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## Car Sense

Cars today have computers in them and not only do those computers help them run better, they help mechanics find out what is wrong with them when they aren't working properly. Back in the automobile stone age around 1950, a mechanic had to be pretty familiar with every aspect of an automobile engine in order to make it run properly. Even though it's pretty basic what goes on inside an engine, the smallest change in any of the critical elements of combustion can make it seem like there is something radically wrong. Air, spark, and fuel all need to be present in the correct quantity and at the correct time. Many of the new cars will turn on the check engine light if combustion is not correct so that you can have it checked before destroying the earth with emissions or breaking down along the road. Cars are much more difficult to work on today but more efficient and more reliable in general. Paying attention to the sounds your car

makes is important and can save you expensive breakdowns and delays. Brakes have wear indicators that sound like a cricket when you are rolling to a stop with your foot on the brake pedal. When a battery is getting old or there is a problem with the charging system, the car will crank slower when you turn the key. Eventually it will just click and you'll be stranded. The cranking sound is the sound of the engine turning before it

starts. That is referred to as 'turning over'. So if you call a mechanic and say "my car won't start", they may ask 'does it turn over", because it is not a dead battery if it turns over. Not much except an empty gas tank or a dead battery can be repaired on the roadside without a tow truck taking the car to a shop. A couple tips for eliminating costly tow

truck and repair bills are, don't constantly run the gas below ¼ tank. You should take the plunge and fill it, then refill at 3/4 and you'll still only be buying 1/4 tank. Moisture condenses from air when temperature changes in the tank. The more air (less gas) the more moisture. Moisture is the enemy of your fuel system. And don't turn the radio on for the first several minutes of operation each day. That way you will become familiar with the normal sounds of your car and will recognize something odd before it turns in to a breakdown. The best thing you can do to make your car last longer is to have the oil changed regularly.

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ESTATE SETTLEMENT AUCTION COUNTRY REAL ESTATE AND CONTENTS KUBOTA TRACTOR, FISHING EQUIPMENT COMPLETE SELLOUT SATURDAY JULY 31, 2021 RAIN OR SHINE ON THE PREMISES 2825 JACKSON ROAD JACKSON TWSP., MONROE COUNTY, STROUDSBURG, PA 18360

11 A.M. REAL ESTATE consists of Single Family Brick 2 Story Home with Fireplace and 3 Bedrooms Approximately 40 Years old with Basement Garage. Home needs some Repairs, etc. Also Large Former Horse Stable and other Out Building. 2 Acres adjoining PA State Game Land. Real Country Setting with Excellent Deer and Bear Hunting. Tax Code: 8-10-1-5-68

TERMS ON REAL ESTATE: \$10,000 BANK CASHIER'S CHECK (Payable to Jack Muchlhan Auctioneer Escrow) AT SALE. BALANCE AT SETTLEMENT WITHIN 30 DAYS, NO BACK TAXES, NO BUYER'S PREMIUM

10 A.M. PERSONAL PROPERTY: BX22 Kubota tractor w/backhoe mower and 3 point hitch - 4 wheeler- boatslog splitter-generators-muzzle loaders-fishing rods-traps-Mathews bow-hunting gear-camping gear-cub cadet roto tiller-Mig welders tools-power tools-furniture-household goods-Plus Much More. Everything needed for country living. Lots of surprises. TERMS ON PERSONAL PROPERTY: CASH PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTIONEER: Rob Reinhardt AU5161L For Complete List Call Rob Reinhardt at

INSPECTIONS: WEDNESDAY JULY 14<sup>TH</sup> 5 - 7 P.M.

JULY 24<sup>TH</sup> SATURDAY 10 - 12 Noon

DIRECTIONS: From Stroudsburg, PA take I-80 West to Tannersville Exit, PA (Exit 299) South on Route 715 4.6 Miles right onto Mountain Road and go 1 ½ miles left onto Jackson Road.

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## Music in the Valley

By Deborah DiPasquale

STROUDSBURG - On Saturday July 17 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. you can enjoy the sounds of traditional music ringing out through Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm. The fifteenth annual "Music in the Valley" will feature musical performances by various groups all around the historic farm. Many of the tunes and songs will be reminiscent of the music settlers played in the 19th century.

A variety of performers will be playing at the different venues throughout the day. As a grand finale, the day will end with a jam session at 3:30. Puppeteer, Bonnie Scott, will hold shows throughout the day and both young and old will have fun with the puppets' antics. There will be an opportunity for children to play old fashioned games and make some crafts. The One Room School will be open and the outdoor Bake Oven will be in operation.

This is a wonderful opportunity to learn the background of songs you still know and love and how the music of our country developed through the last two centuries.

The event will be held rain or shine, under tents as needed. Schedule is subject to change. Music in the Valley is included in the price of admission for the historic farm tour of \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for ages 3 - 12. The farm tours will run on Saturday from 10:00 to 5:00. Allow two and a half hours to see all of the tour. Great fun for all ages, so come for a few hours or bring a picnic lunch make a day of it.



