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EARTH TALK

From the Editors of E/The Environmental Magazine

I heard that VW and Toyota were fined for cheating on emissions tests for new vehicles. Why did they do this and are all of the car companies likely cheating? -B.C., Floral Park, NY

Emissions testing plays an essential role in controlling vehicle pollution and conserving the environment. These evaluations confirm that vehicles comply with legal regulations for the release of harmful gases.

The main motive for is monetary. Achieving emissions standards frequently necessitates costly technologies such as sophisticated catalytic converters or more environmentally friendly engine designs. For car manufacturers, these enhancements may reduce profits or increase vehicle prices for buyers, possibly leading to lower sales. By engaging in deceit, companies can evade these expenses while still seeming to adhere to regulations. Moreover, tougher emissions regulations in areas such as the European Union and the U.S. exert notable pressure on manufacturers to innovate quickly. When deadlines appear unattainable, certain automakers resort to shortcuts by altering test outcomes.

Cheating also helps preserve a company's reputation. For example, VW heavily marketed its "Clean Diesel" vehicles as Eco-friendly alternatives, but later investigations revealed the use of defeat devices—software designed to manipulate results during tests. These devices made cars ap-

pear cleaner while emitting up to 40 times the legal limit of pollutants in real-world driving. Toyota was recently fined for cheating, showing that even trusted industry leaders sometimes prioritize profits over compliance.

Other manufacturers have also faced accusations. Nissan falsified emissions data in Japan due to poorly managed testing systems. Opel was also found using defeat devices in Europe in 2015. And BMW was involved in an "emissions cartel" that sought to limit progress in AdBlue, a technology designed to decrease nitrogen oxide (NOx) emissions. Even Mercedes-Benz faced allegations of using defeat devices, though the company refutes the claims.

While it's unlikely that every car company cheats, the problem appears widespread enough to warrant concern. Weak enforcement and the potential for profit make cheating an attractive option for unethical companies. Nonetheless, many manufacturers do focus on compliance and put resources into cleaner technologies, demonstrating that innovation can occur without resorting to fraud.

To tackle emissions fraud, authorities need to enhance enforcement and apply stricter penalties. Third-party organizations should handle emissions tests to ensure impartiality, and carmakers should be incentivized to develop sustainable technologies. As consumers, we can help by choosing vehicles that have confirmed eco-friendly certifications, and insisting on increased transparency from carmakers.

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Send it to: EarthTalk, c/o E/The Environmental Magazine, P.O. Box 5098, Westport, CT 06881; submit it at: www.emagazine.com/earthtalk/thisweek/, or e-mail: earthtalk@emagazine.com.

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Since taking office, Dennis has fought for tax cuts, led efforts to protect local zoning laws, and spearheaded the renovation of Broadway Town Park without increasing costs to residents. He is also a strong advocate for the environment, successfully securing grants to plant over 1,200 trees.

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Local Events & Concerts



TAI CHI IN THE GARDENS
10/29, 10:30-11:30am. Old Westbury Gardens With Linda Cafiero. \$28. Includes garden admission. 71 Old Westbury Rd., Old Westbury. 516-333-0048. Register: www.OldWestburyGardens.org

SPOOKY FEST ADVENTURE
Every weekend thru October. 6-9pm. Safe, fun and festive. This year includes a new Pirates Cove to the enchanted walk. Spooky haunted woods to not too spooky walk, face painting, slime making, fortune telling & more. Not scary tickets \$22, all attractions \$28. Book tickets online: www.cstl.org CSTL-Center For Science, Teaching & Learning 1450 Tangelwood Rd., RVC. 516-764-0045.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF- HERRICKS COMMUNITY CTR
Now thru 11/2. The Herricks Players perform this Broadway classic Friday-Sunday through Nov 2. Herricks Community Theatre, 999 Herricks Rd., New Hyde Park. Tickets from \$22. See details and purchase tickets: www.herricksplayers999.com Or call 516-317-4242.

KIDS SPOOKY SCIENCE AT PLANTING FIELDS
10/29 4-6pm. Ages 5-12. History of pumpkins, animal bones & fall nature crafts. \$25 per child. Guardian welcome to stay. T the Education Center, 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay. For more details & reserve: www.plantingfields.org

DIWALI CELEBRATION- NHP
10/29 6-9pm. Presented by the TONH. Celebration of the Indian Festival of Lights. Incredible entertainment and delicious food served. Reservations required, Limited space. At Clinton G. Martin Park, 1601 Marcus Ave. New Hyde Park. Reservations required. Call 311 or 516-869-7625.

GHOSTBUSTERS- MOVIE
10/29 7pm. Presented by the TONH. Bring chair or blanket & snack. Costumes encouraged. Free. Whitney Pond Park, Manhasset. Call 311 or 516-869-6311 for more info.

