

# THE SPIDER WEB

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A Drug-Free Workplace

**Merry Christmas**

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Happy Holidays DONALD  
MERRY CHRISTMAS - Jody

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Happy New Year  
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Happy  
Harley  
Days  
2012 ☺  
leigh!

from everybody at  
**Black Widow**



# Personals

### Need for Speed?

I will feed your hunger for speed. If you like your ride lean, low & raw, I'm what you're looking for.

2006 VRSCD Night Rod™ \$10,500  
U060170



### Looking for a soul mate

One ride on me and we'll be united by an unbreakable bond. So let's go for a spin where you'll feel only good vibrations.

2006 FLSTN Softail® Deluxe \$13,495  
U060748



### Classy Companionship

When you're in my saddle, no road will ever be lonely. Together we'll be a rolling masterpiece.

2012 FLHTK Electra Glide® Ultra Limited \$22,995  
U080740



You can find more in-depth details on these bikes on our website, [www.BlackWidowH-D.com](http://www.BlackWidowH-D.com), on the Pre-Owned Models page or on our Facebook Page at [www.facebook.com/BlackWidowHarleyDavidson](http://www.facebook.com/BlackWidowHarleyDavidson). Just look for the Inventory tab at the top. Or, stop by the dealership to take one on a test ride!

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For a little something different this month, we thought we would tell you about the most expensive gifts listed in the 2012 Neiman Marcus Christmas Book. A little something for everyone, if you have the dough. I sure hope you were good this year!

For \$30,000 you can make a stage appearance in one of theater's most beloved plays, ANNIE: The Musical. After the on-stage appearance, the buyer will also get a chance to sit down with one of the show's producers for a celebratory five-star meal for \$30,000.

For a mere \$70,000 you can own one of the "Snowy Owl" video portraits by artist Robert Wilson. Yes, the "portrait" actually moves, but one would think you *really* have to like owls to buy this one. Check out an example on youtube: <http://youtu.be/msbIay5jlx0>

For the adventure-seeking, a JetLev R200 jet pack will get you a real high, soaring in the sky. The water-propelled jetpack sells for a mere \$99,500 and, at least in this person's opinion, looks like a whole lotta fun!



Video game fan? For \$90,000 you can own a Pinel & Pinel Video Game Trunk. The trunk comes encased in luxurious calfskin, Formula 1 racing seat with Thrustmaster T500 RS Force Wheel, a selection of 24 PlayStation 3 games, 1800-watt wireless music system, motion-detection camera, and many other luxury features for \$90,000.

Have a VERY pampered pet? Pets are often trophies for the super rich. And for the chicken owners, Neiman Marcus' Versailles-inspired Le Petite Trianon house is the most expensive hen house ever. The custom-made multilevel house features a nesting area, a "living room" for nighttime roosting, a broody room, a library filled with chicken and gardening books for visitors of the human kind, and, it comes furnished with an elegant chandelier. For every Heritage Hen Mini Farm purchase, \$3,000 will go to The American Livestock Breeds Conservancy, a nonprofit organization. Interested? For \$100,000 the chicks will have nothing but love for you.

Whiskey lover? Why stop a fancy bottle? You can now tailgate on a vineyard vacation on this whiskey woody-tailgate trailer designed by interior designer Brad Ford. The trailer features exotic interiors to match its exteriors. The interiors feature sleek leather furnishings and details from Moore & Giles, rich wood finishings handcrafted from reclaimed Bulleit Bourbon casks, and comes equipped with elegant glassware, a limited-edition handcrafted flask, a top-notch entertain-

ment system, including a flat-screen TV, Blu-ray player, and a state-of-the-art sound system. The owner will also get a one-year supply of Bulleit Bourbon and Bulleit Rye along with a bottle of Bulleit Bourbon signed by founder Tom Bulleit and a leather-bound edition of The PDT Cocktail Book. The trailer is available for \$150,000.



Christmas celebrations wouldn't be complete without a gastronomic indulgence. For a quarter of a million (*not* a misprint) you and 9 friends can enjoy a very special private dinner. The epic culinary event will bring four of the world's most notable chefs—Daniel Boulud, Thomas Keller, Jerome Bocuse, and Richard Rosendale—to prepare a feast for you. The culinary experience will kick start with tequila tasting with the world's first female Maestra Tequilera and end with personalized, engraved crystal bottles of the sipping spirit for each of the diners.

We know our readers enjoy a special ride. In the market for a new car? The Neiman Marcus Edition 2013 McLaren 12C Spider is not only fast (top speed of

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204mph), but rare: only 12 will be made. Dubbed as “the drive of a lifetime,” the volcano red convertible boasts black leather interior with red stitching. Additional luxury options thrown in to add to the exclusivity includes, a business-class trip for two to England with stay in London, a trip to the automaker’s recently opened Technology Center and dinner with Ron Dennis, the McLaren chairman. Listed for \$354,000, the supercar is priced over and above its MSRP of \$302,830. [P.S. the 12 available cars sold out TWO HOURS after they were made available for sale, so you’ll have to wait for next year for another chance!]

Finally, something from the “His & Hers” section: Van Cleef & Arpels watch set for watch collectors. A tale of love found and lost has inspired the collectible watch set depicting scenes from a love story – perfect for Santa & Mrs. Claus.

