

Week of Sept 1, 2007

Headlines

- Toyota may recall their Tundra pick up truck due to safety concerns pending NHTSA investigations
- Ford is releasing the F-150 Harley Davidson version
- Cell phones kept near Nissan 'intelligent keys' can erase the keys' electronic codes
- World number two truck maker Volvo said on Thursday that deliveries of its trucks fell 17 percent in January through April as demand fell sharply in its second biggest market, North America.

Economic News

- GM reached a pioneering deal with the United Auto Workers union that will force almost 400 workers out of a "jobs bank" program that guarantees nearly full wages and benefits when the automaker eliminates work or closes factories.
- French carmaker PSA Peugeot Citroen aims to cut its fixed costs by 30 percent as part of a restructuring plan
- General Motors Corp said on Wednesday it plans to offer about \$1.1 billion in convertible debt securities to replace an earlier provision and to bolster liquidity.

Fact of the Week

More than 100 Pizza box related patents have been issued since 1976

Question of the Week:

What is the only planet not named after a pagan God

Prior Week's Question:

What is the most times a normal size piece of paper can be folded in half?

Answer to Prior Week's Question:

7 times, not any more

Auto Recalls

Auto Recalls	Summary
2007 Toyota Camry	Air Bags Side/Window
2007 Ford Mustang	Front Suspension
2007 Mitsubishi Eclipse	Transmission
2007 Mercury Monterey	Fuel System
2008 Dodge Avenger	Latches/Locks/Door Latches

Automotive Stock Prices

	This Week	Last Week	Change
General Motors	\$30.55	\$29.78	↑
Ford	\$8.50	\$8.13	↑
Daimler Chrysler	\$88.38	\$89.78	↓
Honda	\$34.39	\$35.42	↓
Toyota	\$120.07	\$118.13	↑
Nissan	\$22.25	\$21.15	↑

NASCAR Points Leaders

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Jeff Gordon	1881
Jimmie Johnson	1650
Matt Kenseth	1582

Winner Last Week

Kevin Harvick
Lowe's Speedway

Next Race Location

Lowe's Speedway

	Today	One Month Ago	One Year Ago
Gas Prices	(Date)	(Date)	(Date)
Open Market	\$3.10		\$2.91
National	\$3.32	\$2.88	\$2.86
Midwest	\$3.32		
Illinois	\$3.47	\$2.86	\$2.83
High State	\$3.79	(Streamwood)	
Low State	\$2.35	(Peoria)	

National Auto Loan Rates

	Change	Today	Last Week
36 Month New Car	↑	6.81%	6.80%
48 Month New Car	↓	6.86%	6.87%
60 Month New Car	↓	6.85%	6.86%
72 Month New Car	—	6.78%	6.78%
36 Month Used Car	—	7.32%	7.32%

Pick up Trucks Sales

	April 2007	April 2006
Ford F-Series	56,692	64,749
Chevrolet Silverado	49,436	57,709
Dodge Ram	31,503	30,814
GMC Sierra	16,849	17,179
Toyota Tundra	14,200	8,837
Nissan Titan	4,922	6,425

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