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Pellicciotta Automotive Group

NEWS LETTER



WELCOME TO THE PELLICCIOTTA AUTOMOTIVE GROUP NEWSLETTER

Welcome to our February Newsletter.

2026 has begun with a bang, lots of snow and freezing temperatures.

We are seeing an increase of accidents related to the weather, and ask that you please take it easy during these difficult and challenging travel conditions. Many fender benders are caused by the vehicle doing the opposite of your needs, with wheels and tires not gripping surfaces as required.

Please take the time to ensure that you have the correct tire pressures, the windows are clear, washer fluid is topped up and all snow is removed from the vehicle before driving.

Stay Safe!

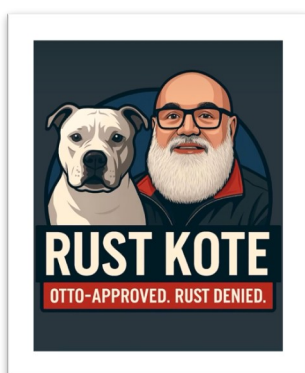


The economy is still struggling along, which means that people are keeping their vehicles longer, leading to the needed maintenance to become a focus in keeping your vehicle running and you safe in your travels.

Oil changes are the lifeline to helping your engine healthy, and by keeping to the regular scheduled services, your engine will run smoother, more fuel efficient and the internal components will wear less, enabling the vehicle to run longer.

Please ensure that you keep up with the maintenance of your vehicle especially at these times. New vehicle sales are down and your vehicle needs the love and attention to keep yours going!

If you have any questions, call us to discuss our recommended service intervals.



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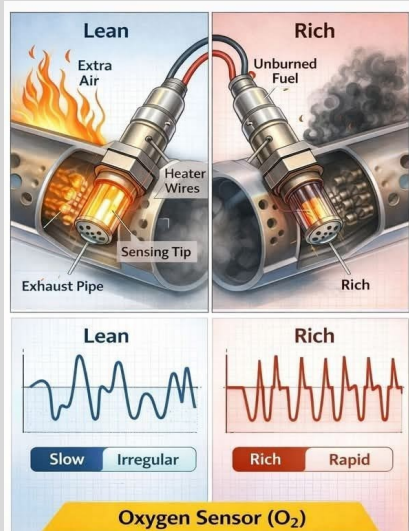
Monday—Friday: 8:00am - 5:00pm

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O2 Sensors Explained



O₂ (Oxygen) sensors are crucial automotive devices in the exhaust system that measure oxygen levels to help the Engine Control Unit (ECU) maintain the ideal air-fuel ratio for optimal performance, fuel economy, and reduced emissions, preventing the engine from running too **rich** (too much fuel) or too **lean** (too much air).

Modern cars typically have at least two, an upstream (pre-catalytic converter) for fuel control and a downstream

(post-catalytic converter) for monitoring converter efficiency.

They are a very important part of your vehicles emissions, therefore these are essential in the smooth running of the vehicle.

Fuel economy, engine idle and engine power, all rely on these sensors to be working correctly.

Checking the workability is done using a professional scan tool.



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WASHER FLUID

Use only Winter Washer Fluid now until the Spring!

Store your summer wash in your garage!



SNOW BRUSHES



NAPA offers a range of no damage snow brushes at their stores.

Grab one that suits your vehicle height and width, don't strain using the incorrect brush!

Summer All-Season Winter All-Terrain



SNOW TIRE EXPLAINED

Do Snow Tires Make A Difference?

The answer: definitely yes! Purchasing and installing a quality set of snow or winter tires will make a noticeably positive difference in the handling, traction, stopping, and turning of your vehicle. When going from summer tires to snow tires, it may even improve the quality and sound of the ride itself. Specially designed with deeper tread patterns, winter tires are engineered to handle the elements of the snow and ice season, maximizing your vehicle's performance. If you live where the temperature drops to or below freezing and where snow, slush, ice, or sleet are a regular occurrence, it is essential to put a set of snow tires on your vehicle.

Can You Use Winter Tires Year-Round?

The answer: it's not advised. Winter tires are customized and engineered for on-going extreme cold, snow, ice, and slush that is common in the northern regions of the country. When temps begin to warm, blossoming into regular spring and summer conditions, it is not advisable to continue driving on snow tires.

The heat that builds up on hard road surfaces can damage your winter tires by causing the treads to wear out quickly. The specially formulated rubber used in snow tires, which is meant to remain softer during cold temps, is only made to withstand temperatures of 45°F or below. Once the heat comes, winter tires will become too soft, causing the rubber to wear away quickly. This can lead to compromised vehicle performance and the added expense of replacing your snow tires for the next winter season.

When Should You Put Winter Tires On?

The best time to swap out summer tires for winter tires is when the temperature begins to consistently be below 45°F or 7°C.





Why Did They Write My Vehicle Off?

A car is written off (declared a "total loss") by insurance when repair costs exceed its Actual Cash Value (ACV) or when it is unsafe to fix.

It is a financial decision, often triggered by high repair bills, expensive safety systems (sensors/cameras), or significant structural damage, rather than just the severity of the collision.

Once your insurer has settled your claim, **ownership of the written-off car will be transferred to your insurer.** Dependent on the damage and coding of the vehicle and if the vehicle is not financed, we may be able to accede to your request for a cash settlement where you retain the car.

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