“It’s a classic love story. Boy meets girl, a romance is sparked, but fate has intervened and they are separated, but both are left longing to find one another,” said Marisa Neira, watch product manager for Van Cleef & Arpels.

The buyer will also receive two business-class tickets to Paris and Geneva to tour

the Van Cleef & Arpels boutique, atelier, and watchmaking workshops. Neiman Marcus will donate \$10,000 for each gift sold to The Norman Mailer Center, which supports writers who challenge readers’ perspectives on the world around them. Interested? The most expensive item in the catalog will only set you back \$1,090,000.

*Happy Holidays and Ride Safe!*  
*Carrero Law Group*

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# Pet Food Drive

for

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ANIMAL RESCUE SANCTUARY

### Saturday, December 29, 2012

Bring a donation of a minimum of 5 pounds of dry food or at least 5 cans (5.5 oz cat or 13.2oz dog) of wet food to Black Widow Harley-Davidson® and receive

## 10% OFF

# Harley-Davidson® Licensed Products

Includes labor. Excludes vehicles. In-stock items only, while supplies last. Cannot be combined with any other specials or discounts.

Black Widow Harley-Davidson holds a Pet Food Drive the last Saturday of each month at the dealership.



# Service Notes

## Winter solstice? Holidays? Nope....."It's Christmas" .....

Well I'm back from a trip to Milwaukee, Wisconsin for a much enjoyed week of school. Harley-Davidson has done wonders turning the original brick and steel factory on Juneau Avenue into its corporate headquarters right on the very spot of the original wooden shed of 1903. I also got to spend an afternoon with classmates touring the H-D museum. That, folks, was incredible! If you have never had the chance to go, put it on that bucket list we hear so much about these days. Now back to reality and the thoughts of Thanksgiving and Christmas. Speaking of which, is everyone ready for Christmas? Yeah I said Christmas. Ask me and I'll tell ya what a load I think the whole PC "Happy Holidays" thing is, I've been known to speak my mind! I'm sure by the time you get to reading this; I will be sweating my usual list of last minute Christmas shopping decisions. For those of you finding yourselves in a similar predicament, stop by to see the Ladies in MotorClothes: Tammy, Leigh, Annie and Debbie. They'll give you gift ideas and get you back on your sleigh in a hurry. There's a ton of new stuff out there from the cool 110 Anniversary line all the way to new traditional. Without a doubt some of you have come across a well planted list of goodies lying around that John "Wrench," Eric and Scott can help you with in our parts department. Keep that Christmas spirit when you're asking about the new **"Burst" Collection** because that is one hot, popular new collection as Christmas draws near. Now Derek, Vinnie and John in sales have it easy as I see it. Nothing says Christmas cheer like a new **Screamin' Eagle Road King!** That thing is a rolling sound system that is topped only by its incredible paint and 110" motor. Set it up in the middle of the show

room floor, light it up like the space shuttle and then kick back and watch the crowd form. "Salesman" they call themselves. That's like calling the redneck at the aquarium with a shotgun a fisherman! Ah yeah, like "Hot Dog Jimmie" and that new Tri-glide he's swooning his lovely bride on... You go boy! As for those of you still trying to decide what to get for your Santa, let me plant a little idea. Have you given any thought about our service department? We're here for ya all year long, why not Christmas? Nothing says love and caring for Santa like scheduling a service for his sleigh to ensure he starts off the New Year with a safe and reliable ride. Just got it serviced you say? Then let us get those new Christmas accessories installed. Our techs Brian, Chad, BA and Robert take great care with your bike from the time they roll it onto a lift to the time they roll it off. Every bike is locked in a vice. Tank and fender protectors are used. Take-off painted and chrome parts are placed gently onto clean non-abrasive material. Even saddle bags are hung on protective racks. They've got your back. So give Johnnie or Ricky a call at the Service desk. They'll set you up with a convenient appointment to fit into your busy Christmas Season schedule. You can even tuck the appointment neatly into that gift wrapped package of chrome you're putting under the tree. Oh my, don't forget our Detailer, "The Don". He will make that **road weary** looking bike look like new. Why I've seen even the grumpiest of old cusses post on their Facebook how great their bike looks..... even when complaining is their M.O.. Yeah back at ya, in print! HoHoHo!

Tod "Sarge" Crawford  
Service Manager



## BLACK WIDOW BIKE NIGHTS

1st THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH

Join us January 3, 2012  
for our

## PARROT HEAD PARTY

6pm to 9pm

Here are some gift ideas for the ladies.. How about a DIAMOND necklace and earrings.  
What a great way to say "I LOVE YOU"



110th Anniversary Sterling Silver for men and ladies.  
Available for a short time as these are "Limited Edition"



Bracelet or necklace made from stainless steel





# Look Good Gettin' There

Tammy Still  
MotorClothes Manager



So, just when you think you have everything Harley-Davidson® makes I am here to assure you don't. This year, I have brought in NEW STUFF!!!! How about a beverage/snack cart for your lanai, garage or even your bar? This is a perfect gift idea!!! The cart is durable steel construction with a black powder coat finish! Also included is a contoured rubber beverage mat, a bottle tray to keep your favorite beverages handy as well as shelves for storage and even a locked door.

