

## Protect the environment

Burning fossil fuels such as gasoline or diesel contributes to a number of environmental problems, such as air pollution (smog) and global climate change. In addition, spills from refining and transporting oil and petroleum products damage ecosystems and pollute groundwater and streams.

Almost all of the cars and trucks we drive run on fuels derived from oil, a non-renewable resource, and while there is some debate as to how long this resource will last, we will eventually have to find new ways to power highway vehicles.

Until other alternatives are developed, we must use fossil resources such as oil, more efficiently, so we have time to develop new and better energy sources, looking for a smoother and less expensive transition to these sources.

Want to save hundreds at the gasoline pump? It's easy. Instead of hunting for the best price in town, try checking the air pressure in your tires. Proper air pressure results in better gas mileage, which at US\$ 3 per gallon could save you as much as US\$ 432 per year, according to an informal study conducted by Carnegie Mellon students last spring.



And if money isn't a big enough incentive, how about helping to preserve the environment? Less fuel consumption results in less carbon dioxide being emitted into the atmosphere!!