

12 Minutes Faster

A Message from Auntie Karen

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Auntie Karen

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Hi Karen

I do not commute to work from rural to a city centre. I am very fortunate to live only 6 minutes (5 mins. if there is no traffic and the one traffic light is green for me to turn on) away from my workplace and can come home for lunch. However I **need to be very alert and conscious and patient and courteous of other rude and hasty drivers** who do not wait their turn @ the 2 x four-way stops on my journey, and who do not keep their proper distance behind me, and I am sure they would go over or thru me & my car if they could find a way (and oh yes, I am going the posted speed limit)!!!

On occasion I have stepped out of my car to question the driver behind me if maybe my braking tail-lights were not working, as they are approaching & stopping so closely that I could almost see the colour of their eyes in my rear view mirror. Their reply is, oh yes in fact the brake lights are working, but they are just in such a hurry to get home!!! I have since stopped this practice, as it really does annoy them, and my loved ones fear that this could be dangerous ie: road rage, and to just remain in my vehicle where it is safer. But is it really safe when you are rear-ended or t-boned @ an intersection and end up with whip-lash and air-bag injuries to your body etc., not to mention the verbal assault from the other accident causing driver???(and sometimes physical assault!!!)

It's a crazy world we live in, along with crazy people. We just need to be patient and courteous and very alert!!! I am so grateful I did take Driver's Ed. and Defensive Driving Courses in High School and apply that knowledge and skill daily!!! We have to realize that we are in control of an average 35-4000 pound vehicle that can cause mass human & property damage if not destruction!!! and that behind the wheel of this monstrous vehicle, we are NOT invincible!!!

ROAD RAGE needs to stop and maybe retesting drivers on a regular basis to ensure they use and are reminded and aware of **necessary & proper driving skills** should become a requirement (not to mention more income & jobs for our Province). Drivers need to be in control at all times (that does not include cell phone use or texting), and oh yes Speed does Kill !!!

From Sharon