The Harley-Davidson® fan is BACK!! Only 2 left!!

Feel the breeze in your face - even when you aren't riding! 52" Harley-Davidson® Remote Control Ceiling Fan with brushed nickel housing transforms any room with its sleek Harley-Davidson® styling and custom accents. Remote control operated fan speed and light lets you shift gears with ease. Reversible Harley-Davidson® pinstriped blades with black or black/silver gradient feature custom tooled Harley-Davidson® Bar & Shield blade mounts. 3-speed switch with reversible air flow!!!

Here is one of my favorites!! All four glasses with coasters set for under \$40!!



Here is the "MAC DADDY" of clocks!!! I actually have this clock in my Harley room and it is AAAAWESOME!!!!

Check out this awesome neon clock!!! The blue neon with chrome housing can add a little "POP" to any room!



This clock features a white inner neon tube and orange outer neon tube highlight and embossed metal diamond plate face. It also features custom tooled Bar & Shield silhouette minute hand and chrome housing. Includes AA battery operated Quartz clock movement and neon power adapter/transformer with separate on/off switch. Dimension: 18" x 5".





# “Tour of Florida” .....

Have you done it yet? Neither had I until recently. We call this “The Emerald Track”. Why? You might ask. Because the thread on the patch highlighting the route is “Emerald Green”. Duh..... In all reality, we plan at least 2 other tours and they should be called something right? Hindsight being 20/20, this one could easily have been called “The 900”. In our newsletter, it states 868 miles. I decided to find out for myself if that was accurate so on October 24<sup>th</sup>. I left my house and got onto 75 South. First stop or first corner was in Naples at 8:55 AM. **Note: In order to qualify for a patch, we need gas receipts at all 4 corners.** There’s a McDonald’s next to the gas station so I figured to have breakfast prior to heading out on “Alligator Alley”. (My toll receipt is stamped at 9:17 AM) One thing I noticed, “The Glades” are filled and brimming to the top with water. Towards the end of “The Alley”, one can, I believe, take 595 to 95 but, not me, right to the end of “The Alley” that actually becomes the Florida Turnpike and dumps you right into South Miami. Let me just say, take the hassle out of it and go 595.

I now turn the **second corner** and start heading north on 95, the trip’s longest stretch. Yup, Race Trac #491 in Pembroke Park, FL. Time stamp: 11:08 AM. Hurricane “Sandy” is off the coast and I can feel her cross winds blow. She’s dumped a few storms on me as I came across “The Alley” and southern most sections of 95 but the waterproof “Switchback” jacket, “FXRG” waterproof pants and Harley-Davidson “Lynx” waterproof boots kept me nice and dry. Note: *The jacket and pants also have built in armor.* As I’m riding along, I start thinking about when I left my driveway. As you’re all aware, a trip starts with a **destination**. This was no different except my destination was **home!** This is a concept non-riders cannot possibly understand. You leave home, to go home, don’t fiddle around and arrive 15 hours later. How do you explain this to a non-rider? Easy: “If I need to explain, you won’t understand.” I think that pretty much covers it.

My third gas stop was in W. Melbourne, FL. Race Trac #456. Time stamp: 13:39 or 2:39 PM. As I was hydrating at this stop, a voice from the fuelling area perforates my thoughts: “Sir.....Sir, can you help me?” “Now what?” I said to self as I began to look around. A woman with a “caravan” type vehicle standing near a fully opened rear passenger side door was motioning to me for some assistance. Always being vigilant, I assessed the area for occupants or other individuals only to find a young lad in a car seat. Seemingly in a slight panic, the woman says to me: “I’m new to this car seat and I hooked him (child) in wrong. He’s in pain and I haven’t the strength to undo it!” I leaned in the vehicle, the woman pushed me in, and had her way with me..... end of story.” Oops, fine line between what’s real and what isn’t. As I was saying: .....I leaned into the vehicle and said to the boy while trying to assess the situation: “What’s up buddy? Are you OK?” The buckle was real tight and right up against his privates and he responds: “My wee-wee hurts!” I grab the buckle, latch or whatever this thing is that all straps plug into to see how to undo it and good grief was it tight! The little boy says: “That doesn’t hurt my wee-wee.” Feeling really set up right now, I look at the boy and say: “Listen. I’m here to help you. Do you want me to help?” He responds. “Yes.” So, I follow up with: “OK, but I don’t want to hear any more about your wee-wee and I’ll have you out in a jiffy OK?” He agreed and I grabbed the buckle pulled it straight back with about 100 lbs. of torque causing the sides of the car seat to cave in so I could turn the buckle over and attempt to disconnect the straps. The lady had put the straps in upside down being the main reason she couldn’t activate the release. The tyke is freed from the seat that imprisoned him and as I was walking back to my bike, I couldn’t help but notice all the security cameras. Can you only imagine what images those cameras took? “Extra, Extra! Read all about it! Man assaults toddler at Race Trac!” Could not wait to get back on the road!