SPOOKTACULAR STAR PARTY AT VANDERBILT
10/29, 6-8pm. Halloween fun and cosmic wonder with the Astronomical Society of Long Island. Free event for all ages. Come in costume. Look through telescopes at the celestial wonders in the night sky. Crafts for kids, For \$10 p.p. see Laser Fright Light at 8pm. Register online. 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport, 631-854-5579. www.vanderbiltmuseum.org

GOOSEBUMPS- MOVIE
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HALLOWEEN MURDER MYSTERY- PLANTING FIELDS
10/31. 6:30-8:30. Adults. An immersive murder mystery experience where you become part of the story! Circulate among suspects, trade tips, and bribe for clues as you piece together motives and alibis. Keep your wits about you as alliances shift, secrets surface, and the list of potential victims grows by the minute \$85 p.p. includes light bites & cocktails. 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay. For more details & reserve: www.plantingfields.org

BOO! STORY, STROLL & CRAFT VANDERBILT
10/31, 10-11am. Sweet Halloween story and take home craft. \$20 per child. 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport, 631-854-5579. Purchase tickets online: www.vanderbiltmuseum.org

CRADLE OF AVIATION SPOOKY SCIENCE
11/1 & 11/2. 10am-5pm. Grades 3-5. Hands on activities, not too scary. Wear your costume and enjoy the Gremlin Hunt, crafts and goodie bags. Buy tickets online. www.cradleofaviation.org 516-572-4066 Charles Lindbergh Blvd., Garden City.

BAVARIAN OKTOBERFEST PLATTDUETSCH PARK
11/1. 6pm. 103rd Jubiläum! Original Enzian Schuhplattler Dancers and Buffet Dinner w/unlimited beer/wine/soda. Auction, raffles, music by The Spitzbuam Band. \$90p.p., Advance Reservations: 516-482-6417. Childrens' pricing avail.

HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR- MADISON THEATRE- MOLLOY
11/1, 7:30pm. Spooky sights and sounds of the South Shore Symphony. Musicians are in costume and attendees are encouraged to come in costume too. Tickets \$35 adults, \$30 seniors, \$10 students, kids under 12 free. Madison Theatre at Molloy U. 1000 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Centre. Tickets call 516-323-4444 OR www.madisontheatre.org

BEE'S KNEES AT QUEENS COUNTY FARM
11/1, 6-7:30pm Take a trip back in time to beekeeping in the 1920's with the Queen Bee of HoneyGramz. This fun interactive workshop will include a walking tour of the Queens County Farm Apiary, where it's easy to imagine what beekeeping was like 100 years ago. See and feel what a frame of honey is like. Guests will learn how to make the Bee's Knees cocktail that originated during the Prohibition and sample a variety of different types of honey. \$65p.p. See website for details. 73-50 Little Neck Pkwy, Floral Park. www.Queensfarm.org

FORAGING FOR EDIBLES AT VANDERBILT
11/2, 9am-12pm. Steve Brill's hand on presentation of the edible variety of plants growing locally. Walk on the trail to identify species and take home. \$25 adults, \$15 kids 10+. Register online. 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport, 631-854-5579. www.vanderbiltmuseum.org

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11/2, 11am-4pm. On the great lawn next to the Mansion, you can view beautifully restored automobile excellence. \$14 adults, \$10 seniors and students, \$12 and under \$8, 2 and under free. 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport, 631-854-5579. www.vanderbiltmuseum.org

3RD ANNUAL PUMPKIN SMASH
11/2, 12-5pm, Science Museum of Long Island. Don't trash, smash! Bring your old Halloween pumpkins to the museum and smash them as we use them for our compost pile or to feed our resident turtle! Enjoy pumpkin slingshots, launchers, bat smashing station, corn hole, drop kill, pumpkin bowling and much more fun! \$20 adults, \$10 age 13 and under, 3 or under free. All proceeds go to Christopher Holmes Scholarship and conservation Memorial Fund. Register ahead to save \$5. www.sml.org 1526 N. Plandome Rd., Manhasset.

BIRD WALK AT HEMPSTEAD LAKE PARK
11/2. 9am. Hosted by the South Shore Audubon Society. Weather permitting. Free and open to the public, children also encouraged to come. Register by texting Joe Landesberg: 516-467-9498 leave your name and date you want to attend. www.ssaudubon.org

ROOT TO RISE YOGA- QUEENS COUNTY FARM
11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23. 10-11am In the barn or outdoors when weather permits. Hatha Vinyasa Yoga with Lorene. All levels welcome. \$18p.p. See website for tickets. 73-50 Little Neck Pkwy, Floral Park. www.Queensfarm.org



