

Valley Transportation has full-service transportation

Valley Transportation, of 525 E. Main St., Wilkes-Barre provides full service transportation, including vans.

The company, which is just three years old, provides charter bus service, service to major airports and leasing on both an individual and a business basis.

Offering a full range of transportation, Valley Transportation works closely with

travel consultants to best service its customers' needs.

John W. Doll is president of Valley Transportation. He also wishes to announce the appointment of Mria Chackan as charter and tour director. Maria carries with her eight years of charter and travel experience, having been employed at Martz Charter Service.

Public is invited to visit Howard 'Duke' Isaacs

George Isaacs, president, invites the public and his many customers to stop in and tour the full-service dealership of Howard Isaacs Inc. Chrysler-Plymouth was established over 42 years ago by Howard "Duke" Isaacs and the same high ideals and traditions established by him are part of the everyday activities in sales and service today.

George Isaacs acquired an additional franchise in 1979 when he established

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Cars don't like heat, either

Cars like people, are at their best when the temperature is about 72 degrees. But, this winter's cold wave and last summer's heat waves have been tough on man and machine.

By mid-August we may have set an all time record for hot weather car trouble. To help assure that your car is not one of those stalled along the side of the road, practice these suggestions offered by the Car Care Council.

-Be sure your cooling system is in good

condition. You may have made it this far, but the advent of more hot weather could bring about the failure of a hose, belt or other components. How long has it been since you checked your anti-freeze-coolant?

-How about the condition of your tires? Heavy loads at high speed on hot surfaces is hard on tires. To avoid failure make sure they have plenty of tread and are properly inflated. Check them in the morning, when they are cool.

Tips for better driving

Today's automobiles operate more efficiently and use less gas than those produced just a few years ago. But, we shouldn't forget that maintaining good gas mileage is still dependent on overall auto maintenance and your driving habits.

Here are some maintenance and driving tips that will promote better gas mileage in any car.

- Keep the engine tuned. A poorly tuned engine can waste more than 10 percent of your gas.

- Have the carburetor idle adjustment checked. Too rich a setting, a too-fast idle or a setting that causes stalling, wastes gas. Remember, a dirty carburetor can cut three miles off your per gallon average.

- Check the spark plugs. Dirty, worn plugs can't deliver the intense spark needed to efficiently burn fuel. One bad spark plug can reduce MPG by as much as 12 percent while increasing hydrocarbon emissions by as much as 300 percent.

- Check the battery frequently. Dirty terminals reduce the effectiveness. As a result, engine starting may be damaged.

- Replace dirty air filters; they can cut your MPG by one mile. A clogged air filter restricts air flow, and may result in a too-rich air-fuel mixture.

- Keep tires properly inflated and wheels in alignment. Otherwise, the engine may burn more fuel by working harder to overcome the increased friction. Under-inflated tires can waste as much as one mile per gallon, while radial tires can increase your gas mileage by as much as five percent.

- Maintain the cooling system. Engines are most fuel-efficient when the

operating temperatures are kept within specifications. Make sure the system hoses and engine V-belts are in good condition. If the car is four years old, the belts should be replaced.

- Make sure the ignition wiring is clean and free of cracks or breaks. Replace them if they are too oily or dirty. Clean wire in good condition is necessary to provide a hot spark for more fuel-efficient combustion.

- Use only the proper grade and type of gasoline specified in your car's operating manual.

- Try some of the new "slippery" oils; they can increase your fuel economy by reducing engine friction.

- Avoid prolonged idling. If you must stop for more than a few minutes, shut the engine off. Restarting the engine uses less gas than idling at a long stop.

- Drive smoothly. Avoid jackrabbit starts and sudden stops. Rapid sporadic acceleration accompanied by sudden stops can waste up to seven percent of your gas. Try to keep your speed as constant as possible; variance reduces fuel economy. A cruise control saves gas on long drives.

- If your car has manual transmission, drive in high gear as often as possible. Don't use a lower gear for slowing down, use the brakes.

- Don't carry or store excess weight in your car. Every additional 100 pounds reduces your fuel economy by one percent or more.

- Don't use the brake pedal as a foot rest. Riding the break causes the engine to work harder and waste fuel.

These are just a few of the many ways that you can save gas. Try them; you'll probably be surprised at your savings.

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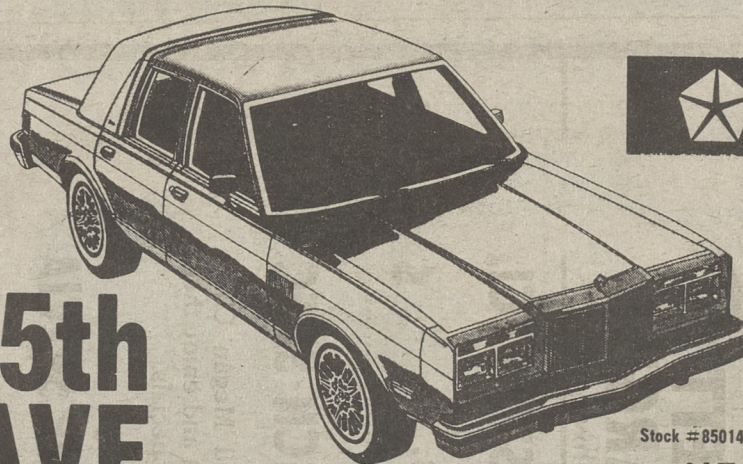
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