

Wheels: In a previous edition of Dayton Daily News, your column appeared about a 1991 Acura Integra car owner, John, who was having difficulty with getting his (automatic) transmission to indicate "park" on the dashboard. He also had difficulty getting the ignition key to release after turning the car off. You gave a very general description of the probable causes. However, I had the same exact problem with my 1991 Honda CRX and I know exactly what the fix was for that car. The Integra fix is very most likely the same fix as was done on my own CRX.

Essentially, the problem is caused by a defective 6 or 7 position sliding switch that is located on the right side of the gear select lever. The white switch looks the same on both cars but the part numbers are different. The switch is easy to see after removing the center console covering the gear select lever in the center of the interior of the car. This switch indicates to the car computer what gear has been selected by the driver. It needs to be either replaced (cost about \$50) or (if mechanically inclined) taken apart and the contacts thoroughly cleaned with a solvent (such as brake parts cleaner) and also lightly sand the contacts with fine sandpaper to remove any corrosion.

If the Integra owner will go to the website www.acuraautoparts.com/delray/jsp/catdisplay.jsp and select for his car, 4 door or 3 door, and RS or LS, and then search under "Method 1" a list of parts for his car will be provided. Assuming for example, 4DR and LS, then click on "select lever." This will provide a diagram with the switch part and part number to be replaced. The switch is item number 4, in this case part number 35700-SK7-A01, which can be ordered from the website for \$40.38.

Halderman: Thanks for passing along your information about the fix.

