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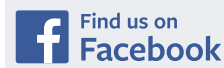
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- Do not put fibrous, stringy veggies or fruits in garbage disposal.
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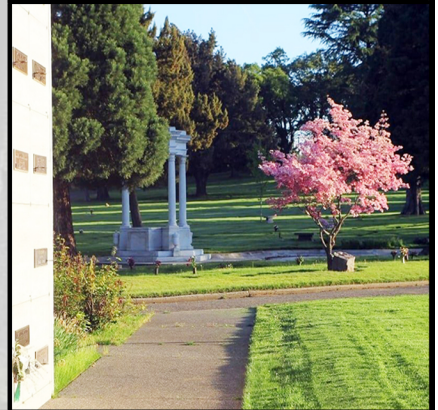
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What can new technology in the Glass Industry do to improve your life?

Submitted by Bill's Glass

When considering home improvements, seniors often seek options that enhance both functionality and aesthetics. One area that can significantly impact your living space is the addition of shower doors, windows, and custom mirrors. Let's explore why these elements are worth considering.

Windows not only enhance your home's appearance but also play a vital role in energy efficiency. Seniors may appreciate options that allow for easy cleaning and maintenance, such as sliding or casement windows. Look for energy-efficient models that help in reducing utility bills and improving comfort by keeping cold air out in the winter and hot air out in the summer. Installing larger windows can also ensure ample natural light, which can aid in mood and overall well-being.

With multiple panes of glass to block heat and cold transference as well as deadening outside sounds insulated windows have many benefits. New energy efficient windows and sliding doors can make your life easier and put an end to fighting stuck windows or doors that are difficult to operate. Advances in window technology can also save you money, make you more comfortable, and increase the value and appearance of your home.

Updating your shower with modern doors can improve accessibility and safety. Frameless shower doors can create a sleek look and make it easier to enter and exit. Additionally, they often offer better visibility and make smaller bathrooms appear larger. For those needing extra support, consider designs that can accommodate grab bars or are easier to open.

New mirrors can have a transformative effect on your living space. Custom mirrors allow you to choose shapes and sizes that fit

perfectly into your design scheme. A well-placed mirror can make a room feel larger and brighter, offering a stylish solution that is also practical. Additionally, mirrors in your bathroom can provide safety features, like beveled edges, making them safer for daily use.

By investing in shower doors, windows, and custom mirrors, seniors can create a more enjoyable, functional, and safe living environment. Whether you are looking to refresh your home or prepare for future needs, these enhancements can offer lasting value.

Another area glass technology has advanced considerably is your automobile. Many vehicles now have Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS) that will warn of potential issues, help you park, and even automatically steer or brake your vehicle in some cases. The glass industry plays a large role in keeping this technology working properly by re-calibrating vehicle camera systems after windshield replacement to make sure the camera's involved are "seeing" the road and conditions properly. There are also hydrophobic glass treatments that can be applied to glass surfaces to make cleaning easier, reduce the need for wipers during rain, and improve your visibility. The glass industry has even developed headlight polishing systems to bring your hazy headlights back to a brilliant clarity. Increasing your visibility and having clear, bright lighting are 2 of the biggest factors in safe driving at night.

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“The future is never set in stone,” said author Erin Morgenstern. Funeral Homes understand the importance of being prepared. This will help alleviate the stress of uncertainty for your loved ones and give you peace of mind and one last gift.

Funeral Homes are dedicated to helping families secure funeral plans, lightening the burden on your families and friends when the time comes. Grief can be overwhelming, and not having your wishes known can be daunting for your family. Preplanning ensures your wishes are known, providing a final gift of peace for your loved ones.

It is not a matter of if, but when you should start this conversation with your family. Being well-informed will reassure them that you are prepared, allowing them to grieve without worry. During this discussion with your family, money will certainly come up. Regardless, if you want the least expensive service or if you want a full service with flowers, catering, hearse, and music, your service will still need to be paid. Pre-paying, when done properly, can give you peace of mind knowing that your arrangements are ready and pre-funded.

Every individual is unique, and their life should be celebrated according to their wishes. This could be through traditional burials, non-traditional, cremation, scattering at sea, in a meadow, on a mountain, or eco-friendly burials. Ask questions, gather information, and rely on

the knowledge of funeral directors to help you through the process. You do not have to go through planning alone.

"My parents planned their funeral ahead of time because they hoped it would make things easier at the time of their death. The day my mother passed, all we had to do was make one phone call to the funeral home and they took charge in a manner that was caring, supportive, patient, and friendly. This was my confirmation that preplanning my own funeral is the right decision." C.D.G

We honor veterans! If you or your loved one is a veteran, a funeral director can help coordinate to have you or your loved one placed in any national cemetery. As a veteran, you may qualify for burial benefits through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). There are many misconceptions about these benefits, so it is important to understand what they include and how to request them. In truth, reimbursement of funeral or cremation expenses is limited, and certain restrictions apply.

