



TOP SHOP *Talk*

Top Shop Automotive Newsletter

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Pencils Down...

SUMMER UP!

Yay, summer is here! Thanks for checking out the summer edition of our newsletter. In this issue, we share the story of Mazda vehicles, offer up some fun summer mad libs for the kiddos, and there's the mandatory car care advice. But we finish off with a fun recipe for Fourth of July s'mores. So, get messy—it's summer, after all!



Hi Everyone!

From our family to yours, here's wishing you a wonderful summer, filled with lots of fun, laughs, and long days with the people you love most. If you're planning a road trip, let us give your car a once over before your adventure begins. We care about your safety and wellbeing.



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A Miata is just as cool now as it was in the 90s. If you have an original Miata, we'd be honored to service your car.

The (Once) Small But (Always) Mighty Mazda

With Mazda, "It Just Feels Right"

Mazda vehicles continue to become increasingly popular in the United States, as a nice middle-ground between a luxury car and budget option, and they're a little bit unique—like they have been since they came on the scene almost 100 years ago. Here's the Mazda story.

Only Three Wheels But Lots of Potential

The origins of Mazda date back to 1920 in Japan. In 1931, their first vehicles came out—three-wheel pickup trucks and other small vehicles for the Japanese market. In order to stay independent, Mazda was mandated to create its own technological expertise in 1961. Following licensing of the Wankel rotary engine from German automaker NSU, Mazda perfected the engine for its Cosmo 110S luxury sports coupe. The first 110S went into production in May 1967, and two made it to the U.S. as official imports of the Curtiss-Wright aviation company.

1970 & the Rotary Engine Makes Its Mark

In 1970, Mazda established Mazda Motor of America in Seattle, and in 1971, Mazda USA debuted the rotary-powered RX-2. In 1973, the Mazda RX-3 became the first vehicle in the world to pass strict new U.S. standards for regulating exhaust emissions. Through the 1980s and 1990s, Mazda continued to grow, introducing many popular vehicles, ranging from the Miata sports car to compact pickup trucks to—now—luxury sedans and SUVs. Today, Mazda is zoom zooming into the future with numerous well-loved and award-winning vehicles.

Summer Mad Libs for the Kids

Road Trip!

My family is taking a trip to (COLOR) Beach, (NUMBER) hours away. We are riding in a (VEHICLE) with my (FAMILY MEMBER) and (FAMILY MEMBER). My parents packed a cooler with (FOOD) sandwiches, (FRUITS), and (BEVERAGES). They always tell us to wear (NOUN) and a (NOUN) so we don't get sunburned. During the drive, will play games like (NOUN) and "Count the (NOUNS)." I can't wait to get there so I can (VERB) in the ocean and (VERB) along the beach, collecting the (NOUNS) I find in the sand.

Summer Vacation

Last summer, my family and I went to (PLACE) on vacation. We traveled in a (VEHICLE) and it took (NUMBER) days to get there. I took lots of photos of the (NOUNS) there, and saw a wild (ANIMAL) (VERB) in a (NOUN). We rode a (VEHICLE) through a (ADJECTIVE) (PLACE) and there were (ANIMALS) and (ANIMALS) all around us! At night, we went to a (NOUN) and heard (ADJECTIVE) (NOUNS) while we ate (ADJECTIVE) (FOOD). I can't wait to share my (ADJECTIVE) photos of (NOUN) and (NOUN) with my friends!



On your mark, get set, go!

Summer Car Care

My Car's "Go" Got Up & Went

Is your car hesitating to speed up when you press the gas pedal? If so, you may have an acceleration problem. Aside from slow acceleration, your car may also start roughly, and you may have to press down harder on the gas pedal for any response.

Acceleration System Issues

Your accelerator works via the throttle valve, which is connected to the engine. The throttle valve controls the airflow into the intake manifold, so the air can mix with the fuel through the fuel injector or fuel rail. When the spark plug creates a spark, the fuel and air mixture ignites. This explosion causes the engine's pistons to move, allowing the car to increase its revolutions per minute (RPMs). A problem with this system can be due to:

- Throttle sensor malfunction - If the throttle sensor fails, then the speed will fluctuate whether or not you engage or disengage the pedal.
- Fuel system failure - The fuel system supplies fuel to the engine. A faulty fuel pump or fuel injector can lead to acceleration problems.
- Bad spark plug - A worn spark plug cannot adequately ignite the fuel and air mixture.

Only a professional mechanic can determine the source of an acceleration problem, so if your car has lost its get up and go, give us a call at Top Shop Automotive. We'll accurately determine the underlying issue and revive your vehicle's lost pep.

Summer Recipe

July 4th S'mores Dip

A delicious way to be patriotic!

Ingredients:

4 sheets Hershey's chocolate
19 marshmallows
1 cup water
1 cup red, white, and blue sanding sugar
Graham crackers, for serving



To make:

Preheat oven to 450.

In a square glass pan, place a layer of Hershey's chocolate to cover the bottom of the pan.

Dip 5 marshmallows in water and roll them in blue sanding sugar. Place on parchment paper to dry. Repeat the process to make 6 red marshmallows and 8 white marshmallows. Then, using kitchen shears, cut each marshmallow in half. Place marshmallows cut side down on the chocolate to form a flag.

Bake for 8 to 10 minutes and serve with graham crackers.

Let us know if you'd like to contribute a project or recipe to Top Shop Talk!

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