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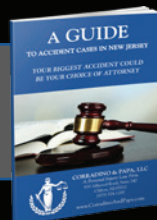
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Turkeys will be handed out to families in need for the Holiday.



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driving in winter weather



Avoid weather-related “situations” this winter with vehicle readiness and proper driving practices.

Make sure your washer fluid is topped off; you can use it up quickly over the winter. You might want to keep an extra bottle in the trunk, just in case. A new set of wiper blades can improve winter visibility.

Double-check your antifreeze/coolant to make sure it's not low. Also, don't wait too long before changing it. Coolant has additives that prevent boiling, freezing, and corrosion. If it's too old, the additives will break down, reducing the coolant's effectiveness.

Check your tire tread to make sure it's up to the task. Place a penny headfirst into the tread. If you can see Honest Abe's head, it's time for new tires. Properly inflated tires help maintain optimum steering and stopping control. Consult your owner's manual for the recommended psi.

Batteries should be tested prior to winter, especially if they're more than 3 years old. Battery life can vary, based on conditions and usage, but don't take chances.

If your car begins to fishtail on snow-covered roadways, don't panic. Lay off the gas and steer in the direction you want the front wheels to go, whether it's the front or back of the car that's drifting. When braking on slick surfaces, gently pump standard brakes. Apply constant pressure with antilock (ABS) brakes...no pumping necessary.

Roads can freeze even if the atmospheric temperature is above freezing. Black ice may lurk in low-lying areas, shady patches, and on bridges. Slow down and increase your following distance on slippery roads; doubling it is a good rule of thumb.

May you reach all your destinations safely this winter! ■



cell phone usage AND AUTO ACCIDENTS



Distracted driving has become a serious problem in this country. Driver distractions may be *visual*, taking your eyes off the road; *manual*, taking your hands off the wheel; or *cognitive*, taking your mind off driving. Cell phone usage is a major contributor to distracted driving. Texting has the dubious distinction of involving visual, manual, and cognitive distraction simultaneously.

If you are the victim of another driver's negligence, it may be necessary to file a personal injury claim against the at-fault driver to receive rightful compensation. It may seem a daunting task to prove that a driver was distracted by cell phone usage, but an experienced auto accident attorney can gather the following evidence to prove your case:

- **Witness testimony.** Witnesses to the accident may report that the driver was looking down when the accident occurred (due to texting) or that he/she was talking on a phone.
- **Video evidence.** Cameras are everywhere these days. Many traffic signals, street signs, store fronts, and trucks have them. An attorney can obtain access to potentially valuable evidence.
- **Cell phone records.** This one's a biggie. Cell phone records are admissible as evidence in the courtroom. If the records show the driver was using their phone at the time of the accident, your case is instantly bolstered.

An auto accident attorney can also glean important information from medical records, police reports, and accident reconstruction reports.

Driving is a major endeavor unto itself and deserves our full attention. Lives can be changed dramatically in an instant. If you've been injured by a distracted driver, contact an auto accident attorney to protect your rights. ■

HOLIDAY CRAFT –

homemade snow globes



Almost any jar works for this project: Baby-food, pimiento, and olive jars are good choices. Look for plastic or ceramic figurines (metal ones are prone to rust) at flea markets and hobby or model-railroad shops. Synthetic evergreen tips are available at many floral-supply stores.

MATERIALS

- Synthetic evergreen tips
- Plastic or ceramic figurines
- Glass jar
- Oil-based enamel paint (optional)
- Sandpaper
- Clear-drying epoxy
- Glitter
- Glycerin

STEPS

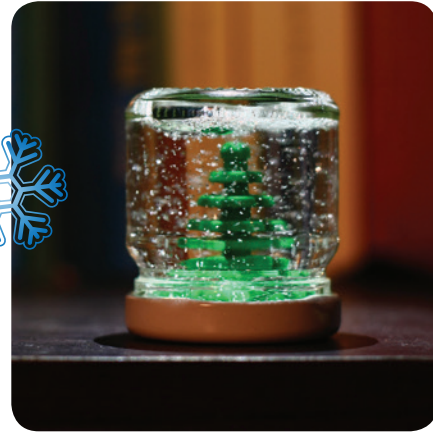
If the jar lids are not in seasonal colors already, paint them with oil-based enamel paint.

Sand the inside of the lid until the surface is rough. With clear-drying epoxy, adhere the figurine to the inside of the lid, and let the epoxy dry.

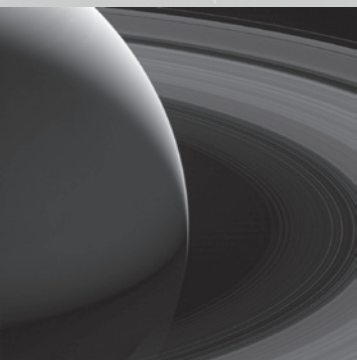
Fill the jar almost to the top with distilled water; add a pinch of glitter and a dash of glycerin (available at drugstores) to keep the glitter from falling too quickly. Don't add too much, or the glitter will stick to the bottom of the jar when it's flipped.

Screw on the lid tightly, being careful not to dislodge the figurine. Turn the jar over and back again—and let it snow.

Source: *Martha Stewart Living* – December/January, 1998/1999 ■



PARTING IS SUCH SWEET SORROW, planetarily speaking



In September, the Cassini spacecraft finished up a near 20-year stint of interplanetary travel and fact finding focused on the planet Saturn, along with its moons Titan and Enceladus, and mysterious rings. Its final demise consisted of a purposeful plunge into the planet's upper atmosphere, where it burned and disintegrated.

The international team behind Cassini—NASA, the European Space Agency, and the Italian Space Agency—was saddened by its final blaze of glory, but excited about the wealth of scientific information it provided, including a last-minute transmission of groundbreaking data on the composition of Saturn's atmosphere.

Cassini observed jets of gas and icy particles shooting from Enceladus's south pole that hint at a subsurface ocean, possibly an oasis for life. It also kept tabs on Titan's atmosphere, which rains chemicals down upon the moon's methane and ethane oceans, creating a chemical concoction that may spur life. For these reasons, Cassini was sent into Saturn's atmosphere as its last act. Allowing it to orbit Saturn may have caused an eventual collision with one of these moons, contaminating it with earthly microbial life—which can survive deep space—potentially skewing future missions' findings.

Cassini was also able to monitor a monstrous nine-month meteorological event on Saturn. In addition, it chauffeured the European Space Agency's Huygens probe to Titan, the first touchdown of a spacecraft on a world beyond Mars.

Cassini laid the foundation for future Saturn missions and provided researchers with data and images to keep them busy for decades. Cassini may be gone, but it won't be forgotten...at least by astronomers. ■

Credit: NASA/JPL-Caltech/Space Science Institute

December 2017 – Important Dates

December 7 – Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
December 12 – Hanukkah (Start)
December 20 – Hanukkah (End)
December 21 – Winter Solstice
December 25 – Christmas Day
December 26 – Kwanzaa (Start)



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Quote of the Month: "Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover." —Mark Twain

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Holiday Wishes

At this very special time of year, all of us here would like to wish you and yours a holiday season filled with joy, peace and happiness. Cherish the time spent with family and friends as you create memories that will last a lifetime and may 2018 be your best year yet!

