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Dear Friend,

Here is your **Clovis Garage** e-Newsletter for March, 2010. We send it with the hopes that it will lighten your day just a little bit. In *this* issue we offer important oil service and safety tips but first, some shop news ...

**Our February Survey Drawing Winner was,  
Frank & Barbara Telero who chose a Luna's Gift Card!**

Click here: [www.clovisgarage.com/customersurvey](http://www.clovisgarage.com/customersurvey) to enter our *next* customer survey drawing!

We were very pleased to give out over 6 dozen single roses last month during our Valentine's Week Rose Give-A-Way! And **Thank you** to our many existing customers who have recommend NEW clients to us. You are our BEST advertisement! Don't forget to hand out our VIP card to your coworkers, friends and family. And be sure to write your name on the back to receive a free gift, call us for more info or email Steve or Bob.

As always, we appreciate the trust and loyalty that ALL of our valued customers place in us. Should you ever have a question or concern about your car, please don't hesitate to call or drop us a quick email. And when you come across a friend, family member, co-worker, or neighbor that could also use "a friend in the automotive business," we hope you will think of us and pass our name along. **Thanks again, and enjoy!**

~ Steve Rowe & Bob Davis

Please feel free to contact us any time at: [info@clovisgarage.com](mailto:info@clovisgarage.com)

Become a **Clovis Garage Facebook Fan** and be automatically entered into our March drawing for a FREE gift card. Click [here](#) to join!

Last month's Facebook Fan winner was, **Patsy Killen Wall** who won a Starbucks Gift Card!

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## Q&A .. How often should I change my oil?

It depends. Most of the time, people judge when its time for an oil change based on the mileage driven. But this can be deceiving. If your average drive is seldom more than a short hop to work or frequent, quick errands, then you may need to change your oil *more often* than the 3,000 - 5,000 miles that most people are accustomed to.

The problem is, short trips around town don't allow your car to adequately warm up to a useful temperature so it can "burn off" the contaminants and moisture that inevitably collect inside the engine. These contaminants will then "build up" in the engine's oil, necessitating more frequent filter and oil changes. Also, if your engine's thermostat is faulty, it may prohibit the engine from reaching its ideal running temperature. The wear on a "cool" running engine is the same as if you were taking those numerous short "hops" around town.

On the other hand, longer average drive times (or lots of highway driving) can help to extend the interval time between oil service visits, as can the use of high-quality synthetic oils and blends.

**Play it Safe! Give Clovis Garage a call to discuss the ideal oil service frequency for your family's vehicles.**

*Ever notice that we drive on a parkway and park on a driveway?*

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And be sure to visit our (New & Improved) website: [www.ClovisGarage.com](http://www.ClovisGarage.com)



## Are your headlamps cloudy?

Are your headlamps dim and frosted? Does it seem like your headlights are not very bright? Watch this video and then call Steve or Bob about this new amazing service.

**VIDEO**

March Special: Headlamp Restoration Service **ONLY \$69.95**

Do you have a question about your car? Click [HERE](#)

## Air Bag Safety Tips

It's a fact that seatbelt use combined with an air bag system saves lives. But they can also be very dangerous if they are not used correctly or their power is not respected. Here are a few safety tips to always keep in mind:



- Don't let youngsters or small people sit in front of an air bag. (If they must sit there, at least move the seat as far back as possible.)
- Avoid driving with your arms crossed in front of (or draped within) the spokes of the steering wheel. Should the air bag deploy, it could result in some broken bones.
- If you are a smoker, consider the dangers in having a lit cigarette or pipe in your mouth should the airbag go off. (Gulp) Remember, accidents are **unexpected** and airbags deploy in fractions of a second - you will not have time to "prepare" for it.

Finally, remember that for an airbag system to work as designed **every** occupant must be wearing their seatbelts!

*If you want to be heard, yell. If you want to be listened to, whisper.*

Have a friend you'd like to refer to us? Click [HERE](#)

## On the lighter side ...

A young man had bought himself a brand new Lamborghini Diablo and was waiting at a red light when a elderly gentleman on a moped (both looking to be about 90 years old) pulled up along side of him. "That's an awfully fancy car," said the old man. "Mind if I take a look inside?" "No, go ahead," said the car's proud owner and the old man poked his head inside to look around. After gazing for a moment, the old man leaned back onto his moped and asked, "How much does a car like that cost?" "I paid two hundred thousand dollars for it," bragged the young man. "Wow, that's a lot of money," said the old man. "Why does it cost so much?" "Well," said the young man, "this car can go over 200 miles per hour."

Just then the light turned green and the young man decided to show off and floored the gas peddle. Within seconds, the speedometer read 100 miles per hour. When he looked in the rear view mirror, the old man was just a speck in the distance. But, to the young man's amazement, the speck was getting bigger! Very soon there was a whoooosh and the old man on his moped passed the sports car like it was standing still! "That couldn't be," thought the young man and he moped his car. The old man, who was now way up the road, appeared to have turned around and was heading back to the car and whoooosh, passed like lightning in the opposite direction.

The young man was amazed. Once again, the old man was just a speck, but appeared to be heading back toward the car. The young man had to find out how this old moped could be faster than his brand-new sports car, but as he opened his door to get out and flag the old man down, there was a whoooosh-BAM as the moped and its driver CRASHED into the open door. "Ouch, that had to have hurt," thought the young man as he stepped out of the car to assist the old man. "Is there anything I can do?" asked the young man. The old man just groaned and said, "Yes there is sonny, could you please unhook my suspenders from your side view mirror?"

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*Obstacles are what you see whenever you take your eyes off your goals.*

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*We really do appreciate the opportunity you give us to serve you.*

**Thanks Everyone!!**

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