Finally, I make the third corner onto Rte. 10 and stop for gas in Jacksonville, FL. Race Trac #839. Time stamp 4:28 PM. Now heading west and although the sun is in my eyes I decide to ride on a bit farther in order to get away from some of the Jacksonville rush hour traffic. It’s not as though there’s a shortage of McDonalds on the road. Half way across Rte.10 I pulled over for supper. As with breakfast, I take the opportunity to make a couple phone calls and text messages and then it’s back on the road. Darkness is rolling in as I make my final turn at corner number four. Supper was not that long ago, I’ve got plenty of fuel and I violate my own rule of fueling up at every corner. (at times, it’s good to be the King) My last fuel up is at the Sunoco #2507. This is at exit #314 in Bushnell, FL. Time stamp: 20:03 or 8:03 PM. Ride into my driveway at 10:23 PM just under 15 hours when I left it 904 miles earlier. The ride was uneventful and a piece of cake.

Our **Key West** lunch ride is way more exhausting, fewer miles and more hours. If you are interested, we have a disclaimer sheet with instructions. We have patches for **only** those that complete this track. There will be at least 2 more **Florida Tours** added in the near future. One such Tour will be “The Hour Glass”. Hard to say without actually measuring it but it should also qualify for Hard Butts 1,000 mile “**Butt Burner**” ride. The other Tour will be “The Extreme”. This will be an over-nighter and include the destinations of **Key West** and **Pensacola**.







# Kickstands Up

## December 2012

Full details on these events can be found on our website:  
[WWW.BLACKWIDOWH-D.COM](http://WWW.BLACKWIDOWH-D.COM)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						Vietnam Traveling Wall Spider's Road Kill Grill <b>1</b>
Tilly's Biker Bash <b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Vietnam Traveling Wall	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	HOG Lunch Ride <b>6</b> <b>BLACK WIDOW BIKE NIGHT</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Kixmas Bash Spider's Road Kill Grill
FLHR&H Car & bike Show <b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> HOG Lunch Ride	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Spider's Road Kill Grill
<b>16</b> Black Widow Open 10 to 4	<b>17</b> Black Widow Open 9 to 6	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> HOG Lunch Ride	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Spider's Road Kill Grill
HOG Lunch Ride <b>23</b> Black Widow Open 9 to 4	<b>24</b> Black Widow Open 10 to 4	<b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b> <b>25</b> Black Widow Closed	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	Tilly's Bike Night <b>28</b> HOG Moonlight Ride	HOG Lunch Ride <b>29</b> PET FOOD DRIVE Spider's Road Kill Grill
<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>					

**EMAIL YOUR "KICKSTANDS UP" SUBMISSIONS TO [KKENDALL@BLACKWIDOWH-D.COM](mailto:KKENDALL@BLACKWIDOWH-D.COM)**

Fuel Kitchen at Black Widow Harley-Davidson: Every Saturday get free burgers and hot dogs! Serving from 11:30am to 1:00pm, weather permitting. See you there!



Have you taken the Tour of Florida yet? It's an 868-mile ride following the major interstates (I-75, I-95, & I-10) around to the four corners of the State of Florida. For \$10, you can purchase a patch that commemorates your ride. Just be sure to document your trip and then bring your documentation to Black Widow to pick up your patch. For the full route and guidelines on documenting your ride, visit our Events Calendar page on our website, [www.BlackWidowH-D.com](http://www.BlackWidowH-D.com).



**Don't Forget to save your soda can tabs for the Shriners! Lauren & Jim will be at Black Widow every Saturday during Spider's Road Kill Grill to collect them.**

**Or you can drop them off at the dealership any time during regular business hours and we'll make sure they get where they need to go!**





# Twelve Deals of Christmas!!

Pictures with  
**Bad Santa**  
(aka: Arrived In a Suit)  
on Christmas Eve!  
2pm - 4pm

Thursday, December 13, 2012 - Monday, December 24, 2012



**Deal 1**  
**Double Points!**  
on Gift Card Purchases  
up to \$500 per person  
Offer good  
12/13/2012 - 12/24/2012  
Gift cards cannot be used towards the  
purchase of a vehicle. No cash value.



**Deal 2**  
**15% OFF**  
**HARLEY-DAVIDSON®  
LEATHER JACKETS**  
Offer good  
12/14/2012 - 12/24/2012  
No cash value. In-stock items only, while supplies last.



**Deal 3**  
**FREE**  
**TIRE INSTALLATION**  
**WITH**  
**TIRE PURCHASE**  
Offer good  
12/15/2012 - 12/24/2012  
Tire must be purchased in the Service Dept. No cash  
value. In-stock items only, while supplies last.



**Deal 4**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> HARLEY-DAVIDSON® RIDE BEAD**  
**FREE**  
WITH PURCHASE OF 3  
HARLEY-DAVIDSON® RIDE BEADS  
(OR RIDE BEAD STARTER BRACELET  
OR NECLACE) OF EQUAL OR  
GREATER VALUE  
Offer good  
12/16/2012 - 12/24/2012  
No cash value. In-stock items only, while supplier last.



**Deal 5**  
**FREE**  
**OIL FILTER**  
ON ALL OIL CHANGES!  
**\$9.95 VALUE!**  
Offer good  
12/17/2012 - 12/24/2012  
No cash value. In-stock items only, while supplies last.

