

Book explores that crazy thing called auto repair

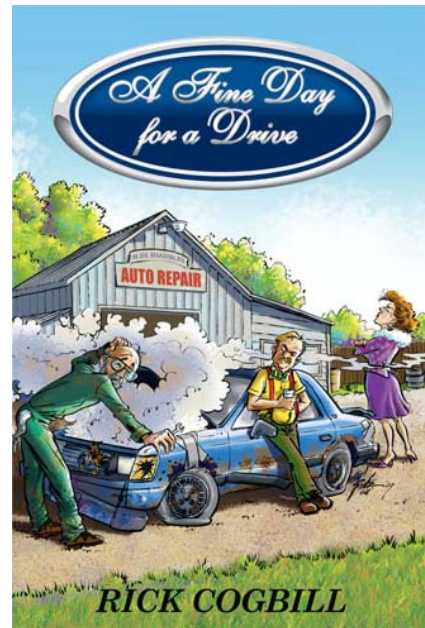
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An automotive shop seems like an unlikely launch point for a book, but Rick Cogbill, a licensed automotive technician and former shop owner, has a hit with *A Fine Day for a Drive*.

Based upon *The Car Side* humour column, Rick's first full-length book explores this crazy thing called the automotive repair business from the other side of the service counter.

Read about the early years of *Slim Shambles Auto Repair*, and discover:

- How Slim came to open his shop
- How he hired Basil, Tooner and Beanie
- The quirky town of Slumber-land and its prominent citizens
- How Slim met his wife Cookie, and what happened on the first date...



In addition, memorable characters like Buck Pincher, Dethnor Pallor, Lewis Change, and Mayor Dewgood provide many hilarious moments. Rick claims the book is not an “Autobiography . . .” and that any connection to a real person is purely coincidental, but I’m not convinced. Surely the names have been changed to protect the guilty!

Whether you are in the “biz,” an automotive enthusiast, or you just plain like to laugh, this book is a fun read. Set aside a few hours. You will have a hard time putting it down, as the entertainment just keeps rolling.

Available at <http://thecarside.com> for under \$20, delivered to your door. Makes a great gift for the car nut in your life.