

A Day of Leave with PM Steve!



WHERE'RE YOU HEADED, PM STEVE?

I'M GOING HOME ON LEAVE.

MAKE SURE NO ONE SLACKS UP ON PM WHILE I'M GONE.

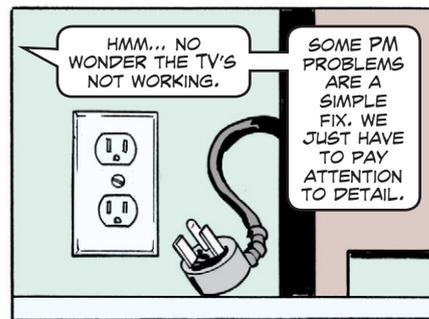


I DON'T WANT ALL MY HARD WORK TO GO DOWN THE TUBES!



NO PROBLEM, PM STEVE. WE'VE GOT YOUR BACK!

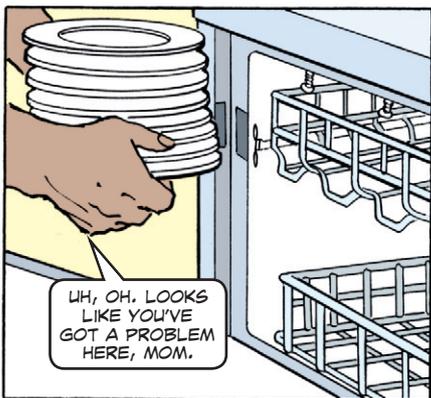
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IT'S GREAT TO BE HOME, MOM AND DAD. AND LUNCH WAS *DEE-LISHUS*. NOT AS GOOD AS MRS. OF COURSE.

HA-HA! IT'S GOOD TO HAVE YOU HOME, SON.



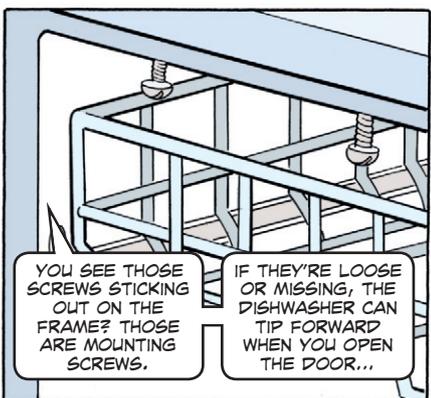
UH, OH. LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE GOT A PROBLEM HERE, MOM.



...OR WHEN YOU PULL THE RACK OUT. I'LL JUST TIGHTEN 'EM UP NOW.



LET ME HELP YOU WITH THE DISHES MOM!
THE ARMY'S TRAINED YOU WELL!



YOU SEE THOSE SCREWS STICKING OUT ON THE FRAME? THOSE ARE MOUNTING SCREWS.
IF THEY'RE LOOSE OR MISSING, THE DISHWASHER CAN TIP FORWARD WHEN YOU OPEN THE DOOR...



YOU'VE GOTTA REMEMBER TO DO PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE, MOM. IT CAN SAVE YOU FROM A LOT OF TROUBLE.



THANK YOU, STEVE. YOU SOLVED A PROBLEM *BEFORE* IT HAPPENED.

THAT'S THE BEST WAY TO DO IT, MOM!

HERE... I'LL SWEEP UP THE KITCHEN. YOU SIT AND REST.



THIS BROOM DOESN'T DO A VERY GOOD JOB.



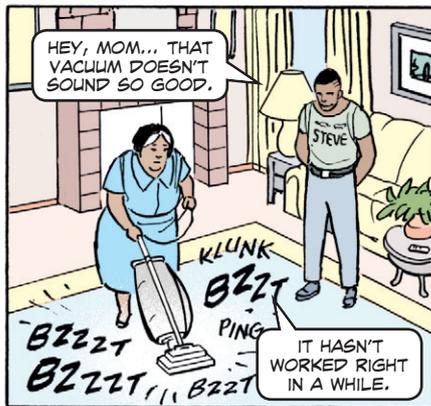
AND THIS DUST PAN'S CRACKED!