**BLACK WIDOW  
Harley-Davidson**

Open every day between  
December 13th and Christmas Eve!  
Sunday, 12/16: 10am to 4pm  
Monday 12/17: 9am to 6pm  
Sunday, 12/23: 10am to 4pm  
Monday 12/24: 9am to 4pm



**Deal 6**  
**FREE**  
**FREIGHT & PREP**  
ON ANY NEW BIG TWIN  
HARLEY-DAVIDSON® MOTORCYCLE  
Offer good  
12/18/2012 - 12/24/2012  
Not valid with any other offers. No cash value.  
In-stock items only, while supplies last.



**Deal 7**  
**15% OFF**  
**CASUAL OUTERWEAR  
JACKETS**  
Offer good  
12/19/2012 - 12/24/2012  
No cash value. In-stock items only, while supplies last.



**Deal 8**  
**15% OFF**  
**FRONT END KITS**  
Offer good  
12/20/2012 - 12/24/2012  
No cash value. Special orders must be pre-paid in full.



**Deal 9**  
**FREE**  
**1 YEAR**  
**EXTENDED SERVICE PLAN**  
with purchase of any qualified  
pre-owned motorcycle.  
Offer good  
12/21/2012 - 12/24/2012  
Excludes consignment vehicles. No cash value.  
In-stock items only, while supplies last.



**Deal 10**  
**10% OFF**  
**PRE-BOOKED  
LABOR**  
scheduled on or before January 15, 2013.  
Offer good  
12/22/2012 - 12/24/2012  
No cash value.



**Deal 11**  
**20% OFF**  
**WHEN YOU PURCHASE 2 OR  
MORE BLACK WIDOW  
T-SHIRTS**  
Offer good  
12/23/2012 - 12/24/2012  
No cash value. In-stock items only, while supplies last.



**Deal 12**  
**FREE GIFT**  
**WHEN YOU GET YOUR  
PICTURE TAKEN WITH  
BAD SANTA**  
Offer good 12/24/2012  
2pm to 4pm  
No cash value. While supplies last.



# Handlebar on Health

Here's a fun health tip: laugh more. Laughing has been shown to keep your heart healthy, help with blood sugar levels and enhance friendships. And, there is absolutely nothing about laughter that harms us, physically or emotionally, unlike so many things out there that have some health benefits but must be balanced against possible negative effects (think good stress vs. bad stress).

Laughing doesn't take a lot of time from our schedules either. Our brains respond to funny stimuli in less than half a second and send our bodies the giggle orders. While laughing isn't a miracle cure, it definitely does us good in many ways.

- **Laughter for the heart.** Studies show that laughter increases brachial artery flow by 22 percent. And, it's reciprocal. A healthy heart helps you laugh more. Another study showed that people with heart disease laughed less than healthier people.
- **Count it as exercise.** Laughing isn't just an emotion; it's a physical act as well. Ten to fifteen minutes of laughing can burn off 50 calories.
- **Regulate your blood sugar.** Diabetics had lower blood sugar after watching a funny movie than they did after listening to a boring lecture.

- **Build relationships.** Humor connects people by syncing the brains of a joke-teller and a listener.

Not one to laugh much? Not everybody is. That's ok, while laughing is mainly a spontaneous reaction, it can also be a learned behavior. Join the laughter movement today.

- **Just do it.** That's right; you don't need a reason to laugh. And laughing deliberately might just make you feel silly enough to prompt the giggles on their own.
- **Become a member.** Participants in Laughter Yoga Clubs combine laughter and Yogic Breathing in group practice. Laughing, like yawning, is contagious, so just show up.
- **Commit yourself.** No, not to the loony bin. Take the 21-Day Complaint Free Challenge ([www.acomplaint-free-world.org](http://www.acomplaint-free-world.org)). Refrain from complaining, gossiping or criticizing for 21 days and earn a Certificate of Happiness for your contribution to a happier planet.

Handlebar on Health  
brought to you by  
Irene Pinard



If you are a member in good standing with National HOG, you are invited to join the local Gulf Thunder HOG Chapter 1786. Membership is just \$20 per year. More information can be found at the Membership page on their website or you can email Gulf Thunder's Membership Officer, Rebecca, at [gulfthunderhog@yahoo.com](mailto:gulfthunderhog@yahoo.com) with any questions you might have.



Ladies of Harley (LOH) is a program sponsored by the Harley Owners Group (H.O.G.) to support women motorcycle enthusiasts - both drivers and passengers. It is not a separate organization within H.O.G., but was established to encourage women to become more active in H.O.G. and their local chapters. Remember, you don't have to have your own bike to be a LOH member. We encourage women to participate in chapter events as well as functions specifically for the ladies.

For more information, contact Vicki Smolinski, Director of Gulf Thunder LOH at 517-442-5208 or [vsmolinski@embarqmail.com](mailto:vsmolinski@embarqmail.com)



# "HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL" ME

**FREE GIFT  
WITH PURCHASE**  
OF GENUINE HARLEY-DAVIDSON® AND  
HARLEY-DAVIDSON® LICENCED PRODUCTS.

## 110TH ANNIVERSARY BENCHMADE KNIFE

FREE WITH \$500 QUALIFYING PURCHASE!



