

Older Cars Can Take Newer Computers

BY TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI
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Dear Tom and Ray:
My daughter has a 2001 Mitsubishi Eclipse four-cylinder RS model. Everything electrical died, and she was told that the computer is no good. Since the car is not worth all that much, we wanted to get another computer from the junkyard. However, we were told that would not work. They said each Eclipse computer is programmed just for that car, and we would have to purchase a new computer, for about \$1,200. Is there truth in what she was told?
—Mike

RAY: No. In lots of newer cars, you cannot just take a computer out of one car and drop it into another car; it won't work.

TOM: That's partly due to the way the newer computers are wired. But making them difficult to reuse also helps reduce computer theft. As you found out, these computers are kind of pricey.

RAY: There is a method by which you can reuse these newer computers, but we're not going to share it here, since that would only encourage computer thieves.

TOM: Which, in turn, would cut into OUR computer theft business!

RAY: But on your daughter's car, Mike, and most older cars,

you can buy a used computer. There's no good reason not to. After all, the rest of the car is 10 years old — what's wrong with having a 10-year-old computer?

TOM: But first, make sure you know which computer it is — there are several. Cars have electronic control modules for engine functions, and body control modules for the heater controls, power seat memory and other stuff. Then, once you get the right module, your mechanic may have to reflash it, because some

modules contain "learned" information about the previous car. But that's no big deal. "Used" is the way to go, Mike.

In their pamphlet "Should I Buy, Lease, or Steal My Next Car?" Tom and Ray break down the strategies for buying a car, so you can make the most of your money. Send \$4.75 (check or money order) to Next Car, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475.

Get more Click and Clack in their new book, "Ask Click and Clack: Answers from Car Talk." Got a question about cars? Write to Click and Clack in care of this newspaper, or email them by visiting the Car Talk website at www.cartalk.com.

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CAR TALK
Tom and Ray Magliozzi

Kingsway Christian Hosting Simulcast Event

Kingsway Christian Church of Yankton will host the "iPledge Sunday Simulcast: A Call to Faith, Family, and Freedom," at 6 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 9.

The "iPledge Sunday: A Call to Faith, Family, and Freedom Simulcast" will gather Christians across the country for a nationwide, live simulcast co-hosted by Family Research Council and American Family Association.

The event features Tony Perkins, Sen. Rick Santorum, Franklin Graham, Bishop Harry Jackson, Kirk Cameron and other key Christian leaders for a 90-minute event celebrating Christian citizenship and exhorting Christians to make their voices heard on Election Day. You will be informed, equipped, and challenged to advance faith, family and freedom in your community. Speakers will address the major issues we face as a nation: religious liberty, life, marriage and the economy. Kingsway Christian Church is located on the corner of 19th and Burleigh in Yankton.

For more information about iPledge Sunday, go to www.ipledgesunday.org.

MENUS

Menus listed below are for the week of September 10. Menus are subject to change without notice. All meals are served with milk. YHS Combo Line meals are served with choice of milk or shake.

Yankton Elementary Schools

Monday — Cheese Pizza
Tuesday — Soft Shell Taco
Wednesday — Mini Corn Dogs
Thursday — Hamburger
Friday — Chicken Fries

Yankton Middle School

Monday — French Toast Sticks
Tuesday — Hot Dog
Wednesday — Lasagna
Thursday — BBQ Rib
Friday — Sack Lunch

Yankton High School 'A' Line

Monday — French Toast Sticks
Tuesday — Chicken Fries
Wednesday — Lasagna
Thursday — Teriyaki Chicken
Friday — Pizza

Yankton High School 'B' Line

Monday — Vegetable Pizza
Tuesday — Turkey Casserole
Wednesday — Chicken Strip Wrap
Thursday — Vegetable Soup
Friday — Pizza

Yankton High School 'C' Line

Monday — Philly Cheese Sandwich
Tuesday — Hot Dog
Wednesday — BBQ Rib
Thursday — Hard Shell Taco
Friday — Pizza

Sacred Heart Schools

Monday — Cheeseburger
Tuesday — Turkey and Gravy
Wednesday — Taco In A Bag
Thursday — Sweet & Sour Chicken
Friday — Pepperoni Pizza

The Center — Yankton

Monday — Baked Potato Bar
Tuesday — Beef Porcupine Meatballs
Wednesday — Beef Roast
Thursday — Baked Ham
Friday — Beef Vegetable Soup

Tabor Senior Citizens Center

Monday —
Tuesday — Chicken Drumsticks
Wednesday — Salisbury Steak
Thursday — Liver & Onions
Friday —



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They have 5 grandchildren. Mathew, Joseph, Ashley, Jonah and Chloe. The wedding party included Ernest Hladik, Marilyn Wagner Sestak, George Adam, Char Herman (Eichler), Dennis Vellek, Betty Wagner Vellek, Eugene Soukup, and Bernard Wagner.

