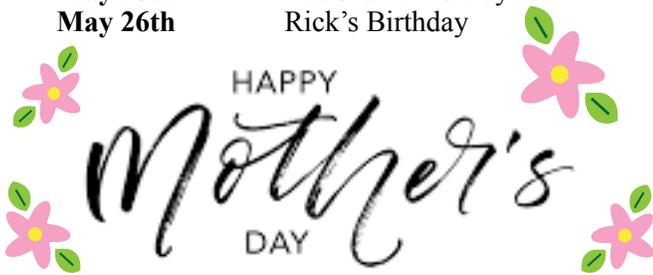


### May Events

May 2nd	Brothers and Sisters Day
May 4th	Star Wars Day
May 5th	Cinco de Mayo
May 6th-12th	Nurse's Week
May 11th	Eat What You Want Day
May 12th	Mother's Day
May 20th	Victoria Day
May 25th	National Wine Day
May 26th	Rick's Birthday



### A Man Of Few Words

A prince was madly in love with a young noblewoman, but under the influence of a curse that prohibited him from speaking more than one word per year. There was a provision that allowed him to remain silent for an additional year in exchange for the privilege of uttering an additional word.

The prince decided he would endure two years without speech so that he could have the pleasure of calling his beloved, "My darling."

As that time neared its end, the prince decided to remain quiet for three more years so he could declare his love as well. Then he realized what he wanted more than anything was to marry this fair lady, so he remained trapped in silence year after year.

After nine long years, the day had finally arrived when he could speak his heart's desire. He led his beloved by the hand to a private garden filled with many fragrant blooming plants. He dropped to one knee, looked up to her and said, "My darling, I love you. Will you marry me?"

To which the lady replied, "Pardon?"

### Fun Facts About Mother's Day

If you're trying to make conversation at Mother's Day dinner this year, try sprinkling some of these facts into the discussion:

- ❖ One of the earliest celebrations of mothers in recorded history comes from ancient Greece, when a spring festival was dedicated to Rhea, the mother of the gods.
- ❖ A Russian woman in the 18th century is said to have given birth to the most children. She was the wife of Feodor Vassilyev, and she produced a total of 69 children, including 16 pairs of twins, seven sets of triplets, and four sets of quadruplets. Of those, 67 are said to have survived infancy.
- ❖ The first woman to give birth in the White House was Martha Randolph, daughter of President Thomas Jefferson, on Jan. 17, 1806.
- ❖ The first woman to give birth in an airplane was Mrs. T.W. Evans on Oct. 28, 1929, over Miami.
- ❖ In 340 B.C., Aristotle observed that dolphins gave birth to live young that were attached to their mothers by umbilical cords. For this reason, he considered dolphins and related creatures to be mammals. Biologists agreed with him—24 centuries later.
- ❖ Eileithyia was the Greek goddess of childbirth and the divine helper of women in labour (in other words, the goddess of labour pain).

### 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

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## *The Peppa Effect*

There's an interesting phenomenon sweeping across the U.S.: Toddlers and young children are speaking the Queen's English.

"Mom" and "dad" have been replaced by "mummy" and "daddy." Children are asking to go on holidays, referring to money in pounds, and saying that they want to do things straight away. Sometimes there are snorts and oinks interjected in their speech. Most of this is being chronicled on Twitter under the hashtag #PeppaEffect, because it turns out a pig named Peppa is behind it all.

Peppa Pig is an animated character on an eponymous children's show from the U.K. Episodes air on cable channels worldwide and are available on YouTube. There's a website with short videos and activities, so if your kids have access and screen time, there is a good chance they will encounter Peppa and fall under her influence.

All of this is quite normal, really. (Say that with a British accent.) Research suggests that children begin to develop their accents around the age of 20 months. For fans of the show ages 2 to 5—Peppa's main demographic—their love of the character and delight in her antics inspire them to mimic her behavior and language. They don't even recognize Peppa's accent as being different from their own.

