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

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Pledge: Al Runner
Prayer: Gary Tucker
Guests: Betty Carlton

Summer Camp News

We have already received 37 applications for the Summer Camps! See Melissa Bodensteiner if you are interested in helping with the summer camps this year, or if you have any suggestions for new activities, especially on the Wednesday that we have lunch with the kids at the Gratto.

The summer camps are July 30th-August 4th, and August 7th-August 11th.

Summer Sounds

The Main Course will be the band this week! Come to the Kresge lot in Downtown Danville for some smooth jazz, great food, and cold Budweiser or Coca-Cola! Volunteers are needed too, contact Pat Kuchefski or just show up around 5:30 this Friday night!

The Summer Sounds website is being hosted by us this year at:
www.summersounds.org/

Century Club

Anyone interested in participating in the Playground for Everyone Century Club can pledge \$100 to be billed monthly through dues or quarterly if a non-member.



Donna Carlton-Vish

National Convention Variety Show

Donna came in singing. Of course the room was empty, but she caught a few people sneaking into the adjoining room and we all had to come back to sit and listen to a story 'about a Texas sized Convention.

It was evident that although Donna had to go to the BIG state alone, she had a great time and learned many exciting things. In her excitement, she actually began *stripping!* (Do I see a career at Dream Angels in her future?)

Some highlights of the convention include: The Big Hat Club raising \$20,000 at the auction, Allen and Sue Eckle getting married. To each other. Again. Donna also learned how our money to living endowment and ambility has helped many with disabilities.

Playground News

The Grand opening ceremony for the playground is set for Saturday July 21st at 10:00. Ice cream and hotdogs will be on hand from 11-1, and Ronald McDonald will also be there!

LOTS of volunteers are needed to help both in finishing the playground and for the grand opening. Next Wednesday will be a 'work day' so if you can skate our of work and come help us we'd appreciate it. You don't really *do* anything at the office anyway, so cancel your tee time and spend Wednesday afternoon helping to build a lasting piece of happiness in Danville.

Big Hat!

If you are a Big Hatter, you'll be getting a call soon about an important vote. The Grotto is in need of a ramp, and we have decided to call on the Big Hat club to provide the funds to have one built. The Grotto has hosted our summer camps for years at no charge, so this is our way of saying "thanks!".

Reason to Celebrate

Melissa Bodensteiner has won a National Schlarship to go to Graduate School!

Program for July 25

Dwight Lucas.

We will be having pork for lunch. If you would like to suggest a menu, or comment on one, please contact Euan Fernsler (efernsler@korora.com).

National News

Danville Awards

At National, we received two awards for Past President Jeff Saylor. A National Award and an Honor Award were presented to Jeff. We also won for having the **best** website in the whole nation! This was presented to our Web Guru Euan Fernsler. Yeah!

District News

District 4A

Fall Convention will be November 9th through the 11th at Jumer's Castle Lodge in Bloomington. The Corn Belt Screw Crew will be showing us how to build ramps. If you would like more information, or to sign up to go, contact Donna.

Nomenclature

Playground for Everyone

Our playground project, a three year project, opened this weekend. AMBUCS, with the help of MANY in the local community have raised over \$400,000 to create this playground. For more information, www.danvillambucs.com/playground

Membership Slice

Wade Adams, member since 1999.

Robert Bartosh, member since 1999.

Carla Cunningham, member since 1997.

The membership list is on the web! Check out our web site at www.danvilleambucs.com If you would like more of your information listed, let us know: info@danvilleambucs.com

Meetings - Wednesdays at Noon - Days Inn

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