

## news

## ENTERING 2016

## A new year means new hopes and new dreams

Renewed hope. In a nutshell that's largely what the new year represents to many folks around the globe.

With the annual turning of the calendar comes a renewed sense of hope and the perceived potential for a change in luck and fortune.

While logic dictates that the simple flip of a calendar page should have no significant impact in one's personal or working life—most of us eagerly greet the arrival of a new year—anticipating that the new 365 days ahead will hold greater fortune and fun than the one recently regulated to 'the past'.

Many folks confidently anticipate the winding down of December and arrival of January as a chance to dust off misfortune, bad luck, or disappointment with the same expectation that a warm shower will guarantee a cleansing of the skin and invigoration of the body.

Like an emotional elixir many of us anxiously expect our luck to change when the clock strikes midnight on Jan. 31.

In further display of such hope we often add to the allurements by carefully and sometimes with great consternation craft our own personal promises for change in the form of New Year's resolution.

Some of us boldly

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share our resolutions with others while others keep them held quietly close to their chest—either through superstition or fear of humiliation should the plan fail.

I remember more than a decade ago when I publicly pledged three New Years in a row that I was going to quit smoking, which of course I failed to do.

Ironically on the fourth year, when I kept the vow to divorce nicotine to myself, I succeeded.

I suppose there is understandable logic to the temptation for such resolutions and the anticipated opportunity for a change of luck.

The end of one year and start of another is a natural time to reflect on the previous events ventured through and either enjoyed or simply endured.

It allows us to allow ourselves a little forgiveness. Perceived failures are forgotten with the hope for better things to come. It is a chance for another chance.

Many folks greet the end of a year with welcome relief suggesting they are, "glad that one is over."

I have had my share of those feelings over the years, however upon

reflection, 2015 was a good year for this scribe.

Certainly, it started off on a positive personal note as I joined eight other eager folks as members of the recently elected Kelowna city council.

Having been fortunate enough to enjoy that role in the past, I also knew that the first month or two are often the best for an elected official as there is a brief grace period bestowed by the electorate on those named to the position.

Things took a significant dip in February when a bout of pneumonia sent me to hospital causing my emphysema to place me close to the edge of no return.

Thanks to the fabulous efforts of my lung specialist, the staff at KGH and the support of Teresa and many friends, my bounce back was surprisingly quick.

My health and luck remained good the rest of 2015 highlighted by some wonderful adventures and quiet times for Teresa and I.

The addition of four kittens into our world in the spring certainly increased the levity level in the House of Hodge.

Other personal highlights include some memorable fishing trips with buddy Curtis Tulman, some magical musical moments with buddy Keith Thom, peace and calm in my garden, and enjoyable work on

city council.

Overall 2015 goes into my memory bank as a year of pleasure.

I anticipate more of the same with (hopefully) continued good health, humor, and successful work in 2016.

I certainly anticipate an exciting and challenging year ahead for city council.

I kept my New Year's resolution simple this year; to not take life for granted, to fully enjoy the world around me and to squeeze as much joy and pleasure out of each and every day as I can.

Without question 2016 started off on the right foot for Tez and I as we ventured down the road to neighbours' Daphne and Cliff's home for a small but hilarious evening of fun.

It was a night of sharing laughter and frivolity as new friends Tim, Kim, Tom, Brenda, Paul, Holly, Heather, Darren and others made us feel right at home. Understandable, I suppose, since it turns out the crew was a combination of characters from Newfoundland and Nova Scotia.

I was well behaved so no headache the next morning, however my stomach was sore from laughing so hard. What a wonderful start to a year.

Bonus to the party was meeting Paul of Dangerous Tree Removal service who offered us a winter deal on removing some not so healthy trees

in the yard.

Stay tuned for more on that adventure. If Paul

is half as good at cutting trees as he is in enjoyable conversation it should be

interesting.

Happy New Year folks.

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Plantar Fasciitis is an overuse injury affecting the fibrous tissue that forms the arch. Heel spurs can form when the fascia tears at the heel attachment and results in pain in the center of the heel. Achilles Tendonitis is irritation of the Achilles where the calf muscle meets the heel and can result in pain in the calf, the Achilles, or the back of the heel. The inflammation from overuse leads to pain as well as deposits of scar tissue, further inflaming the area each time the Achilles or plantar fascia are used. After the body has tried for weeks or months to heal the injury with no

## Don't try to sell me a car that's already been in a collision

My wife's first new car was a bright red Honda Civic hatchback.

I noticed fading paint on one of the quarter-panels when we first met, which was very apparent because the paint on the rest of the vehicle still looked really good.

She filled me in that the faded paint was where the vehicle had been damaged and repaired.

My own first new car

was a 2004 Honda CRV. During its first year, the back end was damaged. It was repaired "good as new." Over the last few years, the paint at the

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back end of the car began deteriorating and today there is an area where it has completely peeled off. There is also a recurring, annoying problem with the back door sensor.

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I am no "car guy", but I assume that the greater the severity of the impact, the more likely there will

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**#KC07001113 - 62 Papers**  
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**#KC08001911 - 23 Papers**  
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### LEGAL AFFAIRS

# Assessing depreciation

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be this or that residual problem even if a highly reputed autobody shop has done their best to "put Humpty Dumpty together again."

So no, don't bother trying to sell me damaged goods. Well, unless you sell it to me at a deep discount to compensate me for those annoying issues, the inevitable fading/peeling paint, and perhaps more significant problems that might crop up.

The discount will have to be mighty deep, though.

You can reassure me to the end of the Earth and back again that the car was repaired "even better than new," because old parts were replaced with new ones, the paint job

was of the highest quality, etc. You might even be right.

I'm not going to believe you, though, because of my personal experience. Most others won't either. You will have to accept a discount or not sell your car.

The loss of value of a vehicle resulting from a crash, which arises from a loss of consumer confidence in the repaired Humpty Dumpty, is called accelerated depreciation.

My brand new CRV suffered immediate depreciation of value as soon as I drove it off the lot. There was another jump of depreciation as soon as it was in a crash.

I plan on hanging onto my CRV for another few years, hoping to pass it on to my kids. We might drive it until it

dies, in which case the accelerated depreciation loss of value is one that will never cost me money because I will never be in a position of trying to sell it.

Whether or not I choose to sell it, the vehicle asset I am driving around is, in fact, less valuable than it would have been had the crash not occurred. That is a loss.

Not surprisingly, the law says that if someone inflicts that loss on you, there is a right of fair compensation.

At what point, though, is the loss assessed?

The law says the loss is assessed as of the time the loss was inflicted. This is an important point, because the difference in market value to my 12-year-old CRV is far less than it was when the crash occurred.

I include this accelerated depreciation loss along with the claim for fair compensation for injuries, income losses and expenses that I pursue on behalf of my injured clients.

What if, though, there is no injury claim?

What if your vehicle is damaged in a crash and you were not injured? Insurance covers the expense of putting Humpty Dumpty together again but what about the accelerated depreciation loss to the value of your vehicle?

A reader posed this question to me recently.

I provided him with the name of a vehicle appraiser (necessary to prove the amount of the loss) along with a link to on-line information about how to pursue a small claims lawsuit against the offending driver.

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