

# **Oren's Auto News**

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# Message From The Shop - July 2012



Summer is here. The official calendar may not recognize summer until June 20. At our house, summer starts as soon as the last day of school arrives and our three kids are home everyday. It takes about a week or so to get everyone on a schedule and chore charts mastered and then we can begin to enjoy some of our favorite activities. With all the kids out on bicycles, mopeds and walking to the pool or parks, keep an eye on the road. They are excited not to be stuck indoors and usually aren't looking for vehicles.

It's HOT! The weather and our new website! Take the time to visit OrensAutoBody.com. It has a lot of new information and was created to be user friendly for all ages. It is a great tool for our customers to send their friends, family and co-workers to. They can learn more about our customer service, quality work and all the services that Oren's Auto Body offers. On this new site, you can meet some of our staff, pick a detailing package to get your vehicle spruced up or get a

gift card for someone's birthday, anniversary or special occasion.

We pride our business on QUALITY and SERVICE for every customer we serve. We are extremely excited and proud of the new insurance company agreements we have been made a part of. These relationships will make the insurance paperwork process of an accident even easier and less hassle for our customers. That is always a priority for our staff. However, we handle claims for all insurance companies and are happy to do it for our customers.

As always, drive safely!

Shane Oren, Owner

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Shop Hours Monday - Friday 8 AM - 5 PM After Hour Appointments Available Upon Request

#### Car Wash Hours

Monday - Saturday 8 AM - 5 PM Weather Permitting

# **Direct Repair Programs**

There are some insurance companies that offer "Direct Repair" service programs to body shops that meet high expectations and standards in all areas of the complete repair process. We are proud to be an approved body shop for the following insurance companies:

- 1st Auto & Casualty
- Acuity
- Liberty Mutual
- Rural Mutual
- State Farm
- West Bend Mutual

We continuously work to build trust and relationships to add more insurance companies as they

become available in our geographic area.





### **Car Care for Cleaner Water**



We all know that cars contribute to air pollution. But did you know that cars also cause water pollution too? When we drive our vehicles, they leave bits of tires, brakes and rusty metal on the street. As the cars stay parked they leave stains of oil, grease and transmission fluids on driveways and parking lots. If you look in a small stream in your town, you may see small mounds of foam, streaks of blue or an oily sheen look. The foam may come from soapy water that runs down the street when vehicles are washed in a driveway. The bright blue streaks could be antifreeze dripped out of radiators and the oily sheen is from motor oil dripped or dumped into the storm drain.

We can all help stop this kind of pollution. Everything that goes into the storm sewers carries right into our lakes and streams. Here are the first five of ten tips to help keep cleaner water. The final five will be in next quarter's newsletter.

 <u>RECYCLE OIL</u>. Old motor oil can be reprocessed and used again and again. Put the oil in a container with a tight lid such as a plastic jug or metal can and take it to the local recycling center. Recycling is the only safe way to get rid of oil. Never use it to kill weeds or pour it in a storm drain as it will end up in our lakes, streams and rivers. The five quarts of oil from your vehicle could create an oil slick the size of two football fields or pollute a million gallons of drinking water.

- 2) USE COMMERCIAL CAR WASHES. Taking your car to a local car wash is a great way to protect the local waters. When you wash your vehicle at home in your driveway, the dirty water from the driveway will most likely end up in the lakes, rivers and streams. All the soap, oil, antifreeze and transmission fluids get picked up by the water and soap and pollution begins because it will end up in the storm sewers. We can help! Oren's automatic car wash is affordable, easy, relaxing and environmentally safe. AND, each wash includes a final touch of drying with baby soft towels by our friendly attendants to leave your vehicle streak and water spot free! Use the coupon on the back of the newsletter and try it today.
- 3) <u>KEEP YOUR CAR TUNED UP</u>. Vehicles that run smoothly burn less fuel and cause less pollution. Tuned up vehicles save you money by using up to 20% less gas. Regular tune-ups also reduce the amount of pollutants that come out of your exhaust pipe. These chemicals pollute our water as well as the air we breathe.

