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The Answers To These And Many More Questions Are Inside



October



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# Show Fido You Care This Thanksgiving

Don't let your Thanksgiving feast become a holiday hazard for your dog. Control the situation with these guidelines:

- Never give a dog a cooked bone, especially poultry bones. These can splinter and harm your pet's throat or even cause internal injuries.
- Don't serve your dog leftovers. What's good to us may seem tasty to a dog too. But beware: Many foods are difficult for dogs to digest; some are toxic and can even be fatal. On the "Do Not Serve" list: fat, grapes, tomatoes, garlic and onions, raisins, and salt.
- No dessert, please. Sugar and fat can lead to weight and dental problems, as well as diabetes. And chocolate can be lethal, especially to small dogs.
- Don't decorate with items that may be hazardous to your dog. Be aware that small ornaments can cause choking. If you plan to burn candles, make sure your dog can't knock them over

### A Thanksgiving Funny

A biologist called a leading genetics journal to announce his great news: "After years of research, I've found a way to end every argument over who gets the drumstick at Thanksgiving dinner! I'm thinking Nobel Prize! I've bred a turkey with six legs!"

The editor was skeptical. "But how does it taste?" "I don' know. I can't catch the thing!"

#### October Events

October 5th October 8th October 16th October 31st World Teachers' Day Thanksgiving Boss's Day Halloween



# Handwriting On The Wall: Is Email Our Downfall?

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Email, texting, and tweeting all make communication quicker and easier. But some worry that electronic communication tools are eroding our ability to write the old-fashioned way: by hand.

A study conducted by Docmail found that the average adult (out of 2,000 participants) goes about 40 days without writing anything by hand, and one in three haven't written a note on paper for more than six months. In addition, 50 percent feel that their handwriting has significantly declined, with one in seven being "ashamed" of their writing. Spelling may be another casualty, with four in 10 of the participants reporting that they depend on autocorrect for the right words. Many writers may find themselves helpless without a keyboard in the near future.

### Shorter Showers = More Savings

You can save money and help the environment by being just a little quicker with your daily shower. According to an article in the Christian Science Monitor, a typical shower head can produce two gallons of water per minute. In a 12-minute shower, you're using 24 gallons, which adds up to over 8,700 gallons yearly.

Cutting your shower time down to four minutes can save you anywhere from \$10 to \$100 per year, depending on your local water rates. It'll also save on utility costs associated with heating the water for your shower.

So try to get in and out quicker, and you'll do yourself and the world a favor in the long run.

### Do You Have A Question About Car Maintenance That You Want Answered?

We love to hear from all of our good friends and clients who enjoy reading our monthly newsletter. If you have a question about anything related to your vehicle, feel free

to give us a call at **(604) 589-9336** or email

us at ambautorepair@hotmail.com



# Ladies Appreciation Days

All Ladies Will Receive A FREE Gift When They Have Any Service Or Repair Performed With US On Any Tuesday During The Month Of October!

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#### Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Special thanks go out to all of our clients and friends who graciously referred our shop to their friends and neighbors last month! Our business is built based on the positive comments and referrals from people just like you. We just couldn't do it without you.

#### **Hilda Scholte**

# The Doctor Is In, But His Conclusion Is Wrong

Here's why you should always question your assumptions:

Late at night, a doctor's phone rang. He answered it groggily. "Hello?"

"Dr. Jones? This is Dave Mitchell. I'm sorry to call you so late, but my wife has this sharp pain in her side. It's sort of tender when I touch it, and I wonder if I should take her to the hospital."

The doctor recognized his patient's voice. "That's all right, Dave. Just give her a few aspirin; I'm sure she'll be fine."

Dave called back a few minutes later. "Doctor, are you sure about this? My wife thinks it might be appendicitis."

"It's not appendicitis," the doctor said curtly. "Maybe it's something she ate."

"How can you be sure?"

"Because I removed your wife's appendix seven or eight years ago. I remember it clearly. And no one grows a second appendix."

Dave paused. "Yes, but some people have a second wife."

# Congratulations To Our Client Of The Month!

Every month, we choose a very special client of the month. It's our way of acknowledging our great clients and saying thanks to those that support our business with referrals and repeat business.

