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CELEBRATING THEIR 25TH ANNIVERSARY - 7 YEARS IN CYPRESS

by Jackie Devine



When you need your car serviced, what is your first consideration—dedication, experience, honesty, certification, price or guaranteed service? What if I told you, that you could find all of the above at the 2016 Small Business

Award Winner Webb's Automotive of Cypress? I'll wager that is precisely why they are celebrating their 25th year in business this month.

Some have even said, "Specializing in both routine maintenances, where they work on all makes and models offering oil changes, brakes, and tune-ups and extensive repair including difficult electrical problems, they are the community's 'guardian-angels' of car repair."

As veteran entrepreneurs—children of families who owned their businesses (Roy's a furniture company, and Tracie's in automotive repair), they grew up meeting the expectations of fiscal responsibility and customer satisfaction. They both agree that there is no way to measure the depth of knowledge they gained from working with their parents. In some ways, they view it as a legacy that they can now pass down to their own children.

After high school, Roy pursued a college degree in Aviation at San Jacinto College, and Tracie focused on business administration at the University of Houston.

During and after graduation, Tracie served as office manager for her parent's business. Roy also joined the team. He quickly discovered that mastering the intricacies of complicated machines and dealing with hundreds of separate parts that were performing countless functions was not only fascinating; it was also his calling.

The bigger the problem, the deeper he delved and the more

challenged he became. Tackling tough repair problems went hand in hand with serving and satisfying customers. Roy had hit his stride!

After they married, Roy began refurbishing and repairing trucks, and in no time he was ready to hang out his shingle. While Tracie remained working with her parents, Roy opened a truck lot. Before long, he invested in a lift enabling him to work on cars and trucks more efficiently.

Word spread about their expert services. Surrounding companies began bringing their corporate vehicles and truck fleets in for repair. Employees of those companies followed suit. Space became a problem.

Buoyed by the confidence Roy garnered from his growing number of customers, he opted to rent a larger building. In 1995 they relocated a short distance away, and that was the official start of Webb's Automotive.

By 2010, expansion was again in the offing. The Webbs purchased property on Mueschke Rd. and began preparations to build. Then, the unthinkable happened, Tracie found she had breast cancer. Undaunted, they pressed on knowing God was in control, and all would be well.

They opened their doors in 2011. Today, the first person that greets you as you walk in the door is their nephew Service Manager Cody, who is also in charge of the technicians, customers, parts, and workflow. The son of Tracie's sister, Cody married his college sweetheart Lindsay, who is a nurse at Texas Children's. Service Manager Cody, an integral part of the company, started working at Webb's Automotive when they opened. Amazingly, in addition to Cody, the rest of the ASE Certified technicians that greeted our community on day one are still with them. No doubt that is a real testimonial that the Webbs not only treat their customers fair, but they also treat their employees like family.

As Tracie says, "The community is our family. Our customers are our friends, neighbors, church members, and parents of our son's football team. Now we are working with the second generation of customers; we are servicing the kids of the families we've been working with for years."

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GUESTS IN YOUR ATTIC

By Cheryl Conley, TWRC Wildlife Center



Who doesn't enjoy seeing squirrels scamper from tree to tree? Everyone loves seeing birds at their feeders. Who doesn't love seeing the does with their fawns? We live side by side with wildlife. Is it any wonder that conflicts arise between humans and the animals?

This is baby season for raccoons. You may find that a mama raccoon has taken up residence in your attic or garage. The best advice we can offer you is to leave her alone. Within a couple of weeks, she will lead her babies out of your attic or garage to live in the wild. If you just can't wait, here are a couple of things you can try. Put a bright light in the area at night and play some LOUD music. Some say talk radio is best. You can throw some moth balls in the area or ammonia-soaked cotton balls. She will probably choose to move the babies to a darker, quieter place outside. When she moves out, it's your responsibility to find out how she got in and block the entrance or your attic will always look like an apartment for rent to wildlife.

We often receive calls from homeowners asking for advice on how to stop raccoons that are getting into trash cans. Solution: try using some bungee cords to secure the top. Another issue we hear about is that raccoons are eating food that is being put out for feral cats. Since raccoons are nocturnal, simply removing the cat food at night will fix the problem except in the spring when mama raccoons can be seen looking for food during the day. No, they are not rabid! They are just hungry. Some homeowners ask about trapping and relocating. While removal may seem like a solution, it usually only creates an enticing vacancy for another animal in search of a meal. Remove raccoons from an area and it's only a matter of time before others move in to take their place. Additionally, the survival rate of relocated raccoons is very low. Raccoons are territorial and putting a lone raccoon into an area already populated with other raccoons can often result in death as the other raccoons will consider him/her as an intruder.

There are products available that may help not only with raccoons but other animals as well. One such product is the motion-activated sprinkler. When an animal gets close to the food source, the sprinkler goes off and scares them away. Just do an internet search and I'm certain you'll find other products that may work as well.

With urban sprawl and loss of habitats, we need to learn to live in harmony with wildlife. TWRC Wildlife Center can often help you find solutions to your issues. Check our website at www.twrcwildlifecenter.org or call us at 713-468-8972.



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She added, "We thrive on relationships. We want our customers to be customers for life. That can only happen when everyone feels served."

Quality oriented Roy explains, "When the cars Webb's works on are on the road, my name is on the line. I aim to make sure that every car is safe to drive. That is why I test drive every car possible that goes out of my shop."

Everyone in the organization has been trained to take time to focus and to listen to the needs of the customer. Moreover, when needed, they have systems in place to work with customers who are struggling. Some have said, "Through their work and their acts, they are genuinely ministering to the community."

In closing, I asked Tracie the same question I ask everyone I interview: "What have you learned living on this revolving rock we call earth. What can you say that you know for sure?"