HMM... NO WONDER. THE HANDLE'S LOOSE!



LOOKS LIKE *BEFORE* OPERATION CHECKS SHOULD BE DONE AT HOME AND ON POST!



HEY, MOM... THAT VACUUM DOESN'T SOUND SO GOOD.

IT HASN'T WORKED RIGHT IN A WHILE.



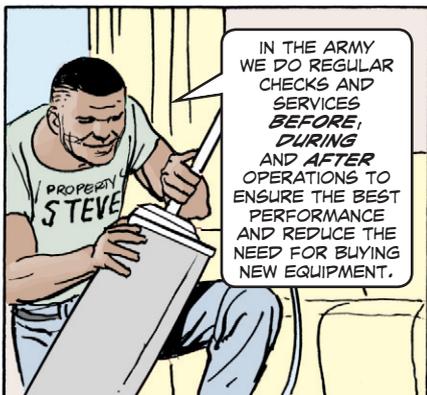
WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU DID PM ON THAT VACUUM?

PM? DOESN'T THAT STAND FOR NIGHT?



YES, IT DOES. BUT PM ALSO STANDS FOR PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE. THAT'S HOW THE ARMY TAKES CARE OF EQUIPMENT.

THIS DUST BAG IS FULL; MOM. I'LL CHANGE IT.



IN THE ARMY WE DO REGULAR CHECKS AND SERVICES BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER OPERATIONS TO ENSURE THE BEST PERFORMANCE AND REDUCE THE NEED FOR BUYING NEW EQUIPMENT.



SOUNDS GOOD NOW.



SEEMS LIKE I'VE BEEN DOING PM EVER SINCE I CAME HOME.

OH, REALLY?

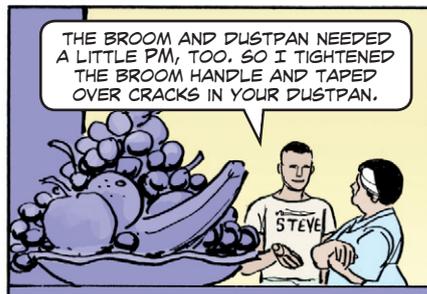


REALLY. SIS WAS HAVING TROUBLE WITH HER BIKE AND I FIXED IT.

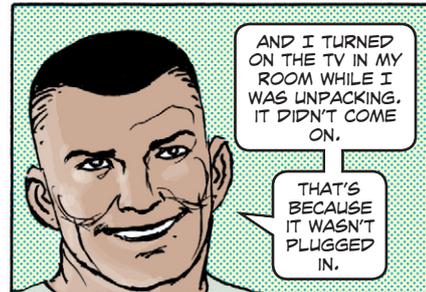
CATCHING PROBLEMS EARLY AND MAKING QUICK REPAIRS ARE PART OF GOOD PM.



MAKING SURE CONNECTIONS ARE IN PLACE BEFORE ATTEMPTING REPAIRS IS PART OF GOOD PM.



THE BROOM AND DUSTPAN NEEDED A LITTLE PM, TOO. SO I TIGHTENED THE BROOM HANDLE AND TAPED OVER CRACKS IN YOUR DUSTPAN.



AND I TURNED ON THE TV IN MY ROOM WHILE I WAS UNPACKING. IT DIDN'T COME ON.

THAT'S BECAUSE IT WASN'T PLUGGED IN.



I NOTICED LOOSE SCREWS IN THE DISHWASHER, SO I TIGHTENED THEM.

LOOSE SCREWS ON EQUIPMENT CAN LEAD TO FUTURE HAZARDS, SO TIGHTENING THEM IS PART OF GOOD PM.

