

Taking test could save your life

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Now that the police are out in full force during their annual Christmas offensive, the following is a simple safe driving test that just might make your trip and their job a little easier.

The test is available in pamphlet form and was prepared by Allstate Insurance. If you miss more than three of the choices, it would be to your advantage to take a refresher course.

1) The evening is dark and it is raining heavily. You are driving down an open highway with little traffic in sight and signs have told you the speed limit is 40 miles per hour. You will: a) Take advantage of the uncongested road by driving 45 miles per hour in order to get home quickly. b) Drive at a steady 40 miles per hour. c) Slow down about 10 to 15 miles below the limit and be prepared to go even slower.

2) You have been stopped at a railroad crossing by a long freight train. The crossing has a warning sign but no gates. There is another car waiting on the other side of the tracks. When the train has finally cleared the crossing you will: a) Drive on over the tracks and continue on your way. b) Wait long enough to make sure another train is not coming on the second track, a train that might be hidden by the one just passed. c) Let the oncoming car cross the tracks before you do.

3) You are approaching an intersection when you see another car approaching from your left. There are no stop signs on either road but you remember that, as a general rule, the car on the right has the right-of-way and you are on the right. The other car has begun to enter the intersection by the time you get there. You will: a) Sound horn to warn other driver and continue. b) Stop and let the other driver have the right-of-way. c) Let the other car have the right-of-way but blow your horn to express your opinion of his behavior.

4) You are driving on a very crowded highway and you have tried to leave a little room between your car and the one ahead. Every time you drop back a little a car from another lane switches lanes and fills up the gap. You will: a) Close up the gap so no others can slip in. b) Try to maintain the gap although you may have to drop back each time another slips in. c) Leave the gap open, but be prepared to close it rapidly if another tries to slip in.

5) You are driving down an open highway on a dark night. The car coming toward you has his high beams on. You have flicked your lights several times to caution him to lower his lights but he has not done so. You will: a) Wait until he is close and teach him a lesson by blinding him with your lights. b) Pull off onto the shoulder until he is passed. c) Continue driving but direct your gaze downward to the right. Guide by the edge of the road until the other driver has passed.

6) You are driving down a two-lane highway behind a large and slow moving truck. You would like to pass in order to avoid being delayed. You will: a) Close up behind the truck so that you can swing around him when you think it is safe. b) Drop back until you can see a straight stretch of highway beyond the truck, check your rearview mirror, then start to pass. c) Sound your horn, to let the truck driver know you want to pass then wait for him to signal that is all right for you to do so.

Our Readers Write

Don't fluoridate water

Dear Editor:
With each edition of the Champion I receive in the mail, my blood boils a little more when I read about the fluoride "merry-go-round".

My husband and I raised three daughters in Milton, without the aid of fluoridated water. When they were growing up they had regular dental check-ups; they were "inspected" to make sure they had brushed their teeth, and we tried hard to regulate the amount of junk food they stuffed into their ever-ready mouths.

Consequently, we have three adult daughters with beautiful teeth, who aren't afraid to open their mouths when they smile.

I think a lot of people feel that if there is fluoride in the water, they can relax and not worry about their kids' teeth. This is not so, for if a child is not taught to brush regularly, have dental check-ups and monitored as to what they eat, no amount of fluoridated water will give them healthy teeth.

We are presently living in B.C., although we still maintain our home in Milton. One of the joys of living in

Milton, was to be able to turn on the tap and fill a glass with cold, clear, pure tasting water. I can honestly say that since moving to this town in May, 1981 I have had one glass of water, the first one, because it tastes awful and some days the color isn't too steady.

It is said that Milton is the only town around that does not have fluoride in their water. I think that explains why the newcomers want it so badly. They are so used to drinking "chemically polluted" water, that when they drink pure Milton water their systems can't take the shock!

Come on citizens of Milton, let's lay this hassle to rest once and for all. If some parents want fluoride, let them take their children to the dentist and have it painted on.

Keep Milton water pure and free from chemical pollutants. One day in the future I want to be able to return to Milton, turn on the tap and drink my fill of the best water there is—Milton water.

Sincerely,
June Sims
Campbell River, B.C.

Will that be cash?

I have written personal cheques for many purchases over the three years I've been in Milton.

Just three weeks ago, using my driver's licence, car ownership, social insurance number, I was given the privilege of purchasing from Zellers.

Yesterday, Dec. 7, 1981, my cheque was refused acceptance as I did not have a credit card of any kind. The cashier informed me that Zellers' policy has always been personal cheques with charge card ID only.

In disbelief, I phoned and spoke to the supervisor for this dept. and was notified that "as a rule" the cashier was right but (as far as I could tell) "at the whim" of the person who verifies your cheque you could be accepted without the required ID (do

you have to know this person?) Now, what does that mean to you the buyer?

I understand it to mean that on any given day, I can be either rejected or accepted according to the disposition of said supervisor!

Therefore, I hope that once and for all "Zellers Personnel" decide which policy they intend to follow and notify all customers of their intent and no variation of this policy be accepted under any circumstances.

I have decided that I shall not shop at Zellers until I see the rules in print and have notification that they shall abide by their rules explicitly.

Thank you for letting me be heard.
Sincerely,
C. Gibson

Honesty is needed

Dear Editor:

As a concerned senior citizen living in the Bruce St. apartments, I wish to bring to the attention of your staff and delivery persons that the irresponsible actions of a person or persons are denying carriers their due net returns. The carriers drop the papers at the residents doors but in many instances the papers are being picked up by an unauthorized party.

collections for he or she may be required to replace that paper from his earnings.

The purpose of this letter is to point out that an innocent young person trying to earn individual income honestly is being victimized by the dishonest actions of someone.

If this society expects its youth to be honest then it needs to set an example for them to see.

Sincerely,
Cliff House

This denies the carrier his rightful

Leave water pure

Dear Editor:
In response to the issue of fluoride in our Milton water, I want to say I am very much opposed.

The Milton water comes from the rock in the mountain. Could any water be more pure? Whenever I'm out of town for a few days I'm always glad to come back to Milton where I can enjoy a glass of our own pure water.

A writer in last week's Canadian Champion mentioned he had lived in

Toronto for 26 years where they have fluoridated. Well, if he likes it that's the place to stay.

I have lived in this town for 62 years and have raised a family of four who have good strong teeth.

Also, I would think new residents here would find taxes high enough without adding the extra heavy expense of fluoridation which I feel is not necessary.

Sincerely,
Myrtle Zimmerman

Flyers need support

Dear Editor:
Last week's sports reporting hit a new low with many half truths or no truths.

One should be able to read the local newspaper with confidence that those are the true facts and not gossip.

Yes, Milton Flyers did protest Oakville Blades using an illegal player. Fortunately, or unfortunately, we were the only team that could launch a protest because of the 48 hour time limit. The player, was used in five games, against five different teams.

Milton has had a OHA junior hockey team for the past 18 years, and is the only team left to have been in on the original inception.

The Central Ontario League has grown to be a very competitive league, now with 11 teams.

We in Milton, have had some higher peaks then we are now enduring. In 1976-77 and 77-78 we went to the league finals.

There have been 22 hockey scholarships go to Milton boys over the years.

Three graduated to the N.H.L. and several enjoyed semi-pro careers.

This year's young Flyers deserve the same chance, but it means patience, loyalty, and constructive criticism.

Sincerely
E. Gooding
Milton, Ont.

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