"What I know for sure," Tracie smiles, "is God is in control. We've learned that there is going to be trouble in life. Life isn't always going to be perfect. However, Roy likes to say, 'It's all going to work out. We will be OK.' It always is, because 'God's in control.'"

"We have our health, we have our family, and anything else is

just icing. We are simple people. We enjoy our home and our kids and our family.

"We love going to the beach, fishing, and hunting. God has created everything. He brought us together, brought us our kids, blessed our business. It hasn't always been easy; at times it was hard.

We live by the notion, "You do the right thing, you work hard, and God does the rest. God does bless the fruits of your labor. That is what I know."

What do I know as a customer? "Webb's Automotive stands behind their word. They do what they say they're going to do! Moreover, they don't upsell. The service you need is the service you buy."

Tracie and Roy have two children. Haley is a Cy Ranch graduate, now attending Sam Houston University. Wyatt is a Cy Ranch junior. Both work for their parents part-time in the summer.

If you happen to be on Mueschke, stop in and wish them "Happy Anniversary," they will be delighted to see you.

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SPECIAL EVENTS SUMMER 2018

In addition to regularly scheduled activities – knitting, crocheting, quilting, oil painting, yoga, stretching, exercise classes, cards and dominoes – Harris County Precinct Three Commissioner Steve Radack's Hockley Community Center is now offering the following upcoming events and activities:

2nd Monday '42'

Everyone who enjoys a good game of '42' Dominoes is invited to join our monthly evening group for fun and potluck dinner on the second Monday of the month from 5 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. Upcoming date for this activity is July 9th. Call (936) 931-5030 for more information.

Bingo for Children

Volunteer Bingo caller Delores Rasmusson is inviting children to try their luck at this fun game of numbers on June 18th from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Ice cream, popcorn, and lemonade will be offered at break time. More Bingo sessions will be on July 2nd, 16th, and 30th at the same time. Call (936)931-5030 to register.

Tissue Paper Craft

Join other young crafters age five and up to create fun and colorful artwork with dimension on June 20th from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Please bring school glue. All other supplies will be provided. Limited work spaces are available. Please call (936) 931-5030 to sign up.

Share and Sample: Fruit and Vegetable Dishes

On June 25th from 12 p.m. until 1:30 p.m. everyone is invited to share foods that have fruits and vegetables as the main ingredients. Also bring your recipe for sharing. Call (936) 931-5030 for more information.

Children's Book Club

Children of all ages are invited to share what books they are reading this summer, what they liked about a book, and what they did not. The book club will meet June 25th from 2 p.m. until 3 p.m., July 10th from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m., July 26th from 11 a.m. until 12 p.m., and Aug. 8th from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. Call (936) 931-5030 for more information.

Marble Chutes Craft Class

Children ages seven and up are invited to craft and play with marble chutes of their own design on June 27th from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Work space is limited. Please call (936) 931-5030 to sign up.

History Discussion Group

A monthly discussion group is uncovering history using books, magazines, and movies on June 28th and July 26th from 1:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. All are invited to join and decide which topics to talk about during future meetings. Call (936) 931-5030 to register.

Ocean Craft Night

On July 9th from 5:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. children can make creatures from the sea. Call (936) 931-5030 for details and to register.

Stickers and Stories

Who can tell the best stories based on stickers that someone else

picks and puts on a sheet of paper for you? July 12th from 11 a.m. until noon. Please bring your imagination. Activity space is limited. Please call (936) 931-5030 to sign up.

Water Crafts and Experiments

On July 18th from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. children can explore wicking color, creating a rainbow, bleeding art, and other uses of water for experiments and artistic designs. Call (936) 931-5030 for details and to register.

Painting with a Twist

Children will be given a picture to paint and make their own on July 25th from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Please bring a watercolor set and a set of paint brushes. All other supplies will be provided. Limited work spaces are available. Please (936) 931-5030 to sign up.

Wisdom, Power, Control: You've Got the Power to Manage Your Diabetes

Texas A&M AgriLife is offering a series of four classes to individuals with diabetes and pre-diabetes, caregivers, and loved ones at Hockley Community Center. These will be on Aug. 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th from 12:30 p.m. until 2 p.m. Sessions include goal setting, videos, and engaging group activities to empower individuals to better control their blood sugar. Registration is required. Call (936) 931-5030 for details.

Senior Bus Trip to Bryan / College Station

Join other seniors for a fun and informative day in the College Station area on August 16th. Registration is required. Call (936) 931-5030 for details.

Senior Bus Trip: Quilt Shop Hop

Are you a quilter? Join other seniors for a busy day of travel and shopping at various quilt stores on Aug. 23rd. Registration is required. Call (936) 931-5030 for details.

Special note:

Hockley Community Center is closed Wednesday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.

Advance registration for special activities is typically requested. An adult must accompany and remain with anyone under the age of 18 visiting the center. The Hockley Community Center is part of the Harris County Precinct Three Recreation Complex at 28515 Old Washington Road in Hockley. A calendar of events is available at the Harris County Precinct Three website at www.pct3.com. For more information, call (936) 931-5030.

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On our July meeting date, we will welcome Jacob Monty, a long-time supporter and fundraiser for Republican office holders and candidates, and is also recognized as one of the leading immigration attorneys in the United States. Jacob will give an overview on the various issues being discussed locally and in Washington surrounding immigration, DACA, the border fence, and other related issues. This speaker was rescheduled from April.

See the website for details and RSVP to www.cfrw.net by July 3rd.

Several candidates attend our meetings regularly so come and get to know them.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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The next meeting of the Cypress Texas Tea Party will be on:

Saturday, July 21, 2018 NOON - 2:00 PM

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