Greetings can be sent to Larry and Kay Herman at 1141 Old North Shore Road, Duluth, MN 55804

Romney: Obama Gives No Confidence Of Creating Jobs

BY THOMAS BEAUMONT
Associated Press

SIoux CITY, Iowa — Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney claimed Friday that President Barack Obama has failed to fulfill his promises in part because he does not understand what it takes to ignite a more robust economic recovery.

Resuming campaigning after a hiatus during the Democratic National Convention, Romney impugned Obama's competence, not his effort, the day after Obama accepted his party's nomination for president.

"This president tried, but he didn't understand what it takes to make our economy work. I do," Romney told 4,000 supporters at Northwest College in Orange City, the heart of Iowa's GOP-heavy west.

Entering the fall stretch to the Nov. 6 election, Romney is concentrating on Obama's performance, according to aides, to counter what they say are negative depictions of the Republican in Obama campaign ads.

It's also a way to keep the pressure on Obama, without assailing him personally. Although Obama is in a tight battle for re-election, a slight majority of Americans have a favorable opinion of him personally.

In an Associated Press-GfK poll last month, 52 percent of registered voters said they had a favorable opinion of the president, while 46 percent had an unfavorable opinion.

But on the question of who they trusted to do a better job handling the economy, Romney came out on top, 48 percent to Obama's 44 percent. A Washington Post/ABC News poll taken last month showed 56 percent of voters disapproved of Obama's handling of the economy, and 43 percent approved.

That poses a challenge for Romney, who is asking voters to fire a president many of them like. So Romney, who also must change the

minds of millions of Obama supporters from 2008 to win, is careful not to insult those voters.

Instead, he characterized Obama as having disappointed supporters who expected more.

Weak job growth in August, as the Labor Department reported Friday, provided more fuel for Romney.

"There's almost nothing the president's done in the last three and a half, four years to give the American people confidence he knows what he's doing when it comes to jobs and the economy," Romney told reporters before the event.

Obama's team, in turn, hopes to use the president's favorable personal rating to make him look caring. They point to a line in the speech former President Bill Clinton delivered at the Democratic convention: "I want to nominate a man who's cool on the outside but who burns for America on the inside."

Obama aides think they can counter the incompetence argument by fleshing out old policy proposals with fresh measurable goals, hoping it shows his sense of determination.

Romney said his campaign achieved one of its goals for the Republican convention in Florida last week, which was to make Romney more personable. Much of the convention amounted to a parade by family members, led by his wife, Ann, as well as personal, church and political associates vouching for his character. It was a strong counter to the image painted of him in Obama ads: A wealthy, uncaring businessman who is out of touch.

In that way, Romney did not hesitate to criticize Obama's campaign, but again stopped short of calling into question Obama's character.

"It's been a campaign of pitting one American against another," Romney said. "And it's so contrary to our national history and our national spirit."

Neb. Town Mourns Loss Of Bus Crash Victims

BLUE HILL, Neb. (AP) — Blue Hill residents mourned the loss of two local students and two drivers who were killed when a school bus and semi loaded with hay collided in southern Nebraska.

More than 300 people gathered Thursday for a candlelight memorial service for the victims, according to the *Lincoln Journal Star*.

The Wednesday crash killed students Caroline Thallman, 10, and Dustin Tesdahl, 18, both of Blue Hill. The semi driver, Travis Witte, 21, of Blue Hill, and the bus driver, Marla Wentworth, 59, of Red Cloud, also died at the scene.

The crash has shaken the town of Blue Hill, about 20 miles from Hastings in southern Nebraska. On Thursday, local radio stations allowed listeners to offer their condolences, and the town gas station left copies of Scripture by the cash register to memorialize those killed or injured. Local pastors worked together on the memorial service.

"We come together today to show we are one community of people who love each other and care for each other and want to

support each other," United Methodist Pastor Steve Marsh said.