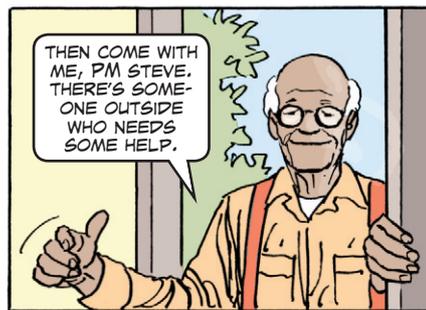


I'LL GET YOU A NEW BROOM AND DUSTPAN, MOM. REPLACING FAULTY COMPONENTS IS PART OF GOOD PM, TOO.



I JUST HEARD YOU TALKING ABOUT GOOD PM, STEVE. WE SHOULD CALL YOU PM STEVE.

THEY'RE ALREADY DOING THAT AT MY UNIT, DAD.



THEN COME WITH ME, PM STEVE. THERE'S SOMEONE OUTSIDE WHO NEEDS SOME HELP.



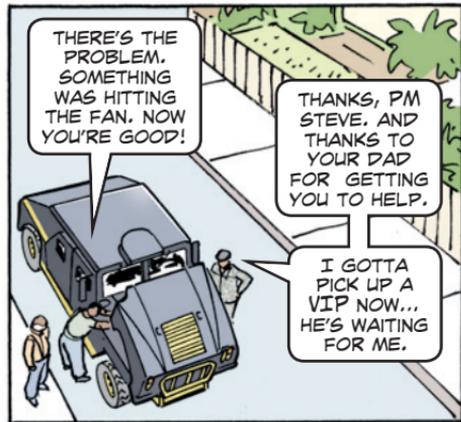
I BROUGHT MY SON, PM STEVE, OUT HERE TO LEND YOU A HAND.

HEY! WHAT'S UP?



GREAT! SOMEONE WHO UNDERSTANDS PM.

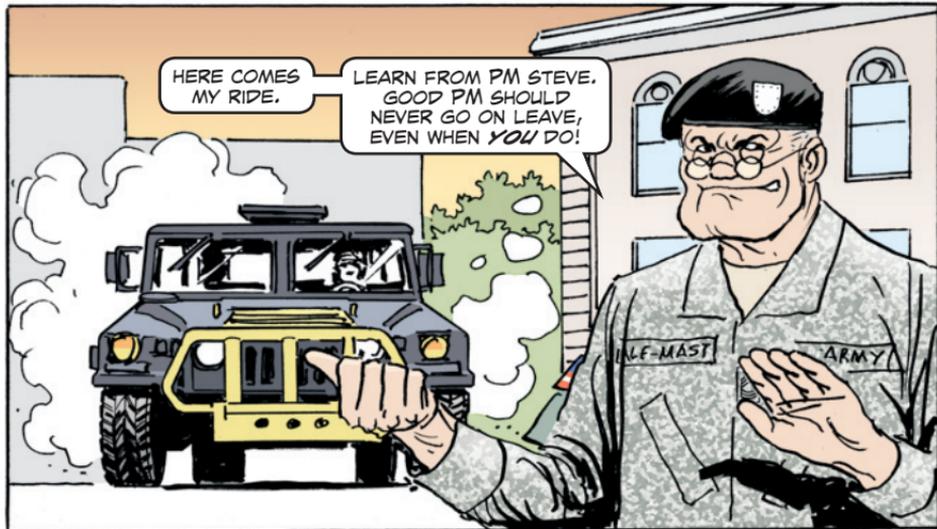
I HEARD A NOISE AND FIGURED I'D DO SOME 'DURING OPERATIONS' PMCS!



THERE'S THE PROBLEM. SOMETHING WAS HITTING THE FAN. NOW YOU'RE GOOD!

THANKS, PM STEVE. AND THANKS TO YOUR DAD FOR GETTING YOU TO HELP.

I GOTTA PICK UP A VIP NOW... HE'S WAITING FOR ME.



HERE COMES MY RIDE.

LEARN FROM PM STEVE. GOOD PM SHOULD NEVER GO ON LEAVE, EVEN WHEN YOU DO!