

# CAMPAIGN FOR COURTESY ON THE ROAD



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featuring the geeky but lovable little mascot and spokescar...Sheldon!

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## sheldon's featured business of the week

Ledo Pizza, Clarksville has been feeding our courteous drivers for two years. When all is said and done, there is nothing like a great pizza (except maybe a great car, but oh well.) You gotta love their driving/living advice: **don't cut corners!** Shouts to the gang at clarksville Ledo's!

## WHO RU?!

Here is the current list of **UDOs: Unidentified Driving Objects**. Please let us know if any of these #s belongs to u!

- ADF-87H      82L-624
- 6BY-L55      MXY656
- M489130      612943M
- BMY250      M861336
- M305558      LXT 929
- 3BR N42      4CE P09
- 1AV V53      6BVL55
- MRZ 463

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Like NOW. K?

e-note week of  
1-7-2007

## Mileage & Maturity

### On Growing Up as a Car

Life is a Highway. I'm gonna ride it all night long.  
...Tom Petty


If life is a highway as the song says, **driving + growing up** are totally related. Take me, for instance. I was not always the sleek + cool car you see today (OK, work with me here folks.) On the right you can see a family pic of me as a low-mileage car.



Sheldon as a young car.

Not much to look at, eh? You might say I was a little formless with a lot of what humans call "baby fat." Frankly, in those days I didn't know my trunk from my spark plugs. Of course, I thought I knew it all. (You see where this is going, don't you?)

Fact is, when you've been around the block once or twice and get a few miles on your odometer you figure out a thing or two. Like how **speeding** around cars and **switching lanes** can get you someplace a few minutes fast...only you might never get there at all. Like it really IS harder to **stop quicky** when the **roads are wet**. Like the person in the car in front of you may NOT be the **nicest** or **smartest** person in the world...but it's not up to you to inform them.

What I am NOT saying is...that adults are all safe, smart and courteous drivers. Uh uh. Not by a mile. BUT as you grow up and hopefully mature, experience can teach you a lot about the reality of driving a big heavy piece of machinery in and among other drivers and of course pedestrians too. **Experience** (some of it painful) can teach you about people...other people as well as yourself. Hopefully as you get years of driving under your belt you will become the person and driver you know you should be. **Time is your friend.** 

Life is a highway, except when it's a parking lot... Sheldon

**SPECIAL!**  
i-tunes give-away.  
See page 2  
below to see how  
you can win!



# road songs

Send us YOUR favorite road songs for a chance to WIN I-TUNES GIFT CARDS!

- |                           |                              |
|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| No Particular Place to Go | Chuck Berry                  |
| American Pie              | Don McLean                   |
| On the Road Again         | Willie Nelson                |
| Hit the Road, Jack        | Ray Charles                  |
| Little Deuce Coupe        | Beach Boys                   |
| King of the Road          | Roger Miller                 |
| Mustang Sally             | Wilson Pickett               |
| America"                  | Simon + Garfunkel            |
| Hitchin' a Ride           | Vanity Fair                  |
| Truckin'                  | Grateful Dead                |
| Goin' Up Around the Bend  |                              |
|                           | Creedence Clearwater         |
| Take It Easy              | The Eagles                   |
| Convoy                    | C.W. McCall                  |
| Life in the Fast Lane     | Eagles                       |
| Drivin' My Life Away      | Eddie Rabbit                 |
| Cruisin                   | Smokey Robinson              |
| Drive                     | Cars                         |
| Pink Cadillac             | Bruce Springsteen            |
| Ancient Highway           | Van Morrison                 |
| Highway 61 Revisited      | bob Dylan                    |
| Long + Winding Road       | The Beatles                  |
| Ramblin' Man              | Allman Brothers              |
| Runnin' on Empty          | Jackson Browne               |
| On the Road Again         | Canned Heat                  |
| Up Around the Bend        |                              |
|                           | Creedence Clearwater Revival |
| Take it Easy              | The Eagles                   |
| Goodbye Yellow Brick Road | Elton John                   |
| Me and Bobby McGee        | Janis Joplin                 |

## How'r u doin'?

### SCHOOL RANKINGS

1/7/07

- Centennial
- Long Reach ★ new 2<sup>nd</sup> place!
- Hammond
- Reservoir
- Wilde Lake
- Howard
- Glenelg
- Mt Hebron
- Marriots Ridge
- Oakland Mills
- Glenelg Country
- Atholton
- River Hill

## i-tunes give-away...

Speaking about **MUSIC**...actually, we weren't exactly speaking about music, but I could not think of a better segueway to one of my favorite subjects. **Everybody has A favorite ROAD SONG**, like "Life is a Highway," or "The Road I'm On" or "Every Day is a Winding Road", "Goodbye Yellow Brick Road," "Driving My Life Away," "It's the Journey"...anyway, you get the picture.

