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Thanksgiving Travel Tips

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Thanksgiving holiday is undoubtedly the busiest travel time of the year with notorious transportation delays, traffic and travel snags all meeting travelers at nearly every turn. But with a bit of foresight and some Thanksgiving travel planning, you may ease some travel headaches whether you're heading home for the holidays or escaping for a drama-free adventure. Regardless of your plans, you'll be thankful for these Thanksgiving travel tips.

Plan Ahead

It's never too early to start your holiday travel planning. In the early fall, you can take advantage of lower rates and seats aplenty. To jump on a bargain, sign up for sale notifications from your preferred airlines or Amtrak and follow your favorites on Twitter and Facebook where special sale notifications may pop up before they are available to the general public. Discover these other secrets to snagging travel deals.

Travel Light

As more airlines start charging for checked bags, it's a good idea to pack light and carry on your bag. But keep in mind that your fellow travelers will all have the same idea and overhead space may be tight onboard. To lighten your traveling load, consider shipping some of your belongings to your final destination ahead of time, especially presents and bulky items like diapers or extra clothes that you won't need for the journey. Plus, be sure to check out this helpful family travel packing list.

Fly out on Monday or Tuesday or even Thanksgiving morning to avoid the dreaded Wednesday travel rush.

Choose the Best Days

The day before Thanksgiving is the busiest travel day of the year, closely followed by the Sunday after the big day when travelers tear themselves away from the leftovers and football to make the journey home. Avoid these days by flying out on Monday or Tuesday or even Thanksgiving morning to avoid the dreaded Wednesday travel rush. When you're ready to head home, take flight on Friday when the masses have moved on from the airports to the shopping centers to score the best holiday deals. The crowds pick up again on Saturday, reaching a critical peak on Sunday, before leveling out on Monday.

High-Tech Troubleshooting

It's commonsense to arrive at the airport early -- you'll need the time for parking, security and to wait your turn for that necessary cup of coffee. But you can avoid some airport hassles by taking advantage of useful applications that can be used on your smart phone. iPhone users can get the skinny on the airport, including maps showing the gates and restaurant information, using the GateGuru app. Airlines including Southwest, Delta and American Airlines all have mobile websites where passengers can check in, confirm seats and keep track of their flight status. Check out these top mobile apps for travel.

Plan your route ahead of time and travel with a GPS system, smart phone or old-school maps to offer alternatives if you need a Plan B.

Holiday Road

While you certainly save money and avoid some headaches traveling by land, navigating the highways presents its own set of holiday challenges during the extended Thanksgiving holiday weekend. Traffic can choke heavily traveled routes, like the I-95 corridor on the East Coast, adding hours to generally speedy trips. Follow the same best practices for road travel, including avoiding the highways on the Wednesday before turkey day and the following Sunday.

Plan your route ahead of time and travel with a GPS system, smart phone or old-school maps to offer alternatives if you need a Plan B. And to avoid unnecessary delays, bring along an E-ZPass or change for the tolls, as well as plenty of snacks, and be sure to fill up on gas before you hit the road. Also brush up on tips to handle hazardous road conditions during icy or stormy weather.

Don't forget to like us on Facebook for more savings and current promotions, contests & coupons @https://www.facebook.com/southtrailtireandauto

WE WILL BE CLOSED NOVEMBER 23RD, 24TH, & 25TH.



OUR WINNERS FOR THE HALLOWEEN BASKETS ARE

Luwanna Drew, Kim Barselou, Mike McIntyre, Fred Hawkins, & Alexandra Gallo





SALES:

Specials this month:

We will draw the winner and they will be notified on November 18th for the dinner will be for 12 and include appetizer to dessert including a bottle of wine!! You will just pick up at Publix Super Market on Thanksgiving Eve!!

Rules and restrictions apply see details below

Car Tips: Check your tire pressures regularly - once a week is ideal. Bad tire pressures can affect fuel economy, handling and comfort. It's easy to do and there is no excuse not to.

SHOP NEWS:

We are still having our Veterans Clothing Drive!!

WE WOULD LIKE ALL OF YOUR HELP TO SUPPORT OUR VETERANS

We will be have a drop box in our office to Support all Veterans

This is a donation program please read below the acceptable donations you are welcome to bring in with you when you have your car serviced or just come in to drop them off. We are hoping this will be a success to help out our Veterans.



