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I am writing this as I sit here with my big toe wrapped in ice poking up in the air, because a big toe doesn't win against an electric pallet jack. Ha ha ha.

By the time you read this some of the big holidays will be behind us for 2016. We will be creeping up on New Year's. A time for resolutions like do better maintenance on your bike, buy a new bike, take a safety course, or better yet get endorsed just a few suggestions.

Let's look at what this newest Chapter of the East Valley saga has in it.

On November 19th, our very own Joe Ferrucci finally put his money where his mouth is or should I say Spaghetti. Our beloved Joe won the Spaghetti eating contest at American Legion Post 2, becoming the Spaghetti King complete with crown and cape. Being the awesome man that he is he donated back the money he won.

At our Nov 27th monthly meeting we took care of a little business with completing the annual Chapter Officer vote.

- » Coordinator Jim Silk
- » Vice Coordinator Joe Ferrucci
- » Secretary Dawn Steed
- » Treasurer Deb Ferrucci
- » Membership Mike Shearhart
- » Safety Nolan Steed
- » Sgt @ Arms Richard Dalton
- » PAC Gynni Giebel
- » Communications Dawn Steed
- » Merchandise Jerry Prisoc
- » Board of Directors Nolan Steed

We recognized Brad and Shorty for their Lifetime memberships.

We surprised Jack Batty with a lifetime membership in recognition of all he has done for the Chapter and for the time spent being our Board of Directors representative, because Thank You just couldn't even come close to cutting it.

50/50 winner Joe donated back \$7.

As you know it pays to come to the meetings \$1 jar winner would have been Arlene Hamilton \$289.

Dec 2nd Motorcycle on Main was incredible as always. Mike appreciates the help in setting up and taking everything down. Come on down and hang out or even just drop by every first Friday of the month.

On Dec 4th, many of us attended the annual membership meeting and 1st annual Christmas Social Chili Cook off that was hosted by the State officers and BOD representatives. It was a blast. Thank You to the FOE on Broadway in Mesa. Everyone was so awesome. We had Santa stop by for a visit. White elephant exchange was a lot of fun. Some of us got up and did Karaoke for the first time ever.

Speaking of Karaoke Woody from High Country Chapter is amazing. Not only can he sing he has a heart of gold he won the 50/50 for \$62 and donated it back.

The Chili was awesome. There wasn't a single one that I didn't like but in the long run Trauma Mama from Phoenix Shadow Mountain Chapter beat us all winning \$160 which being the beautifully gracious woman she is she donated back.

I must admit I am looking forward to our Chapter meeting this Sunday with it being our Annual potluck. Yummy, Yummy. Looks like that about brings us up to date. I can't stress it enough PLEASE be extra careful and watch out for our visiting drivers (snowbirds).

Until next month, be safe out there.

Enjoy the ride and as always keep it rubber side down.

Here's to Wind Knots in my Hair,

Dawn Steed
East Valley Chapter & State Secretary