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Get an Insurance Checkup

Want to save a little money? Take a hard look at your insurance coverage. Experts recommend getting an insurance checkup once a year. You may find that your situation has changed and you need less, or more, insurance. Laws in your state may have changed or it may be time to get a new insurance company.

To make your insurance checkup easier, gather together the paperwork for all of your insurance coverage, including homeowners or renters insurance, life, auto, and any other type you may carry. This will help you compare costs vs. coverage.

Some important questions to ask:

- Am I eligible to discontinue PMI (private mortgage insurance) on my homeowners policy?
- Have any laws changed in my state requiring more or less coverage?
- Has my employer begun to offer more or less insurance, including disability, life, or supplemental insurance?
- Do I qualify for any additional discounts?
- Can I save money with a higher deductible?
- What is the best deal I can get on this type of coverage?

Once you've talked with your current agent and gotten a firm price on the insurance coverage you want, take the time to call around to other companies. You may be surprised at the savings you can find. If you do find a better deal elsewhere, it is easy to switch. Simply start up your coverage at the new company and then send a letter or fax to your original insurance agent stating when you would like your coverage discontinued. If there is remaining time on your policy, you will receive a refund of the amount you've already paid.



Hurricane Trivia

- It wasn't until 1953 that the U.S. National Weather Service started using women's names for storms. In 1979, men's names were added.
- Around the end of the 19th century, an Australian meteorologist began giving women's names to tropical storms and hurricanes.
- A list of names is put together that includes names beginning with every letter of the alphabet except Q, U, and Z.
- Today, the World Meteorological Organization uses six lists in rotation, reusing the same list every six years. If a hurricane is particularly deadly or costly, the name is retired and a new name is chosen.





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Dog Days of Summer

Most people have heard of the “dog days of summer.” But do you really know what the phrase means? In general, it refers to the time between early July and early September when the weather is hot and muggy, leading to a period of stagnation or inactivity on the part of some people.

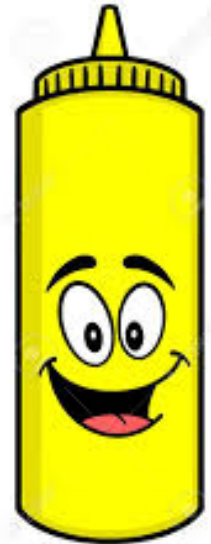
In ancient times, people were very interested in studying the constellations. A pair of these, called Canis Major and Canis Minor, were considered to look like dogs in the sky. Because the brightest star in these constellations, called Sirius, was so bright, the ancient Romans thought that it gave off heat, like the sun. In late summer, Sirius rises and sets with the sun, leading the Romans to believe that the hot days were due to the extra heat Sirius was giving off during the day. Thus they began to call these days the “dog days.” As the constellations have gradually drifted in their positions in the sky, the timing of the “dog days” has changed to earlier in the summer, from the beginning of July to the end of August.



Did You Know?

August 7th is National Mustard Day

- George J. French introduced his “French’s mustard” in 1904, the same year that the hot dog was introduced to America at the St. Louis World’s Fair.
- Canada is the world’s largest producer of mustard seed.
- In the 1950’s, Plochman was the first company to successfully market squeeze mustard.
- Dijon is a French city known as the mustard-making capital of the country.
- Yellow ballpark mustard gets its bright yellow color partly from turmeric.
- It is believed that mustard was first cultivated in India around 3000 BC. Recipes for mustard paste were recorded as early as 42 AD.
- The word “mustard” comes from the Latin “must” (much) and “ardens” (burning).
- In 1901 Captain Robert Falcon Scott set sail on the Discovery with a ton and a half of mustard on his journey to Antarctica.



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