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November 2010 Newsletter

Chapter Meeting: Thursday, November 11th, at 7:00 p.m.
Location: *The Plaza at 34th and Bell*

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CD'S CHATTER-RAY LATTA-CHAPTER DIRECTOR —



CD Chatter

What was your first motorcycle? How old were you and how much did it cost?

It is often this first exposure to the "ride" that cements the deal. You will always remember your first. Are we still talking about motorcycles? Of course we are. Mine was a Suzuki 90. I don't know what year or even what model it was. Probably a TS. It was blue and barely ran. I tinkered with it more than I rode it. I forgot all about it when I bought my buddies 1977 TS100C that had been wrecked and stripped of all it's lights and legalities. I rode it all over town and got many tickets. It is also the bike I took Tricia home on that fateful night when we were both working at McDonalds and she needed a ride. And, well the rest is history.

I have had many motorcycles since then and tried all forms of the sport from motocross to sport bikes, standard bikes and cruisers. Turns out I really like long distance touring. I always knew I would someday want the ultimate motorcycle, the Gold Wing. It has been and probably will always be the standard by which the rest are measured. Live to Ride, Ride to Live.



TOP WINGS FRIDAY NIGHT DRIVES

Time: Friday evening at 6:30 p.m.

Meet: At the *Potter-Randall Appraisal District Building* at 5701 Hollywood Rd. (Loop 335 East) for now, later when it is cold we will meet at the designated restaurant. Watch for emails telling where we will eat.

The Restaurant location for the next Friday evening will be decided upon by those who gather together each Friday night. This information will then be forwarded to everyone via the *Top Wings'* List Serve. This format will continue until April when our regular riding season begins again with the change to day-light savings time. If you have any questions or need to know the restaurant for the upcoming Friday, feel free to *Contact Ray Latta for details;*

806-353-3722; ray.latta@suddenlink.net

Cold Weather Motorcycle Riding: Wind Is Your Enemy As cold weather starts to roll in this season and the last red leaves fall off the trees, it's time to start thinking about what you're going to do with your motorcycle this winter. For some, winter means buying fuel stabilizer, dusting off the trickle charger, and gently snuggling their motorcycle into a warm corner of the garage. For the rest of us, winter means no change to our motorcycle riding habits except the addition of quite a bit of extra clothing! I clearly fall into the "extra clothing" category - I'll ride anything above 20 degrees (if I had heated clothing, I'm sure I could go lower). Call me crazy or just "thermally gifted," but riding motorcycles in the winter can be really enjoyable.

By the way, I am by no means thermally gifted. (I've seen rocks with better circulation than myself.) Now, I'm not the type that loves to ride so much that I'll get out there and freeze my rump off just to get miles under my belt. To make winter riding enjoyable, I like to be comfortable, and comfortable in the winter means warm and dry. Staying Warm Riding a motorcycle in cold weather comes down to one simple concept: insulation. Since most people aren't very active on a motorcycle, their body isn't doing much to produce heat on its own to counteract the cold. That means we have to do everything we can to insulate the body in order to keep what precious heat that we do produce actually on our body, and not floating off in the cold winter air. Insulation boils down to two things: layers (to slow the rate at which our body loses heat), and wind proofing (to keep the wind from stealing our heat).

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Top Wings Member Spotlight

1. Name(s): Wayne Early
2. AKA: Grinch
3. Happily Married/Single for __0_ years.
4. Children/Grandchildren:3 & 3
5. Occupation(s): Multi-color pressman
6. How many years have you been riding: around 40 years
7. Years in GWRRA/Top Wings: 6
8. Position(s) held in Top Wings: Ass. Director / Director / Educator
9. Tell us about your current bike(s):VTX 1800, 1500 gold Wing
10. What previous motorcycle do you wish you still had: all of them
11. What is your favorite motorcycle accessory: radio
12. What is your favorite riding destination: any out of town
13. What is your favorite food/restaurant: Steak
14. What other hobbies do you have besides motorcycling: working
15. What happened during your "15 minutes of fame"? Getting harrassed by Dist. Director
16. Do you have a website? Facebook? Other internet connection? all over the net
17. What else should your GWRRA friends know about you: never to cold to ride
18. What Top Wings couple or member would you like to know more about? David and Connie Hirsh