Let experienced professionals help you shape the perfect celebration of your life.

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The Peace of Planning:

Why Pre-Arranging and Paying for Your Funeral is a Gift to Your Loved Ones

Submitted by Perl Funeral Home

Thinking about end-of-life arrangements isn't the easiest task, but planning for your future in this way can bring comfort and security. Pre-arranging and pre-paying for your funeral isn't just practical; it's a deeply compassionate choice that spares your loved ones from difficult decisions and financial burdens during a time of grief. Let's explore why taking this step now can make a meaningful difference later.

Easing Emotional Stress for Loved Ones

Losing a loved one is incredibly hard, and in the midst of mourning, families are often faced with a flurry of decisions about the funeral. By pre-arranging your funeral, you're providing a gift of clarity. Your loved ones won't have to guess about your wishes or make rushed decisions—they'll know exactly what you wanted, which can help relieve some of their emotional burden.

Think about how often families are left wondering, "What would they have wanted?" When your preferences are clear, it not only removes the guesswork but allows your loved ones to focus on what really matters: remembering and honoring your life.

Financial Relief and Protection from Rising Costs Funerals can be unexpectedly costly, and many families are surprised by the expenses involved. One of the biggest advantages of pre-paying for your arrangements is that you can lock in today's prices. Given that

funeral costs, like many other expenses, tend to rise over time, this can result in significant savings.

With a prepaid plan, you're also helping to ease any financial concerns for your family. Rather than having to worry about last-minute funds or navigating payment options, they'll have peace of mind knowing everything has already been taken care of financially. Additionally, many funeral homes offer flexible payment options for pre-paid plans, making it easier to find a solution that fits within your budget.

Ensuring Your Wishes are Honored, Down to the Smallest Details Pre-planning allows you to customize every detail of your service, ensuring it reflects your values, preferences, and unique personality. This could include choosing specific readings, songs, religious or cultural rituals, or even selecting a theme that resonates with your life's passions. Whether you have strong preferences about a traditional or eco-friendly burial, cremation, or something else entirely, pre-arranging ensures that your loved ones will be able to honor you in a way that feels personal and meaningful.

For your family, knowing that the arrangements align with your wishes brings them comfort, knowing that they are celebrating your life exactly as you envisioned.

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How Important is Your Vehicle?

Submitted by Chico's Auto Collision Repair

CAN YOU IMAGINE a world without motor vehicles? Can you name one invention that has changed people's lifestyles and behavior so much over the course of this century? Without automobiles, there would be no roadside hotels, no drive-in restaurants, no I5 Freeways. More important, without buses, cars, taxis, or trucks, how would you get to work or school? How would farmers and manufacturers transport their products to market?

"In the United States, one in six businesses is dependent on the manufacture, distribution, repair, or use of motor vehicles," The New Encyclopedia Britannica comments, adding: "The sales and receipts of the automobile industries account for more than one-fifth of the country's wholesale business and more than one-fourth of its retail trade. However, some people say that a world without cars would be better. They think this way for two main reasons.

Traffic paralysis worldwide

If you've ever had to drive around a parking lot looking for a place to park, no one needs to tell you that cars aren't all that useful in a crowded area. And if you've ever been stuck in a terrible traffic jam, you know the desperation that comes with being stopped in a place that's meant for driving.

Most large cities, regardless of their location on the map, are becoming giant parking lots. When India, for example, became independent in 1947, its capital, New Delhi, had 11,000 cars and trucks. By 1993, the figure had exceeded 2.2 million; although this is already a stratospheric

increase, it is expected that "the number will double by the end of the century," according to Time magazine.

The threat of contamination

Professor Stuart Penkett of the University of East Anglia warned: "Motor vehicles are changing the chemical composition of the whole atmosphere around us."

According to the book *Earth: A Planet for Life*, high concentrations of carbon monoxide "deprive the body of oxygen, impair perception and thinking, slow reflexes and cause drowsiness." And the World Health Organization states that "about half of urban populations in Europe and North America are exposed to unacceptable concentrations of carbon monoxide."

In some places, vehicle emissions are believed to be responsible for the deaths of many people, as well as causing millions of dollars in environmental damage. The seriousness of the pollution problem demands that measures be taken, but what measures? What can we do in our vehicle? Avoid Idling, maintain your car with its up-to-date services, including tire pressure, oxygen sensor problems, your cabin air filter is clean and working, as well as replacing your exhaust when they have leaks. Little things can make a big difference, and if you need help with any of your vehicle services.

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