

|| Opening

The Pledge was led by Terry Coyle and the prayer by Dean Carlton

|| Announcements

Challenger League - Chairman Bill Fulton invited members to help at the last two games on June 16th and 23rd. The games are at 9:00 am at Winter Park. The Sons of Silence were at the game on Saturday, and gave rides to some of the kids. The club is connected with Nathan Hughes, one of the Challenger League participants.

HALO Painting Blitz - Bob Richard is looking for a few volunteers to help clean paint brushes after the Painting Blitz on June 16, from 12:30PM - 3PM at the HALO office on Fairchild.

Lose the Training Wheels Camp - Bill Fulton gave an update on the LTTW Camp that starts Monday. Volunteers will be needed to help run along with each of the participants as they learn to ride a bike. Members who aren't interested in physical workout can just come and support the kids. Camp starts at 8:30 am.

Summer Sounds - Jeff Saylor reported more sponsorships are needed for the season. Season sponsorship is \$150 and nightly sponsorship is \$300, which includes 30 drink tickets and a mention at the concert. Ann Mc Williams is in concert this Friday from 6-8 pm. Toni Brazas will be the supplier of Budweiser products, but we will be buying Pepsi this week, since the customers weren't as happy with the new brand of soda. Food this week is from Bud's BBQ and Custard Cup. We need volunteers from 5:30 -7:00 and 7:00-8:30.



|| Donations

Custard Cup donated \$25 for the Sprayground.

Terry Smith donated \$100 for the Sprayground.

Downtown Rotary donated \$200 to sponsor a student in the LTTW camp.

An anonymous donor gave \$150 for Challenger League!

Bill Fulton won \$10 in the 50/50 drawing and donated it to the Sprayground.

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Members and Guests

Guests included BJ Luke, who submitted an application, and Dee Douglas and Wendy Barnes.

Personal Information Changes?

Please contact Sasha Fitzpatrick at 446-2564 or email her at sashapage@yahoo.com.



|| **Guest Speaker**

Our guest speaker was Jeff Romig, who talked about the safety, growth and well-being of the city of Danville. He pointed out that Danville offers many great activities, like athletic programs, Downtown Danville, DLO, Theater, and the Symphony. Yet the city has an increase in crime and drugs, the police are overwhelmed, education is struggling, and we're having a hard time getting new businesses to come to our community. Danville's unemployment rate is 12% higher than similar communities.

He offered suggestions to improve the community. He encouraged citizens to get involved in caring for our city. He said that it's irresponsible for us to think we can elect officials to do all the work for us.

His plans include identifying the issues, such as public housing vouchers, and outside investors buying properties cheap and then not keeping up with maintenance. He says that citizens should form neighborhood associations. He also presented a 12 point housing plan to the mayor, stating that outside investors should be forced to have on-site property managers, so properties would be taken care of.

|| **Special Award**

Bob Richard received a certificate from State Senator Frerichs. He was trying to get to our lunch meeting on June 6th to present it to Bob on his receiving First Citizen Award.

|| **Upcoming Events/Activities**

New Member Orientation will be on June 27th.

New members:

Amy Russian - Vermilion County
Terry Smith - Smith Financial
Lisa Bridgens - WorkSource
Judy Lewis - WorkSource
Patricia Fuller - U.S. Army
Michelle Darling - Korora
BJ Luke - DHS Athletic Dept



Coming up!

Summer Camp

July 30-Aug 4 & Aug 6-11
Note that the camp is starting one week later than normal. Plan on lunch at the Grotto on Wednesday, August 2 and August 8.

National Convention in San Diego

July 11-14
Now is the time to finalize your plans to attend this year's National Conference in beautiful San Diego, California. All regular registrations must be received (or postmarked if sent by mail) by June 15. After June 15, all registrations must be made on site at the Westin San Diego hotel at a cost of \$265.



Challenge Grant: Mission Accomplished!

AMBUCS is pleased to announce that we have successfully reached the amount required to earn our matching Challenge Grant for a second consecutive year! This time, our organization was presented with a goal of increasing our total AmTryke giving to \$475,000. That amount was \$75,000 more than last year's total. By AMBUCS now reaching that lofty mark, the foundation has agreed to match our giving with an additional \$75,000. That will be used to purchase trykes for children on the national wish list. Heartfelt thanks go out to all our members and volunteers who helped make this major accomplishment possible. Truly a job well done!