SPLISH SPLASH ANIMAL BATH
11/2, 1:30-2pm. Long Island Children's Museum. Ages 3+. Join in the Hive Studio to learn what goes into the care of LICM animals including bath time. Free with museum admission. Info: www.lbcm.org 11 Davis Ave., Garden City

HATS OFF TO LIZA PLAZA THEATRICAL THEATRE
11/2, 2:30pm. Tribute to Liza Minelli Tickets are \$40-\$45. Purchase online or call 516-599-6870. Elmont Memorial Library Theatre, 700 Hempstead Tpke., Elmont. www.plazatheatrical.com

More Local Events

BUG BUDDIES AT QUEENS COUNTY FARM MUSEUM

11/2, 11am-12:15pm. Ages 3-10 years recommended but all are welcome. One parent must attend with child. Topic: Pill bugs. Hands on classes both indoors and outdoors. \$12 per class. Register online: www.queensfarm.org
73-50 Little Neck Pkwy, Floral Park.

MAKE YOUR OWN SEA NECKLACE AT LICM

11/4, 11/5, 11/6, 11/7. 2:30-4pm. Long Island Children's Museum. All ages. Drop in between these times. In honor of the new exhibit, Saltwater Stories, make your own paper shell necklace. Free with museum admission. Info: www.licm.org
11 Davis Ave., Garden City

TRIVIA TUESDAYS AT QUEENS COUNTY FARM

11/4, 7-8pm. Inside the historic Adriaance Farmhouse, where friendly competition meets colonial charm. Trivia rounds will feature questions on U.S. Presidents, First Ladies, and the history of the Adriaance Farmhouse—perfect for history buffs and trivia lovers alike. Guests can register as individuals or pairs—solo players will be partnered up before competing for the chance to win fun prizes. Light refreshments will be served, and colonial-inspired alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase to add an extra taste of the past. \$20p.p. Register online. www.queensfarm.org
73-50 Little Neck Pkwy, Floral Park.

PAT FARRELL - BILLY JOEL TRIBUTE

11/5, 12/3 Food & drink 6:30, Concert 7:30. Pat Farrell & the Cold Spring Harbor Band. Live at Manhasset Cinema. 430 Plandome Rd. \$35. Buy tickets: www.GMCINEMAS.com

MONTHLY MEDITATION

11/6, 6-7pm. at Sands Point. Led by Hildur Pallsdottir. Held in the beautiful Mansion or Garden weather permitting. Register online. \$17 per class, non members, \$25. 12 Middle Neck Rd., Sands Point.
www.SandsPointPreserveConservancy.org

LITTLE LEARNERS ART LAB

11/6, 11:30am-12pm. Long Island Children's Museum. Ages 2-5. Hands on art making, play & creative thinking. \$4 with museum admission. Get tickets: www.licm.org
11 Davis Ave., Garden City



Foraging

LITTLE LEARNERS AT PLANTING FIELDS

11/7, 10-11am. Ages 2-5. Celebrate the fall season with storytelling, wreath making to take home and outdoor exploration. \$15 per child includes one adult to accompany. 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay. Reserve online: www.plantingfields.org

HABITAT & HISTORY HIKE PLANTING FIELDS

11/7, 10-11am. Guided walking tour through stunning fall landscapes and get insights into the ecological significance of the beauty of the season. \$20 p.p. 1395 Planting Fields Rd., Oyster Bay. Reserve: www.plantingfields.org

ECOTHERAPY

11/8, 10:30am-12:30pm. Also known as Forest Bathing. Led by Certified guide Linda Lombardo, allowing you to open up to the beauty of the natural world. Register online. \$45 members, non \$50. 12 Middle Neck Rd., Sands Point.
www.SandsPointPreserveConservancy.org

COLONIAL CULINARY SERIES

11/8. 10am-11:30pm. Queens County Farm Museum in Adriaance Farm House. Each session focuses on a hands on experience with food, culture & history. Adults & teens 16 and up. \$58 per class. Sign up for individual dates or multiple ones. Register online: www.queensfarm.ticketspice.com
73-50 Little Neck Pkwy, Floral Park.

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www.vanderbiltmuseum.org

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11/9, 11am-4pm. Rain date 10/26. On the great lawn next to the Mansion, you can view beautifully restored automobile excellence. \$14 adults, \$10 seniors and students, \$12 and under \$8, 2 and under free. 180 Little Neck Rd., Centerport, 631-854-5579.
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11/11, 11am-1pm. Long Island Children's Museum. Ages 4+. For this AdvoKids series, visitors will learn about the importance of Veterans Day and about a local Naval Veteran, Jeremy Feldman, and his work with local non-profit, Long Island Warriors Hockey Club. Visitors will then create an American Flag to commemorate the day. This is a drop-in program. Free with museum admission. www.licm.org
11 Davis Ave., Garden City