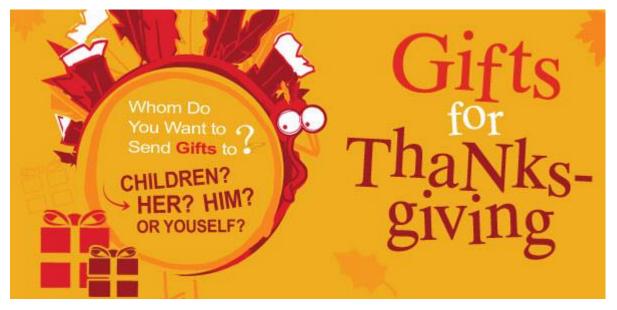
They're owed a salute.

The VVA accepts many donations the **RED** ones are the donations **we will accept in our office:**

WE ESPECIALLY NEED CLOTHING! Clothing of all types & sizes (men's, ladies, children's, baby's) Clothing accessories Shoes (all kinds) Baby items House and glassware Books, small toys, bikes Stereos, radios, portable TVs All bedding, draperies, curtains Kitchenware Usable small furniture & rugs Small appliances Tools (all kinds) small tools Jewelry and unopened cosmetics

If you would like to help out more or donate items above that are not highlighted or money you can email <u>Melissa@southtrailtire.com</u> for more information.

This will be an ongoing clothing drive for our veterans until further notice. We are hoping that we can give some back to the men and woman who risked it all for our freedom. So please go through your closets, cabinets, and home and start clearing out unused or cluttered items and let's give them to one amazing cause!!!!



Did you know that we do have gift certificate which are perfect gifts for student, parents, family members what better way to show you care then making sure they are safe in their vehicles stop by today and get a few for your loved ones.

32 YEARS AND STILL COUNTING OF QUALITY SERVICE!!!

GET A \$25.00 GIFT CARD OFF YOUR

NEXT SERVICE!!!

EARN A \$25.00 gift card for referring you friend:

must be a new customer have them tell us you sent them in and we will mail you the gift card: It's like getting a FREE oil change © There will be a surprise for some of you with a \$25.00 Omaha Steaks gift card for people who reach a certain number of referrals as well!



We miss you!!!



They may not be here in person but they will always live on in our hearts!

DON'T MISS OUT ON OUR SPECIALS, RAFFLES & GIVE-A-WAYS!!!!!!!!

TURKEY TIME

\$10.00 OFF any Service Over **\$100**

\$20.00 OFF any Service Over **\$200**

\$30.00 OFF any Service Over \$300

Expires: 11/30/2016 Not valid with any other offers. Certain Conditions may apply.

Excludes Tire Purchases.

PUBLIX'S TURKEY DINNER RAFFLE

STARTS: October 26, 2016 we will be having a raffle for **ONE** lucky winner to win a **Thanksgiving Dinner**

from Publix

Rules are as follows...

-For any service, repair, tire order you will be giving one ticket and addition to that you will get 1 ticket per \$100.00 increments.

-We will be drawing the winner the end of business day November 18th, you will be notified by phone to pick up your Gift Card.

-You will be required to come into the office and take a picture with us and your Gift Certificate!!

Here at South Trail Tire & Auto Repair we strive to make things easier for you!!!

*Some restrictions apply: Previous services do not count to be entered in car **must serviced between 10/26 & 11/18, 2016** And paid for in full for entry. DO NOT PRINT THIS OUT AS IT IS A PROMOTION NOT A COUPON OR VOUCHER! JUST CALL AND SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT.

BUMPER TO BUMPER

\$49.95

Includes: Oil change and filter, lube front end, check battery & alternator operation, inspect belts & hoses, check coolant, inspect brakes, check struts, shocks, & CV joints, check lights, rotate tires and receive a **FREE** pair of wiper blades.

For most cars and light trucks (some restrictions apply) up to 5 qts of conventional oil. Some restrictions apply. Not valid with any other offer. DO NOT PRINT THIS OUT AS IT IS A SPECIAL NOT A COUPON OR VOUCHER! JUST CALL AND SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT.



Don't forget to refer a friend & receive \$25.00 GIFT CARD!!

When they come in for service: Mention you are the one that referred them and you will receive in the

mail a \$25.00 GIFT CARD off your next service!!!

Offer is on valid for new customer referrals: person receiving the gift card must be an existing customer. Can not

be combined with any other offer. Gift card is only valid at South Trail Tire & Auto Repair. Some restrictions apply

This is not a coupon or voucher you will receive that in the mail! Some repeat offenders may get a \$25.00 Omaha Steak gift card in appreciation for their loyalty!!