- 4) REPAIR LEAKS. Spots on your driveway or garage floor mean the engine, transmission or radiator in your vehicle is leaking. It is important to get these types of leaks fixed right away. Then clean up the spot using cat litter or another type of absorbent material to aid in soaking up the spilled chemicals. Sweep up the cat litter or whatever absorbent material used into a sealed bag and place in the trash for disposal. DO NOT scrub the spot with detergent and wash the dirty water into the street. All that dirty, chemical filled water ends up in the lakes in streams!
- 5) RECYCLE ANTIFREEZE. Recycling antifreeze can be a challenge. There are some recycling sites that offer separate tanks for antifreeze collection. Also, check with your local gas station or auto repair shop, they may accept used antifreeze. Antifreeze contains many pollutants that are extremely poisonous to people and animals. Because of its sweet taste and smell, it may attract children, pets and animals. Drinking only three ounces could kill an adult and even less will kill children and animals. Take caution when dealing with antifreeze and dispose of properly.

Today, so many things are disposable in our lives, but one thing that is not is the earth. It is important that we all take steps to help preserve and protect it for healthier living. Not only for ourselves, but for many generations to come. Stay tuned to next quarter for five more ways to help keep our water clean!



### **Meet the Staff - Jeremy Crabtree**



If you have visited the car wash at Oren's in the last 12 months, you may have been greeted by the friendly smile of Jeremy Crabtree. Jeremy is the Lead Car Wash Attendant/Detailer at our shop.

Jeremy came to Oren's last summer through the referral of a friend that knew of the open job. After high school, Jeremy joined the Army and served for two years. He was stationed at Camp Greaves, Korea. His was duties were in Infantry. After his discharge from the Army, Jeremy held positions in construction, farming and a couple of factories in the area. Today, Jeremy lives in Edgerton. He has two children, Benjamin, age 9, and Ilaynna, 6 years old. Jeremy says he enjoys any activities that involve being with his kids, but their favorite is probably camping. He also likes bowling, fishing, hiking, rock climbing, playing pool, collecting coins and cooking.

Jeremy's burning desire in life is to someday live in Europe! When asked why, he responded, "it's close to all the places I want to see in my lifetime". He says the advice that he would give to his children about success is to keep working at whatever it is you are trying to achieve. The armed forces usually have the reputation of everything being clean and tidy and close attention to detail. Those traits certainly did rub off on Jeremy! We are extremely pleased to have Jeremy managing the daily operations of the car wash. He washes and dries each vehicle like it's the presidential limousine. A vehicle looks like new when he is done detailing the inside. He was born to work in a body shop/car wash service business.

At this time, during the month of our July 4th holiday, we thank Jeremy and all the service men/women for serving our country. And, we are certainly proud to have him part of our team to help serve our customers! Thanks, Jeremy.

# A Favorite Recipe - DO NOT EAT!

Thank you to so many of our readers that try and enjoy our recipes and then share that news with us. However, this quarter we are sharing this recipe that is NOT TO BE CONSUMED BY HUMANS.

Summer and many homes are so carefully landscaped with hundreds of dollars worth of plants, shrubs and flowers. Do you have a problem with deer and/or rabbits eating your landscaping? If so, mix up this recipe and the wildlife should leave your landscaping dollars alone and leave your yard for you to enjoy! 1 egg

1/2 c. milk

- 1 Tablespoon cooking oil
- 1 Tablespoon dish detergent
- 1 gallon water

Splash of Tabasco or hot pepper sauce

Beat egg and milk together, then add cooking oil and detergent. Add mixture to water and stir or shake well. Store in 1 gallon container. Apply liquid mixture to plants (except food plants) using spray bottle. Reapply once per month or after heavy rain. This recipe has been tested in the Northwoods of Wisconsin with great results. Good luck!





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