



I want to welcome you to our first Riverfront Collision Center (RFCC) newsletter. I am Denny Gardner, owner/operator of Riverfront Collision Center.

We have two locations to serve you, 93 Sandbar Ferry Road in Augusta and 4316 Evans to Lock Road in Evans. Both our locations will work closely with all insurance companies in order to reduce the turn around time of the repairs and offer affordable and competitive services to all customers.



Both our facilities offer you the most advanced auto body and mechanical repair services for today's complex vehicles with the latest advanced equipment and training. Additionally, both locations offer onsite car rental by Hertz. Stop in and visit the Riverfront family, we welcome you at both locations.

These newsletters are our way of providing our customers with automotive tips, specials, coupons and a monthly recipe for the season.

From our family to yours we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a

Prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

Denny Gardner  
Riverfront Collision Center

#### Top Funny Christmas Jokes

9. What do Snowmen eat for breakfast? SnowFlakes!
8. Why does Santa have three gardens? So he can ho-ho-ho!
7. Where do snowmen go to dance? Snowballs?
6. Why was Santa's little helper depressed? He had low ELF esteem!
5. What do you get when you cross a snowman with a shark? Frostbite!
4. Where do you find reindeer? Depends where you leave them!
3. What do snowmen eat for lunch? Icebergers!
2. What do reindeer have that no other animals have? Baby reindeer!
1. What do you call people who are afraid of Santa Claus? Clausstrophobic!

## Happy Holidays

*Tips - Dash Warning Lights are Color Coded.*

A **Yellow Warning light**, like the Check Engine Light, means nothing terrible has happened, but have the car checked out at your convenience.

A **Red Warning light** means pull over **now**, and turn off the engine something **SERIOUS** has happened. Actually in my opinion, by the time the red light illuminates on the dash....the damage is probably already done. Time is critical, when you see the red engine light....turn off the engine **IMMEDIATELY!**

## *Economize - Sensible and Sane Fuel Saving Options*

Nowadays it seems that the only way to get ahead and save money at the pump is to drive a small compact or a hybrid powered vehicle. While a gas-electric hybrid is okay for some people, the majority of people want the horsepower and the responsive handling of a trusty internal combustion engine. These days saving gas is something that nearly every driver considers each time he or she stands at the gas pump, especially with fill ups costing \$40, \$60, even \$80 or more are no fun. While you can't control OPEC, you can squeeze more mileage out of your vehicle thereby reducing your pain at the pump.

These last few months' gas prices are as low as they were in 2000 at \$1.59 a gallon however, let's still explore several sensible and sane fuel saving options that can help you save money today for tomorrow in case fuel prices decide to rise again in the near future.

**Jackrabbit starts.** Jackrabbit starts will get you there, but you'll also gobble up more gasoline than you can imagine. Ease up on the gas pedal and you could see your fuel economy jump by 3 to 5%.

**Keep it Inflated.** Tires that need to be inflated are tires that rob your car of fuel. Some auto experts have said that improperly inflated tires can drop your fuel economy from 10 to 15%.

**Change the Air Filter.** Air filters work to keep dirt out of your engine, but they can also sap your engine of horsepower if you do not change them at regular intervals. Better yet, purchase a reusable performance air filter and you'll have an air filter that breathes better and is good for the environment. You simply clean and reuse the same air filter over and over again. Watch your fuel economy jump 2 to 5% with a clean, reusable air filter in place.

**Tune it Up.** Today's engines do not require frequent tune ups, but spark plugs still need to be changed as warranted by the manufacturer. Keep the timing right and you'll notice your fuel takes you further.

**Change the Oil.** Old oil and an old oil filter can harm your engine and make your engine work harder. **An engine that has to work harder burns more fuel.** Keep a close look at your oil and change it at regular intervals.

**Slow Down, When You Can.** Going 60 mph is more efficient than 70 mph with most cars running optimally at speeds ranging from 55 to 65 mph. Fuel savings of about 10% can be achieved by staying within recommended parameters.

**Start and Drive.** There is no need for you to warm up your car anymore. Today's vehicles can hit the road right away without needing to sit in the driveway idling and eating up gas.

**Regular v. Premium Gas.** Unless your vehicle manufacturer specifically says so, opt for regular unleaded versus premium unleaded gas. You'll save as much as a quarter over the price of premium and still have a vehicle that operates optimally.

## December Recipe - Peanut Butter Balls (Makes 32 | 1 hr )



18 ounces peanut butter  
softened

1 (16-ounce) box confectioners' sugar  
1 1/3 cups graham cracker crumbs

3/4 cup (1 1/2 sticks) unsalted butter,

12 ounces of milk chocolate, melted

In a large bowl, combine peanut butter, confectioners' sugar, graham cracker crumbs, and butter. Mash together until combined. Form the mixture into balls and place on a cookie sheet. Transfer to the refrigerator until hardened, about 30 minutes. Dip the peanut butter balls into the melted chocolate with a tooth pick and set inside on cookie sheet. Let the chocolate set before serving.

Remember always, You have the right to go to the repair shop of your choice. Your insurance company cannot require you to go to a particular shop.

## "YOUR CAR, YOUR CHOICE"

Sincerely,

Denny Gardner  
Riverfront Collision Center

**Holiday Travel Special**

**\$14.50**  
Oil Change

**\$14.50 and 1 New Unwrapped Toy**

- Oil Change
- All Fluids Checked and Topped Off
- Car Wash & Vacuum
- 27 Point Inspection

(Rain Check for Oil change & Car Wash)

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"Your car, your choice"

**TOYS FOR TOTS**

No diesels, includes 5 qts oil & filter, no synthetic oils, special includes a free car wash & vacuum and a 27 point check great before your holiday travel. Rain check for oil change & car wash available offer good till 12/24/08. Not Valid with any other promotions or coupons. [www.riverfrontcollisioncenter.com/specials.htm](http://www.riverfrontcollisioncenter.com/specials.htm)

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