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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: John Bodensteiner

Prayer: Gary Tucker

Guests: Robin Ferguson, Steven Haas, Scott Loos, Gene Carlton (father of the Carlton Club)

Christmas Parties

The annual AMBUCS Christmas parties have been set for Dec. 8: The children's party will be from 9-11 a.m. at the Day's Inn, while the adult party will be in the afternoon at the Palmer Arena.

Meeting Notes

-Bob Richard told us that our Playground for Everyone will be entered in the Governor's Hometown Award program. In addition, the playground will be the featured item in the WDNL-K Rock Best Of tab that will be published by the News Gazette and run in the paper on Dec. 21.

Billing Notice

Todd, our illustrious Accountant, would like to try emailing some of our bills rather than sending the bills through the post. It'll save the club a little cash and Todd some time.

Homeshow

Note that the homeshow dates have changed to March 8-10. Contact Tonya Johnson, Carol Wade or Phyllis Busey for information on the AMBUCS Home Show.

Barstool Golf Outing Fundraiser

Our local Michelob Light beer distributor has asked that our club be the benefactor of a new fund-raising effort.

There will be 9 taverns involved in the event, which will be held on Feb. 23, 2002, from 12:30-6:30 p.m. Each tavern will be responsible for creating a miniature golf hole in the establishment, and then each foursome will play the hole and move on to the another participating bar for the next hole.

We supply 18 volunteers to act as judges at each bar (that's 2 per bar) for the duration of the fund-raiser. Our club will receive \$60 of each \$80 foursome entry fee. They hope to have 50 teams playing.

Orientation

Bill Garrison

The crowd chanted 'Bill, Bill', then he emerged in a cloud of smoke, breathing fire. . . Really that's not the way it happened, but maybe it should have.

"I'm delighted you are all here, I think you'll find AMBUCS Danville's most active and (we think) the best service club in town," said Bill Garrison, our new member orientation co-coordinator. So with all of our new members (four in attendance) off we flew into AMBUCS-land. One item: for those members that could not come to the meeting, it is a very special feeling to actually hear all that the club does (in addition to the playground) throughout the year.

All committee chairs were introduced: Raffle chairman Curt Ellis, Home Show chairwoman Phyllis Busey, First Citizen Award (president Donna Carlton-Vish stood in), Christmas Party Chairs: Cindy Marks (Children's party) and Cathy High/Kathy High (Adult party), Summer Camp chairwoman Janet Myers, Community Involvement Chairwoman Dee Douglas (and she can say a 'mean' prayer, too), Summer Sounds chairwoman Pat Kuchefski, AmTrykes and Ambility chairman Bob Richard, Playground chairmen Bill Fulton (Sr. & Jr.), Welcome Committee Chairman Euan Fernsler and Big Hat Chairman Dean Carlton. These are a few of the areas in which the club has interests—interests that seem to keep growing.

The AMBUCS Oath has a phrase talking about the circle in which we look inward for friendship and outward for community service. Can any more be said?

Oh, Donna pointed out membership criteria. It is very easy: serve on at least one committee per year and pay your dues promptly. This club is completely volunteer, including the folks who do our accounting—so it's very important to stay current in dues.

New members in attendance: Phil Ferguson, Marcea Williams, Betty Carlton and Marcella Kennedy.

Future Program

Dec. 5 Gift Wrapping for Kid's Parties.

Dec. 12 CRIS. Amy Hinkleman.

Dec. 19 Computer Musts "Could-a-should-a-DIDN'T". Richard Woodard.

Board Meeting

Dec. 10, at noon probably at Clifton-Gunderson. If you would like to attend, please let Donna know so lunch can be arranged (everybody pays their own).

President: Donna Carlton-Vish, President-elect: Pat Owens, Vice-President: Phyllis Busey, Secretary: Curt Ellis, Treasurer: Todd Davis, Past President: Jeff Saylor, Board-Year 2: Al Runner, Bill Fulton Jr. and Cathy Reardon, Board-Year 1: Dee Douglas, Carol Wade and Euan Fernsler.

Nomenclature

Induction Ceremony

You are now about to share in the privilege of membership in an AMBUCS club.

We charge that you seek to promote through faithful attendance and hearty cooperation the life, the growth, the service of this club in this community.

Now on behalf of AMBUCS and on behalf of the Danville Chapter, I welcome you into a circle which faces inward for friendship, and outward for real service to your community.

I know you will wear with pride, this pin which is indicative of your acceptance of our mission: Helping people with disabilities achieve independent lifestyles.

Please raise your right hand and repeat after me: I pledge myself to strive in every way to be a loyal and faithful member of the Danville Chapter of AMBUCS and to discharge my responsibilities as a member to the best of my ability.

Membership Corner

Frank Young, 1993, Big Hat in 1995.

Paula Wolfe, 1996.

Denise Webster, 1998..

If you would like more of your information listed in the newsletter or on our web site, let us know: info@danvilleambucs.com.

Meetings - Wednesdays at Noon - Days Inn

Creating Independence for Persons with Disabilities

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