This month's Client of the Month is

**Brook & Michelle Taylor** 

### Don't Get Taken To The Cleaners When You Wash Your Clothes

Are you wasting money with every load of clothes you wash? Here are two tips from Country Save Detergent for getting more loads of laundry from every box of detergent you buy:

- Don't fill up the scoop. Most plastic laundry scoops included in the box have clear lines on the side of the scoop. The line for a full load is usually well below the top of the scoop. Highlight the lines with a dark-colored marker to see them more easily. Using too much detergent will make your clothes fade faster and it's not good for your washing machine, either.
- Run a test load. To find out if you're using too much detergent, wash a load without adding detergent. If you can see suds in the water, you're using so much that it's not being rinsed out, so decrease the amount you use for every wash.

### Let Me Count The Ways...

The top five most popular ways to serve leftover Thanksgiving turkey:

- 1. Sandwich
- 4. Casserole
- 2. Soup or stew
- 5. Stir-fry
- 3. Salad

# An Unconventional Approach To Reaching Out

Do you have the courage and creativity to really follow your dreams? Career coach Laura Simms once decided she really wanted to talk to Aaron Sorkin, the writer behind the TV show "The West Wing" and the movie The Social Network, among others. Getting through to him personally would be difficult, if not impossible, so she took an unconventional approach.

She started a blog called "Letters to Aaron Sorkin," and she posted short letters there every few days. Eventually Sorkin heard about the blog and emailed her personally.

In the meantime, her friends rallied around her, and one even got her tickets to a screening of one of Sorkin's films where the screenwriter addressed the audience afterward. Not only did she achieve her goal, she had lots of fun along the way.





Have Your Coolant Checked Before The Unpredictable Fall Weather Leaves You In The Cold!

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### A Costly Mistake

Think small details aren't important? Consider the story of Burroughs Prince.

Prince was a staffer during the early days of NBC's "Today" show. One morning, while reviewing the day's production schedule, he saw a remote segment on the Cleveland Armory. But a quick check revealed that no preparations had been made for the Ohio-based shoot.

Prince quickly dispatched a producer, reporter, and mobile unit to Cleveland and reserved special phone lines to transmit the segment to New York. Breathing a sigh of relief, he then located "Today" producer Mort Werner and asked what he should write to introduce the armory segment. When Werner asked what he was talking about, Prince showed him the schedule.

"It's not the Cleveland Armory!" Werner exclaimed. "It's an interview with Cleveland Amory, the author!" Cost of the simple typo? About \$3,000.

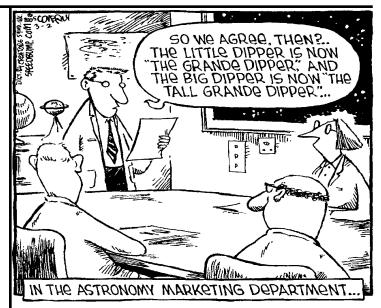
### A Thanksgiving Chuckle

The third-grade teacher asked her class to write a short essay on what they were grateful for on Thanksgiving. Her favorite paper came from a little boy named Timmy, who wrote, "On Thanksgiving, I am glad I am not a turkey."



WOW, 3 months before Christmas. While I write this in September, it is a beautiful sunny, warm day outside. I'm hoping this continues on thru October. It will then still give me time to ride my Goldwing, go roller blading, and golfing. Last Monday, on our motorcycle, Marj and I along with 13 other riders went for a tour around Langley, and Fort Langley ending up at Tim Hortons in Cloverdale for coffee. The last ride of the season will be in 2 weeks time providing it doesn't rain. It is Thanksgiving, this month, a time to have family and friends around. It is also a time of giving thanks for a roof over our head, freedom, food to eat, friends and family. This coming week try to give thank-you's to at least 10 different people and then see the change or smile on their face, then let me know what happened.

Dr. Phil



#### No Suitable Punishment

An Air Force cargo plane landed at a base in Greenland. After off-loading their cargo and receiving further orders, the captain and crew had to wait for the truck to arrive and pump out the aircraft's holding tank.

The truck was late, and when it finally showed up, the private took his time hooking up the hose and beginning the process.

The impatient captain started yelling at him, threatening dire punishment if his tank wasn't cleaned out pronto.

The private sighed. "Sir, I'm a private, I'm stationed in Greenland, it's 37 degrees below zero, and my job is pumping waste out of airplanes. How exactly are you going to punish me?"

Thanks For The Kind Words

'You provide great service!"

- Debbie Fettback

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