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CAR CARE

The vehicle industry has come a long way since October 1, 1908 when Henry Ford's first Model T was made available to the public. So have cleaning methods and options. Whether you're cleaning a fleet of cars, semi-trucks, or heavy-duty equipment, ChemStation has the solution for removing all types of vehicle soils.

ChemStation services all facets of the vehicle cleaning market with a full line of scientifically formulated products. From tankers to automobiles, from triple-color foam detergents to tire cleaners, from asphalt release agents to windshield cleaning fluids…our system is your solution.

Contact your ChemStation Account Manager for more information. ■

STEERING WHEEL HAND PLACEMENT

As a result of hand injuries caused by deployed air bags, the Division of Motor Vehicles recommends updated steering wheel hand placement.

What's ideal? Imagine your steering wheel is the face of a clock. Your hands should be at the "9" and "3" o'clock, or lower (not "10" and "2" as previously recommended), with your thumbs lightly resting on the face or grasping the steering wheel.



Although it may feel strange to have your hands so low on the steering wheel, it allows for optimum control while driving and helps to keep your arms, hands, and fingers out of harms way! ■

OBSERVING OCTOBER

In October we celebrate Pasta, Pizza, Pork, and Seafood Month. The Car Care Council would like you to observe October as Car Care Month. It's also National Roller Skating Month. Fire Prevention Week and National Carry a Tune Week are both celebrated October 7-13. Beginning October 29, it's Give Wildlife a Break Week. On October 6, 1889, Thomas Edison showed the first motion picture. The very first Oktoberfest was held in Munich, Bavaria, Germany on October 12, 1810. Be Bald and Be Free Day is celebrated on October 14. Remember "I Love Lucy?" It premiered on television October 15, 1951. On October 28, 1886, France presented the United States with the Statue of Liberty. When the 31st rolls around, we can dress in our favorite costume and celebrate Halloween.



LITTERBAG

In the "paper or plastic?" debate, plastic won. It's cheaper – and, some say, cleaner – to produce. But the landscape lost. Just look at a tree on a windy day, plastic bags flapping in its branches. And petroleum-based plastic bags take nearly forever to degrade in landfills. Ireland levied a bag tax in 2002 that cut litter. This spring, San Francisco passed a ban on most plastic bags at supermarkets and drugstore chains. Mega-chain IKEA is doing its part in the United Kingdom and in the U.S., where it hands out 70 million plastic bags a year. IKEA charges a nickel a bag – or 59¢ for a durable, heavy-duty sack.

Plastic Shopping Bags

Estimated number used worldwide each year: over 500 billion.

Number used in the U.S. each year: 100 billion.

Percent of those bags recycled: one.

Years plastic bags take to degrade in a landfill: hundreds.

Type of bag that consumes the fewest resources per use: any reusable bag.



Source: "National Geographic" magazine. ■

EXPO EXPO

This month ChemStation will make appearances at the Process Expo and the Worldwide Food Expo.

From October 15-17, we will be manning the booth at the Process Expo in Las Vegas (Booth S-6152). Then we pack our bags and head for Chicago and the Worldwide Food Expo (Booth S3343) from October 24-27. If you're in the neighborhood, stop by and say hello. ■

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Dress for Success

Dressing the part can decrease the risk and severity of an injury, say safety experts. The rule of thumb here is to cover up. Your safety gear should include:

- **Safety Glasses** – They're made in all shapes and sizes – and with sun protection – to keep projectiles, mists, paints and dust away.
- **Earplugs and Muffs** – These will decrease your chance of suffering hearing loss.
- **Respirators** – When using toxic or caustic chemicals or cutting fluids, wear a respirator to reduce the risk of injury or death from toxic airborne hazards.
- **Gloves and Boots** – Cover your hands and feet to decrease the chance of injury due to everything from chemical exposure to sharp objects.
- **Kneepads** – They're essential for kneeling on hard surfaces.
- **Coveralls/Aprons** – Coveralls/aprons keep clothing from getting chemical splashes, caught in machines and are often flame-retardant. ■



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Soapbox

The sooner you fall behind, the more time you'll have to catch up.

Only Irish coffee provides (in a single glass) all four essential food groups; alcohol, caffeine, sugar, and fat.

Money can't buy you happiness, but it does bring you a more pleasant form of misery.

Timing has an awful lot to do with the outcome of a raindance.

If winners never quit and quitters never win, then who is the fool who said, "Quit while you're ahead?"

Remember, once you get over the hill, you'll begin to pick up speed.

Dogs have owners. Cats have staff.

Poverty – Having too much month left at the end of the money.

Some minds should be cultivated; others plowed under.

The rat race isn't so bad if you're a big cheese.

Vegetarian – Native American definition for "lousy hunter."

It is always darkest before dawn…so if you're going to steal your neighbor's newspaper, that's the time to do it.

The specialist learns more and more about less and less until finally, he knows everything about nothing. The generalist learns less and less about more and more until finally, he knows nothing about everything.

If you try and don't succeed, cheat. Repeat until caught. Then lie.

A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort.

Sleep – a completely inadequate substitute for caffeine.

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