

May 2017

Here we are again. Another month has slid by, but oh what a month it was.

March 25th a group of us gathered in the East Valley Chapter Redbone and the Bonettes tradition served lunch for the CMA at Sunshine Acres. It is such a beautiful place that does such wonderful things for the kids. Suggestion if you ever find yourself needing something go check out that thrift shop. Oh my goodness found some awesome riding boots for a song & a prayer.

After our Chapter meeting on March 26th we had the honor of hosting the Board of Directors with a potluck lunch. A big thank you to the FOE at 1712 W Broadway for not only allowing us to use their facilities for our monthly Chapter meetings, but also some of our special events. Remember it sometimes pays to come to the meeting. Todd M won \$21 from 50/50 and if his wife Jess would have been there she would have won \$370 from the dollar jar.

I want to say Thank you and give my appreciation to all the volunteers but especially the East Valley Chapter members who gave their time, sleep, and sweat to make Too Broke for Bike Week on March 31st & April 1st the success that it was. Of course, Thank You doesn't even come close to cutting it. It was really beautiful to see the Chapters pulling together as one to make this happen to benefit the Phoenix Shadow Mountain Chapter. We may be separate chapters but there is only 1 ABATE of Arizona with that being said, we are all just 1 big awesome, sometimes dysfunctional, sometimes land of misfit toys, family. Counting down to next year Woohoo! What a way to kick off Arizona Bike Week.

April 7th, we had our monthly booth at Motorcycles on Main. This is always a good time getting to talk to people and get the word out who we are and what we do. Quite a few people stopped at Motorcycles on Main on their way to Bike Week or Bike fest. April is a very exciting and busy month for motorcyclists.

Thank you Mike Shearhart for setting up the booth at the Shriners who were hosting the 33rd Annual Antique & Classic Motorcycle Show and Swap Meet on April 9th.

Now we get to look forward to the Spaghetti Feed on June 3rd this year we are trying a couple of new things, 1 being a live band playing which will be Cadillac Soul, 2nd being a meatball eating contest. Then off to Too Broke for Sturgis at Mormon Lake from June 8th thru the 11th; always an incredible event. Followed up by the Hard Ass Run on September 30th. What better way to spend your bonus 5th Saturday in September then with us on an adventure. Now this is nowhere near a complete list of what is coming up I just touched on the East Valley Chapter biggies.

Our April after meeting adventure is to go out to Pinal public shooting range.

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
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