Safe road travel

BEFORE YOU LEAVE:

☐ Have oil changed
☐ Check air in tires
☐ Check all automobile fluid levels
☐ Make sure windows are clean
☐ Fill up with gas
☐ Carry a map
  o Make sure you know where gas stops are along your route and that you will have plenty of gas to make it from one stop to the next. Running out of gas is NOT a good thing.
☐ Make sure you have reservations at your destination. Hotels fill up fast – especially in spring break hot spots!
☐ Make sure your cell phone is charged and bring a car charger with you!

IMPORTANT SAFETY ITEMS TO CARRY IN YOUR CAR:

☐ Jumper cables
☐ Flashlight
☐ Blankets
☐ Basic 1st aid kit
☐ Water
☐ Emergency phone numbers – 911 works from a cell no matter where you are!

ON THE ROAD

☐ Wear your seat belt! Not only is it the law, it’s your lifeline! “But I’m a perfect driver and my seat belt is uncomfortable” you say…..Not everyone on the road is a perfect driver. Protect yourself from them!
☐ Alternate drivers. Make sure whoever is riding shotgun stays awake to help keep the driver alert.
☐ Make sure everyone who drives has a driver’s license and insurance.
☐ Don’t engage in risky road games with other drivers. It may seem fun, flirty, or whatever…. these situations rarely end well. Do you really want to be responsible for risking the lives of others? There will be plenty of time for fun and flirting when you get there!
☐ While we are on the subject…..an automobile is not a club! Distractions like dancing, talking on, texting or dialing the phone, or messing with music can be that one second of distraction that it takes for something horrible to happen. Unfortunately, distractions like this can be fatal.
☐ Do I sound like your mother?? Good!