Becky Alber was sitting on her son's porch Wednesday afternoon, waiting for the bus to deliver her 7-year-old granddaughter, Taylor, when she saw the sky light up in flames. Flames shot 30 to 40 feet in the air.

"It was like a bomb went off," she said.

Alber called 911 and then reached her husband, Gerald, who drove to the intersection about nine miles southeast of town. There, he saw four to five girls who had been pulled from the bus and put in a pickup. Taylor, injured but alive, was among them.

Taylor was flown to Children's Hospital in Omaha, where she underwent surgery to put pins in two breaks in her arm, her grandparents said. She also had a collapsed lung, which doctors re-inflated, and damage to her liver, which appeared to be healing, the Albers said.

"You're sitting there, and you know you have a grandbaby on that bus," she said.

Man Pleads To Manslaughter In Shooting Death

SIoux FALLS (AP) — A 30-year-old Sioux Falls man has pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the 2011 shooting death of his next-door neighbor.

KELO television reports that Peter Mayen could face up to life in prison for gunning down 51-year-old Bruce Walters, who died on his porch last October.

Prosecutors are dropping a charge of first-degree murder in exchange for Mayen's guilty plea to first-degree manslaughter. Mayen during a court hearing Friday admitted firing five rounds at Walters.

Police say there had been bad blood between the two men for months.

Sentencing is scheduled for November.

Lincoln Man Gets Prison For False Timecards

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — A Lincoln man has been given two to four years in prison for falsifying timecards to get paid for five months of work he didn't do.

The *Lincoln Journal Star* reports that 41-year-old Troy Barnes had pleaded guilty to felony theft. He was sentenced on Thursday.

Prosecutors say Barnes took a leave of absence on June 25 last year for a nonwork-related injury. Officials at Ayars & Ayars, where Barnes had worked for 17 years, determined in November that Barnes had been getting paid anyway.

Police say Barnes later admitted going into the office to submit timecards for pay that added up to more than \$36,000. He told officers he knew he was wrong but had no other income while on leave and needed the money for bills.

Kinney Fire 75 Percent Contained

CUSTER (AP) — Crews have contained 75 percent of the 2 1/2-square-mile Kinney Fire in the Black Hills National Forest in southwestern South Dakota.

Officials say extremely dry conditions and difficult terrain hampered the firefighting effort, but cooler temperatures, calmer winds and the arrival of additional firefighters Thursday helped. Full containment was expected late Friday.

The cause of the blaze that began Tuesday northeast of Newcastle, Wyo., has not been determined. The blaze has destroyed two outbuildings and resulted in one minor injury.

Neb. School Officials Cited In Abuse Case

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Three western Nebraska public school officials face misdemeanor charges, accused of failing to report what authorities say is case of sexual abuse among wrestling team members.

The Nebraska State Patrol says it cited three Maxwell Public Schools officials on suspicion of failure to make a report of child abuse. Cited were superintendent Danny Twarling, high school principal Aubrey Boucher and wrestling coach Ryan Jones.

An affidavit filed by a State Patrol investigator says the case began with reports of an underage wrestling team member being held down by other team members and sodomized with a soda bottle and, on another occasion, being groped on a school bus. The investigator says the three school officials knew of the accusations, but did not report them to authorities.

Fire Destroys Massacre Museum In S.D.

WALL (AP) — An electrical fire has destroyed a museum in South Dakota dedicated to the 1890 Wounded Knee Massacre on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

The *Rapid City Journal* reports that the Sunday fire burned 80 percent of the building in the town of Wall along with the 30 exhibits inside. Museum co-founder Steve Wyant says "it's like a parent losing a child."

Wyant says fire investigators determined the blaze started in faulty wiring beneath the floor. He's still compiling a monetary loss.

The museum detailed the events of Dec. 29, 1890, when U.S. Army soldiers demanding the surrender of Lakota Indians opened fire. About 300 men, women and children died.

The 10-year-old museum drew about 7,500 people each year.

Man Dies, Girl Hurt After Pickups Collide

GRAFTON, Neb. (AP) — A 54-year-old man has died after a collision between two pickups at a rural intersection in eastern Nebraska.

The Fillmore County Sheriff's Office says the accident was reported about 7:15 p.m. Wednesday and occurred about seven miles south of Grafton.

The office says Clayton Mizner was driving his pickup south when it collided with a westbound truck driven by a 15-year-old girl.

Mizner, of Geneva, was ejected by the crash. He died later. The girl was taken to a hospital. Her name hasn't been released.

The crash is being investigated.

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