



Oren's Auto News

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Message From The Shop - July 2013



Happy summer! For a couple weeks in June it didn't seem like the warm days and sunshine would ever arrive, but here we are in July sweating. Hope everything is good with you and your families and you are getting to enjoy some of these great days we wait for all winter.

Our family spent the July 4th weekend at Wendy's family's cottage in Rhineland. It was great to get a few days off to spend with family and friends by the lake. The weather was fantastic, the fish were biting well enough to have a fish fry on Saturday night, along with a few mosquitoes by the campfire. The downfall of the weekend was facing

all the traffic on the way home Sunday. Funny how you can be so relaxed and then feel your blood pressure rise when you hit the interstate to head back south. All in all it was a great weekend getaway!

As some of you may have heard, we had a vehicle fire behind our shop over the holiday weekend. Our shop truck that we use for hauling parts and plowing snow was broken into early Saturday morning and then the tool boxes in the pickup were ignited. Thank you to the Edgerton Police and Fire Departments for their quick response. The damage was minimal compared to what it could have turned into and most important, no one was hurt. I want to assure everyone that this was our vehicle and not a customer vehicle. We strive to be sure that all customer vehicles are securely locked in our shop at the end of each business day. Thank you to everyone who called on Monday to check on

our shop and staff to make sure we were all fine. We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

The summer has been a very busy one in the shop. Many think this would be a slower time for collision shops, but we have been extremely busy. Quite a few deer hits in the last month so watch out for them on the run. Our detailing staff has been operating at full capacity too. It is a great idea to keep your vehicle cleaned on the inside and out to help preserve the value. Many of our customers schedule a detailing twice per year to keep the carpet and mats from getting matted down. A gift card for vehicle detailing is a great gift to give a family member or friend that is hard to buy for. Give Wendy a call to schedule a detail for yourself or to purchase a gift card for someone else. It feels good to drive a clean car.

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

Tips to Keep Your Vehicle Cooler This Summer

Whew....the July heat is hot! If you don't enjoy the heat, getting into a vehicle that has been parked in hot weather can feel like your getting roasted alive. Here are a few tips that will help to keep your vehicle cooler this summer.

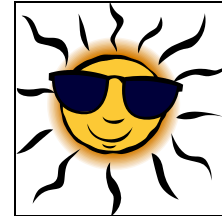
- 1) **Use a sunshade.** This tried and true method will keep your vehicle much cooler. Put one in your front window each time you exit your vehicle for more than a few minutes.
- 2) **Cover your steering wheel with a hand towel.** Even if you use a sunshade, it's a good idea to cover your steering wheel with a small towel to keep the contact temperature of your steering wheel down.

- 3) **Park in a shady area.** It's worth it to walk a bit farther in order to park in the shade. You'll be happy to enter a not-so-hot vehicle when you return.
- 4) **Park in a garage when possible.** A garage may feel stuffy, but your vehicle will be out of direct sunlight beating down.
- 5) **Keep windows slightly cracked.** A good measure is to leave your windows open enough to promote ventilation but not enough that someone can fit an arm through.
- 6) **Throw blankets over your seats.** If your vehicle has vinyl or leather seats, you know how hot they can become when the

sun beats on them....OUCH! To keep the seats cool, throw a blanket over them when you leave the vehicle.

- 7) **Keep your possessions out of the sun.** Any CDs, electronics or delicate items should be stored out of the direct sunlight. Simply throwing a blanket over these items too will protect them from any heat damage.

Enjoy this beautiful season and get out and travel! Before we know it, winter will be knocking on our door!



Aunt Betty's Blueberry Muffins



These muffins are scrumptious and easy to make. We're not really sure who "Aunt Betty" is, as a friend shared the recipe with us while camping. The smell they release through the house will get everyone out of bed bright and early. They'll be a favorite!

- 1/2 c. oatmeal
- 1/2 c. orange juice
- 1 egg
- 1/2 c. oil
- 1 1/2 c. white sugar
- 1 1/4 tsp. baking powder
- 1 1/2 c. flour
- 1/4 tsp. soda
- 1/2 tsp. salt

Combine oatmeal and orange juice in a bowl and let set 10 - 15 min.

Add rest of ingredients and mix well. Spoon batter into greased or paper lined muffin cups about 2/3 full. Sprinkle with cinnamon sugar mix on top. Bake at 375 for approximately 20 minutes or until toothpick is inserted and comes out clean.

Cinnamon Sugar Mix Topping:

- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 2 T. sugar

Mix well and sprinkle on batter in muffin cups before baking.

Meet the Staff/Family - Seth Oren



Meet Seth Oren. Seth is Shane and Wendy's second of three children. Or, in his words, "stuck in the middle between two sisters, Whitney and Bethany."

Seth never went to Dad and asked for a job in the car wash. He was recruited one Saturday morning when we were short handed about three years ago and hasn't been allowed to leave since. When Seth was a little guy, he was going to take "Brett Favre's" job as quarterback for the Green Bay Packers. A couple years later he wanted to be

a magician, and most recently he says he is going to be a professional outdoorsman and have his own fishing and hunting show. However, this summer, he is, shall we say, "growing into the shop business". Seth is a very social guy and enjoys talking with car wash customers. Recently, he has filled in in the office to help answer phones when Wendy has to be out, and is beginning to think the office job isn't so bad either. Seth is a small business owner himself. He started his own lawn mowing service about 2 years ago to help out some neighbors and now is responsible for taking care of 8 lawns in the neighborhood. Shane was waiting for the age where Seth could take over mowing the family yard so he could sit on the deck and watch him go. Shane found out, our yard is still his responsibility and every

time he goes to use the mower it is out of gas and the weed eater has no string left!

Seth will be a sophomore at EHS this fall. He enjoys school and all the socializing that goes with it. Last year he played football, basketball and golf and was very involved in the FFA program. In November Seth will turn 16 and cannot wait to get his drivers license. He loves to go hunting and fishing with his yellow lab, Dewey who is 2 1/2 years old. Seth says when he graduates from high school, he and Dewey, are moving north to a college that allows dogs to come too!

Shane and Wendy are very proud of Seth for all the responsibility he holds at a young age. They hope all his dreams come true!

Back to School - Watch For Kids

It's hard to believe, but the start of another school year is not far off. Public schools in the area will start on Tuesday, September 3 and most private schools start around the third week of August. We all look forward to summer and a little more of a relaxed schedule. However, most parents can probably relate with the mom in this cartoon as summer winds down!

Be watchful of kids in crosswalks on bicycles and walking to school. Usually they are talking with their friends and not watching where they are going. If your kids ride their bike or walk to school, remind them to use the crosswalks and obey the crossing guard's signal when available. If your children take the bus, remind them of appropriate bus behavior so the driver is not distracted while transporting kids. We wish everyone a safe and successful school year!





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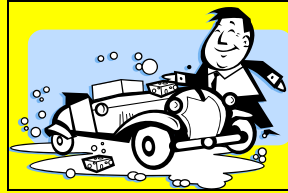
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