- STAINLESS STEEL LOCKING BLADE
- HANDSOME WOOD HANDLE PANELS WITH POCKET CLIP.
- MEASURES 4 1/2" CLOSED, 7 5/8" OPEN.

## 110TH ANNIVERSARY DUFFLE BAG

FREE WITH \$750 QUALIFYING PURCHASE!



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# P & A Spotlight

## Safety is not an accident.....

This month I would like to discuss something we all should be taking seriously: safety. Specifically, tires. Those who ride with me know I'm harder than most on the rubber that keeps me in touch with the road. The single link to our safety comes in the form of a **contact patch** that is roughly the size of two silver dollars. A tiny thing indeed when we consider that at "posted speed limits" we count on this to keep our bikes (that range in weight from 650 to 900 pounds), and the rider safe from a slide. In my case we're talking about a couple of hundred pounds of me, and an **Ultra Classic**. Do the math and it comes in greater than a half ton. Let's think a bit about what we're asking from our tires. Motorcycle tires have been developed to constantly perform one duty on the road; "**stick to it**"; no matter the condition. Cold, hot, wet, dry, slow, fast, straight or a hard lean. The **Motor Company**, in conjunction with its suppliers, is constantly testing and will only put its stamp of approval on certain manufactures. Currently they are Dunlop and Michelin.

The contact patch we talk about is completely dependent on the tire being set to the correct pressure. These numbers are "**tunable**". A couple of psi will make a profound difference with the **contact patch**, its overall grip and roadholding capability of our tires. We should also consider what is in every one of our owner's manuals: "**Set the tires for the load we put on our bikes and pay attention to them!**" How often do we check our PSI? The "book" says: "Every time we get on the bike." Well maybe that's a bit of overkill, or maybe not if the bike only gets the week-end ride every other week. All tires will lose a bit of air, the bead, tube, and the physics of air will cause a couple of PSI to bleed off. This is normal and PSI needs to be checked frequently. Recently, I was up on the highway and things got a little "**squirrely**" at just above the speed limit. When I checked I was down 6 psi. That small difference made me come off the throttle. I'm lucky it wasn't raining. Nor did I have to deal with cross winds or the pull from a semi we're all too familiar with. So many things could have gone wrong. Once safely in my garage, I also checked my tires for cracks, dry rot and thread depth. My rear tire was below 4/32<sup>nd</sup>. Not cool. I'll need to change that out and soon.

In a nutshell, research and development is what makes us safe and no one does it better than Harley. Companies hire quality engineers and spend a ton of dough testing to make sure this is the right tire for that model, etc. The testing, which is published by the manufacturer for the tire, proves the amount of time and effort that go into making a safe tire that will have good wear, good traction, and the correct **contact patch** for the particular model, taking into consideration weight, thrust, and load being put on the tire.

The technology gained thru real world data and racing give manufactures like H.D. and Dunlop the definitive edge on what will work for our bikes. Most aftermarket companies won't put the money and time into proving their product will have similar load, wear, and safety characteristics. Coming on strong in this arena is Michelin, another great manufacturing company that is a player in the world of racing, research and development, currently manufacturing tires for the new Harley's.

Next time you think your \$60.00 tire is a bargain, ask yourself: "Is there actual engineering behind this tire or is it a Chinese clone?" You get what you pay for. **Cheap can get you killed.**

Another safety issue is lighting. Be seen, be heard. Isn't that what they say? Harley has some awesome new products related to that. Stop by and see Harley's new L.E.D. tail lights and signals. They'll let those "**biker killers**" texting or talking on their cell phone know you're in front of them for sure. While on the subject of lighting, have you seen the new L.E.D. head lights? Incredible amount of light comes from these new lamps. They even project a bright white light on a wall during daylight! They are so much brighter at night that it's hard to believe they're legal!