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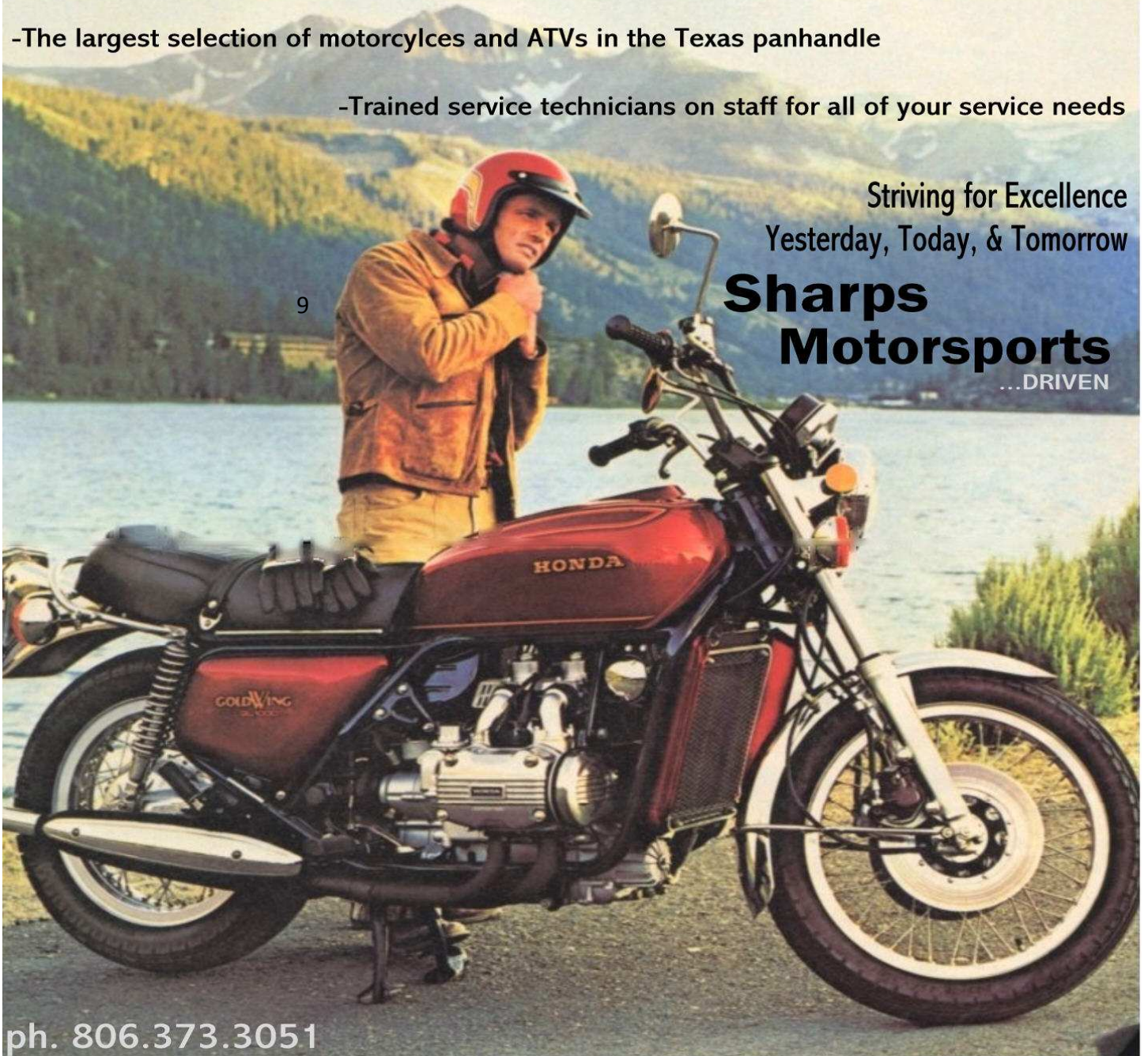
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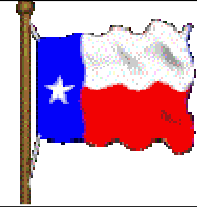
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Wanted: SE1500 1997-2000 Contact me and let me know what you may have or know might be available for purchase. Darran Markham ridemy-wingnow@yahoo.com



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Birthdays

11-9 Betty Hisey

11-21 Sandy May

11-26 Ross Hayward

11-29 Don Burt



Betty Hisey



Sandy May



Ross Hayward



Don Burt

Anniversaries

11-19 Jack & Debbie Bullard

11-26 Eugene & Patricia Belflower

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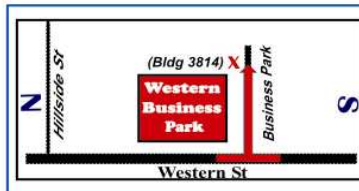


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Upcoming Events

Saturday, November 13th Veteran Day Parade, meet at the Pancake Station at 7:30 AM, Be downtown at 9 for the Parade. Go to the Veterans Hospital after the Parade

Date to be announced, Christmas Light Parade

**Saturday, January 15, 2011, Texas Mid-Winter Roundup, Kileen, TX
Civic Center 254-501-3888 Host Hotel: Shilo Inn 254-247-3133**

March 12, 2011, Texas Chapter **C Convention**

March 24-26, 2011, **Region H Convention**

April 2, 2011, Texas Chapter **O Convention, Fredricksburg, TX**

April 7-9, 2011, **Louisiana District Convention, Lafayette, LA**

April 29-30, 2011, Texas Chapter **O2 Convention, Brownwood, TX**

May 12-14, 2011, **Texas District Convention, Kileen, TX**

July 6-9, 2011, Wing Ding 33, Knoxville, TN

August 26-27, 2011, **Kansas District Convention, Eldorado, KS**

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Chapter Couple of the Year Corner



BETTY & BILL
HISEY

Top Wings Chapter A First Annual Rally to benefit the Ussery-Road Texas State Veterans Home was on one of the few rainy days Amarillo has had. We met some new riders and saw some we hadn't seen in a long time. Our gratitude goes out to all the hard work, planning, donations and participation from our members.



NOVEMBER PICTURE OF THE MONTH
HALLOWEEN HAYRIDE AT PALO DURO CANYON
IN A 1939 TRUCK

