

Pledge: Tom Glickman  
Prayer: Wade Adams

Guests: Boo! None.

#### **Future Programs**

June 23: Melody Ehrlich

June 30: Big Hat Day!

#### **Fall Convention**

The AMBUCS fall convention will be held at the Eagle Creek Resort with the Sullivan club hosting the event. The convention will be held Oct. 8-10, 2004.

#### **Board Meeting**

June 14 at noon at Clifton Gunderson. Feel free to join us, and please park in the lot.

#### **AMBUCS Independence Park**

The playground structure is in at the new AMBUCS Independence Park, located at Lincoln Park. Sidewalks and some ground cover will be installed as soon as the weather cooperates - which we hope is very soon. The playground will be dedicated at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday (June 26). Come on out and join the festivities, since Arts in the Park will be going on too.

#### **Personal Information Changes?**

Please notify Cathy High as soon as possible by phone 477.4302 or email cathy\_high@oldnational.com.

#### **AMBUCS Notes**

AMBUCS also were painting the concession at Lincoln Park on Saturday (June 19) as a part of the annual HALO Painting Blitz. The HALO Project is an extension of Provena USMC Foundation - which donated \$20,000 to the new AMBUCS Independence Park.

The AMBUCS Challenger League's last game will be held on Saturday, June 26. There will be two picnics for the players (@ 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. respectively), in addition to an awards ceremony. Thanks to all who saw this project through, it's really something inspirational to witness. The games will begin at 9 a.m.

There will be a golf tournament held in Decatur and hosted by the AMBUCS club there. It will be held on Aug. 30 and will be a four-person scramble. Call Todd for more info.

Painting for painting the interior of the new AMBUCS mobile demo site trailer.

Melissa Bodensteiner has asked for committee members for the AMBUCS Summer Camp - maybe 10 or so. The camp will be in two sections: July 26-30 for the younger kids, and Aug. 2-6. She would also like some ideas for activities for the camps. More info will be coming soon.



#### **Debbie Lamar Steel Housing**

Debbie Lamar lives in a steel house. Hmmm! OK, that said, let's move on.

Mrs. Lamar is a local insurance agent, and her husband is independent contractor. They bought a piece of land on east Winter Ave., across from the soccer fields. They decided to construct the structure from steel rather than using wood framing.

The house has been under construction for, well, quiet a while (since they are doing all of the work themselves). When asked when they'll complete the work, she simply replies, "We're right on schedule."

They chose steel since it's much stronger than wood, it's more straight and true (important when setting walls, etc.) and allows for more open areas (due to the tensile strength of the steel).

They are on rather uncharted waters, since there aren't many steel framed homes in the area. So, after their research they discovered that the steel framing is on a par with wood cost wise but other costs have been incurred which helped to drive the construction cost upward. Also, she's become something proficient in various construction techniques - including operating a small crane.

We'll keep our eye on the project as their saga continues.

**Meetings - Wednesdays at Noon - Days Inn**

**Creating Independence for Persons with Disabilities**

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