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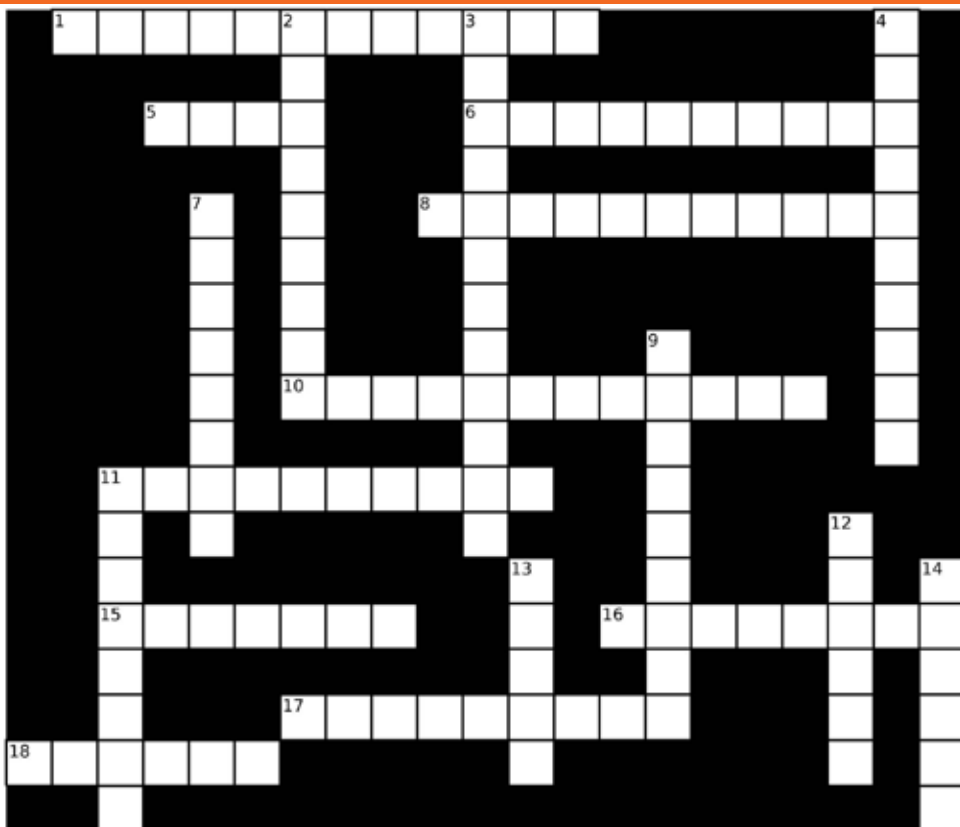
Can you guess the common phrases depicted in the puzzle boxes below?

Answers at the bottom of the page

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**Across**

- 1 Shop this catalog if you have ridiculous amounts of money you want to get rid of.
- 5 One of the traditional tree toppers.
- 6 Seasonal ballet or very painful experience.
- 8 Oversized elf...waaaaay oversized.
- 10 Tour of Florida route name.
- 11 This jacket kept Armand dry on his T of F ride.
- 15 Oversized elf manages to fit down these.
- 16 The best medicine.
- 17 Kissing weed.
- 18 Tire manufacturer approved by HD

**Down**

- 2 Address of oversized elf.
- 3 Safety zone roughly the size of 2 silver dollars.
- 4 May your season be filled with \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7 Other tire manufacturer approved by HD.
- 9 The #1 regifted item of the season.
- 11 underthing hung by the fireplace.
- 12 Might just be worth \$99,500. Wonder what sort of mileage (knotage?) it gets.
- 13 Other traditional tree topper.
- 14 This guy will never make it in FL.

Complete the Sudoku puzzle so that each and every row, column, and region contains the numbers one through nine only once.

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# R-E-S-P-E-C-T.....

by Armand Pinard

Back a couple of months ago, I wrote about my Dad. Today's society would probably judge him as a monster. He was not alone. Most kids in those days knew about "the belt, switch, paddle, willow tree sprig etc." Today's kids get a wicked dose of are you ready for this? "Time Out!" **Whiskey Tango Foxtrot!** Are you freakin' kidding me? Any self-respecting kid growing up prior to the 60's would have laughed at kids getting a thing called "time out". We wore ass beatings from our Dads like bikers wear patches on a vest. It was a topic of discussion among kids. Heck, Sister Superior at the parochial school I attended used a piece of plastic hose across the knuckles. Not sure what goes on in a convent but it wasn't long before one of those nuns was using a wooden ruler in the same manner. It wasn't just a parochial school thing either. Consider this: The parochial school didn't have a kindergarten so my folks sent me to the public school kindergarten. There were two large double door clothes closets in the front of the class. I drove my kindergarten teacher to the point of tying me up with yarn and putting me in the dark closet. Being able to have this kind of impact on a women at such an early age, priceless. That dark closet was like Jesse James hideout. I loved it. Crap, sidetracked again! Could all of these people enjoy beating our asses? Of course they did! The old adage: "This is going to hurt me more than it will you" might have worked on our psych when we were kids but c'mon, I'm not buying into it now. What did we do that was so wrong? Probably hurt some other kid, break curfew, swear, tease the girls, mouth off to the farmer Mr. Legins, lie to our parents, get caught egging cars, went swimming at the "hole" instead of the beach at Nutts Pond, stealing some other kid's pencil etc. OK, you get the gist of it but why did the adults beat us? Well, we crossed the line and it became a defining moment in our lives. Near as I can figure, they were teaching us **RESPECT!** Respect for our parents, adults, the law, one another, even for ourselves, animals and the environment. Well Armand, beating the crap out of someone to **teach them respect** is little over board don't you think? Well, maybe so however, looking back at my school days, I remember precisely needing to do that to **get or earn respect** so, if these two are somehow connected, I get it. Let's take it a little further. Further as in the Ten Commandments. I'd dare to say that if you practiced **respect** chances are you'd be sitting pretty good with The Man upstairs. Of course, The Ten Commandments were handed down a long time ago and needed to be modified. How? You might ask. Well take for example one commandment says: "Thou shall not covet thy neighbors wife, **donkey**, house etc." (donkey????) Clearly, this needs to be updated to: "Thou shall not covet thy neighbors wife, **Harley**, house etc." How about relationships? **Respect** clearly plays a pivotal role in the success of any relationship. Sure, all couples argue and fight. It's usually over stupid shit so, just don't **disrespect** one another and till death do we part might have a real chance. If it doesn't, go to the chapter about: "For better, for worse." What about respect for oneself? **40.6%** of all children born in this country are to mothers out of wed lock. Where's the respect for oneself? "Back in my day." (man, do I sound like my Dad) guys for the most part respected their girls even though males past the age of 13 spend as much time thinking about sex as a squirrel does trying to figure out how to get to the bird feeder. Something like 90% of awake time! We can go from zero to all revved up quicker than a Road Runner can dodge an ACME sledge hammer. Girls on the other hand had more control. (especially once the wedding cake is cut right boys?) As guys, we took it as far as we were allowed but, when she said "no" we respected that. As a result, high school pregnancies were few. (can only remember 1 in 4 years) Parents taught **respect** to their kids. Do today's kids have **respect**? From my vantage point, the ass beating worked better than the "time out."