## *Stay Safe During Boating Season*

Here are some basic do's and don'ts for boating safety this summer. Follow these tips for fun, safe boating with your friends and family:

- ★ Wear your life jacket. It floats; you don't.
- ★ Never mix alcohol and boating.
- ★ Know and follow nautical rules.
- ★ Never stand in a small boat.
- ★ Check the weather forecast before you get underway.
- ★ Never overload your boat.
- ★ Always keep a good lookout.
- ★ If you do go out in a boat and bad weather unexpectedly occurs, here's what you should do:
  - ★ Put your life jacket on, and prepare for rough seas.
  - ★ Get below deck, and stay there if possible.
  - ★ Keep away from metal objects that are not grounded in the boat's protection system.
- ★ Do not touch more than one grounded object at a time, or you could become the shortcut for electrical surges passing through the protection system.



## *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.

**Alan Smuck, Wayne Middleton,  
& Cheryl Kiesling**

## *The Most Important Lesson*

A well-known businessman received an award for his philanthropy. During the ceremony honoring his good works, he was asked to share some of the lessons he had learned throughout his life and career that inspired him to think of others.

He spoke of his childhood and the poverty his family endured in the rural South. "No matter how tough times were, my grandmother was always looking to help anyone she felt was in need.

"One day a neighbor came to our kitchen door and told my grandmother he was hungry and hadn't eaten in days. She invited him in and served him a good portion of what she'd been preparing for our supper. When the man left, I asked my grandmother why she was always feeding other people when there was barely enough for us to eat.

"My grandmother said, 'The only thing that matters in life is giving and serving. That's the most important lesson you need to learn.'"

The businessman went on to tell how he took his grandmother's words to heart. Throughout his life and career, he made sure to share his wisdom and good fortune with others and include them in his successes as well. "I don't believe that old saying, 'It's lonely at the top.' I believe you don't really make it there until everyone who is a part of what you're doing can get there with you."

*"Every time you state what you want or believe, you're the first to hear it. It's a message to both you and others about what you think is possible. Don't put a ceiling on yourself."*

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## ***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

**Jerry Morrison**



## ***Thanks For The Kind Words***

"The reason why I came to you guys with my car was, it had a hard time starting. It took like 18 hours to figure out the problem, but you guys only charged me 2 hours because that was what the estimate was. Then gave me an honest opinion, that it wasn't worth fixing. (It would have been like a \$5,000 bill to fix.) The reason why I liked this experience is because of the honesty and you guys were the first place to tell me what was actually wrong with my car! I took it to two other places and they just didn't know! Thank you guys again!"

- Cassandra Jennings.. Lakeside, ON

## ***Attention All Mothers... It's Time To Splurge (Gasp!) On Yourself***

If you are one of those self-denying mothers (and let's face it, most mothers are self-denying), you might consider splurging on yourself for a change. After all, who deserves to indulge themselves more than mothers? Here are a few thoughts on how to spoil yourself:

- \* Go get a facial or a massage. Make your own enjoyment your goal.
- \* Get yourself a new piece of technology. Whatever it is that you want to do for fun, whether it's taking pictures or writing poetry, get a fun piece of technology to aid you in your creative pursuits such as a good camera or a computer.
- \* Go out to lunch with your friends. When was the last time you got together with friends without guilt and had some real adult conversation?
- \* Buy yourself a new pair of shoes. And we're not talking about a pair of walking shoes. Buy something that will be special for you.
- \* Get yourself a babysitter on Saturday night and go out on a date with your husband.

## ***Do You Want To Win A \$25.00 Tim Card?***

The first 10 people to call with the correct answer will be eligible to win. At the end of the month we'll draw one lucky name. That winner will receive a \$25.00 Tim Card from us! Here is this month's question... Which popular animated character is causing U.S. toddlers to pick up a British accent?

*(Hint: the answer is somewhere in this newsletter)*

- a) Peppa The Pig
- b) Bob The Builder
- c) Britain's Queen Bee
- d) Baby Shark

***Call right now with your answer!***

Last month's trivia challenge was, What does FRB stand for? *Answer: C) Fast Radio Bursts*

**Congratulations to last month's winner...**

**Gina Williams**

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## **JAKE'S JOKES**

**Q: Why do kangaroo mom's hate rainy days? A: The kids have to play inside!**

**Q: How do trees feel in the spring? A: Re-Leafed**

**Q: What is a frog's favorite flower? A: Croak-us!**

**Q: Why did the farmer put seeds in the pond? A: He was trying to grow watermelons!**

**Q: What super hero loves springtime? A: Robin**



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