To keep your insurance rates in line, and to protect yourself and your family, consider safety first. This means:

- Driving a car that's well designed and has a high crash-test rating.
- Driving the speed limit and obeying all traffic laws.
- Driving defensively.
- Driving only when every passenger in your vehicle is wearing a seat belt.

Your insurance rates are affected by the safety and repairability of

California Christmas



"FOR US, CHRISTMAS IS ALL ABOUT FRIENDS, FAMILY AND TOGETHERNESS," SAYS JACLYN SMITH, actress, mother-of-two and Max Factor spokesperson. "During the holiday season, we always find the time to make decorations and wrap gifts as a family." Jaclyn likes to give each gift a personal touch by using beautiful papers, ribbons and cards, and then sealing them with perfume. "This year, I'll be spritzing packages with California, my new signature fragrance!" HG992251

SONG OF JOY

We may believe there is not much to be happy about. A song of faith, a song of love, a song of life, a song of joy. This is the kind of song our heart can sing each day.

Jane B. Thurber

your car as well as your driving habits. A safe vehicle and a good driving record will keep your insurance rates in line as well as protect you and your family.

If you have an insurance question, send it to Esther Peterson, 400

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"Chrysler air bag saved my life."

March 8, 1989

19128 Merriman Road
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Mr. Lee Iacocca, Chairman of the Board
Chrysler World Headquarters
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Dear Mr. Iacocca,

I am writing to thank you and your team of engineers for having the forethought and expertise to install air bags in the Chrysler LeBaron.

On February 22, 1989 while traveling eastbound in the left lane a driver to my right made a left turn directly into the right front end of my car forcing me into the median strip and head-on into a tree. I was traveling approximately 45 miles per hour, the accident occurred so quickly I had no reaction time. I am certain I made impact with the tree going approximately 45 miles per hour.

My testimony that the air bag was the single item that saved my life.

I can only say, I totaled my 1988 LeBaron, but I walked away with a few bumps and bruises. In fact, my injuries were so minor I refused emergency treatment at the scene of the accident.

On behalf of the eight to ten police officers and paramedics as well as some 20 people gathered after the accident, we all agreed the air bag was my lifesaver.

I am currently in the process of purchasing a new vehicle, and what kind of car I am buying next? You got it, the one — the LeBaron.

People say I was lucky. I say luck had nothing to do with it.

Again, my sincere thanks to you all.

Michelle McGowan

A reminder: Chrysler Motors Corporation is the only American carmaker to put driver-side air bags in every passenger car they build in the U.S., from the lowest to the highest priced models. Safety is your right.

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