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# SPIDER BITES

Gobble, gobble gobble.....

As I write this, Thanksgiving is two days away! Unless you're a turkey, it's a good time of the year. Irene, being who she is, thrives on this stuff. Where does she get the energy? She puts on a meal that compares to nothing else. Let's just cover my small contribution. I cook and cut up the turkey. There, now that that's out of the way, let me follow up with what's in store for the Family. The menu nor the events ever change. On Thanksgiving eve, Irene bakes 2 apple pies, a pecan pie and a pineapple pie. The crust: My Grandmother on my Father's side was from France. Her Family owned a bakery and brought their skills to America and likewise opened a bakery. My Mom came from a Family with 13 kids! She could cook like a ranch hand but her baking skills couldn't nearly match up to what my Dad grew up with so, my Grandmother took my Mother under her wing and taught her how to make crust. Irene later was obsessed in learning this skill. After multiple failures, she decided to pack up all her baking stuff and head over to Mom's. Step by step, secret by secret, she learned and my Mom confessed that this was precisely the way she had to learn from my Grandmother. I guess just writing down ingredients doesn't cut it. Sort of like a combination safe. Just 'cause you have all the right numbers, doesn't mean you can open it. Anyway, through time, Irene honed her baking skills to where Family agreed she excelled my Mom's baking. She cuts the sugar content keeping the pie on the tart side so grab a glass of ice cold milk and hang on for the ride. Hummm, I wonder what kind of smoothie this would make? She also makes a beef, pork and potato stuffing that will absolutely knock your socks off! This is also prepared the night before. Gravy is also made from scratch through a trick handed down from generations. For the rest of the main course: Fresh from scratch whipped butternut squash, green giant mashed potatoes, corn, fresh cooked cranberry sauce, fresh bustle sprouts and bread rolls. As they say in France: **"Bon appetite!"**

Ho-Ho-Ho!

Yes, it's that magical time of year again and when you..... What was that? No! No, as in it's not magical? Now wait a minute. I'll bet every single one of us have stories or visions of Christmas pasts. Sure most of those images might be when we were kids but hey, who's Christmas for? Everyone! You say? Sure, I suppose, but I still think kids enjoy it more. Why? Well for starters, they don't need to deal with shopping. Let's face it. Christmas is expensive and that's why adults breathe a sigh of relief once it's over. The best part for adults is family and close friends getting together to celebrate this once in a year occasion. Man, I sure hope I'm preaching to the choir here when I say: "this feeling of peace and warmth comes over me." Could be related to that sigh of relief I suppose. Not sure how else to explain it. Irene prepares a feast for days, shopping, baking, prepping and cooking. Yum, what a cook! The kids come over; have a beverage, rap, feast and then rest, nap, rap, play cards or watch TV. As we look back, most of us have fond memories of our **dysfunctional families**. Yes, dysfunctional! Growing up, we all had that crazy uncle (insert name here). As we aged, the crazy uncle progressed into the crazy brother or sister-in-law. Presently, I'm probably the crazy uncle. Then, there's also the other side of the spectrum. There's a lot of lonely folks out there. Homeless people still have each other. Nursing home folks get to enjoy Christmas as well but, what about the elderly widows and widowers that don't have family members? Friends are all passed on and due to not being able to get around very well they are pretty much left to themselves. This is so sad but, it's called life. Hopefully, they still have joyous memories and that can't be taken from them. Then there's the dude/dudette that's down on his/her luck. Got into drugs/alcohol, can't keep a job, wife/husband divorced him/her and took the kids out of town. "He was such a nice boy" or "She was captain of the cheer leading team," family and friends were heard saying. Feel sorry? Not me. This is self-inflicted. There were warning signs of the curves ahead and they chose not to yield. We were working our butts off while they were partying. I/you could have done the same thing but we weren't selfish. We had a family that came first! I volunteered in the largest soup kitchen in my state for 13 years. Irene put in another 10 and not all but a large percentage of these people were ungrateful, arrogant, demeaning and demanding. Those truly down on their luck were polite, thankful and humble but don't talk to me about the addicts and crack heads. I have no time for them. Zero, zilch, nada. Sorry, it's how I feel. Instead of a hand up, they need a size 12 in the butt. As you can see, most of us are truly blessed and need to appreciate what we have. Merry Christmas to all and may God bless those not as fortunate as us.

Ride Hard and Take Long Naps

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