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Dear Harold;

I bet I haven't sat on this typewriter for months! Bad habit for a writer wannabe.

I enclose a typewriter ribbon that I hope fits. Do not return. It is a universal type. I'll see if I can get a better one. I have this same problem with an old copier my father had. Trying to find a toner cart.

Our computer at home has not been the same since it fried itself. We are going to buy a new one. I still owe Clay Ogilvie a computer disk we have to make here at the office. Between Jan's kids being sick, and my mom, we are very behind.

When mom's weight dropped to 118, I decided to try the snack tactic. Every afternoon, I take her a snack, fish sandwich and cupcakes etc. So far, it seems to be working. We have had some of the same problems with mom that you and Lil had. I still feel that if her personal doctor was not an idiot, she never would have been in this shape. Mom is a lifelong smoker, but she had cut way back. However, her saturated oxygen levels in her blood were about 62%. Should be 90 plus. Took her to the doctor 2 times, he said she was depressed. When we put her in the hospital, they did not take oxygen level, though her toes were turning blue. I saw her at 5:30pm, she seemed fine-last July. By midnight, they told me to get to the hospital because she might not make it!

If she had been given oxygen, she would not have had a crisis. One thing that makes me a good mechanic is not my brilliance, but that I am careful. For example when Dick, Betsy's dad, was here last month, he drove. When I checked his tires, they had 22lbs. of pressure. Should be 35 or so. Yet he had them checked. Halfassed mechanic.

Enough about my problems. I do have some advice for your car. Have them check the bottom radiator hose. It gets abused and is a most common cause of failure. Plus, put some gas-dri or similar product in the tank, removes water. Costs about \$1. Every single oil and gas tank I have ever pulled out of my boat has water. Gets into cars thru condensation.

I really did appreciate your nice letter about my radio appearance. Sorry I confused autopsy notes vs. actual autopsy. Most callers were very nice, some seemed really appreciative. Joe Arnold and I work really well together, said it was our best show. I was on for 1 hour, but he invited me back for the second hour. 1am to 3am. I try to make him look good, and respect every caller, even the nutty ones. Like the one who called Arlen Specter a Communist! We cut her off, and I denied Specter was a red, only a Republican!

I truly believe in the magic of radio. Rush Limbaugh has proven again and again it is a powerful medium. I think of the shutins, the longhaul truckers, the soldier driving all night back to his base, the young mother up with her sick child. As I tell Joe, we got to keep the truckers awake, we don't want them driving off into the woods!

I think I shall try to get on AM Coast to Coast. They have some very controversial shows, such as with Dr. John Mack, expert from Harvard on alien abductions, that's right, from outer space! I think he believes in it. I believe in UFO's, but I take a pass on alien abductions.

One reason I like WHAS is I like to be in the studio. Better sound quality, etc. Brother Larry used to be a regular autoracing guest before he got his own show on local sports channel. My father and his company used to sponsor the state basketball tourney. He would be introduced by Cawood Ledford, voice of the Wildcats. "That's right, Cawood, we have an oil change and grease special on Cat machines all week during the tourney. Drop off your tractor and we'll work on it while you are cheering your team at Freedom Hall." Boy, I wish I could get a recording of that! The good ol days! Love, Bill

