

Welcome to AMBUCS where we are dedicated to creating opportunities for independence for people with disabilities, especially children.

April 12

Pledge: Donna Carlton Vish

Prayer: Bill Fulton

Pack the Place Day

Pack the place Day was just that, with more than 40 guests!

Officers for Upcoming Year

President - Jeff Saylor

President-Elect - Donna Carlton Vish

Vice President - Dee Douglas

Past President - Gary Tucker

Secretary - Phyllis Busey

Treasurer - Pat Owens

Board members with terms ending 2001:

Todd Davis, Curt Blis, Linda Bolton.

Board members with terms ending 2002:

Cathy Reardon, Al Runner, dark haired

Bill Fulton.

Ground Breaking / Dedication

A wonderful turnout greeted Bob Richard's committee for both the Site Dedication and thenoon Pack the Place meeting.

At the site, speakers, including Bob, Bill Fulton (the darker), Amy Barzach - founder of Boundless Playgrounds, Mayor Bob Jones and AMBUCS National President Dean Jackson.

After we discovered how wonderful AMBUCS and the city and community of Danville was, children from Meade park Elementary School unveiled the signe which reads, "Future Home of AMBUCS Playgorund for Everyone.

Playground Raffle

Tickets are still available for the Playground for Everyone raffle. Cost is \$10 each. 1600 to be sold. Winners drawn July 5. 1st place, 70%; 2nd place, 20% and 3rd place, 10% of what is collected.

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Amy Barzach and Janice Johnson from Boundless Playgrounds in West Haven, Connecticut share a video and the hopes of the Boundless organization to build 1,000 fully accesible playgrounds across the United States.

"No child should live more than an hour from a playground where they can play with other children and their families." Barzach told the packed house.

The club presented an AmTryke to 3-year old Douglas Williams from Indianapolis in the name of the new INDY Club. President Linda Gray, Julie Fiddler and Janice Hecht from the INDY Club were on hand to see him ride into the room.

Douglas' mother, Brenda, was overcome when she thanked the club for their generosity and pledged that she and her husband will donate \$350 to the INDY Club so that another child could enjoy what Douglas now had.

Judy Creek of the local chapter of Altrusa International presented the club with a \$1,000 check for the Playground and pledged another \$1,000 for next year.

Members and guests were offered the opportunity to become members of the Playground Century Club by pledging or donating \$100 over the next 10 months. Pledge forms will be available for anyone wishing to donate at a later date.

No 50/50 drawing was held this week.



Upcoming Events

4/19: Bob Gagnon, Employer support for the National Guard.

4/26: Jim Crose, What's up at Oldsmobile Balloon Classic IL

4/28,29: Spring Train-Urbana HolidayInn

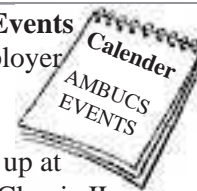
5/3: Tentative Senator Judy Myers.

5/5: 6:30pm Social - Little Nugget.

5/10: Lisa Smith, Liberty Lane Estates.

5/17: Ted Baer, American Heart Association.

5/24: 75th Anniversary of Danville AMBUCS celebration.



Board Meeting Notes: April 11

The Home Show net profit was down from last year due mostly to unsold booth space.

A social for the 4th quarter will be held at 6:30pm May 5th at the Little Nugget, US 150 and Henning Road.

Approved a donation of \$1 per member per the February 29 Blue Chip report as part of the traditional gift given to a retiting national President when they hail fromour region. Cost \$142.

Money in the Playground for Everyone account as of 4/11: \$115,000+.

AMBUCisms

District

Four Clubs, including Danville, make up our district. Other clubs include, Champaign-Urbana, which meets at noon Tuesdays at the Clarion Hotel in Champaign; Greater Champaign County, which meets at 11:45am Wednesdays at the Jolly Roger Restaurant in Urbana; and INDY, which meetws the second and fourth Tuesdays at 6:30pm at the Signature Inn in Carmel, IN.

The district name is 4A for being part of Region 4 and the honor of the oldest district in the state. District 'A'.