AMERICAN LEGION FLAP JACK BREAKFAST

11/16: 8-10 am: Short Stacks for a Tall Cause. Fundraiser to support American Legion Post 1089. Held at Applebees, 1985 Jericho Tpke., New Hyde Park. Local scouts will be helping to host event. Tickets \$10pp for Legion and Scout members and their immediate family and \$12 for general public. Raffles/prizes. For more info contact Rainer: 516-510-5897



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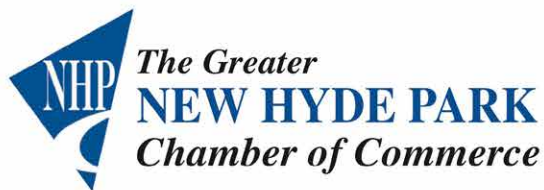
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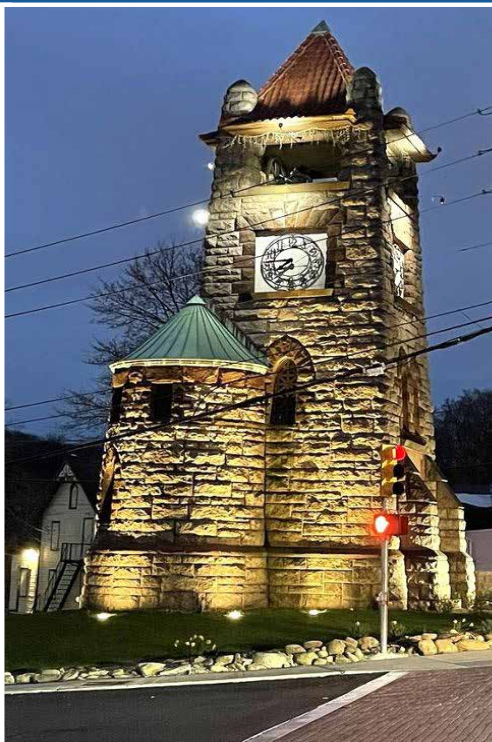
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Chocolate Covered Pumpkin Pretzels



3/4 cup orange chocolate melts
1 bag (16 oz) mini pretzel twists
1/4 cup mini green coated chocolate candies

Line baking sheet with parchment paper and set aside.

In medium microwave-safe bowl, melt candy melts 30 seconds then stir. Working in 15-second intervals, continue microwaving until melted and smooth, stirring between intervals. With fork or dipping utensil, dip 36 mini pretzel twists, one

at a time, into melted orange chocolate and gently tap side of bowl to remove excess.

Lay each covered pretzel on parchment paper. Using remaining pretzel twists, break apart enough to equal 1/4 cup.

Place one mini green chocolate candy (to form leaf) and one broken pretzel piece (to form stem) on top of each dipped pretzel. Repeat with remaining pretzels and chocolate candies.

Let set until solid. Pretzels can harden on counter about 30 minutes, or placed in refrigerator or freezer 5-10 minutes.

Roasted Pumpkin Seeds



Water
1 1/2 cups raw pumpkin seeds
2 tsp sea salt, plus additional for seasoning (optional)
2 tsp salted butter, melted
1 tsp garlic powder
1 tsp paprika

In pot over high heat, bring water to boil. Add pumpkin seeds and 2 teaspoons salt; boil 15 minutes. Drain water and spread seeds evenly on paper towels to dry.

Preheat oven to 350 F. Line baking sheet with foil or parchment paper.

In medium bowl, toss seeds and butter until coated well. Sprinkle with garlic powder, paprika and additional salt, if desired. Spread seeds evenly on baking sheet.

Bake 25-30 minutes, or until golden brown and lightly toasted. Stir every 10 minutes.

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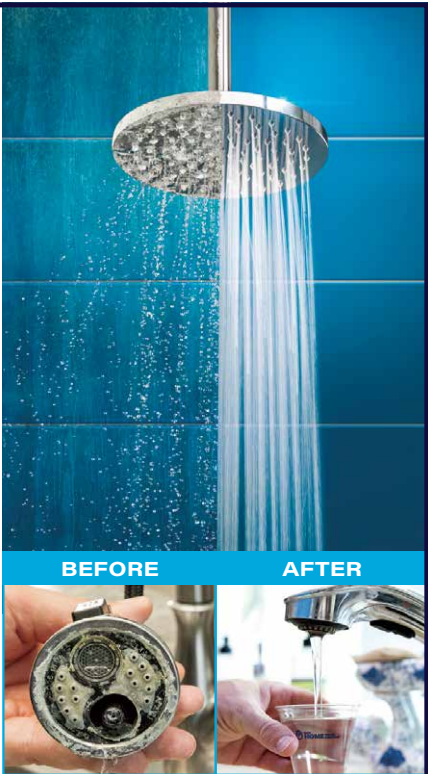
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