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IN THE NEWS

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Ford Delivers fuel Cell Cars

Ford has delivered five hybrid hydrogen Focus Fuel-Cell Vehicles (FCVs) to officials in the cities of Taylor and Ann Arbor, MI, as part of a five-city 30-car pilot to conduct real-world testing of fuel-cell technology. Taylor will get four vehicles and Ann Arbor will receive one. City employees will use the vehicles for city business. The vehicles will also be part of community events to spread awareness of the demonstration program.

The Focus FCV uses a fuel-cell powertrain from Ballard Power Systems and also uses a NiMH battery pack and a brake-by-wire electro-hydraulic series regenerative braking system. The fuel cell engine converts chemical energy into electric energy using hydrogen fuel and oxygen. The electric energy then powers the vehicle's electric drive motor. Water vapor and heat are the only by-products. This year, Ford also delivered evaluation fleets of Focus FCVs to Vancouver, British Columbia; Sacramento, California; and the state of Florida.

Crossovers Take Over

Through the first nine months of 2005, crossover SUVs have captured a 46.1% share of the total SUV market, compared to 16.5% of the SUV market in 2000, according to retail new-vehicle sales data collected by the Power Information Network (PIN). Crossovers are defined as models that combine different segment characteristics (minivan, SUV or truck) and are built on car-based platforms.

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Advent Welcomes



This month Advent is pleased to welcome **Marin Luxury Cars** in Corte Madera. Located near San Francisco in beautiful Marin County the dealership offers high end auto models and service to its customers.

Also from Northern California, we welcome **Nissan of Elk Grove**, located halfway between Sacramento and Stockton. Nissan of Elk Grove carries Nissan, Infinity and Kia models and serves both the Bay Area and Sierra Mountain resorts. We are delighted to include these new members in our client family. 🍁

Power User of the Month

Pam Perricone
Redlands Auto Center



Redlands Auto Center specializes in Jeep, Mazda, Lincoln, Mercury, Chrysler, and Dodge parts and service in the historic city of Redlands. Pam was instrumental in helping to insure a successful upgrade and a positive learning environment for our trainers and upgrade crew. Whenever we are on location, we need skilled administrators like Pam to make sure the process doesn't run into glitches. Thanks for smoothing our path, Pam. 🍁

Top 10 Reasons

It's Better to be Female

- 🦋 Women got off the Titanic first.
- 🦋 Women can scare bosses with mysterious gynecological disorder excuses.
- 🦋 Women can be groupies. Men groupies are called "stalkers."

- 🦋 Women can cry and get off speeding tickets.
- 🦋 Taxis stop for women
- 🦋 Free dinners, free drinks, free movies. Do the math.
- 🦋 A new lipstick can give a woman a whole new lease on life.
- 🦋 No one has to know if a woman forgets to shave.
- 🦋 Women can congratulate their teammates without ever touching their rear.
- 🦋 Women never regret piercing their ears.

The Devil You Know

One Sunday morning, everyone in one bright, beautiful, tiny town got up early and went to the local church.

Before the services started, the townspeople were sitting in their pews and talking about their lives, their families, etc. Suddenly, Satan appeared at the front of the church. Everyone started screaming and running for the front entrance, trampling each other in a frantic effort to get away from evil incarnate.



Soon everyone was evacuated from the church, except for one elderly gentleman who sat calmly in his pew, not moving... seemingly oblivious to the fact that God's ultimate enemy was in his presence. Now this confused Satan a bit, so he walked up to the man and said, "Don't you know who I am?"

The man replied, "Yep, sure do."
Satan asked, "Aren't you afraid of me?"
"Nope, sure ain't," said the man.

Satan was a little perturbed at this and queried, "Why aren't you afraid of me?"

The man calmly replied, "Been married to your sister for over 48 years" 🍁

Windows 666

Bill Gates dies, and ascends to the Pearly Gates to meet God. God immediately recognizes him and says to him "Bill Gates -- you're a great man. I shall give you a choice of either heaven or hell." Bill Gates tells God that he would like to see both before making a decision.

