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## GIFT GUIDE



### MECHANIX WEAR GARDENING GLOVES

I like to stuff stockings late on Christmas Eve. This year, my wife, Bridgette, will find a pair of Mechanix Wear gloves sticking out of hers. No, not so she can help me change oil on our test quads; these are gardening gloves. Made from the same high-quality leather and nylon that Mechanix Wear uses in the construction of their pit and garage products, these gloves will actually put food on our table. Our family has included a huge portion of homegrown organic foods into our diet lately, and the new gloves will help make that happen. No, I am not turning into a tree hugger; we just like to eat well.

Each pair of gloves sells for \$15 and is available at most home improvement stores or online at [www.mechanix.com](http://www.mechanix.com). You can also call them directly at (800) 222-4296.

These Mechanix Wear gloves will also get plenty of use behind the wheel of the UTVs we use around the property.

### TOY LOADER

Since Ron joined *Dirt Wheels*, he's been doing a lot of the gopher work for us. He spends more time on the freeway shuttling new and used quads between the Hi-Torque office and the manufacturers than Brad and I spend in the office.

This Christmas, I'll make Ron's life a little easier by installing a Toy Loader into the back of his Chevy. The Toy Loader is a winch and mounting system that installs in the front of any pickup bed. The winch then can be used to help load and unload dead quads into his truck. And yes, we have to admit on occasion our test quads get returned in not such perfect shape as when we borrowed them.

The Toy Loader retails for \$495, or \$395 without a winch, and can be purchased by calling (503) 887-9877. You can see a video of the product in action at [www.toyloader.com](http://www.toyloader.com).

As soon as Ron spends a little time with the Toy Loader, we will have a product evaluation for you.

### KAWASAKI/POWER WHEELS BRUTE FORCE

My 2-year-old son, Graham, is spoiled. Before he was born, he was destined to have brand-new quads at his disposal. Good for me, he has taken very well to the off-road lifestyle. Under the tree this year, he will find a Power Wheels Kawasaki Brute Force Ride-On. For \$330, this mini, battery-operated quad is the perfect stepping-stone ATV until Graham is ready for a gas-powered ride. Power Wheels also sells pint-sized Kawasaki KFX700s, Arctic Cat ATVs and Prowlers. Pink ones are

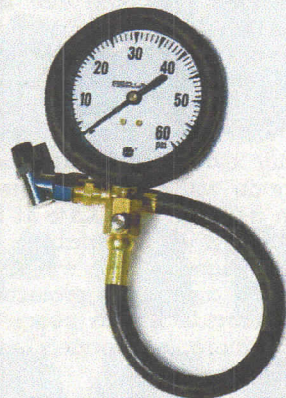


also available for girls.

Fisher Price Power Wheels products can be found at most major retailers worldwide, including Walmart and Toys R Us. You can view their complete line of products at [www.powerwheels.com](http://www.powerwheels.com).

This machine features cup holders and a two-speed accelerator that parents can adjust to operate between 2.5 and 5 mph as their child develops skills.

### RON'S GIFT GUIDE



### REDLINE TECHNIK TIRE PRESSURE GAUGE

Gary Jones has been digging in my toolbox for about 20 years. And for most of that time, he has been using the same tire pressure gauge—it's a plastic unit that came with a 1991 Suzuki 250 QuadRacer. It's still accurate after all this time, but the face is so scratched up that you can barely read it. For Gary, I'm getting the best tire pressure gauge available. It's made in the U.S. by Redline Technik, which is a Porsche supply house. The face is 4 inches in diameter with great big numbers that even his failing eyesight can read. The price is \$48.94 and it's available from [www.Redlinetechnik.com](http://www.Redlinetechnik.com) or by calling (310) 993 6440. Yes, it's expensive, but I plan on digging through his toolbox and using it for at least the next 20 years.