# Trivia

#### did you know that ...

Orcas (killer whales), when traveling in groups, breathe in unison.

The bright skin that hangs from a turkey's neck is called a "wattle."

The world's smallest owl is the elf owl which weighs 1.5 ounces and is the size of a sparrow.

Unlike other four legged mammals, kangaroos cannot walk backwards.

Construction workers hard hats were first invented and used in the building of the Hoover Dam in 1933.

One tree can filter up to sixty pounds of pollutants from the air each year.

The IRS employees tax manual has instructions for collecting taxes after a nuclear war.

Using recycled aluminum cans and making new cans out of them saves 75% energy compared to making it from new material.

It takes about three hours for food to be broken down in the human stomach.

A person will burn 7 percent more calories if they walk on dirt compared to pavement.

To lose one pound of fat, a person has to burn approximately 3,500 calories.

The pectin that is found in apples aids in lowering cholesterol levels.

Peanut butter is an effective way to to remove chewing gum from hair or clothes.

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## Product Spotlight

The FloMAX style connectors were designed in the 1960's to provide fast fueling for large equipment like earthmovers, bulldozers and haul trucks. Smaller connectors for oil, hydraulic oil, transmission oil and coolant provided a fast and safe method to transfer these products from the lube service truck to the equipment at the

job site. The FloMAX FN600 and FN600BL are designed for 1½" hose and can handle up to 180 GPM.

The diesel fuel tank has a vent at the top and a fuel receiver at the bottom. The tank is filled from the bottom

to help prevent foaming. As the fuel fills the tank from the bottom, air exits the top through the vent. When the fuel level reaches the vent tube it will close and stop the air flow out of the tank. With no air venting out of the tank, pressure will build inside the tank. When

the right pressure is reached in the tank, the poppet closes and the nozzle is shut off.



FloMAX standard series connectors consist of 4 colorcoded non-interchangeable nozzle and receiver sets. The design prevents cross contamination of fluids from non-mating connectors. They are fully compatible and interchangeable with industry standard connectors. All wear components are nickel-plated steel for durability and the non-wear components are aircraft grade anod-



ized aluminum. Connectors are colorcoded and labeled for quick and easy identification. Aluminum caps are O-Ring sealed for greater contaminant resistance.

### Dates in History

**1775** On July the 26th Benjamin Franklin was the first to be appointed Postmaster General for the United Colonies. Through Franklin's efforts, the length of time for mail service between major cities in the colonies was cut in half.

- 1829 On July 23rd William Burt from Detroit, Michigan was granted the first American patent for a typewriter. Burt's machine was designed with characters arranged on a rotating frame. Like many other designs of the time, it was cumbersome, hard to use, unreliable and often took longer to produce a letter than writing it by hand.
- **1900** On July 2nd a Zeppelin (the LZ-1) took its first flight near Lake Constance in Germany. The flight lasted approx. 17 minutes reaching a height of 1,300 feet, carrying five passengers.

### On the Lighter Side

One morning a local highway department crew reaches their job-site and realizes they have forgotten all their shovels.

The crew's foreman radios the office and tells his supervisor the situation.

The supervisor radios back and says, "Don't worry, we'll send some shovels. Just lean on each other until they arrive."

The homeowner was delighted with the way the painter had done all the work on his house.

"You did a great job." he said and handed the man a check. "Also, in order to thank-you, here's an extra \$80 to take the missus out to dinner and a movie."

Later that night, the doorbell rang and it was the painter. The homeowner asked, "What's the matter, did you forget something?"

"Nope." replied the painter. "I'm just here to pick up your missus."

The census taker knocked on Donna's door. She answered all his questions except one. She refused to tell him her age.

"But everyone tells their age to the census taker," he said. "Did Miss Maisy Hill, and Miss Daisy Hill tell you their ages?" she asked.

"Certainly," he replied "Well, I'm the same age as they are," she snapped.

"As old as the Hills," he wrote on his form.

One night, a lady with a black eye stumbled into the police station.

She told the desk sergeant that she had heard a noise in her back yard and went to investigate. The next thing she knew, she was hit in the face and knocked out cold.

An officer was sent to her house to investigate, and he returned a few minutes later, also with a black eye.

"Did you get hit by the same attacker?" his captain asked. "No, sir." he replied. "I stepped on the same rake."

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