So God takes Bill Gates down to Hell, where there are beautiful, nubile bikini models, perfect weather, free drinks, and eternal happiness. "That doesn't seem so bad," says Gates. "Let's see Heaven now."

God and Gates go to Heaven, which seems to be just a bunch of old, crusty angels flying around and sitting on a few clouds. "I've made my decision," says Gates. "I choose Hell."

Six months later, God goes down to Hell to check on him and finds him hanging above a pit of fire with wild harpies tearing out his intestines. "What happened to all the bikini models and the sun and the fun?" Gates screams.

"Oh, that," says God. "That was just the demo." 🍁

Undying Love

There was a couple who was about to get married. Before the wedding, they had a tragic accident and both died. As they were standing at the gates of heaven talking to St. Peter they explained their plight and asked could they get married in heaven. St. Peter said, "Wait here," and left.

He was gone for several months, then finally returned. The couple said, "We've been thinking as we were waiting here, eternity is a long time to be married. Just in case things don't work out, is it possible that we can get a divorce?"

St. Peter looked them sternly in the eye then said, "Listen! It took me three months to find a preacher up here, do you know how long it would take me to find a lawyer?" 🍁

Appropriate Season

To Cull the Herd

Several individuals have done double duty by improving the gene pool while making us fall down laughing.

In the spirit of this holiday we salute these Darwin Award Winners and Nominees.

Dying for a Cuppa 2001 Nominee

The west coast of New Zealand is threaded with narrow, windy roads that climb and descend the hills at improbable angles.

A Christchurch driver with little patience for those dangerous curves was preparing a hot cup of tea in her car when she learned one last lesson about respect for the road.

Nothing, but nothing, could keep her from her afternoon tea that day. Well all right, one thing could keep her from her tea. Karma. While she was trying to brew a cuppa, her car plunged over a precipice and into a creek. The woman was found dead three days later, still holding a box of teabags, with a mug wedged against the steering wheel and a thermos of hot water beneath her feet.

There were no brake marks on the road. 🍁

Can You Hear Me Now? 2002 Nominee

Kansas Police said an Olathe man was struck and killed by a train after his vehicle broke down on Interstate 35. His attempts at repairing his car had failed, and he had stepped away from the busy freeway to call for help, when the train engineer spotted him standing on the tracks. The engineer said the man was holding a cell phone to one ear, and cupping his hand to the other ear to block the noise of the train. 🍁

Damned If You Do ...?

2004 Nominee

In Romania, a Pitesti man with a metal ring stuck on his penis was being sought by doctors, after he fled the hospital consumed by panic.

The unidentified 42-year-old claimed he had put the ring on his penis after losing a bet during a drinking game at a pub. He was subsequently unable to remove the ring. Embarrassment kept him from seeking immediate medical help, but after two days, unbearable pain overcame unbearable shame, and he took his smelly and discolored penis in for treatment.

Doctors told him that gangrene had set in, and his life was in danger. The blood supply had been cut off for too long, and there was nothing they could do but remove his penis, so that the necrosis did not spread to the rest of his body.

The manhunt was ongoing. "There is no way he can escape going under the knife," said a doctor. "He must come back to the hospital and accept this." The man's only consolation is a guaranteed Darwin Award, one way or the other! 🍁

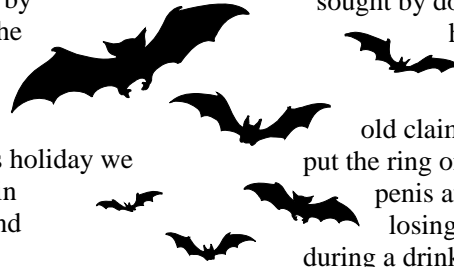
☠️ Never take life seriously. Nobody gets out alive anyway.

☠️ There are two kinds of pedestrians: the quick and the dead.

☠️ Health is merely the slowest possible rate at which one can die

☠️ The only difference between a rut and a grave is the depth.

☠️ Some people are like Slinkies. Not really good for anything, but you still can't help but smile when you see one tumble down the stairs.



Happy Halloween