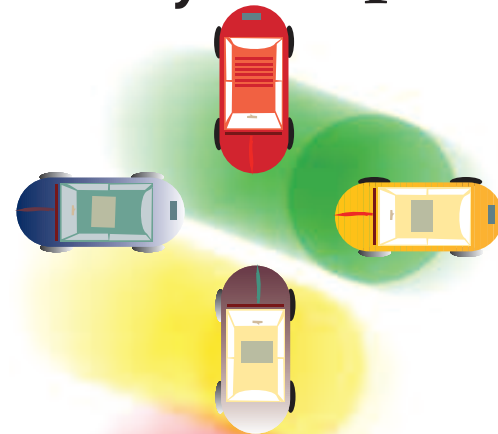
The way I see it, there are actually **2 kinds of ROAD SONGS**: the kind that is about **driving, the highway, cars, traveling**. The other is a song that is just about the best thing to have on when you are **in the car on a beautiful day** (not in January, except in San Diego!)

On the left is a list of songs we came up with that are songs in the first category. It's a partial list for sure.

JUST **HIT REPLY** and send us the names of your favorite songs! Include your name and your school and we will add points to your school toward the year-end party...and we will have a **drawing** for an **i-tunes gift card** from the students that sent in their favorites!

## RIGHT of WAY @ 4-way stops

**Right of way doesn't mean I'VE GOT THE RIGHT—GET OUT OF MY WAY!** This is of serious concern to courteous drivers, because the right of way has to do with being aware of **Others** (the "O" in **C-O-U-R-T-E-S-Y**), waiting one's turn (definitely a sign of consideration) and **Using common sense** (the "U" in **C-O-U-R-T-E-S-Y**). So here is some info to help you know what's what courtesy of **Wikipedia**:



- In the United States there are many **4-way intersections** with a **stop sign** at every entrance. In this case, the default rule is:
- Whichever **vehicle stops 1st** has priority.
  - If **2 vehicles stop** at the same time, priority is given to the vehicle on the right.
  - If **3 vehicles stop** at the same time, priority is given to the two vehicles going in opposite directions.
  - If **4 vehicles stop**, drivers usually use gestures (no, not THAT gesture! Really!) or other communication to establish right-of-way.

Your courteous instincts and communication will keep you safe. 🚗

# Traf-FAQs

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A Traf-FAQ is a little-known traffic-related factoid. Each week we post a Traf-FAQ on our website.

The first student to email us the correct answer from the site will win 8 chicken nuggets from Chick-fil-A at the Columbia Mall.

First let's look at our last Tra-FAQ question:

## Q FILL IN THE BLANK:

1 out of 10 drivers regularly drives over the speed limit by \_\_\_ or more miles per hour.

A 11 mph or more!

Now, this week's Tra-FAQ question:

## Q MULTIPLE CHOICE:

When waiting to make a left turn, you should give the right-of-way to vehicles coming from the opposite direction: (pick one)

- Until at least two vehicles have passed
- Until dangerously close cars have passed
- Until all of the cars have passed

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And now for student "caught" being courteous in the

# Sheldon sighting!

winner of the week!



 **CHRIS HOLT**  
reservoir high school

Check out these cool prizes:

- Gift Certificate** to **Trapeze**, Fulton
- Gift Certificate** to **Play it Again Sports**  
Ellicott City
- Free Oil Change** from **Clarksville Exxon**,  
Clarksville
- Free Sub** from **Quizno's**, Fulton
- 2 passes** from the **Columbia Association**
- 12 oz Frostie** from **Wendy's**
- One Dozen Donuts** from **Dunkin' Donuts**  
Clarksville or Scaggsville
- Free Coffee** from **The Daily Grind**, Fulton
- 8-pc Chicken Nuggets** from **Chick-fil-A**, Columbia Mall
- Tae Kwon Do lessons** for you + a friend for 1 month at  
**Integrity Martial Arts**, Savage

— **CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRIS!** —

**Hey, Winners, and "non-Winners" too!!!**

Be sure to let the businesses know you received your gifts from **Courtesy on the Road**, and be sure to thank them!!! (It's the courteous thing to do, eh?)

Sheldon, The geeky little-car-guy

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